

PLAINVIEW HEAVY TOURNAY FAVORITE

Eagles Also Seeded in District B Cage Meet Here

Those Plainview high Pirates, tutored by Coach Hauver, will be heavy favorites in the annual district B basketball tourney to be held in the O'Neill public school gym Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 5, 6 and 7.

The Pirates recently iced their 2d consecutive Northeast Nebraska league championship. Last year they earned a ticket to the state tournament and are expected to repeat. Teams in the Northeast loop over which the Pirates romped to 12 victories are Bloomfield, Hartington, Pierce, Laurel, Creighton and Randolph.

Plainview will go against Burwell in the first game of the O'Neill meet at 6 p.m. on Wednesday. Broken Bow, a new-comer to the district (replacing the Ord Chanticleers, who go to Central City), drew a first-round bye.

The Neligh Warriors will meet the Ainsworth Bulldogs in the 2d game of the tourney starting at 7:30 on Wednesday night. In the nightcap the O'Neill Eagles face the Valentine Badgers. The Neligh-Ainsworth game is rated a toss-up and the Eagles are expected to squeeze past Valentine.

Broken Bow without doubt will face Plainview in the first semifinal game Thursday night at 7. Winner of Neligh-Ainsworth fiasco meets the O'Neill-Valentine winner in the other half of the semis.

Title play will take place Friday night. D. E. Nelson, O'Neill public school superintendent, is tournament director. Ord has fared badly in O'Neill district play in recent years. There was no explanation from the state office for switching Ord out of the path of the high-scoring Plainview Pirates.

Miss Doris Kramer Weds in Lincoln

STUART—Miss Doris Kramer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Kramer, of Stuart, became the bride of Richard Hardt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Hardt, of Lincoln, Saturday morning, February 16.

Monsignor Riordan officiated at the 9 o'clock ceremony in St. Mary's cathedral, Lincoln. Miss Katherine Gallespie played the nuptial music.

The bride wore a white satin gown with a fingertip veil and carried a bouquet of red roses. Miss Doline Kramer, as bridesmaid for her sister, wore a green net gown and carried yellow carnations.

Kenneth Hardt, brother of the bridegroom, was bestman.

The bride's mother wore a grey dress and the bridegroom's mother a blue dress. Each wore a corsage of white carnations. Dinner was served to the wedding party at the Alex Hardt home.

Mrs. Hardt graduated from Stuart high school in 1948 and has since been employed at the Lincoln Telephone Co. Mr. Hardt is employed by the Elgin Watch Co.

Following a wedding trip to Omaha, the young couple will reside at 541 South 18 street in Lincoln.

Mrs. August Kramer, Mrs. John Jardee, Mrs. Jim Jardee, Miss Raydean Kramer and Mainard Kramer, all of Stuart, attended the wedding.

Kathleen, Randy Socha Party Honorees

Mrs. Dorothy Socha entertained a group of little girls on Wednesday afternoon, February 13, honoring her 2 daughters, Kathleen, 4, and Randy, 5, on their birthday anniversaries, which occur 6 days apart. The party decorations were in the St. Valentine's theme.

Games furnished the entertainment during the afternoon, followed by refreshments served by Mrs. Socha.

Spend Weekend Here

Miss Beverly McCarthy and her roommate, Miss Gertrude Steffen, both of whom are employed at Northwestern Bell Telephone company, Omaha, spent the weekend at the home of Miss McCarthy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George McCarthy, Mr. and Mrs. George McCarthy, who attend Creighton university, all spent the weekend with his parents. He returned to Omaha Sunday. He and other Creighton students are expected home today (Thursday).

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Goree stopped at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George McCarthy on Monday, enroute to their home in Long Pine from Lincoln.

DANCE SUMMERLAND at Ewing Sunday, Feb. 24
Music by **BOBBY MILLS Orchestra**

St. Joe Bluejays Hit Stuart, 43-25

STUART—The Stuart high Broncos suffered another let-down when St. Joseph's Bluejays, of Atkinson, played here Friday night, February 15.

The prelim game finished with St. Joe reserves in front, 24-17. Boxscore for main event:

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|-------------|----|----|----|----|
| (STUART) 25 | fg | ft | pf | tp |
| Brewster, f | 2 | 4 | 5 | 8 |
| Tielke, f | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Nelson, f | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Coats, c | 3 | 3 | 2 | 9 |
| Ulrich, g | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Wewel, g | 1 | 0 | 5 | 2 |
| I. Shald, g | 1 | 0 | 5 | 2 |
| Peterson, g | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 8 | 9 | 24 | 25 |

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|--------------|----|----|----|----|
| ST. JOE (43) | fg | ft | pf | tp |
| C. Schmit, f | 2 | 6 | 3 | 10 |
| Goeke, f | 8 | 5 | 5 | 21 |
| Ries, c | 3 | 1 | 4 | 7 |
| G. Schmit, g | 2 | 0 | 4 | 4 |
| Miller, g | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| L. Strate, g | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 15 | 13 | 19 | 43 |

Coyotes Topple Inman, Brunswick

CHAMBERS—Coach Tommy Hutton's Chambers high Coyote pack bagged a pair of wins last week—toppling Inman and Brunswick.

