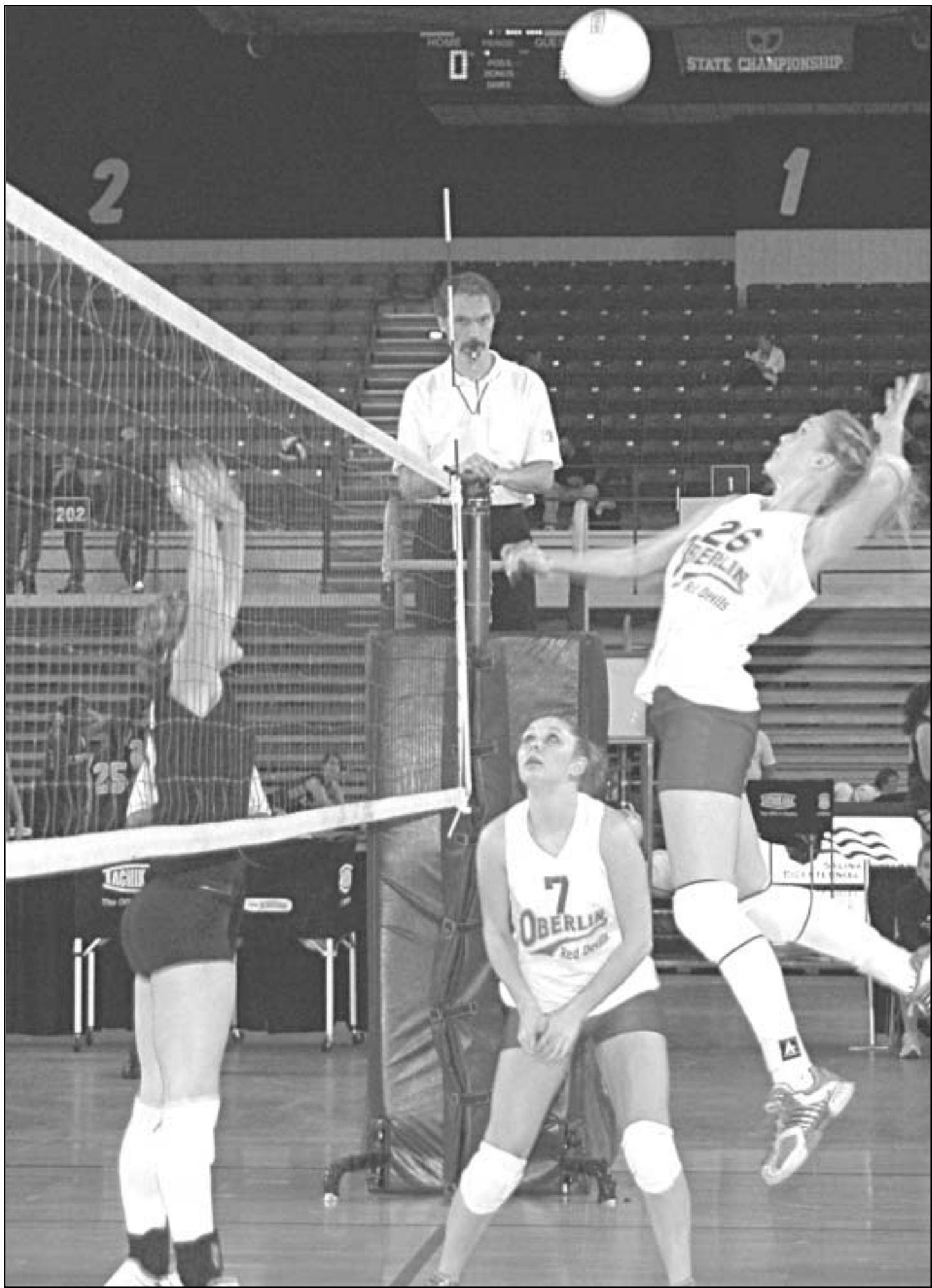


Sports



PROTECTING THE NET, Oberlin junior Heather Williams (No. 7 above) fought against the Wellsville Eagles in the Decatur Community High team's last match at the state volleyball tournament in Salina on Friday. During the same match, Lydia Karnopp (No. 26, right) spiked the ball. — Herald photos by Sarah Fredrickson



Girls end season at state meet

The Decatur Community High volleyball team finished its season 27-8 at the state tournament in Salina on Friday.

The Lady Red Devils won three tournaments, including the Oberlin Invitational, the Northwest Kansas League championship and the Class 3A substate. However, at the Class 3A state meet, they lost all their matches. The team lost 25-12, 25-16 to Rossville; 26-24, 25-19 to Wellsville; and 25-18, 23-25, 25-16 to Sacred Heart of Salina in pool play Friday.

"Of all times to play poorly, we picked the worst day possible," said Coach Pat Dorshorst. "We started the day lethargic and never got the momentum going. We'd make a good hit and didn't even get excited about those. We had the opportunity to beat the first-place team in the pool but had four ace serves hit when the third game was tied up. We lost

all our momentum at that point and never got it back."

Top players against Rossville:

- Server — Tricia Dorshorst, seven of seven.
- Passer — Christa Hardy, 11 of 11 with one perfect.
- Setter — Heather Williams, 28 of 28 with three assists.
- Hitter — Emmie Pauls, 13 of 13 with three kills.
- Blocker — Lydia Karnopp, two blocks.

Top players against Wellsville:

- Server — Dorshorst, seven of

seven.

- Passer — Lauren Fortin, 11 of 11 with two perfect.
- Setter — Williams, 25 of 27 with five assists.

- Hitter — Karnopp, 15 of 15 with seven kills.

Top players against Sacred Heart were:

- Server — Dorshorst, 13 of 13 with two aces.
- Passer — Dorshorst, 25 of 27 with five perfect.
- Setter — Williams, 35 of 35 with nine assists.

- Hitter — Dorshorst, nine of nine with three kills.

- Blockers — Dorshorst and Karnopp, two points stopped each.

"We had an outstanding overall season," Coach Dorshorst said. "We defeated Colby three times and Colby qualified for the final four at the Class 4A Kansas state championship. We achieved many goals, and I am proud of each and every player.

"I would like to thank the community and school for the great support throughout the season."

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