



**WHO'S AT CENTER?**—Members of the AYA Hawks and Lakers quintets take to the air in an airborne huddle during the first of their best-of-three championship battles on the BB Sport Center court last weekend. The Hawks swept the first two games, 35-19 and 43-13, to emerge as the 1962 champions of the AYA Junior Boys Basketball League.

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## TAR Hoopsters Miss Title Shot, Finish Fourth In Class B Battles

In just one minute and 54 seconds last Saturday morning the TAR Cubs lost a shot at the Orleans Trojans and the USAREUR Class B high school championship.

Playing three games in two days, the Berlin five finished in the fourth place slot in the final tourney standings.

The TAR Cubs were the only Class C school in the two-day tournament which was held at Bitburg, West Germany. Matched in this USAREUR clash were the top cagers in Western Germany, Würzburg, Augsburg, Baumholder, Bitburg, and one team from Orleans, France.

### Scalping Action

The Cubs scalped the Augsburg Apaches in their opening action last Friday night, 44-41.

After taking a two-point first quarter lead, the Berlin five found themselves on the short end of a 26-21 halftime score. However, the shooting of Mike Clary and Eric Weigert gave the Cubs the come-from-behind victory.

Saturday morning the Cubs again took to the hardwood court, this time against the league champion Würzburg Wolves. The Wolves, who drew a first-round bye, swept a two-game series from Berlin earlier in the season.

### Stubborn Defense

In the first half both clubs showed

good defensive tactics with the Wolves holding a one-point, 16-15 edge during the intermission.

Center John Shiner and forward Mike Clary fouled out early in the second half, leaving a big gap in the Berlin forward wall. Despite the loss of two of their starting five, the Cubs shot their way to a two-point lead with less than two minutes remaining.

Taking advantage of three bad passes and four fouls, the Wolves overtook the Cubs and pulled away to post the 56-48 triumph.

### Night Battle

The Berlin Cubs then met the Baumholder Bucs Saturday night in a battle to decide third place honors.

The talent-laden Bucs, who had downed the Cubs twice in regular season play, made it three in a row as they blasted the TAR cagers, 82-47.

## — Umpires Attend Clinic —

A three-man delegation departed Berlin last Monday night to attend the USAREUR baseball officials clinic being held at the Garmisch Sports Center.

Berlin's hopeful umpires, George Stewart, John Harding and Wilfred Cote, are currently studying under American League umpires Frank Umont and Ed Runge.

## Hawks Crush AYA Lakers, Wear Crown

The high flying Hawks swooped down and plucked the 1962 AYA Junior Boys League basketball crown last weekend when they ripped the hapless Lakers two straight games, 35-19 and 43-13, in a best-of-three series on the BB Sport Center court.

Finishing third in the first half of competition, the Hawks came roaring back in the second go-round, capturing the top spot and a berth opposite the first half champion Lakers.

Favored to reign as the top five in the four-team AYA loop, the Hawks' shooting combination of Bill Ayres and Steve Meyer and the fancy dribbling tactics of Tommy "Speedy" Albrecht were too much for the Lakers.

### Missing Star

George Gilmore and Jeff Porter were the stars of the Lakers' attack, but it was just a case of too little, too late. Without the rebounding power and shooting prowess of Ralph Freeman, the first half champions were completely out-classed.

Both teams got off to a rather slow start in their opening tilt Saturday afternoon.

The Hawks drew first blood and then shot their way to a seven-point lead before the Lakers could reach the scoreboard.

The second quarter proved to be the deciding factor in the ball game as the Hawks increased their lead to 17-6 at halftime.

### Defensive Shackle

The Lakers tried to come back in the third quarter, but the defensive techniques employed by the Hawks held them to nine points.

Scoring at will in the final quarter, the Hawks had no trouble in notching their 35-19 win.

Bill Ayres and Steve Meyer accounted for all but 11 of the Hawks' points. Ayres hit for 14 while his teammate dumped in eight.

The high man in the scoring column for the Lakers was George Gilmore with six. Jeff Porter pumped in five to round out the top scorers.

### Lopsided Victory

In the second and final game, the Hawks didn't waste any time as they flew to a 20-point lead at the half, 25-5, and then continued to blast the Lakers in the final periods of play to capture the all-important second game and the championship with their 43-13 win.

