

The Sports Post

Mounts win two; pull league record to 3-5

Dallas wrestlers downed Pittston Patriots 34-19, Saturday night, and trounced West Side Tech 62-3 last Wednesday night to run their record to 3-5 in league competition.

In Saturday's meet the Mountaineers used four decisions, two pins, a draw and a forfeit to down their opponents.

The Patriots took the first bout on 98-lb. Dave Herbert's pin over Chris Evans in :23 seconds.

Dallas put three points on the board when 105-lb. John Burke took Brian Tracy 7-4.

Pittston moved in front 9-3 on 112-lb. Pat Tracy's 9-3 decision over Dave Hislop then went to 14-3 on Rich Lizak's superior 15-1 decision over Ken Matchett.

Mount Mike Borton put the score at 14-9 by clamping 126-lb. Mike Davis in 3:54. 132-lb. Kevin Feeney made it 14-12 by besting Gene Anderson 7-4. 138 lb. Jim Patts edged Bob DeLeo 4-2 to put the Mounts in front 15-14.

145-lb. Bill Shamnoski gave the lead back to the Patriots by defeating

Craig Rome 6-2.

With the score 17-15, 155-lb. Andy Prynny gave the Mounts five points on a superior 18-5 bout over Jerry Lombardo to give the Mounts a 20-17 lead. 167-lb. Bill Griffin added six points by a forfeit to put the Mounts in front 26-17.

The team score went to 28-19 on 185-lb. Joe Walsh's 4-4 draw with Dave Griglock.

Dallas took the last bout on Hwt. Greg Dukinas' fall over Carl Shereris in 1:34.

The Dallas grapplers showed no mercy on the West Side Titans as they trounced them 62-3.

The Mounts lost only one bout at 138 as Scott Williams defeated Jim Patts 6-1.

Winning for the Mountaineers were 98-lb. Chris Evans by forfeit, 105-lb. John Burke by a pin in 1:26, 112-lb. Dave Hislop a pin in 2:59, 119-lb. Ken Matchett by forfeit, 126-lb. Mike Borton a pin in 4:21, 132-lb. Kevin Feeney a pin in 2:31, 145-lb. Craig Rome by forfeit,

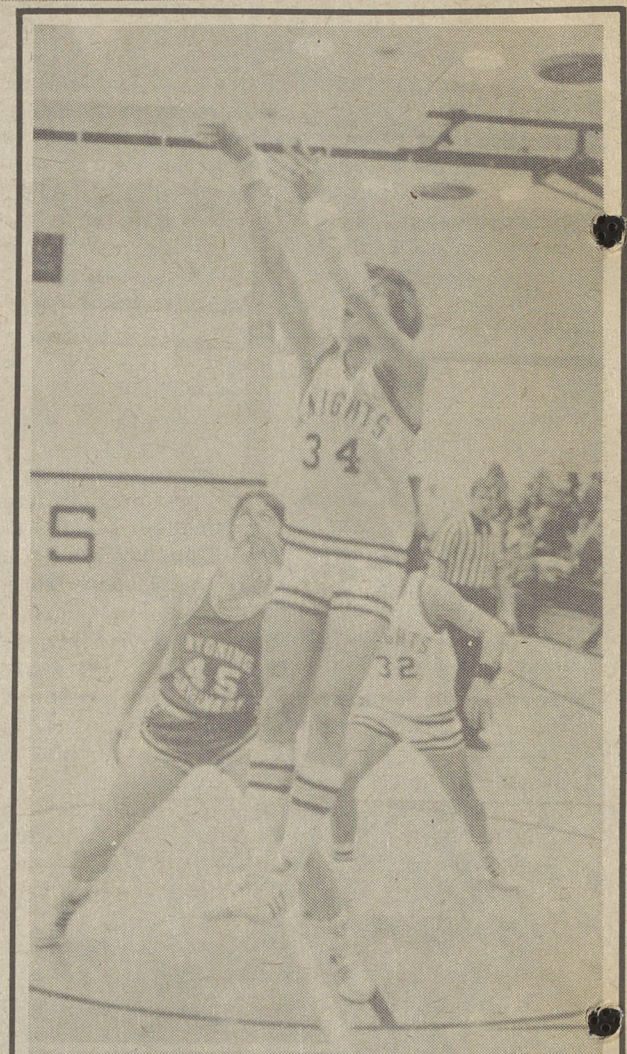
155-lb. Andy Prynny by a major 14-3 decision, 167-lb. Bill Griffin a pin, 185-lb. Joe Walsh, major 15-4 decision and Hwt. Greg Dukinas a pin in :34 seconds.

In an exhibition meet held Thursday night, Dallas rolled over Valley View 43-18. Pins were recorded by 105-lb. John Burke over Clarke in :29 and Hwt. Greg Dukinas over Santarelli in 2:31.

