

Devils deal Norton 68-57 loss

It was a good game for the Oberlin Red Devils last Tuesday night as they plucked the Norton Blue Jays for a 68-57 victory.

The Decatur Community High boys basketball team outscored the Jays in Norton in every quarter but the third, when the teams tied.

In the first quarter, Oberlin hit 13 points for Norton's 8 to take the lead. They lengthened their lead to 10 in the

second quarter, outscoring the Jays 19-14 to lead 32-22 at the half. In the third quarter, both teams put up 11 points and in the fourth quarter the Jays were able to do better than their entire output of the first half, with 24 points. Oberlin responded with 25.

The Devils out rebounded the Jays 40 to 39 but had 20 turnovers to Norton's 13. "We had good, balanced scoring," Coach Dick Ahlberg said. "We played

in all four quarters.

"Tyson Nicholson, Aaron Ploussard and Nathan Carr made big plays late in the game."

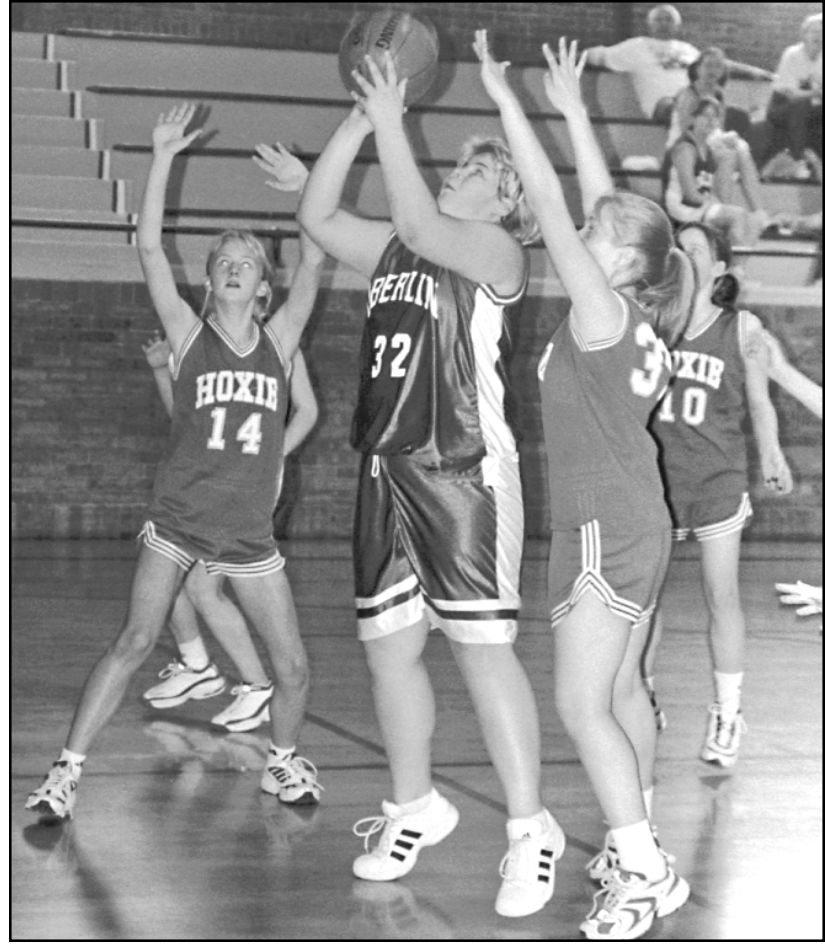
Scoring for Oberlin were Ryan Ruf, 21; Carr, 11; Nicholson, 10; Rusty Grafel, 9; Ploussard, 7; Skyler Tacchini, 6; and Rollie Leitner, 4.

Grafel led in rebounds with 10 followed by Tacchini, 9; Nicholson, 8; Ruf, 7; Carr, 4; and Ploussard, 2.

Ruf had three steals and Tacchini a pair.

Hoxie was to come to town on Friday but the game was postponed due to icy and snowpacked roads. The Indians will be in town on Monday for the makeup game.

On Tuesday, the Devils were to travel to Atwood to take on the Buffaloes and on Thursday they will be in Oakley to meet the Plainsmen right after the girls' game, about 8 p.m.