Scoring 3 1/4 points per quarter, the Lakers couldn't do anything right, suffering their worst defeat of the season.

Ayres and Meyer paced the Hawks to their lopsided victory as they both swished in 15 points.

## Armchair Tour

## Tempelhof Unique Among World's Airports

Surrounded by cheering Berliners during his arrival at Tempelhof Central Airport recently, United States Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy probably had little time to reflect upon the uniqueness of the airport itself.

Doubly unique, Tempelhof Central Airport is second only to the Pentagon in the amount of floor-space of its huge administration buildings and connecting hangars and is one of the few major airports in the world located so near the center of the metropolis it serves.

Although Tempelhof is not the

only airport in West Berlin, it is by far the largest and most important. The landing field is a well-drained, sodded area of 312 acres bordered on one side by a concrete block apron, 950 feet wide and 3,500 feet long.

First used as an airport in 1919, the area served originally as a parade ground for the Royal Guard of Friedrich Wilhelm I as far back as 1721.

In 1924 the field was on the city's edge and had but one small building, that for administrative purposes. Today, thousands of offices, 60 percent

of them housing the military, accommodate several air agencies and four major world-wide airlines—British European Airways, Pan American, Air France, and Scandinavian Airlines System.

Construction of the modern airport buildings was begun in 1937 but they were not completed until after the war.

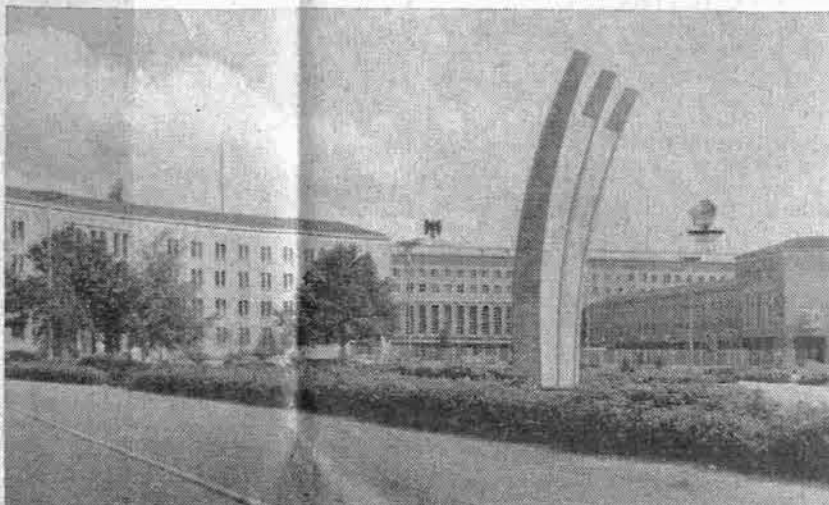
Taken over by the U.S. Air Force at the end of World War II, in 1950 half of the field was decommissioned and returned to German civil authority for commercial use.

During the Berlin airlift of 1948-49, the field received the majority of supplies flown into the city. Close to 300,000 separate flights bringing more than 2 1/2 million tons of food and cargo into Berlin utilized Tempelhof's two landing strips.

Tempelhof is the sixth largest air-traffic center in Europe. Within Germany, Tempelhof is second only to Frankfurt's Rhein-Main Airport in transit activity, handling a sizeable amount of air freight also.

One of the most interesting features at Tempelhof is Eagle Square, in the center of which is the Berlin Airlift Monument. Built by funds donated by West Berliners it commemorates the memory of the 40 international pilots and German workers killed during the airlift.

The three concrete prongs of the memorial represent the three air channels used to transport cargo into the blockaded city of Berlin in 1948-49. The names of the 40 who died are engraved on its base.



The Berlin Airlift Monument at Eagle Square.

—USAF Photo

# Cubettes Blast German Girls Team To Tally Seventh, Eighth Season Victories

The AYA Cubettes picked up their seventh and eighth wins of the season last Saturday afternoon on the BB Sport Center court when they blasted a German girls team from Steglitz, 56-28 and 55-12.

Coasting to a 31-13 lead at the halfway mark in the first tilt, Cubette head coach Bobby Smith cleared his bench in the second period of play.

