

# Ainsworth Captures 'B' Title Here

Atkinson Balers Are Denied Title in 58-46 Final Game

**Class B (O'Neill)**  
**FIRST ROUND**  
 (Monday, February 21)  
 Neligh 65; Burwell 56  
 Atkinson 56; Bloomfield 48  
 (Tuesday, February 22)  
 Ainsworth 35; Bassett 26  
 Plainview 52; O'Neill 47  
**SEMIFINALS**  
 (Thursday, February 24)  
 Ainsworth 56; Plainview 36  
 Atkinson 74; Neligh 72  
**FINALS**  
 (Friday, February 25)  
 Ainsworth 58; Atkinson 46

**Semifinals**  
 Atkinson 74; Neligh 72  
 In class B district tournament play here last Thursday night, the underdog Atkinson Balers staged off the Neligh Warriors and copped a 74-72 victory. Gary Small of Atkinson and Gary Moon of Neligh held the scoring spotlight. Small pocketed 31 points, and Moon hit 30 tallies.  
 Ken Huston backed up Small with a 17-point output for the winners. Tom Baker and Ben Broderson hit 10 each for Neligh.  
 Atkinson was in charge at each quarter post and led 58-48 at the end of the third frame. The Warriors turned on the steam in that last stanza, but couldn't top Atkinson.

**Ainsworth 56; Plainview 36**  
 Also in Thursday night's play, the top-seeded Ainsworth Bulldogs turned back the surprising Plainview Pirates, 56-36. Plainview had scored the tourney's first upset by ousting the O'Neill Eagles.  
 Bill Gabbert of Ainsworth topped the point-getters in the second half of the semi's. He gathered 18 points while Don Swett came through with 10 more for Ainsworth.  
 Gary Lingenfelter, Jack Bomar and H. Lerum each collected six tallies for the losers.

**Finals**  
 Ainsworth 58; Atkinson 46  
 In the finals of the class B district basketball tourney here Friday night, unbeaten and top-seeded Ainsworth rolled to a 58-46 victory over the Atkinson Balers.  
 Brede paced the Bulldogs' scoring attack with 20 points while Taun added 14 more. The Balers' scoring star was Gary Small with 16. Ken Huston hit nine for the losers.  
 The Atkinson quintet held a two-point lead at the end of the first quarter, but then relinquished the lead to the rugged Bulldogs. The 'Dogs were in command until the end of the game.

**Ainsworth Meets Wayne**  
 The Ainsworth Bulldogs will battle the Wayne high Blue Devils Friday night at Plainview in the inter-district class B playoff.

Linda Johnson returned Saturday from Austin, Minn., where she had been visiting Miss Cecily Spaulding.

**Stuart Underlings Capture Thriller**

STUART — A thriller basketball game was played here Saturday night when the Atkinson Balers and the Stuart Broncos battled for first place in the postponed North-Central Nebraska Conference freshman-sophomore basketball tourney. Stuart tripped Atkinson, 57-56, in an overtime game.  
 Stuart jumped to early first and second quarter leads only to fall behind by six points to a determined Atkinson outfit winner of 12 straight games this year.  
 The battle searved throughout the game with six points representing the biggest lead by either team.  
 Stuart's cause seemed lost midway through the fourth quarter as two regulars, Mike Battenhorst and Bert Stratka, fouled out but in the end it was substitute, Don Schmaderer who sent the game into overtime by dropping a charity toss with 20 seconds left to tie the 50-50 tie at the end of regulation time.  
 The three minute overtime was a ding-dong affair with Stuart taking the lead on a jump shot by Del Stracke, sophomore guard.  
 Seger hit for Atkinson and sub, Don Miring, pumped in a set shot for Stuart. Frickel hit a lay up for Atkinson and again Stracke pumped in a 10 foot jump but Seger cashed in on two free throws to tie the score with 15 seconds left.  
 Dana Bigelow, Stuart's rebounding freshman, was fouled on a jump shot as the buzzer sounded and calmly dunked the first free throw to give Stuart the victory.  
 It was a fine game by two very excellent teams, giving Stuart its lone first place trophy in NCNC competition in five years.  
 Stuart led, 11-10, at the first quarter; 28-22 at the half; and the count was tied 39-39 at the end of the third.  
 Del Stracke, Stuart's guard hit 17 with promising D. Biglow, 16. Seger, rugged Atkinson center was outstanding with 25 and a fine rebounding job.

**Class C (Wausa)**  
**FIRST ROUND**  
 (Monday, February 21)  
 Orchard 37; Osmond 35  
 Randolph 40; Niobrara 38  
 (Tuesday, February 22)  
 Creighton 50; St. Frances  
 (Randolph) 39  
 Wausa 54; Lynch 43  
**SEMIFINALS**  
 (Thursday, February 24)  
 Randolph 42; Orchard 40 (overtime)  
 Wausa 52; Creighton 44  
**FINALS**  
 (Friday, February 25)  
 Randolph 37; Wausa 36 (overtime)

**METHODIST (Emmet)**  
 Rev. W. B. Smith, pastor  
 Thursday, March 3: Official board and Bible study at Emmanuel's 7:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, March 6: Worship, 9:30 a.m.; adult youth church school, 10:30 a.m.

