

The Morehead Eagles, leaders at the end of the regular season because of their conference game record, found the pace too fast tonight and lost to the unheralded Union Bulldogs by 29-26.

The Western Hilltoppers began the defense of their title with a 28-17 victory over Eastern in the opening contest this afternoon.

The Berea Mountaineers trounced the Centre College in the closing encounter of the day by 60-48.

Three points was the largest margin separating the two principals in the Morehead-Union game. At the half, the Bulldogs enjoyed a 10-9 advantage. Morehead held leads of 5-4 and 9-7 in the first half and 12-10, 16-14 and 19-17 in the second.

With four minutes remaining and the count deadlocked at 24-24, Hodges, Union guard scored from the field and then from the foul line to shove the Unionites into a 27-24 lead. Horton, Eagle guard, cut the margin to a point with a field goal, but the elusive Hodges collected another field goal shortly afterwards to end the scoring.

Western Not Pressed.

Although Western was not hard pressed to win, Eastern put up a desperate battle during the first half and for five minutes of the final period.

The Berea-Centre battle was a whirlwind of action, with each team playing a wide-open style, breaking for the basket at every opportunity. Berea jumped into an 8-0 lead after two minutes of such action, with Clark and Adams leading the way.

The summaries:

Berea	fg.	ft.	tp.	Centre.	fg.	ft.	tp.
Clark f	10	2	22	Fitzpatrick f	6	2	14
Keith f	3	1	7	Royalty f	4	5	12
W. Wright c	11	1	23	Cooper c	6	1	13
Adam g	2	1	5	May g	2	0	4
Peyton g	0	1	1	Bell g	1	0	2
M'Dowell f	1	0	2	Davis f	1	0	2
Thomas f	0	0	0	Stahl g	0	0	0
Brashear g	0	0	0				
Belden g	0	0	0				
J. Wright c	0	0	0				

Totals	27	6	60	Totals	30	8	48
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Union	fg.	ft.	tp.	Morehead	fg.	ft.	tp.
Sullivan f	2	1	5	Arnzen f	1	2	4
Stafura f	1	0	2	Ishmael f	2	0	4
Shoult c	2	3	7	Kiser c	0	0	0
Hodges g	3	2	3	Carter g	3	2	8
Stamper g	3	1	7	Horton g	2	2	6
Rose g	0	0	0	Lacy c	0	0	0
				Thornton f	1	0	2
				Cassity g	1	0	2

Totals	11	7	29	Totals	10	6	26
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West. (28).	g.	f.	t.	East. (17).	g.	f.	t.
Reed f	1	0	2	Scott f	2	0	4
Saddler f	3	3	9	Hinkle f	1	0	2
McCrocklin c	1	0	2	Fulkerson c	0	0	0
Lamar g	2	1	5	King g	3	1	7
Dudgeon g	3	3	9	Rankin g	2	0	4
Packett g	0	1	1	Fritts g	0	0	0
Batsel f	0	0	0	Hatton f	0	0	0
Roland f	0	0	0	Blevins f	0	0	0
Stemm f	0	0	0	Voshell f	0	0	0

Totals	10	8	28	Totals	8	1	17
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