

Five = Third

Oberlin wrestlers do well at state

Red Devils take second, second, third, fourth

All five wrestlers earn team points

Oberlin sent five wrestlers to the state competition and four of them returned with medals, winning the team third place in the tournament.

In the championship rounds, Matt Coleman lost a 1-0 heartbreaker to Jason Schippers of Hoxie, a wrestler he had won by default over in regionals, to place second.

Brett Keck also took second after losing to Pursel of Effingham-Atchison County, last year's champion.

Chance Harman fell to Austin Kingsbury, Smith Center, 3-1, in his third round but came back to take third place. Harman beat Kingsbury in regionals last week in Norton.

Logan Glaze came in fourth, losing his second round to Mellies of Silver Lake, winning three rounds and losing the consolation finals 3-2 to Jordan Houser, Norton, a wrestler he had beaten in regionals.

Taking third at state meant a lot to the coach, wrestlers and fans, since Decatur Community High went into the tournament ranked fifth in the state.

"I'm sure as individuals, they would have liked to have done better," Coach Joe Dreher said, "but these five guys did a fine job this weekend bringing home the third-place trophy.

"David (Barth) wrestled well, losing to the third and fifth-place medal winners and got valuable state experience.

"I can't say enough about those four seniors. They had a good year and took third with five wrestlers.

Considering there were other teams which had six to eight wrestlers, this was a great feat.

"Thanks to all the parents and fans for their support throughout the year."

Besides the outstanding performance of the high school boys, one of Oberlin's outstanding coaches was honored during the state meet.

Gordon "Buzz" Matson, longtime Oberlin wrestling coach who recently retired as Decatur Community High principal, and six other Northwest Kansas coaches were honored Nov. 9 by the National Wrestling Hall of Fame and Museum with the Lifetime Service to Wrestling Awards.

Mr. Matson was at the state meet to be honored and also to see "his" team take third.

Wrestling were:
 • 112 pounds, Barth, lost 7-1 to Kyle Cook, Hoisington; won 6-2 over Ray Ramirez, Wellsville; and lost 6-0 to Brett Swayer, Rock Creek. Ends season with an 18-19 record.

• 145 pounds, Coleman, won 9-1 over Tyson Utech, Herington; won 7-0 over Buster Adkins, Halstead; defeated Brady LaMar, Silver Lake; lost 1-0 to Schippers, Hoxie. Ends season 32-5.

