

Valdosta Winds Up Number One

ATLANTA (AP)—Griffin and Valdosta tied their championship game 17 in one of the most expensively even matches of the season, but the Associated Press Board elected Valdosta the No. 1 Class AAAA Georgia high school football team.

On the official record books, the two teams are co-champions because the Georgia High School Association rules don't provide for overtime periods in championship games. The AP Board of sportswriters and sportscasters after the game predictably elected Westminster the top team in Class AAA, East Rome No. 1 in Class AA, and Buford first in Class A.

Both Valdosta and Griffin had 120 yards total offense last Saturday night, and both teams had six first downs. Griffin's Bears punted eight times, and Valdosta punted seven times.

Valdosta, 14-0-1, potted 77 voting points and five first-place ballots, while Griffin, 12-2-1, potted 75 points and three first-place ballots to take second place. Behind Griffin which lost to the Bears for the north championship, and after Lakeview and Benedictine, 11-2, and Northside-Warner Robins, 10-1, following Northside in Thomasville, 9-3, whose 12-7 loss to Valdosta in the 1A AAAA playoff was the

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Wildcats' closest game before the championship. Rounding out the AAAA top 10 are Cedar Shoals, 11-1, at seventh, Clarke Central, 8-2, at eighth, and Douglas-Atlanta, 9-4, and Newnan, 9-3. Hed for ninth.

Dalton, 13-2, lost to Westminster, 13-2, for the Class AAA championship, and was voted second, followed by Swainston, 10-2, at third, Gainesville, 12-2, at four, and Americus, 11-1, at fifth.

run-ner-up, Mitchell County, 13-1.

Fulton, which lost to East Rome 4-6 in the quarter-finals was No. 10 in Class AA.

CLASS AAA

- 1 Valdosta 140 (77) 15
- 2 Westminster 121 (75) 14
- 3 Lakeview 113 (74) 13
- 4 Benedictine 107 (73) 12
- 5 Thomasville 93 (70) 11
- 6 Clarke Central 82 (70) 10
- 7 Newnan 81 (70) 9
- 8 Americus 75 (70) 8
- 9 Dalton 73 (70) 7
- 10 Mitchell County 71 (70) 6

CLASS AA

- 1 Westminster 102 (81) 11
- 2 Dalton 82 (81) 10
- 3 Gainesville 72 (81) 9
- 4 Cedar Shoals 71 (81) 8
- 5 Northside 69 (81) 7
- 6 Swainston 68 (81) 6
- 7 Lakeview 67 (81) 5
- 8 Dalton 66 (81) 4
- 9 Westminster 65 (81) 3
- 10 Mitchell County 64 (81) 2

CLASS A

- 1 Buford 103 (81) 11
- 2 Dalton 92 (81) 10
- 3 Westminster 81 (81) 9
- 4 Dalton 70 (81) 8
- 5 Dalton 69 (81) 7
- 6 Dalton 68 (81) 6
- 7 Dalton 67 (81) 5
- 8 Dalton 66 (81) 4
- 9 Dalton 65 (81) 3
- 10 Dalton 64 (81) 2

CLASS B

- 1 Dalton 103 (81) 11
- 2 Dalton 92 (81) 10
- 3 Westminster 81 (81) 9
- 4 Dalton 70 (81) 8
- 5 Dalton 69 (81) 7
- 6 Dalton 68 (81) 6
- 7 Dalton 67 (81) 5
- 8 Dalton 66 (81) 4
- 9 Dalton 65 (81) 3
- 10 Dalton 64 (81) 2

Tough Trip For Blazers

By MIKE HAGOOD

"If our players can't get excited about this competition, they'll never get excited," said Valdosta State Basketball Coach James Dominy of his team's upcoming road trip.

In the span of six days, the Blazers are to battle three outstanding college basketball teams.

On Thursday, VSC travels to Memphis, Tenn., to take on the always tough Memphis State Tigers.

Valdosta State matches up with Kentucky Wesleyan Monday night in the first round of the All-American Invitational tournament in Owensboro, Ky. The other first round game in that tournament features Kentucky State against Quincy (Ill.) College.