SEVENTH-GRADER SUNNIE FREDRICKSON prepared to take her shot among multiple Hoxie defenders during Saturday's fun games. —Herald staff photo by Cynthia Haynes

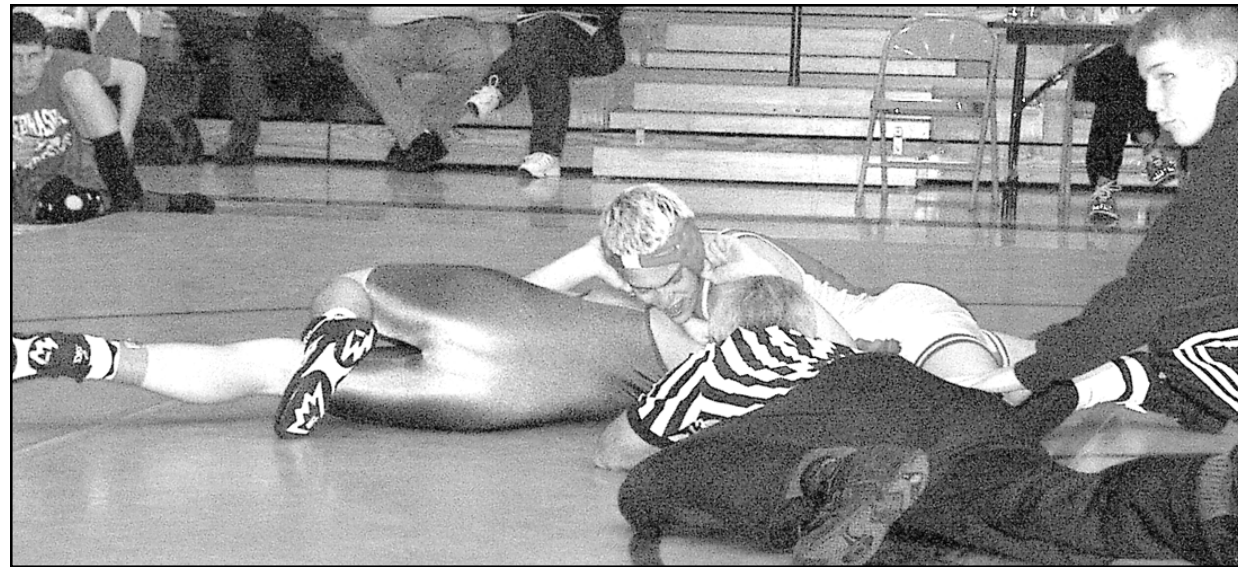
Wrestlers take medals in Colby

Decatur Community High wrestlers took a pair of seconds, a pair of thirds and a fourth place at the Colby Novice Tournament on Saturday.

Chase Juenemann, 125 pounds, and Tyler Cook, 152 pounds, took second place medals while Brett Keck, 152 pounds, and Scott Harman, 189 pounds, took third. Chris Barth, 145 pounds, came in fourth.

Andy Eskew, 130 pounds, Brett Beinke, 140 pounds and Kary Miller, 152 pounds, competed but did not place.

"This was probably the last action for some of these guys this year," Coach Joe Dreher said. "They just kept improving throughout the season. We have several young kids on the team



IT WAS ALMOST A PIN on Saturday when Oberlin's Tyler Cook, at 152 pounds, reversed his Norton opponent and won his match 8-7. —Herald photo by Jay Kelley

who have a lot of potential if they stick with it the next three or four years."

A dual meet at Hoxie on Saturday was canceled because of the weather.

Oberlin wrestlers will travel to the regional meet in Ellis on Friday and Saturday. On Friday, wrestling begins at 2 p.m. and on Saturday at 11 a.m.

There will be 18 schools at regionals including Atwood, Hill City, Hoxie, Norton, Oakley, Quinter, Rexford and St. Francis.

Oberlin girls drop Tuesday game

The Decatur Community High girls took a hard loss to Norton last Tuesday as the Blue Jays downed the Devil girls 49-20.

Oberlin just couldn't get going until the last quarter, and then had lots of foul trouble.

Norton started out strong and stayed that way, leading 14-4 at the end of the first quarter and 27-7 at the half.

The third quarter was even worse, as the Jays put up 10 points to Oberlin's single basket to lead 37-9.

In the fourth quarter, although Norton continued to do well, the Devils were finally able to score, hitting 11 points, including five free throws. The Jays put 12 points up in the last quar-

ter, including five free throws. However, Norton got a lot of chances.

