

GIRLS: Celts seek scorer

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McNary trailed just 11-9 with 2:20 remaining in the first quarter before the Lady Titans scored nine straight, which included going 6-for-6 from the free throw line.

A basket by McNary junior Paige Downer just before the end of the first quarter got the Lady Celts within 20-11.

Despite her two fouls, Doult started the second quarter, even continuing to guard West Salem's leading scorer—Delaney Henery.

"Defensively, obviously we need Kailey in the game at all times," Handley said. "Some of that's (fouling) not on her. We didn't help on the backside so every time that she drove, she felt the need to try to stay in front and do everything she could because if she didn't nobody was there. It was a team issue as well."

With Hunter sitting out the entire second quarter, Doult was also forced to lead on the offensive end, scoring five points in the period before receiving her third foul and going to the bench herself with 1:47 remaining in the first half.

"Everybody is always look-

ing to Sydney. Everybody is always looking to Kailey," Handley said. "Unfortunately, even when they're not in, they're still looking for them and it just doesn't work that way. We sort of figured out in the second quarter. We started getting a little more aggressive."

McNary sophomore guard Anita Lao came off the bench to score on back-to-back possessions to get the Lady Celts within 29-23 with 2:30 remaining in the first half. Lao was then rewarded by starting the second half.

"I thought Anita did a great job stepping up for us," Handley said. "She was the one girl who was playing the passing lanes and sparked us a little bit on offense and was aggressive."

In the first half alone, the two teams combined to shoot 37 free throws. McNary was 10-for-15 from the line while West Salem went 16-for-22.

Jaylene Montano went 4-for-4 in the final minute but the Lady Celts trailed 36-27 at halftime.

Lao knocked down a 3-pointer to get the Lady Celts within 38-33 with six minutes to go in the third

quarter. Downer then made a basket at the 2:38 mark to make the score 41-37 but McNary couldn't get any closer to West Salem.

Even sitting out an entire quarter and fouling out with 53 seconds remaining in the fourth, Hunter still led the Lady Celts with 12 points. Doult and Lao both had eight. Downer and Montano each added seven.

"We're still looking for anybody to be willing to attack," Handley said. "And the big part for us is confidence and the mentality I can be a scorer, I can attack. Abby [Hawley] has done it at times this year but she's only a sophomore and that's not always one you want to rely on. Anita did it a little bit for us tonight, but again a sophomore."

"Jaylene's had a couple of games where she's been really confident and been willing to attack and then we've had other games where you don't know if she's on the floor or not. We're just looking for some leadership, somebody to step up on the floor that's not a Hunter."

Finding another consistent scorer has taken longer than



McNary junior Kailey Doult fights through a West Salem double team in a 58-46 road loss on Friday, Jan. 6.

Handley expected.

"It's frustrating," he said. "We're trying."

But Handley made it clear to his team that the season is still young. The game at West Salem was just the Lady Celts third in the GVC and only their second loss in league play.

"The message is still that

nothing is lost," he said. "It's still early. A year ago we lost six games. I'm not saying we're going to make a run and finish the season undefeated but I'm also saying nothing is over yet."

McNary bounced back with a 71-22 win at home against McKay on Tuesday,

Jan. 10.

Led by Hunter's 19 points, four girls scored in double figures.

Doult had 13 points. Lao provided 12 and Downer added 11 in the victory.

The Lady Celts are back home Friday, Jan. 13 at 5:45 against McMinnville.

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"Give them credit. I thought they dictated the tempo of the game a little bit more than we wanted to. And we were just never quite in rhythm."

Despite struggling on the offensive end, the Celtics only trailed 22-18 at the half.

"It was probably the ugliest first half that we've played," Kirch said. "Of all the games we play, we may have two or three halves like that all year. We just happened to have two of them tonight and not the place you want to have it."

Ismay opened the second half with a layup to get within 22-20 but West Salem drained a 3-pointer and then stretched its lead to 35-26 before McNary

closed the second half on a 6-0 run and trailed by only three entering the fourth quarter.

Neitzel and Chandler Cavell both went 1-for-2 from the free throw line to get the Celtics within a point but the Titans scored seven straight and put away McNary by going 12-for-14 from the free throw line in the final 3:20.

"The biggest thing for us is we just didn't guard the ball very well," Kirch said. "Really they beat us at what we try to do at teams. We got in foul trouble and then they beat us at the free throw line late. We kept some of their scorers from scoring on the outside. We just fouled way too much and they were able to bleed the clock out and hit some free throws late and that was the difference."

