

Lead Loop by 2 1/2 Games—

Knights Defeat Audubon, 6-1

AUDUBON — The Kuemper Knights chalked up their 12th straight win and hiked their lead in the West Central baseball conference to two and one-half games with a 6-1 triumph over Audubon here Wednesday.

A split between Denison and Perry dropped the runner-up Monarchs two and one-half games back in the loop standings. Perry edged Denison, 2-1, in the first of two and then dropped an 18-0 decision in the nightcap.

Elsewhere around the circuit, Jefferson maintained a firm hold on third with a 16-6 win over Manning, and Breda tripped Carroll twice, 12-1 and 4-0.

The Knights broke a 1-1 deadlock with a tainted run in the fourth and tallied four more on Wheeler miscues in the fifth and seventh for a 6-1 victory.

Kuemper drew first blood when Kent Casey led off with a single to right in the first and alertly took second on a bobble by the outfielder. Dave Schmitz grounded behind the base-runner and Casey was able to score from third when Louie Billmeier grounded to short.

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Billmeier grounded to short. That gave Kuemper a 1-0 lead in the top of the first.

Eddie Hansen singled with one away in the bottom of the first but was forced at second by Jim Crouse. A stolen base and bad throw put Crouse on third, but Frank Nelsen tapped to the mound to end the first inning threat.

The Wheelers broke through in the second when three successive errors let in a counter. Mike Garber was safe on a bobble at short with one down.

The secondbasemen then booted a double-play ball and there were runners at first and second.

Kirk McLaughlin grounded to second to force Dave Campbell, but the throw back to first on an attempted double play was wide and Garber scampered home with a run before Denny Crouse fanned to quell the uprising.

Louie Billmeier kept the Wheelers nailed to the pad thereafter although he was touched for a pair of hits in the fifth. In that frame, Campbell led off with an infield single but was forced by McLaughlin. Burdell Hansen then singled to center, but Francis Madsen struck out and Eddie Hansen popped to first to end the threat.

Kuemper's winning run scored in the fourth as Billmeier

meier got on base when his high fly to right center was dropped by the center fielder in a collision with the right fielder. That put Billmeier on second with one down. Larry Piroette fled to left for the second out.

Rick Keat drilled a single to left to plate Billmeier. Scott Wille beat out a dribbler to third, but Mike Neary fanned to end the rally.

Prep Loop

	W	L	Pct.
Kuemper	11	0	1.000
Denison	8	2	.800
Jefferson	8	3	.727
Perry	6	4	.600
Audubon	5	6	.455
Breda	4	6	.400
Carroll	3	8	.273
Lake City	3	8	.273
Manning	0	11	.000

Wednesday Results—
Kuemper 6, Audubon 1
Breda 12, Carroll 1
Breda 4, Carroll 0
Jefferson 16, Manning 6
Perry 2, Denison 1

Thursday Game—
Denison at Jefferson

Friday Games—
Manning at Kuemper
Carroll at Perry
Denison at Lake City
Audubon at Breda

McLaughlin, the Wheeler pitcher, was victimized by his mates in the fifth. Tom Louis led off with a walk and went to third on Jim Middendorf's single to left.

With none down, Middendorf set sail for second on a theft attempt and the cut-off relay was wild and allowed Louis to score. Middendorf was still running and was safe at the plate when the catcher dropped the ball. McLaughlin then got out of the inning by getting Casey, Schmitz and Piroette to fly out.

The Knights threatened again in the sixth when Keat lived on an error and was sacrificed to second by Wille. Dave Daeges, a pinch-hitter, dropped a single into center and stole second.

Louis fanned, but the third strike got away and Keat dashed to the plate where he was out on a toss from Garber to McLaughlin. Denny Henkenius then fanned to end the threat.

Casey walked to lead off the seventh and Schmitz singled to right. With Casey on third, Schmitz dashed to second on a steal and was safe as the ball sailed into center field. That allowed Casey to score and Schmitz to continue toward third. And still another miscue on the same play allowed Schmitz to score.

After Billmeier grounded out, Piroette singled and stole sec-

ond and went to third on a passed ball. But the baserunner was stranded as Keat and Wille whiffed.