Chambers 47, Inman 44
Ed Pavel, center, hit 20 points to nullify Harold Nielsen's 18 for Inman. Chambers grabbed a 10-9 first quarter lead, trailed 20-21 at the halftime and lagged 30-32 going into the finale.

The Chambers scrubs won a prelim, 28-10.

Boxscore of main event:

| | | | | |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|
| CHAMBERS (47) | fg | ft | pf | tp |
| Gribble, B., f | 2 | 0 | 4 | 4 |
| Rowse, N., f | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Adams, G., f | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Young, S., f | 6 | 1 | 0 | 13 |
| Pavel, Ed., c | 10 | 0 | 3 | 20 |
| Hoffman, D., g | 0 | 1 | 5 | 1 |
| Farrar, J., g | 0 | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| Maas, R., g | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Totals | 20 | 7 | 16 | 47 |

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| INMAN (44) | fg | ft | pf | tp |
| Nielsen, Ha'd, f | 6 | 6 | 2 | 18 |
| Kelley, D., f | 4 | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| Sawyer, f | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Sprague, c | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Nielsen, Ha'n, g | 4 | 3 | 4 | 11 |
| Bohn, g | 1 | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| Totals | 17 | 10 | 12 | 44 |

Chambers 47, Brunswick 38
The Hutton crew commanded an early lead and never relinquished it in turning back Brunswick Friday night, February 15, at Chambers. R. Adams and Young ganged up for 27 points against the invaders.

The Coyote pups had a close call but won, 21-19.

Boxscore of main event:

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|----------------|----|----|----|----|
| CHAMBERS (47) | fg | ft | pf | tp |
| Gribble, B., f | 3 | 2 | 1 | 8 |
| Rowse, N., f | 3 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| Pavel, Ed., f | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Adams, R., c | 5 | 5 | 4 | 15 |
| Young, S., g | 5 | 2 | 1 | 12 |
| Hoffman, D., g | 1 | 2 | 5 | 4 |
| Totals | 17 | 13 | 15 | 47 |

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| BRUNS. (38) | fg | ft | pf | tp |
| Howell, f | 6 | 0 | 2 | 12 |
| Stubbs, f | 3 | 1 | 5 | 7 |
| Helmer, f | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Haase, c | 5 | 2 | 2 | 8 |
| Middletton, g | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Norris, g | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Lichty, g | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 17 | 4 | 18 | 38 |

South Fork Talent Night to Be Held

Seventeen members of the 212 South Fork 4-H club met at the home of Gary and Gale Holcomb on Friday evening, February 15, for a regular lesson and business. Four leaders and 4 visitors were also present.

During the business meeting we made plans for observing rural life Sunday in May and voted on a new member.

We plan to hold a talent night on Wednesday, February 27, to decide who shall represent our club on the program at the annual family fun night in O'Neill on March 8.

Following the business meeting Mr. Backhaus's rope project members, Mrs. Halsey's bird project members and Mrs. Holcomb's cooking girls all had lesson discussions. Lois and Demaris Strong had charge of the music period.

Kenneth Backhaus and Gary Holcomb had planned the evening's recreation around the Valentine theme. The winners of a group of contest games each received 4-H pencils as their prizes.

Mrs. Holcomb, assisted by Mrs. Backhaus and Mrs. Michalis, served a sack lunch with pop and coffee.

Jennie Halsey, Joellyn Backhaus and Gary Holcomb represented our club at the county timely topics speaking contest in O'Neill on February 9. We are proud of the fine talks they gave. Joellyn won the girls' contest for the 3d consecutive year and Gary won the boys' contest. The 2 winners will go to Bassett on February 20 to take part in the district contest and Gary is to give his talk at the 4-H leaders' banquet in Atkinson that same night.

Jennie has improved wonderfully in speaking ability this past year.

Our next regular lesson meeting will be on March 14, at the Roy Backhaus home. — By Gary Holcomb, reporter.

Eagles Hit Badgers, Lose to Plainview

The O'Neill high Eagles finished on both sides of the ledger during basketball play the past week.

They spanked the Valentine Badgers, 53-46, at Valentine on Friday night and bowed to the powerful Plainview Pirates, 55-63, Tuesday evening on the O'Neill maples.

O'Neill meets Albion here next Tuesday February 26.

O'Neill 53: Valentine 46
VALENTINE—Coach Paul Baker's O'Neill high Eagles got off to a slow start but gained momentum as the evening wore on to defeat the Valentine Badgers 53-46, Friday night on the Valentine floor.

Playing without the services of Forward Davey Eby, who was out with a siege of influenza, the front line load fell on Forward Don (Crow) Godel, who hit 11 fielders and 4 freethrows.