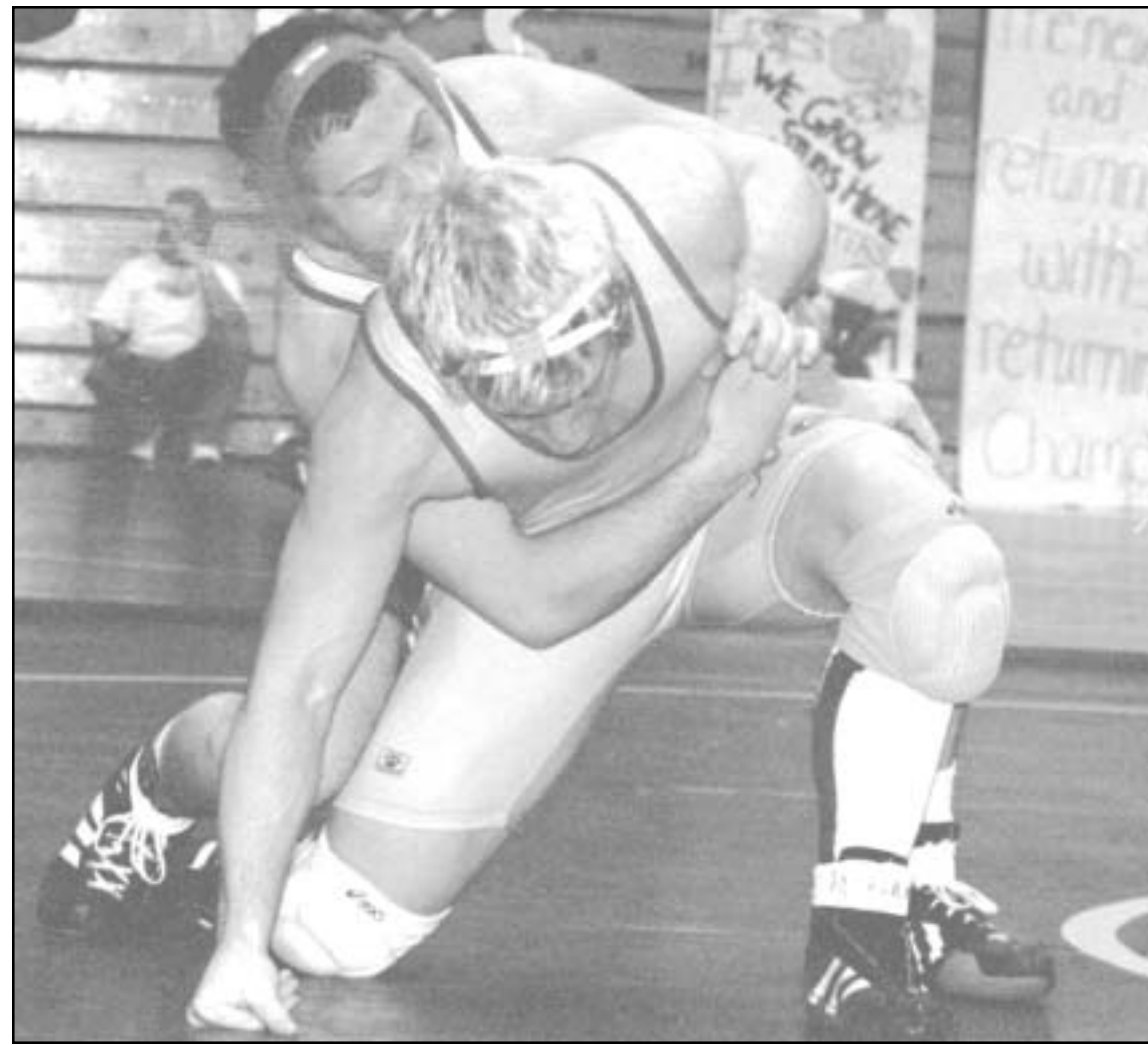
• 152 pounds, Glaze, won 11-1

over Ricardo Mendoza, Cimarron; lost 9-6 to Jeremy Mellies, Silver Lake; won 12-2 over David Harris, Sublette; won 8-3 over Trueman Barger, Sedgwick; pinned James Wright, Beloit; lost 3-2 to Jordan Houser, Norton. Ends season 32-9.

• 160 pounds, Harman, pinned Kyle Powers, Pleasant Ridge; pinned Jeremy Will, Southeast of Saline; lost 3-1 to Austin Kingsbury, Smith Center; won 6-4 over Doug Campbell, Hoxie; won 3-2 over Scott Christians, Hoisington. Ends season 32-2.

