

St. John's Slips By Illinois

Kansas Batters Broncos

By JIM HUTCHESON

SEATTLE (AP)—It will be Lovellette & Co. of Kansas against the giant killers of St. John's for the National Collegiate Basketball crown Wednesday night.

Kansas got to the throne room doorway the easy way in the semifinals of the NCAA playoffs Tuesday night, as Doc Clyde Lovellette paced a 74-55 victory over Santa Clara.

St. John's of Brooklyn got there by the margin of a game-ending gasp, with a 61-59 win over favored Illinois.

In the title classic it will be the clever passing game of St. John's against the power that comes from having a tower of strength like 6-foot 9-inch Lovellette in the slot.

The big Kansas center scored 33 points against the Santa Clara Broncos. He stood out as a play-maker and backboard bulwark as well as a scorer. His 108 points for the three-game NCAA playoff set a new record. The old mark, in four games, was 83. It was set by Don Sunderlage of Illinois last year.

Kansas won a 52-51 victory over St. John's when they met last year in Madison Square Garden.

HARD WAY

But these St. John's hoop magicians have thrown the book out the window. The experts didn't even think they would get to the national tourney. They did it the hard way, in the regional tourney, by beating Kentucky, No. 1 team in the Associated Press national poll. Illinois, the Redmen's victim Tuesday night, was the No. 2 rated team in the same poll.

Their semi-final victories qualified both St. John's and Kansas for the U. S. Olympic Games trials.

While Lovellette stood out as the No. 1 individual performer in the semi-finals, St. John's flashed a star of its own who may give the Kansas center a run for his money. He was Center Bob Zawoluk, a metre 6-foot-6-incher. He tallied 24 points, including nine field goals.

In the opening St. John's-Illinois contest the boys from Brooklyn held a 61-55 margin with a minute to play. But the Fighting Illini made one last bid. Sub Guard Herb Gerecke cut loose with two field goals in the final minute, but it wasn't enough.

LEAD AT HALF

St. John's led 33-27 at halftime but the Illini deadlocked it 43-43 at the end of the third period. Zawoluk's 10 points in the final quarter carried St. John's over the cher, Jim Bredar and Rod Fletcher led the Illinois scoring with 14 points each.

In the second game, Kansas took a quick lead, Santa Clara tied it at 7-7, then Kansas pulled steadily ahead. It was just too much Lovellette for the scrappy Broncos. His 12 field goals raised his total for the 1952 playoffs to a new record of 41. The old record, also in three games, was 14 by Alex Graza of Kentucky in 1949.

Kansas ran up a 38-25 halftime lead.

SPORTS

Grinning in the Dark...



JOHN MCGINNIS PAUL DELLER

Pel Track, Baseball Wars Open Saturday

By RED HURD

Athletic coaches are synonymous with tears.

As a general rule the liquid expression of woe is misleading. But not so with two Klamath mentors—Baseball Coach John McGinnis and Track Coach Paul Deller.

As the popular ditty goes: They've both "got a right to cry."

The usual cause for tears among the coaching clan is lack of lettermen. Not so with McGinnis and Deller — although neither are stocked with veterans.

Rather it's a lack of sunshine.

TOUGH JOBS

With weather definitely not designed for loose muscles, both Deller and McGinnis have the difficult chore of whipping together some semblance of order for opening of track and baseball campaigns.

To make the picture even more sorrowful, those campaigns open in less than a week—Saturday to be exact.

McGinnis, making his first start here as diamond skipper, takes his charges to Redding for an afternoon doubleheader with the Shastans.

Deller, a veteran here in teaching boys how to run, jump and throw, goes to Medford the same afternoon to mix with a Black Tornado team that has soaked up some five or six weeks of sunshine thus far.

PRECAUTIONS

Precautions are being taken to guard against the Pelican pitchers throwing their arms in the canal and the trackmen leaving their muscles on the chilly Modoc Field oval.

McGinnis has three lettermen on deck—Pitcher Ralph Carroll, Third Baseman Ron Owings and First Baseman George (Butcher Boy) Hanson.

A fourth monogram winner, Catcher Ken Young, is passing up baseball this year.

Carroll and Fred Friedel will head the Pelican pitching staff.

Schanz Loses On Three Hits

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP)—The Pittsburgh Pirates "B" team defeated the Seattle Rainiers 2-1 Tuesday despite three-hit pitching by big Charley Schanz.

Pittsburgh scored its two runs in the fourth when Schanz handed out a pair of passes and hit a batter.

Names Coach

HAMILTON, N. Y. (AP)—Colgate University Wednesday announced the appointment of Harold W. Lahar, line coach at the University of Pittsburgh, as head football coach. Lahar, 34, succeeds Paul O. Bixler, who resigned Jan. 14.



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Ducks Lose 2nd on Road

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP)—California edged the University of Oregon baseball team 10-9 Tuesday for the second setback of the Webfoots' Southern tour.

Wild pitching and an overthrow at second cost Oregon the game.

Norm Forbes walked five men to give California two of the four runs scored in the ninth. Two more came in when Shortstop Pete Williams overthrew second.

HOCKEY

By The Associated Press

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FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

By The Associated Press

Los Angeles — Carlos Chavez, 135 1/2, Los Angeles, outpointed Lou Williams, 137 1/2, Kansas City, 10.

Toledo — Al Wilson, 147 1/2, Englewood, N. J., stopped Ernie Jackson, 151, Toledo, 5.

Newark, N. J. — Bill Gilliam, 213, Newark, outpointed Omelio Agramonte, 196 1/2, Havana, 8.

White Plains, N. Y. — Frankie "Kid" Anselmi, 148 1/2, Philadelphia, outpointed Herman McCray, 144 1/2, Philadelphia, 8.

Exhibition Baseball

By The Associated Press

Tuesday's Results

Brooklyn (N) 9, Philadelphia (A) 5.

Cleveland (A) 7, Chicago (A) 5.

St. Louis (A) 6, Pittsburgh (N) 2.

New York (N) 7, Chicago (N) 6.

Pittsburgh (N) "B" 2, Seattle (PCL) 1.

Other games cancelled, rain.

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