The Lady Jays went to the charity line 16 times in the quarter for a 31 percent while Oberlin got 10 chances for 50 percent.

"We can't let this one game drop us back in our thinking," Coach Paul Nepodal said. "We have played well for five games before this. Our defense was better tonight, but our shooting percentage and turnovers hurt us."

Scoring for Oberlin were Dani Dorshorst, 6 points; Jennifer Thomas, 4; Dana Sattler, 3; Kelsey Dorshorst, Sarah Ruf and Lindsay Fortin, 2 each; and Abby Ream, 1.

Kortney Stapp was the leading

rebounder with 10, followed by Sattler with five.

The junior varsity girls played only two quarters with Norton, but were leading 22-10 at the end of play.

Scoring for Oberlin were Leah Marietta, 3; Sattler, Ruf and Rena Unger, 2 each; and Fortin, 1.

Sattler was the leading rebounder with four followed by Kerrie Olson with three.

Friday night's game against Hoxie was postponed because of the weather and is rescheduled for Monday.

The girls were to play in Atwood on Tuesday and will be in Oakley on Thursday with a 6:30 p.m. tipoff. Junior varsity play will start at 4 p.m.

Winter forces cancellations

Ice and snow forced school to close in Oberlin and Jennings on Thursday and Friday and events were canceled or postponed.

The Decatur Community High boys and girls games against Hoxie scheduled for Friday have been postponed until Monday.

The high school wrestling match at Hoxie scheduled for Friday and the junior high wrestling meet at Phillipsburg scheduled for Saturday both were canceled.

The junior high girls basketball game at Monument and the junior high wrestling at Oakley scheduled for Thursday were rescheduled to Monday.

For Jennings a league game against Northern Valley to be played in Lenora was postponed until 3 p.m. today.

Jennings/Lenora boys win one, lose one

The Jennings/Lenora high school boys fell to Grinnell on Feb. 3 but turned around and beat Bazine last week.

The Warriors from Grinnell won 90-60 when they visited the Coyote/Wildcats in Jennings a little over a week ago.

The game started out fairly even, with the Coyote/Wildcats leading 18-16 at the end of the first quarter. After that, the Warriors woke up and went to work, outscoring the home team 31-16 in the second quarter to lead 47-34 at the half. The Warriors continued in the third quarter hitting 18 to Jennings/Lenora's 12 to lead 65-46 at the end of three and in the fourth quarter 25-14 to take the win.

Free throws killed the Coyote/Wildcats, as the Warriors went to the charity line 43 times, sinking 30 (the difference in the game), for 70 percent while the home team was only able to make three of 13 attempts.

Scoring for Jennings/Lenora were

Russell Miller, 24 points; Wes Dubois, 12; Ryan Miller and Benjamin Bird, 6 each; Grant Bailey, 4; Justin Bolt 3 in a single shot; Robert Daus and Jared Foster, 2 each; and Ben Rhodes, 1.

On Tuesday, the Bazine Indians visited Lenora and got bit for a 77-54 loss.

The Coyote/Wildcats outscored the Indians in every quarter, starting out with a 16-9 lead in the first. In the second, they again scored 16 to Bazine's 15 to lead 32-24 at the half. In the third quarter, the Coyote/Wildcats hit 18 points to 13 for Bazine to lead 50-37. The fourth quarter was all for the home team. Jennings/Lenora scored 27 points to the Indian's 17 to tie up the win.

Scoring for the home team were Dubois, 19; the Miller brothers, 15 each; Daus, 10; Bird, 8; Foster, 4; and J.J. Brooks, Bailey and Bolt, 2 each.

In junior varsity play, Grinnell downed Jennings/Lenora 77-41.

Scoring were McKenna 11; Adam Wahlmeier, 7; Adam Miller, 5; T.J. Larue, J.J. Lahnanen and Theo Stone, 4 each; Bailey, Tyler Robinson and Jesse Bryant, 2 each.

On Monday, the Oakley Plainsmen junior varsity came to Jennings and fell 61-51 to the Coyote/Wildcat junior varsity.

Scoring were Wahlmeier, 10; Brad Meitl, 9; Lahnanen and Miller, 8 each; McKenna and Larue, 7 each; Jamie Bebb, 4; Stone and Brandon Otter, 3 each; and Bryant and Nick Wahlmeier, 1 each.