Barbara Kelly sparked the Cubette onslaught as she swished-in 25 points. Barbara Frede was almost a one-girl team for the Steglitz five as she pumped in 23 of their 28 points.

In the second contest, the local AYA quintet held the outclassed Berliners to a scoreless first quarter while shooting their way to a 19-point lead.

At the half, the Cubettes had increased their lead to 31-2 as Thelma Stephens, Joyce Riddick, and Terry Barnholt all hit for ten points to pace the way. Frede was again the big gun for the visiting Berliners as she accounted for all but two of their 12 points.

Tomorrow the hometown Cubettes will host the girls from Butzbach in a twin bill slated to begin at 2 and 6:30 p.m. on the BB Sport Center court.

In what is expected to be a nip and tuck battle, the local five will be out to avenge the loss that the hustling Butzbach girls tagged them with earlier in the season.

The Cubettes will wind up their season against Bad Nauheim on the 31st of March.



Leaping for the advantage in the second game last Monday afternoon are Eric Weigert (right) of the TAR Cubs and Karlsruhe's George Pitzer (32). Waiting hopefully for the ball are Knights Dan Pabalote (34) and Bill Fitzgerald (11) while the Cubs' John Shriner (49) and Mike Clary (second from left) take up their positions.

—US Army Photo



## Weigert, Ehst Lead HS Cubs To Double Overtime Victory

Eric Weigert and Dick Ehst proved to be the men of the hour Monday evening as they gave the Thomas A. Roberts High School Cubs a revenge-filled 43-41 double overtime victory over the Karlsruhe Knights which evened the TAR quintet's record at 3-3.

Trailing 18-31 at the end of the third quarter, the Cubs began to work as a team in the final period and pumped in 25 big points to pull their way into a 35-35 tie as the buzzer sounded ending the regular period of play.

### Hard Fight

In the first three minute overtime period, Eric Weigert put the home town five ahead 39-37 with 14 seconds remaining on the clock. But Knight center George Pitzer hit on a four foot jump shot to force the hard-fought tilt into its second three minute period.

After ten seconds of play, Joe Hunt, big gun in the scoring column for the Knights with 24 points, committed his fifth foul and Horst Breuer promptly put Berlin into a 41-39 lead by making good on his one-and-one series from the foul line.

### Weigert Wraps Up Win

Eric Weigert then hit for one from the foul line to give the Cubs a 42-39 lead and the winning point, however, Dick Ehst added one for insurance as he made good on another free shot.

High man for the Cub five was Von Koch with 15 points.

In the first meeting of these quintets last Saturday, the Knights eked past the Cubs, 49-48, in a single overtime match which evened the TAR five relinquish a 13-point halftime lead, 33-20. Karlsruhe was led by Hunt who hit for 33 points and notched the score at 46-46, forcing the game into overtime. Koch was again the top man in the Cub squad with 14 points while Eric Weigert hit for 12.

### Winning Ways

The J.V.'s kept their winning ways by dumping the Knights' i



# Cubs Win in Two Overtimes

**B**ERLIN—History repeated itself with a slight change in the second half of the Karlsruhe-Berlin twin bill in Class B play, but the alteration was enough to send Cub fans into fits of delirium as Berlin notched a 43-41 victory in double overtime.

In the opener of this fantastic series, the Black Knights of Karlsruhe used an overtime period to drop the Cubs, 49-48, powered by

the 33 points of forward Joe Hunt.

Hunt came through with two dozen Monday, but a disastrous fourth quarter lapse on the part of the entire club allowed Berlin to pull up to a 35-35 tie after having trailed 37-18 as the fourth quarter began.

## Forged Ahead

Berlin forged ahead in the first overtime, and led 39-37 until George Pitzer worked his way in under and scored the neutralizer from three feet out.

With 10 seconds gone of the second overtime, Horst Breuer toed the line with a one-and-one opportunity. He hit both to put the Cubs of Ed Fitzpatrick ahead, 41-39.

Eric Weigert's free throw made it 42-39, but with 41 seconds remaining, Dick West rebounded offensively for the Knights and tossed in a cripple under the bucket to make it 42-41.