# SPORTS



The class B champions in the O'Neill tourney—the Ainsworth Bulldogs. Left-to-right: George Haun, Roger Brede, Jerry Hurlless, Bill Gabbert, Dean Little, Don Swett and the student manager. —The Frontier Photo.

**Spencer Handy Victors in Class C**

**Surprising Ewing Team Finalists**

**Class C (Atkinson)**  
**FIRST ROUND**  
 (Monday, February 21)  
 Spencer 72; Bartlett 39  
 Page 63; St. Joe (Atkinson) 59  
 (Tuesday, February 22)  
 Ewing 54; Springfield 33  
 St. Mary's (O'Neill) 57; Stuart 47  
**SEMIFINALS**  
 (Thursday, February 24)  
 Ewing 54; Page 47  
 Spencer 45; St. Mary's 24  
**FINALS**  
 (Friday, February 25)  
 Spencer 57; Ewing 42

**Semifinals**  
 Ewing 54; Page 47  
 The Ewing high Tigers trailed the Page Eagles with only 40 seconds remaining in Thursday night's class C semifinal game at Atkinson. The Tigers had trailed the entire game—that is until a sensational surge in the dying moments.  
 As the clock ticked off the fleeting seconds, the Tigers racked up seven points while the dumfounded Eagles looked on. The Eagles have been anything but pushovers all season.  
 Keith Gibson led the Tigers' attack with 16 points while Jack Sisson accounted for 12. Hugh Troshynski accounted for 16 for the losing Eagles with Gary Kemper pressing close behind with 14. Page led, 25-10, at the end of the first period; 31-22 at intermission, and 37-22 at the end of the third.

Spencer 45; St. Mary's 24  
 The classy Spencer Pirates jumped to a 7-4 first quarter lead over the St. Mary's academy Cardinals (O'Neill) in the other semifinal game played Thursday night. But Spencer won it 45-24.  
 Coach Don Templemeyer's kids tried stalling tactics at the outset but were trailing, 6-7, early in the second stanza.  
 But the well-oiled Pirates capitalized on SMA misques and moved into a 17-8 halftime advantage.  
 During the second half, the Cardinals abandoned the futile stalling technique but were unable to hit from the field and the inevitable result was an easy Spencer victory.  
 Johnson, Spencer's able center, was the big individual show with 17 points.

**Finals**  
 Spencer 57; Ewing 42  
 The high-riding Spencer Pirates were "as advertised" in the class C tourney in Atkinson last week, and sailed by the Ewing Tigers, 57-42, in Friday night's finals.  
 Don Edwards led the attack in the title game, scoring 14 points for the winners. Johnson pressed closely behind with 13.  
 Deb Carl and Walt Hand were best for Ewing with nine points each. Spencer led, 31-22, at the half.  
 Spencer will go into the state tourney playoffs tonight (Thursday) at Stanton. There are four district champs entered—Spencer, Battle Creek, Hartington and Randolph.

**See Son on TV Program**  
 Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lohaus returned Tuesday evening from a 17-day vacation spent visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Capt. and Mrs. John Lee Baker, in Phoenix, Ariz. The group spent this past weekend at Las Vegas, Nev.  
 Captain Baker, who is stationed at Luke Air Force base near Phoenix, is an academic instructor in the ground school there.  
 On Monday, February 14, Mr. and Mrs. Lohaus were in Globe, Ariz., on their way to Phoenix. At a store they witnessed a part of a half-hour TV program sponsored by the public relations department of the air force. Captain Baker appeared.  
**Visit Bonesteel**  
 Mrs. Kenneth Juran and son returned to O'Neill Feb. 18, after spending a week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kahler, in Bonesteel, S.D.  
**Callers at Tomlinsons**  
 Monday, Feb. 21, callers at the Tomlinson home were Mrs. Mark Howard, Mrs. Loren Nelson and Mrs. Vannie Newman.

**Class E (Brunswick)**  
**FIRST ROUND**  
 (Monday, February 21)  
 Wynot 56; St. Ludwig's (Creighton) 52  
 Inman 67; Bristow 32  
 Hoskins 69; Brunswick 53  
**SEMIFINALS**  
 (Wednesday, February 23)  
 Inman 83; Hoskins 56  
 Wynot 64; Clearwater 58  
**FINALS**  
 (Friday, February 25)  
 Inman 68; Wynot 58

**Inman Tigers Grab Top Class E Honors**

BRUNSWICK—The Inman high Tigers weren't pressed until Friday's finale against Wynot in the district class E tournament here last week.  
 The Tigers knocked off Bristow, 67-32, in the first round. In the semifinals, they poured it on the Hoskins entry, 83-36, in a handy win. Bob Reimers dumped in 29 points. On Friday night, the Holt champions were pressed by the Cedar countyans from Wynot, but were never in danger.  
 Inman grabbed a 12-point lead in the opening quarter and maintained about a 10-point lead all the way. Wynot was stubborn, however, and it was a tough battle before a full house.