This road trip comprises all but one non-conference road game Valdosta State plays this season. With only eight road games this year, the Blazers are going in a more solid position for post season action with a couple of wins on this trip.

The only non-South Atlantic Conference road game this season is at Georgia Southern in January.

Dominy said, "these three (tournament) teams are probably going to get consideration for post season play. If we play well we'll be in much better position. Plus, on that trip alone we have three of our eight games on the road that need a couple of wins. You can't count on winning them all at home anyway."

To combat the size of Memphis State, Dominy plans on starting his tall line of Mark Embury (6-10), Tony Raymer (6-8) and Ozzie Pierce (6-5) on the front line.

"Our intention is to start the bigger people and hope to stay with them on the boards," said Dominy. "They are much taller and also quicker than we are. They are the zone more which we are not accustomed to (Memphis State) have shown a tendency to put up bad shots, so our hope is to keep them off the boards and shooting outside."

Memphis State starts 6-8 All-Metro player James Bradley and 6-9 Tony Ruler at the forwards and 6-11 Tommy Lowery at center in the frontcourt. Dominy describes the trio as both big and quick. The Tigers start 6-10 Ois Jackson and 6-3 Kevin Fromm at the guards.

Dominy pointed out one possible weakness in Memphis State. He said, "They have excellent talent, but they don't seem to play together."

The Tigers opened with two wins this season. Then they lost to Jacksonville University in Jacksonville, Fla. The Tigers came back to beat Kentucky Wesleyan by 20 points.

Memphis next lost games to Mississippi State and was defeated by Southern Mississippi in overtime. The Tigers defeated Missouri, Kansas City 88-82 Tuesday night raising their record to 4-3. The Blazers are 3-1 going into Thursday's contest.

Dominy said that one has to look at who the losses were to before painting a picture of decay in Memphis. He was quick to point out that Mississippi State was in the top 20.

"We can certainly be competitive, but we will have to play at our best. That is a realistic understatement," said a realistic blazer coach.

Kentucky Wesleyan returns from seven to 10 players from last season's squad. That is why they are so optimistic, said Dominy. This knowledge of the 29-2 setback to Memphis State was Wesleyan's only loss this year. Wesleyan has a rich basketball tradition winning the NCAA Division II national championship in 1971, 1972 and 1973.

Generals Now 13-1

By Times Staff Writer

The Georgia Christian Generals utilized a well balanced scoring attack and a stubborn defense to rout host Wood 47-30 in boys' basketball action here Tuesday.

The Generals opened a 24-point first quarter lead to put the Valiants up against the quick to point out that Mississippi State was in the top 20.

For Georgia Christian, Kent Copeland had 16 points, Jerry Bridges tallied 12, and the Winston Bridges added 12 more to pace an attack that featured nine players with six or more points scored.

Ray Stallings led all Valdosta scorers with nine points, while Paul King added eight more. Valdosta now is 1-0.

The Georgia Christian boys now carry a sparkling 13-1 record for the season.

"I was pleased with our second unit especially," commented GCS Coach Mike Roller. "They did about as well as our first unit did in the first game. The Lady Generals overcame some cold first quarter shooting by a 65-34 bombing of the Lady Valiants."

Cleta Colon led now 11-3 Georgia Christian girls with 21 points and Rita Powell contributed 19 more.

Lead Silver netted 18 points in a losing cause for the Lady

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VHS's Vera Crawford Sees 2 Points Ahead

Echols County Thumps Lanier

By Times Staff Writer

LAKELAND, Ga

Echols County basketball poured in 34 points and Ricky Carter added 22 as the visiting Wildcats of Echols County handed Lanier County a 76-58 loss here Tuesday night.

The Echols Williams tallied 18 points and Billy Joe Foster hit 15.

Barrett had what Echols' Coach Tad Williams called a "super game." Billy Cribb added 12 points for the Wildcats from Stateville.

In the girls' game, Echols completed a sweep of the doubleheader by delivering a 24-46 defeat to the Lanier girls. Teresa Carter hit for 20 points for the victorious Kittens, and Patricia Foster

talked in for the Bulldogettes. The Echols boys upped their season record to 6-2 with the win, while the Kittens maintained a 4-4 mark. The Lanier boys now hold a 4-4 record on the year, and the Lanier girls slipped to 3-5.