Karlsruhe had a chance to tie or win with 10 seconds left and a jump ball situation at hand, but West fouled Dick Ehst, and the Cub stalwart hit the first of his one-and-one free throws to achieve the final score.

## Numerous Mistakes

Hunt, shooting jump shots from either side, scored nine markers in the first period to give the visitors an 11-2 advantage, as Berlin threw away countless passes and made numerous other mistakes.

Van Koch, steady scorer for the Cub forces, pumped in nine the second period for Berlin, but Hunt hit another seven as Karlsruhe commanded a 22-15 lead at intermission.

Weigert and John Shiner got hot for the Cubs in the fourth quarter after the Cubs had lapsed again in the third, scoring only three points to fall behind by 13.

Weigert's five free throws in the fourth, the two field goals and one foul shot of Shiner and Koch's two baskets led the Cub rally in the last regulation canto.

## Game Honors

Hunt's 24 easily captured game honors, but only the eight of Corky Messinger was of much assistance.

For the Cubs, Koch amassed his usual 15, Shiner scored eight, Weigert had seven and Breuer hit six, all of them due to his seven trips to the free-throw line.

It was at the stripe that Berlin actually won the match. Karlsruhe took 22 free throws but hit only seven while Berlin was making good on 16 of its 27 appearances there.

Pitzer's rebounding was a key factor in the early lead of the Knights, before Koch and Weigert started hauling them down in the fourth quarter to get Berlin back in contention.

The win upped the Berlin mark to 3-3 and sank Karlsruhe to 1-5 in the Class B standings.

—Maggie Ellithorpe



# Sports

## Cubs Bow in Overtime

**B**ERLIN — After a delay of 24 hours due to a mixup in train reservations, the Karlsruhe Knights blew into the Divided City Saturday and created a tumult in the high school gym by capturing a 49-48 victory in overtime.

Veteran Knight ace Joe Hunt was the exceptional player on the court, netting 33 markers on a remarkable exhibition of accuracy from the floor and the foul line.

Berlin started off with a 17-9 lead, as Van Koch went for five markers to pace the way for the Cubs and Hunt hit seven for the visitors.

In the second period, Hunt went for another seven, while Koch had three and John Wiegert got four for the Cubs. At the half, Berlin commanded a 32-20 edge.

### Disaster Struck

But disaster struck in the third period. Berlin was unable to do anything right, and Hunt tallied eight markers as the Knights whittled the Cub advantage to 37-32.

In the fourth period, Hunt, Corky Messinger and George Pitzer combined talents to bring Karlsruhe up to within a point. Then the lead exchanged hands several times, until a bucket by

Hunt knotted it at 46-46 with two minutes remaining.

Neither team could hit the nets from then on, and the final gun sounded on a stalemate.

In the overtime, Hunt sent the Black Knights ahead with a field goal. But John Shiner went to the stripe and dumped in two free throws to tie it.

With 10 seconds remaining, Hunt made an appearance at the free-throw line, an appearance that made the final difference.

### Kept Cubs in Game

Koch's 14 and the 12 of Wiegert kept Berlin the in contest, while Horst Breuer chalked up seven. In addition to the 33 of Hunt, Messinger and Pitzer collected six each for the winners.

Berlin's second-half demise was mirrored on the statistics charts. Prior to intermission, the host Cubs had hit on 37 per cent of their field goal shots. But after the half, they swished a miserable 15 per cent.

In jayvee encounters sandwiched around the Saturday varsity match, Berlin picked up two tight verdicts by scores of 27-23 and 34-31.

The second varsity contest between the two clubs was scheduled for Monday afternoon.

—Maggi Ellithorpe

## Bucs Overpower Berlin; Stay in Second Place

**B**ERLIN — The youthful and inexperienced Cubs of Berlin managed to stay with mighty Baumholder for two periods Friday, but after that it was a tale of woeful mismatching as the Bucs chalked up 73-51 and 63-33 verdicts in Class B action over the weekend.

The twin triumph, coupled with other results around the league, left the Linn Reitnouer forces in possession of second place in the standings on an 8-2 mark, a half-game behind pace-setting Wuerzburg.

Von Koch and Eric Weigert hit five and four respectively, while Frank Holt and Bill Granderson were getting seven and five for the Bucs in the 12-12 first period Friday.