**Verdigre Winner of Class D Title**  
**Semifinals**  
 Center 44; Elgin, St. Bon. 43  
 After making only 22 points in the first three periods, St. Boniface broke loose with 21 tallies in the final quarter during Thursday night's semifinal class D play at Plainview. But the parochial kids were still one point short. Center chalked up 10 points in the final stanza, which saw the score tied several times. At one stage, St. Bon held a five-point advantage.  
**Finals**  
 Verdigre 61; Chambers 33.  
 Tom Cerny led the Verdigre Hawks to their convincing win over the luckless Chambers Coyotes, who were hungry for a win but couldn't cope with the competition. Verdigre won, 61-33. Cerny hit 22 and Rudloff and Johnson backed him up with eight each. R. Chipps scored 13 for Chambers; Edwards claimed six.

**Brownies Send Valentines to Hospital**  
 Brownie troop I met at the library. Mrs. Walter Donohoe substituted as our leader. Our troop gave valentines to the patients at the hospital. Mrs. Lewis Harley sent us a card of thanks and \$1. We meet again on March 15.—By Sharon Hartman, reporter.

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**Cards Finish with 9 Wins, 11 Losses**

**Upcoming Frosh Are Impressive**

Coach Don Templemeyer's St. Mary's academy Cardinals finished their basketball season with nine wins and 11 defeats. Scoring for the Cardinals was well balanced with Terry Wanser hitting 218; David Schaffer, 213; Tommy Head, 184, and Jerry Cuddy, 131.  
 Wanser lead in the field goal percentage with 52 out of 72 chances for 72 percent. Schaffer followed with 65 percent and Head was close behind with 64 percent. Schaffer led the pack on field goal percentages, hitting 39 percent, followed by Head with 37 percent and Cuddy and Wanser each hit 36 percent.  
 For the reserve team which finished with six victories and five defeats, Jim Becker led with 60 points. Gary Holly was best of the free throwers with 53 percent.  
 Donohoe lead in the field goal percentage with 42 percent.  
 The Cardinals progressed well during the season winning eight and losing six since the Christmas vacation. They hit their peak during the Holt county tournament, when they upset Ewing and pressed highly favored Atkinson.  
 The high point of the year for the Cardinals was the winning of the third place trophy in the Niobrara valley tournament. With only two seniors on this years squad and a fine crop of upcoming freshmen from the undefeated midgets, the future looks bright for the Cards.  
 Squad members who will be returning next season are:  
 Juniors—Tom Head, David Schaffer, Matt Hynes, Max Bohn, Jerry Schmidt, Ronnie Murphy, J. J. Hoffman and Ray Donohoe.  
 Sophomores—Jim Becker, Jim Froelich, Tom Schneider, Gene O'Neill.  
 Freshmen—Gary Holly, Bruce Weiler and Jerry Hickey.

**O'NEILL LOCALS**  
 Mrs. W. J. Oik of Petersburg visited Friday with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stutz and family.  
 Mrs. John McGill of Omaha visited over the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Pat Sullivan.  
 John Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Miller and sons, all of Norfolk, visited Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Van Every.  
 Mrs. Helen Brown of Gretna visited over the weekend with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr.

**Fred Bazelman Honored**  
 A surprise birthday party was given Tuesday evening honoring Fred Bazelman on his 78th anniversary.  
 Those present were his wife, Mae; son, Leonard Bazelman, and family; his daughters and their children, Mrs. Owen Kissinger, Michael and Deanna, and Mrs. Leroy Baumeister, Regina Kay and Cynthia, all of Conago Park, Calif.  
 The two daughters and their children have been visiting the past month with their parents.

**2d Cup of Tea Is Interrupted by Gay Neighbors**  
 ROCK FALLS—Mrs. Floyd Johnson was surprised on Friday evening while indulging in a second cup of tea.  
 A group of friends and relatives came barging in to help celebrate her birthday anniversary.  
 The evening was spent playing cards followed by a lunch consisting of hot chili and coffee prepared by Mrs. John Schultz and birthday cakes baked by Mrs. Lowell Johnson and Mrs. Schultz.  
 Slide pictures were shown by Gordon Johnson.  
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and Mrs. Louis Reimer, jr. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Froelich visited over the weekend in Hartington at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. B. V. Wanser, and family.  
 Mrs. Ira Moss spent from last Thursday until Sunday in Omaha.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Venticher and family of Norfolk visited Saturday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sauter.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Worcester and Roseann Schaffer spent Tuesday in Sioux City.

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