Willis, Parker Head Devils' 58-43 Attack Against Dixon

Smyrna won its twelfth of the season Friday night, downing Dixon 58-43 in a game at Dixon, Joe Willis scored 14 points and Linwood Parker, 13, to lead the Blue Devils. They have lost only two games.

Smyrna tossed in 21 of 43 from the floor for 49 per cent, and 16 of 26 foul shots for 55 per cent. Also scoring were David Bailey, 11; Danny Gillikin, 9; Norris Nelson, 7; Doug Damren and Terry Lewis, 2 each.

The Blue Devils outscored Dixon in the first quarter by 7 to 5; second quarter, 15 to 9; and third quarter, 18 to 13. The teams scored 16 each in the final period. Leading Dixon, was Calvin Wray, with 14. Phil Pierce got 9; Elbert Wilson, 7; Mickey Floyd and David Banks, 4 each; Buddy Edens and Kenney Henderson, 2 each; and Jimmy Henderson, 1. By the way, Jimmy is a 6-foot, 6-inch freshman, and a man to watch.

Coach Fred Bartholomew, Smyrna, said his boys gave a good defensive performance. They opened the game again with a straight zone: and did not shift to their usual man-to-man defense until inidway in the second period. Bailey was the Blue Devils leading rebounder, with 8. Parker got 5.

The Smyrna girls did equally well, defeating the Dixon girls 42-36. Jo Ann Valentine scored 17 for high-scoring honors, 7 of those in the third quarter, and 8 more in the final period.

Also scoring for the Miss Blue Devils were Trudy Gillikin, 9; Perry Lynn Hancock, 6; Eleanor Gillikin, 5; Janet Lewis, 4; and Beth Lawrence, 1. Dixon, however, outscored Smyrna in the first quarter by 11 to 4, and kept the leading margin at the half as both teams scored 8 points in the second period.

But the Smyrna girls came back in the third quarter to outscore Dixon 14 to 2, and in the fourth quarter by 16 to 15. Perry Lynn got all 6 of her points in the last half. Trudy got 6 of her 9 in the final two quarters of play, and Eleanor, 3 of her 5. The big contribution, though, was 15 by Jo Ann Valentine.

Scoring for the Dixon girls were Audrey Christenbury, 12; Carol McIntyre, 10; Becky Ennétt, 6, Clara Wilkins and Velma Evans, 3 each; and Carolyn Parker, 2.