KUEMPER

AB	R	H	RBI	
Casey, cf	3	2	1	0
Schmitz, 3b	4	1	1	0
Billmeier, p	4	1	0	1
Piroette, 1b	4	0	1	0
Keat, ss	4	0	1	1
Wille, lf	3	0	1	0
Neary, rf	2	0	0	0
Daeges, rf	1	0	1	0
Louis, c	2	0	0	0
*Bellinghausen	0	1	0	0
Middendorf, 2b	2	1	1	0
Henkenius, 2b	1	0	0	0
Totals	30	6	7	2

(*) Ran for Louis in 5th

AUDUBON

AB	R	H	RBI	
Madsen, ss	3	0	0	0
Hansen, 2b	3	0	1	0
Crouse, J., 1b	3	0	0	0
Nelsen, 3b	3	0	0	0
Haskins, cf	3	0	0	0
Garber, c	3	1	0	0
Campbell, rf	3	0	1	0
McLaughlin, p	3	0	0	0
Crouse, D., lf	1	0	0	0
*Hansen	1	0	1	0
Totals	25	1	3	0

(*) Batted for D. Crouse in 5th

Innings

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Kuemper	1	0	0	1	2	0	2
Audubon	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

E — Kuemper 4, Audubon 8
LOB — Kuemper 6, Audubon 4
SB — Schmitz, Piroette, Wille, Daeges, J. Crouse
S — Wille

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Billmeier	7	3	1	0	0	11
McLaughlin	7	7	6	2	2	8

Two Class Cage Meet Next Year

BOONE (AP) — Iowa high schools will go back to the system of naming two state basketball champions next season.

The 128 largest schools will compete for a Class AA crown and a Class A champ will emerge from the 419 schools with smaller enrollments.

The shift-ending a six year period of picking one champion from all prep teams—was approved Wednesday by the Board in Control of the Iowa High School Athletic Association.

The change will be effective for Class AA and Class A tournament finals in Des Moines in 1967.

Two-division competition was favored by 55 per cent of the schools answering a recent survey, Lyle Quinn, executive secretary of the association, reported.

He said the players will not be out of school any more than under the present system.

The finals are tentatively set for next March 16-18 at Veterans Auditorium in Des Moines and will be played concurrently.

Quinn said there will be eight games on Thursday, four on Friday, two consolation games Saturday afternoon and two title games Saturday night.

Naming only one champion was started in 1960. Before that the two-champion system was used for five years.

Boyd Shannon, school superintendent at Monticello, heads the association's five-man board.

Tigers Drop Two To Breda, 12-1, 4-0

BREDA — Errors were the deciding factors against the Carroll Tigers as they dropped two in a row to the Breda Bobcats in a doubleheader here Wednesday.

The Bobcats capitalized on seven errors by the Carroll club in the initial game and won by a score of 12-1. Two-hit pitching by Mel Wernimont in the follow-up game shut out the Tigers 4-0.

The Tigers went hitless in the top of the first inning of the first game. Breda's John Reising reached first on an error by the Carroll shortstop to start off things for the Bobcats. Reising was sacrificed to third by Tim Gaffney and Doug Polking. Wernimont's single to center brought in Reising and set the stage for two more runs.

An error by the right fielder allowed Wernimont to ride home free on Dave Ortners' single and also gave Ortners a free pass to second. Ortners stole third and came in on a wild throw from the catcher to the pitcher.

Breda tallied four more runs in the third frame. Reising led off with a walk and was advanced by Gaffney's tap to center. Reising scored on Polking's sacrifice to first and Gaffney stole second. A sacrifice bunt by Ortners was bobbled by pitcher Gary Sundermann allowing Gaffney to score and Ortners to reach first. Leonard Snyder's long drive to center brought in Ortners, but Snyder was cut down trying to take third. Dean Timmerman went down on strikes to end the uprising.

The Bobcats came on strong again in the fourth inning adding five more runs to their total. Tom Steinkamp reached first on an error by the shortstop and was followed by Tom Stork who was safe on a fielder's choice. Reising and Gaffney hit back to back singles to bring in Steinkamp and Stork. Polking popped out to first but Wernimont countered with a long smash to right-center which rounded him to third. Ortners sacrificed Wernimont home to end the scoring for Breda.