Goff and Cavell each had 13 points in the loss. Ismay added 10, six rebounds and six assists.

"Give credit to them (West Salem) for doing a nice job and switching up their defenses," Kirch said. "For whatever reason occasionally a team has a night like this where things just never quite get going. I thought we battled. I thought we just uncharacteristically played a little passive and that let to a lower shooting percentage than we're used to and certainly more turnovers than we're accustomed to."

On Tuesday, Jan. 10, McNary rebounded with a n 85-62 win at McKay, holding the Royal Scots 25 points below their game average.

Celtics return home on Friday, Jan. 13 at 7:15 p.m. against McMinnville.

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But leading 9-7 in the third period, he was slammed to the ground and pinned by Seth De Leon.

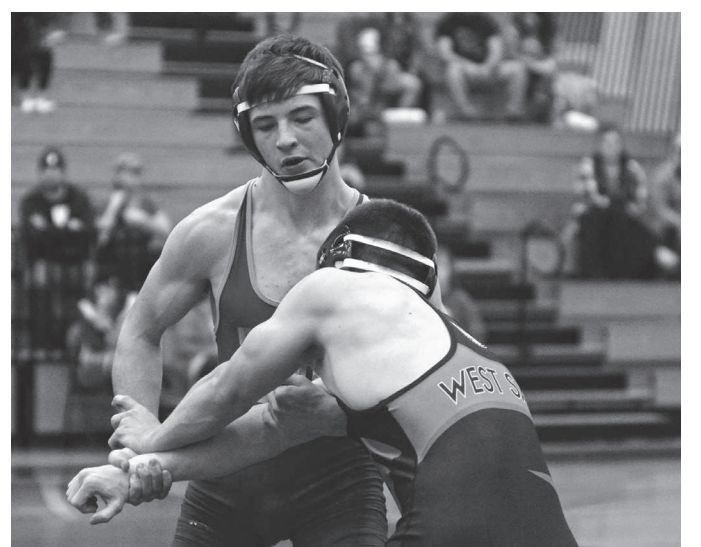
"We're going to grow from that and we'll be OK," coach Ebbs said. "Isaiah's been here before."

Ebbs was proud of the guys who hadn't been here before, like freshman Tyshawn Sang, who given the option of wrestling defending conference champion Brenton Reddy at 182 pounds or jumping up to 195, chose to take on the champ.

"How do you get upset about that?" Ebbs said. "Good for him. He's got the right kind of spirit. All we need is time."

Due to injuries, the latest being senior Carlos Vincent, McNary had six freshmen or first-time wrestlers in its lineup at West Salem.

"Rather than talk about what we could do or should



McNary junior Brayden Ebbs defeated Matt Manus by a 14-0 major decision at 160 pounds on Thursday, Jan. 5.

do, I'm going to go home and be proud of my young kids," Ebbs said. "They got experience they don't normally get. Our juniors and seniors should be in the lineup and we're putting freshmen in. If they stick with it and do the things we teach, it will pay off in a year or two."

The Celtics will return to West Salem on Feb. 17-18 for the district meet.

"The good news is we've got until February to get better," Ebbs said. "We've got a lineup on a piece of paper that

if it comes out in February, we'll be fine."

McNary traveled to Newberg on Friday, Jan. 6 and finished 1-2.

After falling to the host Tigers 69-9 and then Cascade 57-16 in rounds one and two, the Celtics defeated Century 42-35 to place seventh in the eight-team tournament.

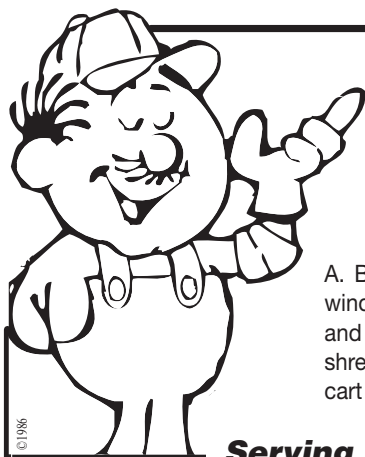
Burrows and Ebbs were both 3-0.

McNary is scheduled to compete in the Oregon Classic Friday, Jan. 13 and Saturday, Jan. 14 in Redmond.

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