

O'Donnell pleased with team's effort

"I was pleased with the boys performance against the Warriors," said Dallas basketball coach Joe O'Donnell, commenting on the Mounts 76-55 defeat by Wyoming Area.

"It was a learning ex-

perience for them and I played everybody to give them some experience. It was a better game than the score indicated. At one time we came within four points of them."

O'Donnell pointed out

that the Warriors have most of last year's team back and play experienced ball.

The Dallas coach said he believed his men are capable of great defense, some of the best Dallas has had in some time. He plans

to have his team play controlled basketball, not the rushing and running game of the past two seasons.

"It will take time to get it down but pre-season games are a learning experience. We're out to win the conference not pre-season games," said O'Donnell.

The Mountaineers played the Warriors last Friday at the Warriors court with Jerry Fedorsha setting the pace for the Warriors with 22 points. Team mates Tony Cassarella and Joe Vullo dumped in 16 each to hit the double figure column.

The Mounts jumped out to an early 2-0 lead but the Warriors overcame it in the early minutes of the first quarter and held the lead for the rest of the game. The score was 38-26 at half-time.

The Mountaineers were slow on rebounds and with the exception of Steve Skammer and Sterling Machell had trouble finding the hoop. Skammer hit 15 points for the Mountaineers and Machell put in five from the court and one from the foul line to hit the double figures with 11 points.

Dallas made 11 of 16 foul attempts and the Warriors hit eight of 19.

Tunkhannock defeats Lake-Lehman 72-61

The Tunkhannock Tigers jumped out to an early lead in the first quarter of the game with Lake-Lehman at the Knights court last Friday night and won 72-61.

At one time during the first period, the Tigers led by a 14 point margin before the Knights dropped one

through the hoop.

The Tigers played a fast, rushing game, stealing the ball easily in the opening half before the Knights loosened up. Then Lake-Lehman railed to cut down Tunkhannock's scoring in the second half.

The Knights outscored

the Tigers 36-39 in the second half but the game ran out before they could forge ahead.

Norman McCaffrey, hampered by a broken finger, managed to play a stellar game for the Knights dumping in 15 points. Dave Rushin paced the Lake-Lehman team with 16 points, five goals from the court and six from the charity stripe. Bert Balliet hit the double figures column with 10 points.

Colangelo scored 22 points for the Tigers, Button totaled 13 and King 12.

Coach Tim Lukachik's cagers looked good during the second half and with a few more pre-season games behind them could spell trouble for some of the title hopefuls.

Knights defeat Benton

The Black Knights of Lake-Lehman bounded back from their defeat by the Tunkhannock Tigers to defeat Benton, 58-41, Tuesday night, at Benton.

Dave Rushin hit the double figures column for the Knights with 14 points with some fine shooting under the basket. Bob Myers and Kevin Coombs helped add up the some fine shooting under the basket. Bob Myers and Kevin Coombs helped add

up the points with eight each. Bert Balliet and Jim Spencer had six points each.

Kelsey was high scorer for Benton with 11 points.

The Knights made 14 of 25 fouls tried while Benton hit 13 out of 21.

Coach Tim Lukachik said he looked for a much-improved performance from his Knights as members of the football team get in more practice.

Sports schedule

DALLAS SPORTS SCHEDULE

Dec. 10-Boys basketball, Meyers at Dallas, JV's 6:30 p.m., varsity 8 p.m.

Dec. 10-Girls basketball, Meyers, away, 4 p.m.

Dec. 11-Wrestling, Dallas at Pittston Area, JV's 6:30 p.m., varsity 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 14-Boys basketball, Nanticoke at Dallas, JV's 6:30 p.m., varsity 8 p.m.

Dec. 13-Girls basketball, Mid Valley at home, 4 p.m.

Dec. 15-Wrestling, West Side Tech at Dallas, JV's 6:30 p.m., varsity 7:30 p.m.

LAKE-LEHMAN SPORTS SCHEDULES

Dec. 9-Boys basketball, JV's 6:30 p.m., varsity 8 p.m.

Dec. 11-Wrestling, Valley View at Lake-Lehman, JV's 6:30 p.m., varsity 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 14-Boys basketball, Lake-Lehman at Bishop Hoban, JV's 6:30 p.m., varsity 8 p.m.

Dec. 15-Wrestling, Lake-Lehman at Abington Heights, JV's 6:30 p.m., varsity 7:30 p.m.



MISSED IT--The Knights had a difficult time hitting the basket in the first quarter last Friday in their game with

Tunkhannock, as seen above as Knight tries for two pointer but he missed it. The Knights were defeated 72-61. Photo by Charlot M. Denmon

Alumni defeat Dallas cagers 56-44

Dallas alumni defeated the Dallas Mountaineers 56-44 Tuesday night at the Dallas High School.

The alumni jumped out to an early lead and kept it throughout the game. The Mounts drew to within two points numerous times throughout the game and at one point tied but were unable to forge ahead.

Sterling Machell was

high scorer for the Mounts with 14 points and Dave Williams hit the double column with 12.

P.J. Delaney led the alumni men with 15 points and Czela had 13 points to come in second.

The Mountaineers made 12 out of 21 fouls. The alumni team made 10 out of 17.

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