Bonnies Head For No. 10--And AP Poll

Kent Is Wednesday -- Then, It's Calvin

By BOB DAVIES

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SO-SO JOB

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"We got a couple of bad games (Loyola and Baldwin-Wallace) our of our systems," Weise noted. "Were we looking ahead? I don't know." He shrugged his shoulders then commented: "We had mental lapses here and mental lapses there and not always the same players.

er. Yet, they do the job they have to do."

That's win — and comfortably.

For the first time this season Weise abandoned his basic zone defense and went with a man-for-man the second half. In the Toledo game when the Bonnies got behind Weise switched to a man defense.

"When you play a zone, they control the ball more, you are waiting for them to do something. In a man-for-man, you force the play, you stir things up a little. I think it did."

To this degree: Bona led at halftime, 43-34 .But with 18:09 gone in the second half, the Bonnies had blitzed their way to a commanding 51-34 edge.Later it was 56 - 40, with Big Bob Lanier the No. 1 gun. The 6-11 sophomore had nine points in that splurge.

CLARK EXPLAINS

Baldwin-Wallace coach Bill Clark also discussed the defensive switch. "They came out and we watched for awhile. It took a little time to adjust. But I was pleased," he added, "that we forced them out of their favorite defense. That's the way I read the situation."

Clark, the onetime Mansfield coach of Otto-Eldred's Jim Kinsler, Coudersport's Lee Felsburg and Austin's Jim Turner, felt that Billy Butler damaged his club the most. "He did the job against us. Of course, with his cleverness, he's going to get the shots. He's good, with fine body control," Clark added.

About Lanier?

"He's a real fine player. He shoots with great accuracy inside and he's strong. But I think we did a better job of defending him than Butler, in my jaundiced eye," Clark said.

Baldwin-Wallace used a 1-3-1 zone that collapsed around the Bonnies' big guy, but left itself open to Butler (26 points), Jimmy Satalin (13) and John Hayes (13). Lanier finished with 22.

"This is a fine club," Clark continued. "That's no news to anyone. Their performance to date spells that out in abundance."

Baldwin-Wallace played without two starters. Harry Hopson, the No. 1 scorer, was sidelined with a sprained ankle and Ray Herford has been declared scholastically ineligible. "The kid we had playing our point (Dick Scott) missed the last five games and this was his first game since Dec. 2. I agree he was shaky earlier but he reacted nicely to the pressure later on," Clark pointed out.

The box score:

BALDWIN-WALLACE (69)

	FG	FT	R	PF	TP
Zeigler	2- 4	3- 5	3	4	7
Harriger	4-14	5- 6	11	0	13
Scott	4-16	0- 0	2	0	8
Johnson	3-10	2- 2	11	2	8
Steve Mack	4- 8	3- 3	7	3	11
Allerton	10-20	1- 1	10	2	21
Napier	0- 2	1- 1	0	0	1
Team Rebounds			2		
Total	27-74	15-18	44	11	69
Shooting percentage 27 of 74 for 36.5					

ST. BONA (81)

	FG	FT	R	PF	TP
Butler	13-20	0- 0	12	0	26
Hayes	6-13	1- 1	5	2	13
Lanier	9-14	4- 6	8	2	22
Satalin	6-14	1- 1	6	3	13
Kalbaugh	3- 6	0- 0	3	2	6
Fahey	0- 1	1- 1	1	0	1
Wisniowski	0- 0	0- 0	0	1	0
Gagnier	0- 1	0- 1	1	2	0
Ulasewicz	0- 1	0- 0	1	1	0
Team Rebounds			2		
Total	37-70	7-10	34	13	81
Shooting percentage 37 of 70 for 52.9					

St. Bonaventure	43	38—81
Baldwin-Wallace	34	35—69

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Bona Vaults To 9th Spot

By the Associated Press

The old year tournaments and the new year Associated Press poll brought a revamping of college basketball's Top Ten and its unbeaten today except at the top where, year out, year in, UCLA and Houston remain 1-2.

The overpowering Bruins, 8-0, collected 36 first place votes and 369 points and the Cougars, 13-0, got the other No. 1 vote and 320 points as they strengthened their clique at the top with tournament victories.

The voting is done by sports writers and sportscasters throughout the country on a basis of 10 points for first place, nine for second, etc.

UCLA won its own Los Angeles Classic for the sixth straight time Saturday after routs over Minnesota, St. Louis and Wyoming for 42 consecutive triumphs. The Bruins topped Wyoming 104-75 in the title game. Houston, less impressive, bounced Bradley, Marquette and then edged North Texas State 45-43 for the Rainbow Classic title in Honolulu.

Few changes are expected until the two powerhouses collided in Houston's Astrodome Jan. 20.

But behind them, the teams are bouncing about like a basketball as three new teams entered the Top Ten, all unbeaten, and three of last week's ranking clubs dropped from the undefeated list.

Davidson, ranked eighth before losing to Vanderbilt 80-67 in the Sugar Bowl final Saturday, and Boston College, No. 10 before losing twice in the Holiday Festival in New York, also dropped from the Top Ten.

North Carolina, 7-1, won the Far West Tournament with a 68-61 victory over Oregon Saturday and replaced Indiana in the third spot, a jump from fifth.