112-lb. Dave Hislop won by forfeit and 167-lb. Bill Griffin picked up six points by forfeit. 119-lb.

Ken Matchett took a 3-2 decision from Begin, 126-lb. Mike Borton won on a superior 15-1 decision over Hughes, 132-lb. Kevin Feeney took a 6-5 decision from Wilson, 145-lb. Craig Rome won a superior 18-3 bout from Jackson and 185-lb. Joe Walsh defeated Pazzali 5-2.

Valley View's 98-lb. Crahl flattened Chris Evans in 3:30, 138-lb. Reider clamped Jim Patts in 3:47 and 155-lb. Grahm overturned Andy Prynny in 2:58.



LONG SHOT—Lake-Lehman cager Paul Jones (34) goes up in the air to make a long shot through the nets in the Knights game with Wyoming Seminary last week. His fellow team member Scott Drugotch (32) gets set to go in for the rebound. The Blue Knights of Seminary downed the local cagers 57-32, coming on strong in the second half.

Officials agree: Split division time is due

With the exception of a few, most school officials recognize that the days of Class AA and Class A schools competing with Class AAA schools for the Wyoming Valley Football Conference title are short-lived.

Split divisions, separate AA and AAA Divisions are around the corner as the local conference officials better make a major move or be trod upon by those who want their league in order.

WVC president James Nicholas stated that he is willing to try with Scranton or with other schools to give the local conference equitable competition.

"We could have a two division conference with at least nine teams in each division. This would mean eight games in each division with equitable competition among the teams and two outside games of the school's choice. In the AAA

Division this would give them a competitive edge in the Eastern Conference playoff.

"Travel would not be such a major factor. it would mean an away game to these schools once every two years. Some schools travel farther than that now for exhibition games or scrimmages. We have to stop running into a competitive stonewall.

"We need to have some reality therapy with less

listening to the big schools who like the idea of predetermined wins before the season opens. Let us accept these schools who want to join us and divide into division-AAA and AA. Class AAA could include Coughlin, Pittston, Wyoming Valley West, Wyoming Area, Williamsport, Tunkhannock, Berwick, Hazleton, and Nanticoke; Class AA could be comprised of Dallas, Lake-Lehman, Crestwood,

Northwest, GAR, Meyers, Hanover, Bishop Hafey, Bishop Hoban, possibly Bishop O'Reilly.

"I plan to continue with this until we come to some agreement."

Dallas Senior High School Principal Edgar Hughes, a member of the committee to resolve this matter, said the Dallas District is in favor of the split division.

"The committee will meet in the very near future and come up with a

proposal to settle the problem. We should have a good Class AAA and an equally good Class AA Division--the large schools would become more competitive among other schools their size; small schools would have more chance to become competitive among schools with enrollments comparable to theirs.

"There is no justice in 70-75 member teams playing 35-40 member teams. The time to end that is now."

Five pins carry Knights to seventh victory

Coach Shorty Hitchcock's Lake-Lehman Knights continued undefeated as they romped over Hanover 40-13 Saturday.

The Knight wrestlers used five pins in picking

up their seventh consecutive win combined with two draws, a decision and a forfeit.

Winning for Lake-Lehman were 98-lb. Jeff Austin pinning Tony Marlo in 2:00, 105-lb.

Mark Yaple clamping Scott Mangan in :21, 119-lb. Rusty Coolbaugh flattening Tom Bleich in :98, 138-lb. Wayne Rosencrans, pinning Matt Politz in 5:28, 145-lb. Quentin Walczak decisioning Steve Kaminski 6-5, 185-lb. Chuck Garnett flattening Stan Kimball in :51 and Hwt. Frank Kutz by a forfeit. Posting draws were 126-lb. Norman Clancy with Carmine

Agullo 2-2 and 167-lb. Chris Janusz with Jeff Politz 3-3.

Winning for Hanover were 112-lb. Tom Clark pinning Al McDonald in 3:02, 132-lb. Frank Goldowski taking Chris Wargo in a close 5-4 bout, and 155-lb. Gary Lee nipping Tracy Slocum in a tight 1-0 bout.

On last Wednesday night, the Knights downed Nanticoke 45-11 using two pins, two major decisions

and a superior decision.

Winning for the Knights were 98-lb. Jeff Austin with a 10-6 decision over John Dillon, 105-lb. Mark Yaple clamping Bob Ashford in 3:02, 119-lb. Rusty Coolbaugh, a superior 16-2 win over Tom Sadowski, 132-lb. Chris Wargo edging Mike Bodock 3-2, 138-lb. Wayne Rosencrans flattening Mark Ben-scotter in 2:59, 145-lb. Quentin Walczak a major 11-2 bout over Don Young,

155-lb. Tracy Slocum a major 10-2 decision over Mike Muscavage, 167-lb. Chris Janusz and 185-lb. Chuck Garnett by forfeits. 112-lb. Alan McDonald wrestled to a 4-4 draw with Jeff Holup.