Valentine led 15-11 at the first quarter. The Blues moved out in front, 30-26, at halftime and enjoyed a 10-point spread, 45-35, at the end of the third.

Boxscore:

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|---------------|----|----|----|-----|
| O'NEILL (53) | fg | ft | pf | pts |
| Kilcoin, f | 3 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| Godel, D., f | 11 | 4 | 4 | 26 |
| Carroll, f | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Buckmaster, c | 1 | 5 | 4 | 7 |
| Calkins, g | 2 | 2 | 3 | 6 |
| Hollenbeck, g | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Worth, g | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| Totals | 20 | 13 | 16 | 53 |

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| VAL. (46) | fg | ft | pf | pts |
| Wilson, f | 6 | 1 | 5 | 13 |
| Jeffers, f | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Scripter, f | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Wrage, c | 7 | 2 | 1 | 16 |
| Murphy, g | 0 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Collins, g | 4 | 1 | 4 | 9 |
| Carrier, g | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Totals | 19 | 8 | 21 | 46 |

Plainview 63: O'Neill 55
Coach Paul Baker's kids came as near upsetting the Plainview Pirates as any opponent has done thus far. But a 9-point surge in the 4th stanza, during which the Pirates didn't miss on their set shots, broke the Eagles' back. Plainview moved out in front and won it, 63-55.

The high-powered Pirates grabbed an early lead and led, 15-12, at the quarter.

O'Neill moved in front, 25-24, at intermission and held the upperhand into the final quarter despite a see-sawing court.

Finally, Forward Kokrda and Center Albin unleashed a deadly assault on the fast basket. They hit long fielders with amazing accuracy but muffed a few shorties.

While the Blues were ahead the Plainview crew obviously was teetering on the brink of disaster. They were bothered no-end by the Eby-Godel-Buckmaster-Calkins scoring combine.

But when the Pirates showed their true greatness in the clutch, the Blues got the jitters and their shooting became inaccurate.

For 3½ frames it was one of the best prep basketball games ever played on the O'Neill maples.

The Blues poured in 5 points in the final 90 seconds but it was a matter of too little too late.

O'Neill's Don (Crow) Godel was well bottled by the visitors. He was limited to 5 fielders—his lowest mark of the year. It wasn't a question of Godel being off. It was simply a matter of superb defense work.

The curtain-raiser was a ding-dong game, too. The O'Neill Eaglets defeated the junior Pirates, 47-45.

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|---------------|----|------|----|----|
| O'NEILL (55) | Fg | Ft | Pf | Pt |
| Eby, f | 5 | 1-2 | 2 | 11 |
| Godel, f | 5 | 3-4 | 4 | 13 |
| Buckmaster, c | 5 | 2-3 | 1 | 12 |
| Calkins, g | 6 | 3-5 | 1 | 15 |
| Worth, g | 2 | 0-2 | 4 | 4 |
| TOTALS | 23 | 9-16 | 12 | 55 |

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| PLAINV. (63) | Fg | Ft | Pf | Pt |
| Kokrda, f | 8 | 5-6 | 1 | 21 |
| Thomas, f | 5 | 0-0 | 5 | 10 |
| Albin, c | 8 | 2-3 | 4 | 18 |
| Kuhl, c | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 |
| Foster, g | 5 | 1-1 | 3 | 11 |
| Scranton, g | 1 | 1-2 | 0 | 3 |
| TOTALS | 27 | 9-12 | 13 | 63 |

Nifty Needlers Name New Officers

PAGE—The Nifty Needlers reorganized Thursday evening in the Held cafe building. Officers were elected as follows: Jennie Graves, president; Carolyn Russell, vice-president; Marilyn Terrell, secretary-treasurer and Faye Irene Ballantyne, reporter.

Mrs. Melvin Held is leader with Mrs. Frank Beelaert and Mrs. Ivan Heiss as assistants. Members taking first year cooking are: Myrna Heiss, Genelle Allen, Jennie Graves, Marilyn Terrell, Dixie Nissen, Marilyn Lamason, Norma Sorensen, Artha McClure, Betty Lou Canady and Fay Irene Ballantyne.

Those taking homemaking are: Ruth Kelly and Carolyn Russell. Faye Irene Ballantyne is taking 3d year sewing.

Plans for the 4-H fun night at O'Neill were discussed. Ribbons and work books from last year were received. Valentine games were played followed by a dutch lunch. Five mothers were present. Next meeting will be at Genelle Allen's home. — Faye Ballantyne, reporter.

Go To Atkinson

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Havranek were in Atkinson Sunday visiting at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Barrett and Mr. and Mrs. James Havranek.



"VIOLIN VIRTUOSO" . . . Basketball Coach Paul Baker (above) was revealed as the "violinist" in the O'Neill band's "Hi Jinks" concert Sunday. The violin was geared to proper pitch and Baker sawed at the appropriate moments.

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