The Top Ten, with first-place votes in parentheses, season records through games of Sunday, Dec. 31, and total points on a 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 basis:

1. UCLA (36)	8-0	369
2. Houston (1)	10-0	320
3. North Carolina	7-1	265
4. Vanderbilt	9-1	219
5. Kentucky	7-1	199
6. Tennessee	6-1	105
7. Utah	10-1	111
8. Oklahoma City	8-0	93
9. St. Bonaventure	9-0	49
10. New Mexico	10-0	30

Others receiving votes, listed alphabetically: Army, Boston College, California, Cincinnati, Columbia, Cornell, Davidson, Drake, Duke, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, LSU, Louisville, Loyola of Chicago, Nebraska, New Mexico State, Ohio State, Princeton, Purdue, St. John's, Temple, Texas A&M, Toledo, Tulsa, Washington State, Western Kentucky.

Maravich Leads Again, Murphy Averages 45.0

Niagara University's celebrated Calvin Murphy is no longer No. 1.

The super soph's lead in the collegiate basketball scoring statistics vanished in recent days, thanks to some hot-shooting by Louisiana State's Pistol Pete Maravich.

Maravich ran in 58 points in his last game to up his seven-game average to an even 47 points. He has 129 field goals and 71 free throws for 329 points.

Murphy stands at second place with 101 field goals and 68 free throws adding up to an even 45 point average for six games.

St. Bona's 6-11 Bob Lanier is fifth with a 34.6 average and Bona's Bill Butler 28th at 24.1.

Lanier is also sixth in field goal percentages at .655 with 108 baskets in 165 attempts, while Murphy is 14th in free throws at .872 with 68 out of 78.

NU's Manny Leaks, a 6-8 senior, is tied for 17th in rebounding statistics with an even 100 in six games of a 16.7 average. Lanier is right behind in 19th place at 16.5.

In team stats, NU is 11th with a 92.8 offensive average, with Bonaventure in 10th place at 93.1. UCLA leads at 107.4. Bona is second only to Bradley in team field goal percentages, .556 to .537.

The top 10 scoring leaders through games of Dec. 23:

	G	FG	FT	Pts.	Avg.
1. Pete Maravich, Louisiana State	7	129	71	329	47.0
2. Calvin Murphy, Niagara	6	101	68	270	45.0
3. Rich Travis, Oklahoma City	4	61	18	140	35.0
4. Elvin Hayes, Houston	10	153	40	346	34.6
5. Bob Lanier, St. Bonaventure	8	108	27	243	30.4
6. Bob Portman, Creighton	9	103	53	259	28.8
7. Jimmie Hill, W. Texas St.	3	35	15	85	28.3
8. Wes Unseld, Louisville	6	61	44	166	27.7
9. Bob Leinhard, Georgia	3	32	18	82	27.3
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9-0 After So-So Victory Over B-W

(Dec. 30, University Center)

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St. Bona in Top 10 Of Nation's Cagers After Ninth Straight

The East's only major undefeated college basketball team, St. Bonaventure reached ninth in the national rankings today after a ninth straight victory Saturday night in Olean against Baldwin-Wallace, 81-69. It was the first time since 1961 Bona has been in the top ten of the Associated Press cage poll.

Bona Coach Larry Weise and his squad departed this afternoon from the Bradford, Pa., airport for their next start tomorrow evening at Kent State, O.

Capt. Billy Butler led the Bonnies with 26 points against the B-W Yellow Jackets while Bob Lanier, fifth highest scorer in the nation, produced 22.

The Bonnies were shooting 51.4 per cent in the first half, but the Jackets moved in front, 26-25, with 7:26 to go. Billy Kalbaugh's outside shot put them ahead and they never trailed.

Lanier and John Hayes opened a 39-31 lead, but it took two quick field goals by Butler to give the Bonnies a 43-34 halftime lead.

The largest crowd of the season in the Bona University Center, 5330, saw the Bonnies break into a 17-point lead in the first 2 minutes of the second half. Hayes and Jim Satalin each connected from the field and Lanier came off the pivot with two baskets in the surge.

Terry Allerton was high for the Jackets with 21 points.

Bishop Walsh of Olean continued undefeated by downing St. John the Baptist of Syracuse, 73-63, in the preliminary. Dan Metzler and John Karuch produced 41 points for the victors. It was Walsh's sixth victory. The Varsity mox score follows.

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Fahey	0	1	1	Mack	4	3	11
Gagnier	0	0	0	Napier	0	1	1
Ulasewicz	0	0	0				
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ST. BONA 81
BALDWIN WAL. 69
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27 Rebounds For Lanier In 8th Win

(Dec. 22, University Center)

Bob Lanier's All-American bandwagon picked up another believer Friday night.

The 6-11, 265-pound sophomore added still another coach to the growing list of knowledgeable basketball experts, who know the genuine thing when they see it.

Loyola of Baltimore lost, 94-78, to St. Bona last night before 5,246 fans in the University Center.

AND ONCE again it was Lanier who drew the plaudits of the opposing coach. Ed Doherty of Loyola resorted to a 1-3-1 zone defense in an effort to check the big guy. It didn't work. Lanier had 34 points and 27 rebounds. That last figure is a new Bona mark erasing the old standard of 23 held by Tom Stith and John Conners and, that's why it's to be the season-long, one statistic after another going down the drain.

"That was the only way we could defense Lanier," explained Doherty. "If we had played him man-for-man, he would have gone over us all night. As it was, he did it many times. He's tough."

Doherty added: "For a sophomore, I'd say he's better than any big man I've seen. He's better than Wally Dukes (the one-time Seton Hall All-American). I played against Dukes, and he was the best big fellow on the East Coast until now."

Lanier, according to Doherty, "looks like he could play the corner he's so smooth. I've never seen a big guy with that soft touch. He can go out 10-15 feet and still hit. He has good body control and he stays up there."