

Kansas No Cinch In Big Seven

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Their holiday tournament capers just about over, the nation's college basketball teams now can turn their full attention to the conference races that, for the most part, determine the "play-for-keeps" tourney lineups in March.

The backlash of a frantic four or five weeks of Christmas week activity that saw a nationwide assortment of more than 50 tournaments come and go was a distinct impression that nothing is so certain in the college game as its uncertainty.

A few favorites won in the major competitions but there were just enough upsets to promise the best set of conference races in several years.

And the best of them all could turn out to be in the leagues where the two current national stickouts, Kansas and North Carolina, perform.

The top-ranked Kansas Jayhawks, for all of Will The Still Chamberlain's capabilities and the team's victory in last week's warm-up tournament, have plenty to fear in the Big Seven Conference.

Here's the way some of the other major conferences look:

Southern—West Virginia looked to be head and shoulders above the rest until the Mounties were spilled in all three of their Dixie Classic appearances. Furman, 3-0 with West Virginia in early conference play, and Washington & Lee, 3-1, are possibilities.

Missouri Valley—Illaholoma A&M and St. Louis, the perennial, are again formidable but Wichita and Bradley have won some important inter-sectional games and Detroit has to be watched after its surprise victory over North-western in the Motor City Classic final Saturday.

Ivy—Columbia, with Chet Forte one of basketball's best little men, is the favorite. Harvard and Dartmouth have the best early record.

Pacific Coast—Oregon State in the North and UCLA in the South, but another league where the sky-line seems the odds.

Big Ten—Where a 10-point favorite regularly has trouble winning on the road, Illinois and Purdue lead. Others in the tourney are Mervyn Rose and Dan Candy, Roger Becker and Sid Schwartz.

Big Seven—The finals of the Orange Bowl Junior net tourney come up today with Carlos Fernandez of Brazil taking on Norman Perry of Los Angeles.

RACING — The 81st running of the \$100,000 Freehacks has been set for May 11—two weeks after the Kentucky Derby.

ADD BASKETBALL — On the Richmond Invitational All-Tournament team are: Chet Forte, Columbia; Don Flora, Washington & Lee; Bob Mantz, Lafayette; Stu Murray, Lafayette; and Ron Rainey, Penn State.



TRADITIONAL TAILOR JOB . . . Lennie Rosenbloom cuts the nets after UNC's Dixie Classic win.

McKinney Thinks:

'Rosie's Too Weak For Pros'

By RONALD GREEN
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RALEIGH — Dixie Classic Notebook:

NOBODY HAS more respect for North Carolina's All-American Lennie Rosenbloom than does Wake Forest Assistant Bones McKinney but the ex-pro doesn't think Rosie could make it playing for pay.

"He's a great outside shot," said McKinney, "but he's too weak physically (Rosenbloom is 15 pounds underweight).

"The pros would put a man on him to stop him outside. If he tried to drive, they'd kill him, he's so frail."

BONES SAYS Rosenbloom is not the greatest he has ever seen in this area but ranks him with George Glanack, Hooks Dillon, Dick Gort and Lefty Davis as one of the best.

McKinney thinks West Virginia's ex-thrower Bud Hundley (the hot portion of the name was temporarily dropped after Hundley's mediocre Dixie Classic performance) is a "great prospect" as an outside man.

"He'd have to make a few changes, though," thinks Bones.

THERE WERE A total of 71,200 fans at the six sessions of the Classic, breaking the old attendance record of 58,000, set last year.

Every night session was a sell-out and the afternoon shows, with the exception of Saturday's matinee, drew well.

How did Wake Forest plan to beat Carolina in the title game Saturday night?

The Deacons plotted to slow the game down, take only good shots and hit them and make the Tar Heels shoot from outside.

Wake's defense concentrated on four men and let Guard Bob

Cunningham roam freely. Cunningham, shooting from well out, hit 13 points.

"We had to let one man go," admitted the Deacs, "and we knew if he hit, we were dead. We had to take the chance."

CAROLINA Coach Frank McGuire figured Wake Forest would assign Wendell Carr to guard Rosenbloom but the Deacs selected Ernie Wiggin.

Wiggins did a terrific job in holding Rosie to three field goals. Why did Wake pick Ernie?

