

Bowling Green Rally Erases 7-Point Last Half Giant Lead

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ROSSFORD—Basketball season ended for Fremont Ross here last night, Bowling Green's Bobcats coming on strong in the second half to oust the Little Giants 46-40 in the upper bracket final of the Class AA Rossford Sectional tournament.

Crowd was slim, a tourney official listing 600 fans in attendance. Tonight at Rossford, 8 p. m., Eastwood, 16-4, meets Perrysburg, 16-2, in the lower bracket with the winner joining Bowling Green in next week's Sandusky Class AA District tourney. BG was awarded a Sectional championship trophy after the game last night by E. E. Andrews, tourney director. Winner tonight also will receive a trophy.

Ross blew a seven-point lead in the third quarter and trailed by from one to eight points the rest of the way.

Leading 21-14 early in the third period, Ross tried to play control ball but it backfired. The Bobcats, "cold" on field attempts through the first half, mainly on long distance shots, thwarted the Fremont "slow-down" with thefts. The thefts plus a full court press employed by BG in the third and fourth periods upset Coach Leroy (Cot) Marquette's Little Giants. BG Coach Chuck Mayers had his team trying for closer shots in the second half, as the result of pressing and running tactics, and they paid off with a Sectional triumph.

Leading culprit for the Bobcats was 6-1 Forward Larry Stebleton, a rugged, 195-pounder, who scored 14 points in the contest, 13 in the last half. BG was hamstrung on offensive rebounding in the first two periods as Ross high's Reuben Lozano, Denny Stine, Mike McCarthy and Steve Cecil swept the defensive board. It was a different story in the second half, Stebleton netting two of his four fielders on rebounds after a mate missed a shot and Burly Chapman, 6-3 BG forward, tipping in another miss by a mate. Stebleton and Chapman also were accurate with corner push shots in the third and fourth chapters. Chapman was second high for BG with 11 points.

Leaders of Press

Bobcat gurads, 5-9 Bob Charlton, 5-11 Bob Chism and 5-10 Danny Cooke were the "theft" perpetrators in the second half and leaders of BG's effective all-court press. Charlton went in for two easy baskets and Cooke one at the end of the Bobcat fast breaks.

Harry Walter, 5-11 junior guard, paced the Ross attack with 13 points, sinking seven of eight free throw chances. Stine, 5-11 sophomore forward, added 10 points on five baskets and Roger Mann, 5-8 junior, nine points on three fielders and three of four free toss attempts.

Ross led 9-7 at the quarter and 15-9 with 6:05 remaining in the second period, working the ball for good shots and connecting with deadly accuracy. Of the Giants' first 11 field attempts, six found the mark. Ross also made three of four foul shots in the interval.

BG was off on its shots in the first half, sinking only four of 30 attempts, two by Chapman. Ross broke a 9-9 deadlock in the opening seconds of the second stanza as Stine found the range with a push shot and jump rebound and Mann on a driving layup. The Little Giants seemed on their way to a commanding lead employing a driving game, bottling up BG with a pressing defense and controlling the offensive board. Then the initial slowdown.

Miss Seven Straight

Ross went into its initial control phase during the remaining six minutes of the second quarter and failed to make a point, missing seven field tries. BG scored only three points in the time period but reduced the Ross halftime lead to two points, 15-13.

Fremont spurred to a 21-14 margin midway through the third chapter as Mann parted the nets with a short jump and long push shot and Cecil, 6-0 junior meshed two of two foul shots. Ross then tried to work the ball in a ball control effort but BG's "dogging" tactics and steals negated the offensive maneuver. Charlton's tip in, a fast break fielder by Charlton, two free throws by Chism and a push shot by Charlton pushed the Bobcats into the lead, 22-21, with slightly more than two minutes remaining in the third. Ross finally broke its scoring drought as Cecil tied the game with a free throw. Chism's charity flip put BG a point ahead and the Bobcats spurred to a four-point margin on a three-point play by Stebleton on a successful rebound on which he was fouled, the rugged

forward sinking the foul shot.

BG ended the third quarter with a 30-25 lead (official scorer had it 29-25 after three quarters but a check after the game added one more point to the Bobcat total).

Narrow Lead

Ross came within a point of the lead with 6:11 remaining in the fourth period when Walter made two of two free throws. That sliced BG's lead to 32-31. But Stebleton meshed a jump shot, Cooke made a layup after a teammate stole the ball and "fed" him and Charlton also sank a "bunny" on a fast break attack. BG's ballhawking had a telling effect in the fourth period and kept Ross out of reach.

SHOOTING PERCENTAGES — Ross took only 35 shots in the game, 17 in the second half, made 12 goals for 34.3 per cent. BG, after hitting on only 4 of 30 shots in the first half, bounced back to sink 12 of 28 in the second half. In all, the Bobcats made 16 of 58 field tries for 27.6 per cent.

Ross bows out of the cage season with a 5-14 record. BG continues to Sandusky with an 11-8 mark.

Fremont (40)	FG	FTA	FM	PF	TP
Lozano, f	1	0	0	4	2
Stine, f	5	1	0	3	10
McCarthy, c	0	0	0	3	0
Walter, g	3	8	7	4	13
Mann, g	3	4	3	5	9
Pankratz	0	1	0	1	0
Cecil	0	9	6	1	5
Ohms	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	12	23	16	21	40

Bowling Gr. (46)	FG	FTA	FM	PF	TP
Chapman, f	5	3	1	2	11
Stableton, f	4	12	6	4	14
June, c	0	6	2	1	2
Charlton, g	4	2	1	2	9
Cooke, g	1	3	1	4	3
Chism	2	5	3	2	7
Clark	0	0	0	0	0
Swigart	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	16	31	14	16	46

Score at end of each period:

Fremont Ross 9 15 25-40

Bowling Green 7 13 30-46

Officials: Don Mewhort and Tom Williams.

Nagy, Welu Best In ABC Over Long Period

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Two members of the famed St. Louis Falstaffs have established themselves as the top American Bowling Congress tournament performers over the long haul.

Steve Nagy was proclaimed the ABC 10-year average leader Friday and teammate Bill Welu was named the top averager over the last 5 years.

Nagy mustered an 1804 all-events skein as his team competed Friday in the minor events of the tournament. This gave Nagy a mean of 207-8 for the past decade, an all-time record for 10 years of ABC competition.

Welu went to the head of the 5-year category with a 212-41 average — another record. Al Faragalli of Patterson, N. J., had 209-16 last year for the previous high mark.

Welu's 1878 nine-game total did not figure in the top ten standings of the all-events, but his final block of 686 earned him fourth place in the singles.

The only major development in