In two quarters, Jennings/Lenora junior varsity lead the Bazine team 22-12.

Scoring were A. Wahlmeier, 10; McKenna, 4; Lahnanen, Miller and Bryant, 2 each; and Otter and N. Wahlmeier, 1 each.

A game against Northern Valley at Lenora on Friday was postponed until today at 3 p.m. Only the varsity will play.

On Tuesday, the Brewster Bulldogs were to be in Jennings and on Friday the Coyote/Wildcats will be in Herndon to take on the Beavers in a league game starting at about 8 p.m., right after the girls' game.

Girls beat the Indians

The combined Jennings/Lenora girls basketball team beat the Indians from Bazine 54-49 last Tuesday in Lenora.

"It was nice to get a win after two tough games against Logan and Grinnell," Coach Cheri Brooks said.

Jennings/Lenora jumped out to a healthy 14-5 lead in the first quarter. In the second quarter, the teams were even at 12, so the Coyote/Wildcats were ahead 26-17 at the half. The third quarter helped the Coyote/Wildcats lead as the home team scored 12 points to the visitor's 6 to lead 38-23. In the fourth quarter, each team scored 16 points.

"The girls had some impressive times during tonight's win," Coach Brooks said. "but we did get careless with the ball, and it could have cost us in the fourth quarter."

"We were up by 20 points at one time in the second half, but we let Bazine back in the game by not getting matched up on defense and turning the ball over."

"Lori (Vahling) played an aggressive game by creating nine steals and numerous turnovers."

"Our field goal percentage was much better this game. The girls did a better job of working the offense and getting high percentage shots. However, we have still got to keep working on our free throws at this time."

Scoring for Jennings/Lenora were Vahling, 20 points; Nickie Rhodes, 18; Ann Carter, 8; Kristi Smith, 6; and Sarah Meitl, 2.

The Jennings/Lenora girls out-re-

bounded Bazine 33-20 with Rhodes and Vahling tying for the lead with seven each followed by Whitney Dubois, six; Carter, five; Meitl, Smith and Diane Becker, three each.

The Coyote/Wildcats also led in steals with 18 to Bazine's 7. Vahling was the top thief with nine followed by Meitl, 3; Dubois and Carter, 2 each; and Rhodes and Peggy Foster, one each.

Bazine beat the Coyote/Wildcats in junior varsity play 12-7. Scoring were Sara Kier, 4; Foster, 2; and Christina Coiner, 1.

A game against Northern Valley game in Lenora on Friday was postponed until 3 p.m. today. Only the varsity will play.

The girls were to play at Jennings on Tuesday against Brewster and will be heading out to Herndon on Friday for a league game starting at 6:30 p.m.

Tournament set in McCook

The ninth annual MAC Attack youth basketball tournament will be held in McCook on Saturday and Sunday, March 24-25 and March 31-April 1.

Fourth, seventh and eighth-grade boys and girls will compete on March 24-25 and fifth and sixth graders will compete on March 31-April 1.

The entry fee is \$80 per team. Entry deadline is Saturday, March 10. Forms are available at the Sports Shoppe in downtown McCook.

Bowling

Metro Mixed Doubles

Keith's Market 23 1/2-16 1/2; Ag Vantage Seeds 22 1/2-17 1/2; Baker Petrolite 21 1/2-18 1/2; Hartman Telephone 21 1/2-18 1/2; Spring Creek Casting 21-19; Spreser Construction 20-20; Reliance Body Shop 19 1/2-20 1/2; Gold Bank 18-22; CabinetLand 16 1/2-23 1/2; Bishop Consulting 16-24.

Tom Garrett 207, 209, 723; Rocky Diederich 214, 708; Wayne Hackney 206, 200, 723; Glen Stragey 201, 729; Stan Miller 201, 223, 767; Derry Bishop 202, 620.

High Plains Bowling

NAPA 16-9; St. Johns 15-10; Sams Painting 13-12; Warren Bainter CPA 13-12; Rayes Grocery 10-15; Decatur Coop 9-16.

High Scratch Game: Leo Hartman 211. High Scratch Series: Darrin Glading 743. High Handicap Game: Leo Hartman 241. High Handicap Series: Darrin Glading 863. High Team Game: Warren Bainter CPA 861. High Team Series: Warren Bainter CPA 3207.

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Game Time is 3 p.m. Friday and Noon, Saturday after Bee Bop

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