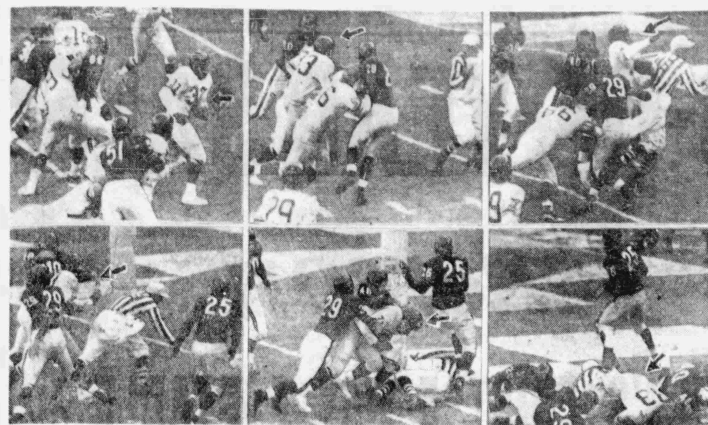
"Ah," smiled McKinney, "we

put The Demon on Rosenbloom. Wiggins is like a leech."

BIGGEST disappointments of the tourney were West Virginia and Hundley.

The Mountaineers came in undefeated through eight games and left with three consecutive losses. Hundley did practically no clanking and showed little of his scoring ability. He got only seven points in a 79-78 loss to Iowa Saturday, failing to score in the second half.

Coach Fred Schaus blamed Rosie's failure on "personal problems that are bothering him."



'OUTA' MY WAY, I'M COMING THROUGH
New York Giant Fullback Mel Triplett (33) picks up a block (top center) and then charges past a host of Chicago Bears and over Umpire Sam Wilson for 17 yards and the first touchdown of the NFL championship game.

Pro Playoff Turns Into Rout

WEATHER FRIGID; GIANTS HOT

By JACK HANB

NEW YORK UP—The New York Giants were red hot and the Chicago Bears were ice cold in the 1956 National Football League championship playoff in a nutshell.

The Giants skipped over the frozen turf of Yankee Stadium in their white basketball shoes yesterday on the way to a shocking 47-7 victory over the Bears who went into the game three-point favorites.

Striking for a touchdown and field goal in the first five minutes, the Giants amassed a 34-7 half-time lead. The Bears, who had rallied to tie the Giants 17-17 in a regular season game, Nov. 25, never were able to get back into the ball game.

"They were up. We were down," said Paddy Driscoll, completing his first season as head coach of the Bears. "There's nothing you can say about a defeat like this. We just didn't have it."

Saturday's snow and the frigid temperature that swung from 19 to 22 degrees kept the crowd below the expected 65,000. Despite the cold and the strong wind, the partisan crowd enjoyed the rout of the mighty Bears.

The Giants, starved for a title since 1955, had little mercy after their 18 years of bitter frustration. Although Giant Coach Jim Howell did send his reserves into action in the final period, they never slacked their relentless attack.

The basketball shoes gave the Giants solid footing on the hard field and they broke away fast. The Bears wore similar shoes but they had rubber cleats.

"We had just as suitable shoes as they," said Coach Driscoll, who gained 71 yards in 13 carries, smashed through the middle for 17

yards and the first touchdown growing over umpire Sam Wilson. End Andy Robustelli's recovery of Rick Casares' fumble set up Ben Agajanian's first field goal, a 17-yard kick. That made it 10-0 at 4:59 of the first period.

Agajanian booted a 43-yard field goal later in the first period after Jim Patton intercepted an Ed Brown pass. Alex Webster scored twice in the second period on short runs, the second coming shortly after a 49-yard pass play from quarterback Charlie Conerly.

The Bears had picked up their lone touchdown in the second when Casares went nine through the middle but Webster's second score and Henry Moore's end zone recovery after Ray Beck blocked Brown's punt made it 34-7 at the half.

Cozely threw nine yards to Kyle Itole for a third period score and hit Gifford on a 12-yard play in the final period. Agajanian added five placements but missed one, his first as a Giant.

HOKEY—The Boston Bruins were back atop the National Hockey League today after defeating the Detroit Red Wings 4-2 to take a one-point lead over the Red Wings. The Chicago Maple Leafs 2-0 . . . The Toronto Black Hawks shut out the Provisionals 4-0 . . . The American Hockey League today after extending a winning streak to nine by topping the

BOXING — Bookmakers have established Gene Fullmer as a 9-5 choice to dethrone "Sugar" Ray Robinson when the two clash for the Middleweight crown Wednesday night . . . Undeclared Carlos Ortiz guns for his 19th straight win tonight when he takes on Gale Kerwin. Idelfonso Martinez, highly touted featherweight from the Panama Canal zone, makes his U.S. and TV debut Friday night versus classy Ike Chestnut of New York.

