

# SPORTS CORNER

## Fairbury Downs Devils in Their New Gym

Plattsmouth basketball fans, who packed the new gymnasium to the rafters when Fairbury came calling Friday night, held their breaths all through the last minutes of the game but the visitors won anyway, 48-46. The game started out perfectly even, as neither team scored for about four minutes, but the Jeffs then gained a lead and held it throughout the game. The closest the Blue Devils got was when the score stood 44-42 with one minute, 42 seconds left in the final quarter. Hrz missed two free throws at the quarter point, and the Jeffs pulled ahead again. Ernst hit two baskets in the last minute, but Fairbury stalled out most of the last 30 seconds, and when the home team got the ball in the final few seconds it was too late.

Coach John Adkins credited the boys with stopping Jeffs' fast break attack, but admitted that several defensive lapses had done quite a bit of damage. As it was, Plattsmouth outscored Fairbury from the field, getting 15 goals to their 14. However, the visitors hit 20 of 24 free throws while the Devils got only 16 of 30. Ackerman for Fairbury was high point man with 19. Dasher got 12 and Ptak 11 for Plattsmouth.

Quarter scores show Fairbury leading 12-8, 21-15, 34-30 and 48-46.

The reserves lost by a similar margin 38-26, in their preliminary game against Fairbury's "B" squad. Vernon Kaffenberger got 14 for the hosts, Gobel 17 for Fairbury. Quarter scores, with Fairbury leading all the way, are 12-10, 19-18, 31-29 and 38-36.

Adkins said the squad will lay off for the next two weeks, then begin scrimmages in the second week of Christmas vacation. Pawnee City will be the first of several home games in January, and the big A-Sar-Ben conference tournament will be here Jan. 19-21.

## New Extension Club Formed Near Manly

A new home extension club was organized in the Manly vicinity at the home of Mrs. Earl Puls. The name of club is "Center Extension Club." The officers are: president, Mrs. Herman Bergman; vice-president, Mrs. Leonard Stohman; secretary, Mrs. Earl Puls; treasurer, Mrs. John Sheehan. Leaders who will receive training on presenting lesson on "Broiler Meals" for January and February are Mrs. Frank Riester and Mrs. Earl Puls. The January meeting will be at the Frank Riester home Jan. 20.

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## Elmwood Rallies for Victory Over Eagle

Host Elmwood Friday night pulled out of a first-half deficit to eke out a narrow 52-50 victory over visiting Eagle, the victors holding Eagle to seven points in the final quarter while scoring 10 for themselves.

Lowell Umland of the losers was high man for the evening with 15, and teammates Walberg got 13 and Ayers 10. For Elmwood, Halvorsen got 12, Godbey 11 and Abrams 9.

Eagle led after the first quarter, 16-7, and at halftime 28-22. It was a 42-42 tie at the third quarter.

The Eagle reserves won their game, 36-33, after leading 10-7, 16-12 and 25-19 at the quarter marks. Elmer Mueller got 23 for Elmwood, and Dick Umland eight for Eagle.

Elmwood's volleyball girls won 28-19 after leading 15-8 at halftime. Shara Goebble and Joyce Miller got five points each for Elmwood, and Sharon Wall and Lela Rockenback four each for Eagle.

The box scores:

ELMWOOD	FG	FT	PF	TP
Abrams, f	1	7	2	9
Godbey, f	5	1	3	11
Lanni, c	2	0	4	4
Thomas, c	3	0	2	6
Halvorsen, g	4	4	4	12
Backemeyer, g	3	1	0	7
Hall, g	1	1	0	3
Kunz, f	0	0	0	0
Totals	19	14	15	52

EAGLE

FG	FT	PF	TP
Umland, f	6	3	15
Donlan, f	0	2	2
Weyers, c	3	2	3
Walberg, g	5	3	13
Ostrander, g	1	0	3
Ayers, g	4	2	4
Totals	19	12	18

Reserve Game

Final	Final
Elmwood 7 5 7 14 33	Eagle 10 6 9 11 36

Scoring: Elmwood: Elmer Mueller 23 points, Eagle: Dick Umland 8 points.

Volleyball

Half	Final
Elmwood 15	Eagle 28
Eagle 8	19

## Greenwood Downs Nehawka Team

A 22-point plunge by forward Ned Snyder failed to hold visiting Greenwood Friday night, who downed host Nehawka 59-48.

In fact, Greenwood scarcely needed the two-pointer given them by Nehawka guard Larry Whittington, who got mixed up as happens sometimes in such fast basketball.

High man for the winners was center Tweton, who got 17. Teammate Leadsbrand got 16 and Warren 10. For Nehawka, Gansemer got 12 and Ehlers 10.

Box Scores:

NEHAWKA	FG	FT	PF	TP
Snyder, f	10	2	5	22
Nixon, f	1	0	2	2
Banks, f	0	0	1	0
Gansemer, c	3	6	5	12
Ehlers, g	3	4	3	10
Whittington, g	0	0	2	0
Cook, g	1	0	0	2
Totals	18	12	18	48

GREENWOOD

FG	FT	PF	TP
Warren, f	3	4	10
Casey, f	1	0	2
Leadsbrand, f	4	8	16
Tweton, c	7	3	17
Buckingham, g	3	1	7
Comstock, g	0	4	3
Wiles, g	0	1	1
Totals	18	21	16

## Joan Norris Given KFAB Scholarship

Young Joan Norris of Weeping Water has received another honor in her very successful 4-H club work. She was given a \$150 scholarship last week by radio station KFAB.

She was a contestant in the state 4-H public speaking contest last June during the state 4-H club week.

The scholarship award was presented Miss Norris by Bill McDonald, farm service director of the radio station.

## Miss Katherine Ptak One of 52 4-H Club Contest Winners

Miss Katherine Ptak, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Ptak, was announced one of 52 4-H Club news writing contest winners Saturday by Asst. State 4-H Club leader Guy R. Davis.

Miss Ptak, a member of Thrifty Sitchers 4-H Club, will receive a Certificate of Merit offered by the World-Herald and will also be eligible for one more honor that will go to 12 of the 52 regional champions. The chosen 12 will be awarded scholarships to next spring's 4-H Club Week program at the University of Nebraska College of Agriculture.

Scholarship winners will be announced later by a special 4-H committee.

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