In the next quarter, Koch and Weigert tallied six and four as did Holt and Homer Feriole as the Buccaneers controlled the game 29-25 at intermission.

### Dominated Boards

With Granderson dominating the back boards against Berlin's much shorter, much less-rugged rebounders, the visiting crew began to click in undeniable fashion after the half.

Holt tallied 10 points, mostly at the business end of the Buccaneer fast break, while Bill Abernathy got six and Granderson hit four. The fourth quarter thus started on a 51-34 reading, and Berlin couldn't get back in it despite the seven of Mike Clary in the last canto.

Holt's 25 was tops for the day, as Granderson chucked in 14. Abernathy hit 12. Feriole got 10 and Ralph Alger, having an off



Granderson ... had his day

series scoringwise, chalked only six.

For the Cubs, the 17 of Koch was high, Clary getting 11, Weigert nine and Horst Brewer seven.

Baumholder converted more than half its field goal attempts, due essentially to its dazzling fast break and the offensive rebounding of Granderson and Holt.

### Paid Off Well

On Saturday, Baumholder's frantic offense paid off handsomely in the first period. Abernathy collared 10 markers and Holt and Alger hit four each as the Bucs ripped off a 26-6 quarter advantage.

In the next period, scoring was fairly even. Weigert picked up five for the Cubs on a few assists by Koch, while Granderson hit for half a dozen to lead action for both clubs. The halftime score was a reasonable 34-19.

In the third period, Berlin hit the doldrums again, tallying but five points while Abernathy and Granderson were doing modicum damage for the Baumholderites.

Ahead by 20 going into the last stanza, Baumholder used the offensive prowess of Granderson and Abernathy to increase the bulge another 10 markers at game's end.

Abernathy's 22 was high, with Granderson close by at 21. Alger and Holt each got eight, while Weigert's 16 was the only major figure on the Berlin side.

Granderson outdid himself off the boards, hauling in 23 rebounds, with Abernathy, Alger and Holt sharing another 27. For the Cubs only John Shiner and Weigert could do any good in this department, each dragging down nine.

Prelims went to the unbeaten Bucs by scores of 32-9 and 33-19.

—Maggi Ellithorpe



## TAR Hoop Quintets Journey to Port City For Series With Underdog Black Hawks

The Thomas A. Roberts High School basketball quintets will be seeking to snap twin losing streaks this weekend when they take to the road for a four-game dual series with the Bremerhaven Black Hawk Varsity and J.V. squads.

Last weekend both the Junior Varsity and the varsity Cubs suffered their second straight losing series by bowing to the undefeated Baumholder Bucs. The Cubs fell by a 73-51 count Friday afternoon and then dropped Saturday's tilt, 63-33. The J.V.'s lost by 32-9 and 32-19.

Despite the lopsided pair of defeats, the home town Cubs played some of their best basketball to date. Trailing anywhere from ten to 15 points during the entire two-game series, the Cubs continued to fight, however, the tactics of the Bucs' Bill "Cousey" Abernathie and Bill Granderson proved too much to handle.

Returning home next week, both of the TAR cage clubs will host Augsburg in their final hoop series of the season before the European tournament in Wiesbaden on the 2nd-3rd of March.

**POOR ODDS**—Cub center John Shiner (49) goes against the odds as Bucs Frank Holt (47) and Ralph Alger (right) deflect his shot wide of the mark during the first game of their weekend series at the BB Sport Center. Baumholder's Bill Granderson (46) and Homer Fariolo (39) wait in anticipation of a rebound. The Cubs dropped the opener, 71-53.

—US Army Photo by Pfc Gast







**HIGH-FLYER** — The Cubs' Horst Breuer (44) takes to the air for a shot at the bucket during the season opener against the Bad Kreuznach Bear Kats. Ready to scramble for a rebound are Bear Kats Pat Neary (center-44), Bob Beetle (fifth from left), and Bruce Pickette (47), Mike Clary (41), John Shriner (49), and Von Kock (43) of the Cubs also get set.