Breda couldn't buy a hit in the top of the first inning of the second game but Carroll had better luck. Tom Subbert led off for the Tigers with hard liner over second. Sundermann's tap to right brought Subbert around to third. Subbert was cut down on an attempted squeeze play at home, and Denny Wilkins went down on strikes to end the threat.

An error on the third baseman allowed Reising to reach first in the top of the third inning. Reising was brought around to third on Gaffney's single but was stopped on an attempt to steal home. A fielder's choice trapped Gaffney at second and put Polking on first. Polking's pinch runner, Babe stole second and third in succession and was motioned in on a balk by pitcher Tom Subbert.

Breda added two more runs to their score in the fourth frame. Dean Timmerman reached second on an errant throw by the Carroll catcher and then rode home on Stork's long drive to center. Steinkamp's tap over second base brought Stork in and finished

the scoring that inning. Errors by the Carroll outfield were responsible for a fourth run in the fifth inning for the Bobcats. The game ended with a final score of 4-0 for the Bobcats.

The Tigers will be in action again Friday night at Perry.

CARROLL

AB	R	H	RBI	
Subbert, ss	3	0	0	0
Den Adel, 2b	3	0	0	0
Sundermann, p	2	0	0	0
Wilkins, 3b	2	0	0	0
Bruns, 1b	2	0	0	0
Hall, rf	2	0	0	0
Schrad, cf	1	1	1	0
Vetter, 2b	1	0	0	0
Richardson, c	2	0	0	0
Jons, rf	1	0	0	0
Corbett, cf	1	0	0	0
Totals	16	0	2	0

Innings: 1 2 3 4 5
Carroll: 0 0 0 0 0 1

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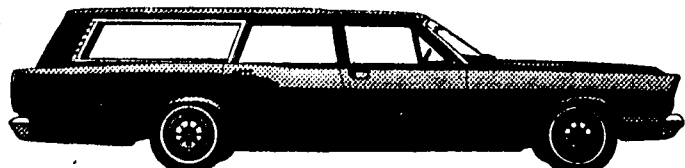
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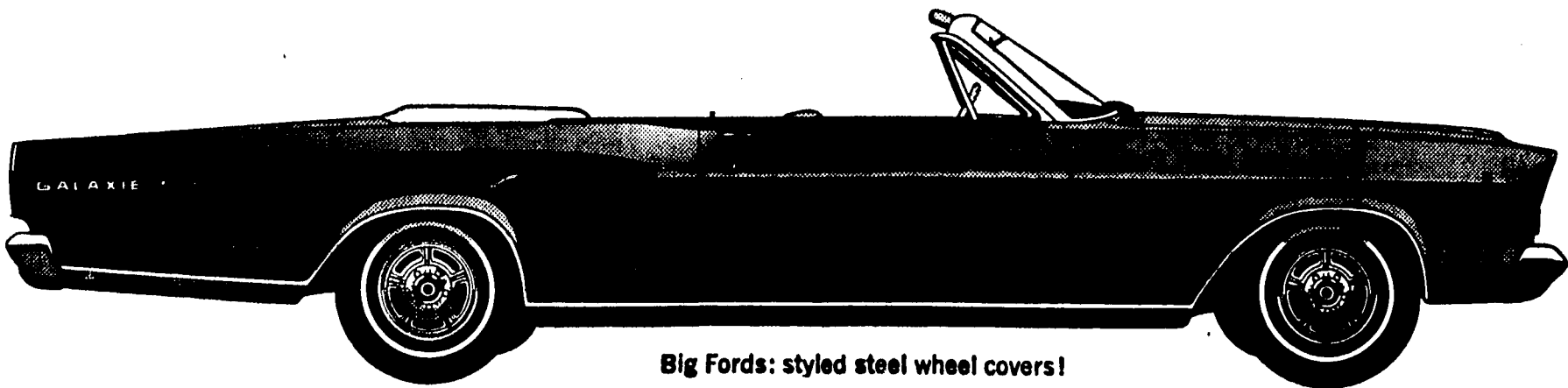
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