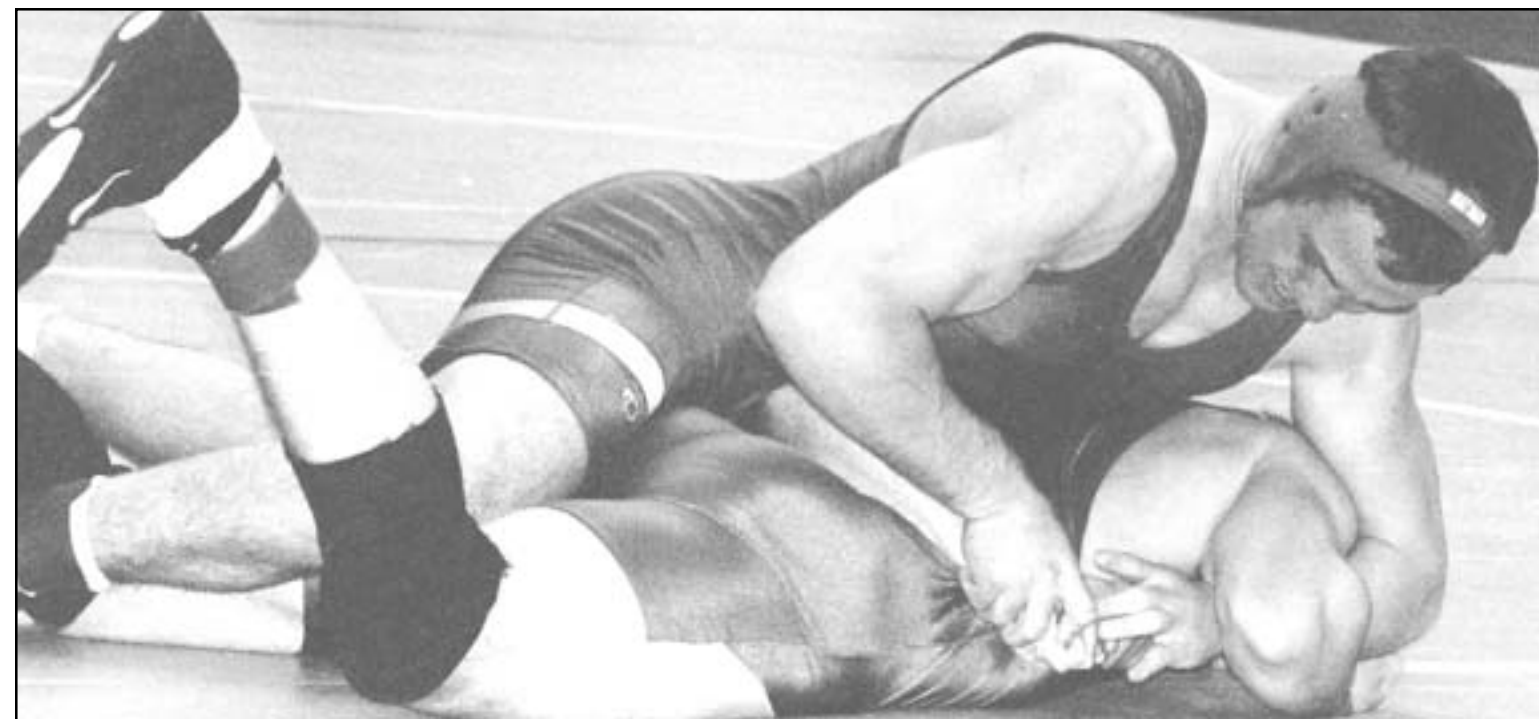
• 171 pounds, Keck, pinned Caleb Simon, Quinter; pinned Kyle Smith, Chase County; won 6-2 over Bo Pfannenstiel, Norton; lost 5-4 to Chris Pursel, Effingham-Atchison. Ends season 29-4.

Barth, a junior, will be the only state contender to return next year for Red Devil wrestling.



WORKING TO TURN HIS OPPONENT, Logan Glaze (above, behind) took fourth at the state wrestling meet on Saturday while Brett Keck (below, on top) came in second.

— Herald photos by Joe Stanley



Jennings takes second place

The Jennings High boys trounced Cheylin 73-24 in the first round of regional basketball competition, edged Brewster 63-62 but fell 66-56 to Herndon in the finals.

Last Monday, the Coyotes took on the Cougars of Bird City in Jennings and sent them home with a resounding defeat.

The Coyotes only let the visitors score in double figures in the last quarter, when Cheylin had a dozen points. Jennings outscored Cheylin in all quarters, 11-3, 18-5, 27-4 and 17-12.

Adam Wahlmeier led the Coyotes with four three-point baskets out of seven tries. He was also high scorer with 21 points.

He was followed by Adam Miller, 13; Grant Bailey, 10; Kyle Kinser, 8; Brian Miller, 6; Seth Ritter, 5; Andy Coiner and Marcus McKenna, 4 each; and Brett McKenna, 2.