Echols

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| LAKEVIEW | 134 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
| ANDERSON | 128 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
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Lanier

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VHS Wrestlers Host SW Macon

By Times Staff Writer

The 10 Valdosta High wrestling team takes to the mats again here Thursday against 6-1 Southwest Macon.

Valdosta's 10 matmen pits the Wildcats against last year's number two finisher in the state. The Wildcats' 10 matmen pits Valdosta was sixth

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Cats Tumble, 60-51 Bulldogs Rule The Boards

By MIKE CHASON

So often in basketball, the team that rules the boards rules the roost.

Thomasville's Bulldogs followed that theory to the letter here Tuesday night when they ousted past Valdosta's Wildcats 60-51 in a Region 1 AAAA (South) prep basketball contest.

The visiting Lady Bulldogs claimed a 5-4-6 over the Kittens, who have lost four straight games since an opening night win over Tift County (Tifton).

The taller, more physical Bulldogs cleaned the glass at both ends of the floor to hand the Wildcats their third loss in five starts.

Bespokected Marcus Johnson led the way with 12 points, and Jeff Putman telegraphed in 11 more from long range. The Bulldogs raised their season record to 5-2.

Junior forward David New scored 16 points and turned in 10 rebounds. Echols' forward leapers from the Rose City High also fired two charging fouls and put on the offensive mood of the night on a dipy-doodle layup between two Thomasville defenders.

Greg Powell dumped in 12 more points for the Wildcats, but couldn't seem to break into the clear against the umbrella zone defense the Bulldogs employed.

Powell, who scored a season high 35 against Lowndes a week ago, was almost invisible on offense except at the free throw line in the final period when the "Cats" cut a 21-point Bulldog lead to nine.

"We just don't have the height," Valdosta Coach Larry Cowart said of his team, now in the grasp of a three-game losing streak.

"I think it's something we're going to be stuck with all year. We just don't have it on the boards."

"I know that sounds like the same old song but I think it's evident," Cowart did have the forward-playing members of his squad in a number of the first time Valdosta's football team reached the state title game where they lifted Griffin 7-7 Saturday night.

The members of the VHS basketball team who also played football missed the first four games.

True to form, Cowart utilized his same starting lineup and said the football players would have to earn their first team spots.

Dante Jones made a strong bid toward securing one of those jobs with a nine-point performance.

Though he did not get his free throw but he hasn't shabby free throws "Jones was a hand after over one eye the second half after collecting a stray Bulldog elbow in the second quarter.

The Kittens and the Lady Bulldogs tied at 10 but one cooking until Valdosta's shooting touch went into the deep freeze in the final quarter.

Down only 38-34 heading into the fourth period, the VHS girls didn't get a hoop until Maggie Powell played strong muster with a 3-4 left in the game.

By that time, Thomasville had an 11-point lead.

Tracy Johnson scored 22 points, and Maxine Anderson had 12 for the Lady Bulldogs, who are coached by former Lowndes Junior High Coach Peggy Hancock.

Hancock's team is now 3-4 overall. At least half of the Thomasville baskets came on fast break connections when the Kittens were a whisker too slow getting down to the defensive end.

Vera Crawford led the Valdosta girls with 14 points.

"We haven't shot well the last two games," Cowart

who also coaches the VHS girls, said. "Our shooting has just been terrible.

"They (the Lady Bulldogs) weren't any bigger than we were but they were quicker."

In a B-team contest, Valdosta rolled to a 63-49 win behind 23 points by Gary Cochran and 12 rebounds by Joe Tillman.

All the games were played at the Valdosta Junior High school gymnasium site of all VHS contests until the flood at the high school gym is completed.

Valdosta hosts Central of Thomasville Friday.

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| VALDOSTA | 60 | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| ANDERSON | 51 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
| CLARK CENTRAL | 45 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
| CLARKE COUNTY | 40 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
| CLARKE COUNTY | 35 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
| CLARKE COUNTY | 30 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
| CLARKE COUNTY | 25 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
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| VALDOSTA | 60 | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| ANDERSON | 51 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
| CLARK CENTRAL | 45 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
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