US Army Photo by Pfc Gates

## TAR Five Downs Bad Kreuznach Bear Kats Twice

The Thomas A. Roberts High School five behind the driving lay-ups of Von Koch and the outside jump shots of Mike Clary skinned the Bad Kreuznach Bear Kats, 48-33 and 51-34, to post their first hoop victory in over a year.

Taking an early 12-6 lead, the Cubs felt no mercy for the Bear Kats as they kept the invading five under constant pressure.

### Bear Kats' Threat

The Bear Kats' only threat came in the second quarter when they matched Berlin basket for basket to pull within six points of the Cubs at halftime, 27-21. But from there on the home town five had little trouble in downing a tired Bad Kreuznach club.

Jim Harris was the big gun for the Bear Kats with 14 points while the Cubs' Von Koch hit for 12 and Mike Clary dumped in 11.

In the second game which was played on Saturday, the Cubs took a 25-12 halftime advantage and then proceeded to add 14 points in the third quarter and 12 more in the final stanza. Von Koch and Mike Clary were again the top men in the Cubs' scoring column with 15 and nine points respectively.

### J.V.'s Add Scalps

The Junior Varsity hoopsters also added two scalps to their belts as they completely outclassed their Bad Kreuznach counterparts, 35-10 and 35-16.

Holding only a two-point, 8-6 lead at the half, the JVs' Glen Dunwoody and Sam Pacheco hit for a total of 15 points in the third quarter to put the first game on ice.

Roy Fisher took the scoring honors in the second game as he pumped in 12 points.

The TAR quintets will travel to Würzburg this weekend seeking "Wolfhides" for their trophy rooms.



**FOOT-LOOSE AND FANCY FREE** — are Bruce Pickette (47) of Bad Kreuznach and Horst Breuer of the Cubs (closer to ball) as they struggle for the rebound. Ready to lend assistance are Jim Harris (45) and Shorty Rogers (37) of the Bear Kats and Eric Weigert (32), Von Kock (43), and Dick Ehst (42) of the Cubs.



# Orleans Takes 'B' Laurels

**BITBURG, Germany (Special)**—Steve Jones gunned in 23 points to lead the Orleans Trojans to a 48-46 victory over the Wuerzburg Wolves Saturday night in the championship game of the USAREUR Class B high school tournament here.

Jones fired in 10 field goals and three free throws as Orleans made Wuerzburg its third victim in the six-team, two-day tourney. Jones, who was voted the most-valuable player of the meet after ringing up 66 points in the three games, got back-up support from Don Ballard, who netted 11.

Jim Sizemore flipped in 13 and Jim Peck had 10 for the Wolves, who trailed at the half, 20-16.

The Trojans had to turn back two opponents en route to the showdown meeting here. And they met the task, walloping the host

Bitburg Barons, 59-37, on Friday and then clipping the Baumholder Buccaneers, 56-42, Saturday morning. Wuerzburg toppled Berlin's Cubs, 56-48, Saturday morning to gain its title shot.

Jones paced Orleans to its other victories. He racked up 22 points and received 14-point assistance from both Ballard and Joe Hardin in the win over Bitburg and then came back to hit for 21 against the Buccaneers. Pete Stendebach chipped in with 11 for the Trojans while Bill Abernathy had 18 for the Bucs and Ralph Alger added 13.

Wuerzburg, which had a first-round bye, erupted for 40 points in the second half to turn back Berlin, which Friday toppled Augsburg's Apaches by a 44-41 count. Sizemore poured 28 points through the hoops and Dennis Hewitt added 11 for the Wolves while Eric

Weigert and Mike Clary topped Berlin with respective totals of 17 and 10.

Von Koch paced Berlin's win over Augsburg, netted 14, and Clary followed with 12. Charles Kenney had 12 for Augsburg.

Baumholder earned third place in the tourney by walloping the Cubs, 82-47, Saturday night in a game preceding the title contest.

Abernathy led the Bucs with 25 points while Bill Granderson added 18, Frank Holt 15 and Alger 12. Koch bucketed 18 and Weigert 14 for Berlin, which trailed at the first quarter, 25-9, and was down, 43-19, at halftime.

In a Saturday afternoon consolation tilt, Augsburg topped the Barons, 39-27, as Kenney led the way with 10 markers.

Joining Jones on the all-tournament team were Abernathy, Sizemore, Ballard and Alger.