

# Little Giants roll over Columbian

FINDLAY — Fremont Ross easily defeated Tiffin Columbian 47-35 in a first round game in the Class AAA sectional girls basketball Tournament at Croy Physical Education Center.

The win will pit the Little Giants against Celina at 7 p.m. Friday night in the sectional finals. Celina dumped Lima Senior 42-29 in the first game Tuesday night.

Sue Buehler tossed in 15 points, Roxie Price 11, and Mara Tolhurst 10 in the Little Giants' win. Buehler connected for three buckets and Price, two, as Ross skated to a 12-6 first quarter lead and a 21-12 lead at the half as Tolhurst popped in five points in the second stanza.

The Little Giants survived 31 turnovers in the game with one of their

better shooting nights of the season. Ross hit 47 per cent on 19 of 40 shots.

Ross's zone defense forced Columbian into taking several hurried shots and only 17 of 61 from the field.

Columbian made a run at Ross in the third frame but three more buckets by Buehler helped keep the Little Giants on top by eight, 33-25.

Buehler led Ross with eight rebounds but Ross lost the battle of the boards 28-25.

Linda Reiss led Columbian with 26 points.

#### SCORE BY QUARTERS

Columbian	6	6	13	10-35
Ross	12	9	12	14-47

COLUMBIAN: Reiss 13-0-26, Kimmel 0-0-0, Morris 2-1-5, Stiger 1-0-2, Fraley 1-0-2; totals 17-1-35

ROSS: Tolhurst 3-4-10, Buehler 7-1-15, Sherick 3-1-7, Flickinger 1-2-4, Price 5-1-11; totals 19-9-47

Season record: Ross 9-4.



SARA SHERICK of Ross juggles the ball between her arms trying valiantly to hold on as an unidentified

Tiffin Columbian player closes in. (N-M photo by Bruce Crippen)

# Bellevue's second half blitz buries Malabar

ASHLAND — Bellevue came to life in the second half to win its 13th straight girls basketball game of the season 55-26 over Malabar in the first round of the Ashland Class AAA girls sectional tournament.

The Redmen led only 14-12 after the first 16 minutes of play but with 10 of 15 shooting in the third period, Bellevue pulled away from Malabar.

"I'll take a 41-point second half anytime," Bellevue Coach Carol Allan chuckled. "I think we had some tournament jitters in the first half. We played good defense but offensively, we were standing around."

The Redmen, with Sharon Bollenbacher and Pat Schoen scoring nine points apiece, came to life with an inside game in the third period. "We had our post girls cutting down inside," Allan

said, "and our outside people hit them with some good passes."

The Redmen outscored Malabar 24-8 in the third frame and 17-6 in the final eight minutes.

Bollenbacher led Bellevue's balanced attack with 17 points. Schoen and Linda Gower had 10 apiece and Halle Queen dropped in 11. Jane Botkin led Malabar with 16.

Bellevue will take on Ashland Friday night at 8:30 p.m. in the sectional finals at Galion High School.

#### SCORE BY QUARTERS

Malabar	6	6	8	6-26
Bellevue	7	7	24	17-55

#### SCORING

MALABAR: Botkin 5-6-16, Miller 1-0-2, VanMeter 0-2-2, Knight 3-0-6; totals 9-8-26

BELLEVUE: Andrews 1-0-3, Gower 5-0-10, Queen 3-5-11, Bollenbacher 8-1-17, Schoen 4-2-10, Windsor 1-0-2, Haynes 0-1-1, Coe 0-1-1; totals 22-11-55

Season records: Bellevue 13-0

BELLEVUE: Andrews 1-1-3, Gower 5-0-10, etc.

# Baseball tries again

NEW YORK (AP) — Representatives of major league baseball's players and club owners, apparently further apart

Court ruled unanimously against the owners and affirmed the decision of arbitrator Peter Seitz, who granted free-