Ritter and Bailey each made a three-point shot. Kinser led in rebounding with nine, followed by Bailey and Coiner, eight each; B. McKenna, seven; M. McKenna and Nick Wahlmeier, four; A. Miller and B. Miller, three each; A. Wahlmeier, two; and Ritter, one.

Bailey led the assists with 11; followed by Kinser, three; M. McKenna and A. Wahlmeier, two each; and N. Wahlmeier, Coiner, A. Miller and Ritter, one each.

On Thursday, the action moved to Goodland as the Coyotes took on the Brewster Bulldogs.

The first quarter looked bad for the Coyotes, as the Bulldogs outscored them 23-16. Things didn't get any better in the second, as the Bulldogs again scored more points than the Coyotes, this time 14-13, to lead 37-29 at the half. Things did not look up in the third quarter, as the 'Dawgs outshot the Coyotes 17-14 to lead 54-43.

In the fourth quarter, however, the Bulldogs couldn't make the ball sink and Jennings' Bailey couldn't miss, as he put in five field goals for 11 points. Together the Coyotes put up 20 points. Brewster answered with 8, but that was just one too few and Jennings was ready for the finals.

Scoring against Brewster were Bailey, 22; A. Miller, 18; A. Wahlmeier, 12; M. McKenna, N. Wahlmeier and Kinser, 3 each; and B. McKenna, 2.

Bailey sank four three-pointers, A. Wahlmeier hit a pair and M. McKenna and Kinser each had one.

On Saturday in the finals, Jen-

nings had to face Herndon, which in its last year has only lost one basketball game.

It was a long battle, but Herndon did the same thing to Jennings that the Coyotes had done to Brewster—beat them in the fourth quarter.

Jennings took the lead 13-8 in the first quarter and, although the Beavers outscored them 17-16 in the second quarter, they held a 29-25 lead at the half. In the third quarter, the Beavers tied the game as they outscored Jennings 17-13. In the fourth, the Herndon boys were able to continue to pile up the points, outscoring the Coyotes 24-14 to end Jennings' basketball season.

Scoring were A. Miller, 18; N. Wahlmeier and A. Wahlmeier, 12 each; Bailey, 9; and B. McKenna, 5.

A. Miller took rebounding honors with nine; followed by Bailey, six; Kinser, three; Coiner, B. McKenna and N. Wahlmeier, two each; and A. Wahlmeier and M. McKenna, one each.

Junior high wrestlers overcome boys from Atwood, St. Francis

The Decatur Community Junior High boys wrestled St. Francis and Atwood in St. Francis on Feb. 19.

"We are wrestling pretty good right now," Coach Jim Anderson wrote last week. "We won the Phillipsburg tournament and then won 16-27 here. Hopefully, we can keep it going into the league tournament."

Wrestling were:

• Jacob Fortin, pinned Bebb, Atwood, and pinned Bohme, Atwood.

• Ace Manning, pinned Ford, St. Francis.

• Lucas Juenemann, was pinned by Crabtree, St. Francis.

• Jamie Miller, beat Pacheco, St. Francis; beat Miller, St. Francis; and was beaten by Pacheco.

• Royal Fisher, was beaten by Basgall, Atwood, and was beaten by Sherlock, St. Francis.

• Jordan McFee, was beaten by Jones, Atwood, and beat Riedel, St. Francis.

• Nathan Simonsson, pinned Riedel, St. Francis, and was pinned by Jones, Atwood.

• Jordan Tally, pinned Van-Allen, St. Francis.

• David Urban, beat Sowers, St. Francis, and beat Jones, St. Francis.

• Colt Diederich, pinned Ho-

brock, St. Francis, and was pinned by Hilt, St. Francis.

• Andy Richards, beat Bohme, Atwood.

• Logan Fortin, beat Bebb, Atwood.

• Everett Urban, beat Miller, Atwood, and beat Kinen, St. Francis.

• Andy Dempewolf, was pinned by Ford, St. Francis, and was pinned by Crabtree, St. Francis.

• Gage Reichert, pinned Crabtree, St. Francis.

• Jared Marcuson, beat Van-Allen, St. Francis.

• Andy Richards, lost to Carpenter, St. Francis.

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