BASKETBALL — Mississippi State College Athletic Director C. R. Noble withdrew State's basketball team from an invitational tournament at Evansville, Ind., over the weekend because of Negro players on the opposing team. Boston's Bill Sharman came through with 28 points as the Celtics defeated Syracuse in NBA play, 105-92. Bob Pettit scored 41 as the St. Louis Hawks beat Minneapolis 100-83.

. . . The Cells will be bolstered even more this week by the return of former Kentucky star Frank Ramsey from the Army. Bill Russell got 22 rebounds, 20 points for the Celtics.

GOLF — SAM SNEAD won the Boca Raton, Fla., Open golf tournament here yesterday by shooting a 10-under-par 200 over the 54 holes. Lee Worsham was second by four strokes. . . The 75th National Amateur start-up championship doesn't start until next Sept. 9 but already \$22,000 worth of gift certificates to be exchanged for tickets has been sold. Golfers come out camping at five different Callings.

TOURNAMENTS
DIXIE CLASSIC
North Carolina 61, Wake Forest 55 (championship).
Va. C. State 67, Duke 58 (for third).
Va. C. State 79 (for fifth).
Louis 79, West Virginia 78 (for seventh).

HOLIDAY FESTIVAL
Manhattan 85, Notre Dame 79 (championship).
Brigham Young 81, Ohio State 78 (for third).

CONSOLATIONS
Niagara 90, Villanova 76.
St. John's (Orla) 75, Fordham 72.
SOFTBALL
Connecticut 61, PH 49 (championship).
Western Kentucky 76, Stanford 66 (for third).
Lafayette 101, Valparaiso 71 (for fifth).
Siena Hall 82, Miami (Fla.) 80 (for seventh).

MOTOR CITY CLASSIC
Detroit 81, Northwestern 81 (championship).
Worcester 77, Boston U. 69 (for third).
RICHMOND (V.A.) INVITATIONAL
Lafayette 61, Penn State 59 (championship).
Washington & Lee 76, Pennsylvania 68 (for third).
Columbia 81, Richmond 71 (for fifth).
William & Mary 72, Davidson 62 (for seventh).

SOUTHWEST
Southern Methodist 61, Arkansas 60 (championship).
Rice 66, Texas A&M 44 (for third).
Texas 59, Texas Christian 54 (for fifth).
Tulane 76, Navy 67 (for seventh).

BIG SEVEN
Kansas 66, Colorado 54 (championship).
Michigan State 76, Oklahoma 74 (for overtime, for third).
Iowa State 80, Nebraska 69 (for fifth).
Kansas State 79, Missouri 75 (overtime, for seventh).

ALLEGIANCE
Kentucky Wesleyan 105, Iowa (NY) 71.
Ohio State 75, Miami (Fla.) 67 (seventh).
QUEEN CITY
Candler 41, Minnesota 25 (championship).
LOUISIANA INVITATIONAL
New Orleans 100, Louisiana State 100 (championship).
Northwestern La 103, Louisiana State 103 (for third).
Farmar 80, La Tech 77 (for fifth).
Hank Williams 74, Va Military 45 (for seventh).
FAE WESTERN CONFERENCE
Nebraska 70, Williams 59 (championship).
Whitaker 63, Sacramento State 49 (for third).
San Francisco State 71, Chico 69 (for fifth).
Humboldt 71, Cal Aggie 71 (for seventh).

OTHER GAMES
Idaho 88, Colorado A&M 76.
Drake 74, Loyola of Chicago 71.
New Mexico 86, West Texas State 78.
Portland 70, Fresno State 67.
Washington State 66, Eastern Washington 59.
California 69, San Jose State 67.
Superior (Wis.) 70, Minnesota Duluth 70.
Washington (St. Louis) 77, Michigan 69 (overtime).
Texas Western 87, North Texas 69.
Vincennes 97, Indiana Tech 82.
Clemson 69, Wake Forest 69.
Vanderbilt 107, Arizona 78.
Marshall 68, Arizona State of Tempe 68.
Tulane 77, Tulsa 75.
Wisconsin 61, Yale 60.
Cincinnati 69, St. Joseph 69.
Purdue 61, Princeton 41.
Pacific Lutheran (Wash) 60; Br. Br. Columbia 50; Indiana 44.

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