Nanticoke's points were made by 126-lb. Scott Stasko's 8-7 decision over Norman Clancy and Hwt. Mitch Breita's win by forfeit in addition to the two points on Holup's draw.

Knights fall by 6, Mounts take win

The young Knights of Lake-Lehman closed out the first half in Division AA of the Wyoming Valley League with a 1-7 record, losing their final games to Dallas, 60-54, Thursday night, and dropping Tuesday's contest, 57-32, to Wyoming Seminary.

In an evenly played game all the way until the closing quarter, the Knights lost by six points to their neighboring rival, the Mountaineers. Bob Garinger paced the Knights with 14 points, putting the ball through the nets from the field four times and going six-for-eight from the foul line.

The Knights kept within two points of Seminary during the first period in Tuesday night's game but

a second quarter rally by the Blue Knights of Wyoming Seminary put them in the lead 28-17 going into the locker room at half time.

Seminary's Chris Barret sparked the Blue Knights in their second period rally by tossing in six of his 16 game points.

Billy Bearde led the Knights with nine points, connecting for four from the field and dumping in one-for-one from the free line. Paul Jones put three through the nets from the playing field and went one-for-two from the foul line.

The Black Knights are playing without several of their starters due to their sitting out with injuries but look for a better second half.

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Lady Knights fall to Seton Catholic

The Lady Knights picked up a win over Wyoming Seminary 45-34, Tuesday at Wyoming Seminary but lost their only game of the first half to Seton Catholic, 52-42, on Monday afternoon.

Rhonda Hudzik and Rebecca Clifford led the Knights in scoring in the Seminary game. Hudzik tossed eight through the nets from the playing floor and Clifford put six

through the nets from the field and went two-for-two from the free line.

The Knights went in front 10-9 at the end of the first quarter and forged ahead 22-18 at half time. In the second half, they outscored their opponents 16-12 and 7-4 to take their 45-34 win and stay on the heels of Seton Catholic.

Kim Fey was frustrated at the end of the Knights game with Seton Catholic

on Monday. Despite the Knights getting the breaks, they did not take advantage of them and rushed the ball instead of taking their time.

Lake-Lehman forced Seton Catholic into 20 turnovers, 10 in each half, but committed only nine.

The Lady Knights played the Eaglettes even most of the game but were unable to make key plays. They held Mary Ann

Mozal scoreless in the first quarter and kept her down to only field goals in the second quarter but let up in the second half allowing her to score 18 of her 22 points. Mozal scored all of the Eaglettes 10 points in the third quarter. She also made 16 rebounds for her team.

Clifford paced the Lady Knights with 16 points. Fey and Solinski added 10 points each.

Walsh leads Dallas to win over Meyers

Dallas girls led by eight points going into the final period but doubled that lead in the first three minutes to go in front 63-48 to defeat Meyers 63-48.

The Lady Mountaineers were leading 42-34 going into the final frame and pulled in front with Cheryl Gavigan tossing in her own rebound, Kathy Walsh hitting from the outside, then Theresa Baseski forcing a Meyers turnover and stealing the ball to score and give Dallas a 48-34 lead.

Judy Krispin gave the Lady Mounts a 50-34 lead when she hit a short jumper.

Dallas forced the Lady

Mohawks into foul during the final minutes of the game and converted 12 of 17 fouls to ice the win.

Turnovers proved to be the young Meyers team's downfall.

Kathy Walsh led Dallas with 22 points, putting seven goals through the nets from the field and making eight-for-nine from the charity stripe. Gavigan ended with 14 points, six through the ball to score and give Dallas a 48-34 lead.

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Lehman girls surprise Martini

Dallas and Lake-Lehman girls played to a 51-draw game last Thursday on the Lady Knights court.

Coach Joe Martin was certain his Lady Knights couldn't pull out a win with only seconds remaining but Kim Fey converted a reverse layup to bring her team within one point of the Lady Mounts and Jill Solinski

sent the game into overtime with only six seconds remaining.

Fey fouled out but Hudzik and Solinski took over the game and Hudzik put in five-for-six from the foul line and tossed one through the net for two points to give the Lady Knights seven of their nine point win. The Lady Knights went into a stall

to stop the Dallas girls from scoring and forcing them to foul sending Hudzik to the free stripe. Gail Austin and Sandra Dicton controlled the boards for the Knights.

It was Kathy Walsh who did the high scoring for the Dallas girls, throwing seven through the nets from the playing field and dumping in six-for-six from the foul line. Walsh

put in 10 of her points in the final period. Cheryl Gavigan hit 14 points and Judy Krispin put in 10. Krispin also did a great job off the boards.

The win gave the Lady Knights a 7-1 record for second place in Division AA while the Lady Mounts dropped to 5-3 tied with GAR, Meyers and Seminary.

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