

'Now, Coach?' -- Hayes, Kull Ask

By BOB DAVIES
There were moments when coach Larry Weise would like to have shoved John Hayes and Mike Kull into that basketball

game with Villa Madonna Monday night.

BOTH WERE NEEDED. St. Bonaventure University's basketball forces experienced considerable difficulty with the Rebels from Kentucky before finally subduing them, 77-65.

Weise used just about every combination he had at his disposal — except Hayes and Kull — in order to bring order out of chaos.

And, remember, it was chaotic at times.

The bigger Bonnies were not dominating the boards, especially on offense.

It required no mind reader to see the Weise displeasure with the way the offense operated. The play pattern was broken off too soon, too many times to suit Weise.

So, Saturday night, Weise undoubtedly will use Hayes and Kull for the first time.

THE TWO sophomores have knee injuries and they are just as painful to Weise as they are to the two stars. Kull injured his left knee before school opened and Hayes injured his right knee in the first five minutes of opening day practice (Oct. 15).

Weise wants both players 100 per cent healthy when he uses them. He can't afford any more injuries. The loss of junior Jimmy Satalin for the season with that vascular condition made a jumble out of Weise's backcourt plans.

KULL, THOUGH only a sophomore, could provide the steady influence in backcourt and provide scoring punch from the guard slot. He's a "take charge" player and that's what Weise wants and needs with Jimmy Satalin gone. All Kull lacks is experience and it would appear that he'll get quick on-the-job training.

Hayes offers Weise maneuverability. He's a strong, 6-5, 200-pounder, who knows how to throw that weight around under the boards. If Weise wants to use him as a forward, Hayes can play that spot and take pressure off either George Carter or Bill Butler.

Weise could use all three at once, shoving Hayes into the pivot position, where he could be a valuable asset. Hayes can move under the bucket and has the knack for putting the ball in hoop. On at least five occasions as a freshman, he poured in over 40 points a game.

Weise has had Hayes working at forward and center this week. This is the first time that Hayes has worked in the lineup right from the start of practice. Before he was used sparingly, as was Kull.

THE ADDITION of Hayes and Kull provides Weise with a deeper bench. Jeff Hazard (6-4 senior) started at center against Quincy and Madonna. He had a strong game against Quincy and a so-so game against Madonna. Hazard gained the starting job over 6-8 center Paul Stappenbeck, who did not show well in

either game. However, without "Stap" in the lineup the Bonnas gave away a lot of height and the senior will be needed, but he'll have to hustle or he'll be the seventh man in the lineup.

The loss Satalin, the injuries to Hayes and Kull, plus injuries to Stappenbeck (broken thumb) and to Butler (shoulder) forced Weise to a patch-work, "holding operation" until everyone was fit to play.

Saturday night, the opposition will be Toledo University and it looks like everyone — except Jimmy Satalin — will be ready. It's none too soon.

COURT CLIPPINGS: Toledo

coach Bob Nichols expressed mixed emotions about his team's 98-80 win over Notre Dame. "We played pretty well the first half, both offensively and defensively. But the same half I was disappointed with our defense — they scored 47 points on us," he said. "There were some lulls (on offense) when we didn't do much out there, but overall we moved pretty well offensively. I was disappointed with our fouls. Twenty-eight is too many — Notre Dame drew a record crowd of 4,752 to Toledo Field House despite a six-week's old newspaper strike in the Ohio city — Toledo shot 53 per cent (36 of 67) against the Fighting Irish and outrebounded ND, 41-32. Toledo had only eight turnovers to ND's 22 — Toledo will arrive at Olean airport Saturday at 12:30 p.m., and depart Olean at 11 p.m., the same night, via chartered airplane.



John Hayes: Relaxed and ready to play for Bonnies

Rapids Set For Annual Sports Fete

One of the finest array of sports figures in the history of the Niagara Rapids Athletic Club's sports award dinner has been lined up for the 21st annual event tonight at 6:30 o'clock in the Como Restaurant.

Tickets will be available at the door for those still wishing to attend the affair, open to the general public.

John E. Hayes, St. Bonaventure University basketball player from this city and Harry C. Goater, charter member of the Rapids Club and its president five times will be honored as the Niagara Falls Athlete and Sportsman for the Year 1968. They'll receive plaques.

James O'Shea, who coached Hayes at Niagara Falls High School, will present the club's award to the Bona senior. Guido Filicetti, current Rapids AC president, will make the presentation to Goater, due to retire shortly from the Niagara Falls Police Dept. and move to Florida.

The main speaker is Brooks Robinson, Baltimore Orioles third baseman. He'll carry the program for baseball.

Football will be represented by Dave Herman, offensive guard for the Super Bowl Champion New York Jets; Johnny Rauch, new coach of the Buffalo Bills making his first official Niagara Falls appearance; Butch Byrd, defensive back for the Bills; and Roy Crysler, coach of the Niagara University club team.

Little Three basketball will be spotlighted by John J. (Taps) Gallagher, veteran Niagara athletic director; Frank Layden, Niagara varsity coach; Dick Conover, NU assistant; and last but not least All-American Calvin Murphy.

Fred Shero, coach of the red-hot Buffalo Bisons of the American Hockey League and female bowling star Virginia Askland round out the guest list.

Rauch and Shero expect to bring a couple of their players. Jimmy Thompson will be master of ceremonies.

Thompson and Mrs. Askland were the 1967 Rapids Club award winners. Gallagher and Crysler have also won the sportsman laurels.

Tickets are priced at \$4 for adults and \$2.50 for students.

Even Without Playing Game, Bona Slips From 7th To 11th!!

UCLA was the unanimous No. 1 pick in The Associated Press preseason major college basketball poll. The Bruins still are.

St. Bona, last week was rated seventh but today is 11th.

UCLA was named first on all 24 ballots cast Monday by a panel of sports writers and broadcasters after opening its season last Saturday by beating Purdue 94-82.

UCLA has 480 points to 344 for second-place North Carolina, which opened its season Monday night by downing Oregon 89-78. Third with 317 points is Ken-

tucky, which thrashed Xavier, Ohio, 115-77 Saturday and topped Miami, Ohio, 86-77 Monday.

Kansas, 88-65 winner over St. Louis Saturday, moved to fourth and Notre Dame, yet to play, dropped to fifth.

Houston moved into a sixth-place tie with Davidson, New Mexico moved up to eighth from ninth Cincinnati jumped from 14th to ninth and Villanova advanced from 11th to 10th.

All five teams had easy times in their openers.

The top 20, with first-place votes, records and total points.

Points awarded for first 15 picks on basis of 20-18-16-14-12-10-9-8-7 etc.

1. UCLA (24)	1-0	480
2. North Carolina	0-0	344
3. Kentucky	1-0	317
4. Kansas	1-0	280
5. Notre Dame	0-0	226
6. Tie, Houston	1-0	221
Davidson	1-0	221
8. New Mexico	1-0	151
9. Cincinnati	1-0	120
10. Villanova	1-0	118
11. St. Bonaventure	0-0	88
12. Vanderbilt	0-0	73
13. Ohio State	1-0	67
14. Purdue	0-1	53
15. Detroit	1-0	52
16. Duke	1-0	49
17. Western Kentucky	1-0	34
18. San Clara	1-0	32
19. California	0-0	31
20. Tie, Makquette	0-0	25
Tennessee	1-0	25
Iowa	1-0	25