

# Devils Bow Stubbornly, End Slate Friday, Await Pairings

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## Improving The "Feed"



Today, with most everyone "on wheels" and looking forward to rooked travel, the phrase "improvement of the breed" has little meaning except to the breeders of the Thoroughbred. However, the race horse is still doing a job of improving the breed, but it is the breed of the vegetable, fruit and pure-bred cattle. In 1933, the year before racing was revived in California, there were seven district or county agricultural fairs in the state. Today there are 78 state sponsored fairs which in the past decade have benefited by more than 75 million dollars from California's revenue from pari-mutuel betting. Only a few hundred breeders and growers exhibited at fairs in 1933. Today

almost 400,000 compete annually for prizes. In addition to offering premiums to growers the fairs sponsor all manner of programs for 4-H and Future Farmers of America groups, and their grounds and buildings are used for livestock auctions and agricultural clinics. Since 1939 but not including 1960 more than \$1,000,000 in new agricultural fair facilities, according to the Western Fair Association, and the pari-mutuel revenue also provided an additional sum of \$27,587,692 for plant improvement and the development of new agricultural fair facilities. Twenty three other states also derive revenue from horse racing; an annual total of more than \$243,000,000 throughout the country.

## No One Hurt as Car Goes into Ravine Near Here

A car was badly damaged but no one was hurt in a one-car accident on Dead Man's Curve of Old U.S. 73-75 north of Plattsmouth Wednesday at about 3:40 a.m.

Leroy Stratton Jr. of Weeping Water was driving a car south on the highway when it went out of control on the curve and went into a deep ravine. It's occupants were not hurt.

Deputy Sheriff Joe Krumtorad investigated. Two tow trucks were needed to get the car out of the ravine.

## House Breakin Tardily Reported

An early January breakin at a residence was reported to the Sheriff's office Monday. The intruders gained entrance to the house by breaking out a rear door glass and entering.

Missing from the home was an accordion, a gray car coat, two colored dress shirts and a .38 caliber revolver.

The activities of a suspect at the time of the breakin is being checked, according to Sheriff Tom Solomon.

**Great**  
Guy — I'm thinking of asking some girl to marry me. What do you think of the idea?  
Mary — It's a great idea, if you ask me.

**A Slam**  
Patience — I adore bridge I could play bridge in my sleep.  
Partner (grimly) — Apparently you do.



LOUISVILLE LIONS—Louisville High's basketball team is shown with Coach Ernie Lee, from left: standing—Lee, Gene Thustos, Jerry Moffitt, Lyle Stohlman, James Hendrix, Bill Sutton, Ken Henson, student manager; seated—Jim Brown, Terry Janusz, Steve Stohman, Bob Kahland and Jack Welch.



EAGLE HIGH CAGERS—The 1960-61 Eagle High basketball team is shown, from left: back—Coach Don Leighton, Ronald Ronhovde, Ron Root, Les Carr, Douglas Johnson, Gary Marcoc, Arnie Westlake, Dennis Adkins, Dick Reickman, Charles Schildt; front—Bob Trunkenbolz, David Mack and Kent Ayres.

Plattsmouth High, after one of its better performances this season despite losing Tuesday, winds up its regular schedule at Lincoln Southeast Friday night and awaits the drawing for pairings in its District Tournament.

Friday night, the Blue Devils will face a team which is 7-7 for the season and 6-7 against Class A competition.

Plattsmouth is 1-15 overall and 0-6 against Class A schools. Game time is 8 o'clock, after the reserve teams have played at 6:30.

Pairings for the district meet will be made tonight at Omaha University where a three-district tourney "carnival" is scheduled

Feb. 23 - March 4.  
In the Plattsmouth district are Omaha South, (11-3), Westside (1-14) (1-15) and Creighton Prep (5-9).

Opening games in the district meets will be Feb. 28, March 1 and 2, with one final March 3 and two finals March 4.

Which nights which districts play will also be determined at the meeting of the coaches tonight.

Tuesday night at Bellevue, Plattsmouth stayed close through most of the game before fading in the last three minutes.

Bellevue won, 67-51, but Plattsmouth was just five points down with 3:50 left and had a 1-1 free throw situation.

However, the Devils missed that opportunity and lost the ball on mechanical errors their next three rushes to enable Bellevue to pull away.

## NE Nebraska Fishing Best

LINCOLN — Nearly one-half million fish and about 100,000 anglers were checked by Game Commission conservation officers in northeast Nebraska last year. Catch rate per fisherman was 4.5 fish.

"This is by no means a total of all fishermen or all fish caught," explained Fisheries Chief Glen Foster. "It's only a random sampling of anglers."

The high catch rate was paced by angling at the Gavins Point tailwaters. This area provided the greatest variety of fish, 22 species, for any locality checked, and also the heaviest fishing pressure.

Of 99,000 fishermen censused through the year, 96,000 were concentrated at Gavins Point Dam. Of 500,000 fish caught, 447,000 were taken at this area.

But Gavins was not the only productive water in northeastern Nebraska, according to the Game Commission survey. Farm ponds and sand pits also provided excellent returns. The catch rate for these was 2.5 fish per fisherman, with bullheads and bluegill leading the list of fish caught.

Grove Lake near Royal had a catch rate of 2.1 fish per man. Trout averaged 13 inches each, and were the most popular fish. More crappie, 177,000, were taken by anglers in northeastern Nebraska than any other species. Walleye and sauger, 105,000, were the second-most frequently caught fish.

Plattsmouth Res. (44)

Player	fg	ft	pf	pts
Schultz, f	2	3-5	1	7
M. Brink, f	0	0-0	2	0
Cadwell, f	1	4-7	3	6
T. Brink, f	0	0-0	0	0
Ingwerson, c	1	10-18	5	12
Noell, c	0	2-2	0	2
McGraw, g	2	2-3	3	6
Bierl, g	0	0-0	1	0
D. Nettleman, g	2	7-11	4	11
Hostetter, g	0	0-0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26-46</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>44</b>

Bellevue Res. (45)

Player	fg	ft	pf	pts
Bowen, f	2	2-3	2	6
Wood, f	1	0-0	2	2
Walker, f	4	2-4	3	10
Barnett, f	3	2-4	3	8
Standerson, c	3	0-2	4	6
Wytock, g	2	0-0	1	4
Hart, g	1	0-2	4	2
Crook, g	2	1-4	2	5
Ayer, g	1	0-1	2	2
Wuistrack, g	0	0-3	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>7-25</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>45</b>

Plattsmouth (51)

Player	fg	ft	pf	pts
Groce, f	2	1-4	0	5
Haith, f	1	2-3	5	4
Campbell, f	4	1-1	3	9
Schultz, f	0	0-0	0	0
Cadwell, f	0	0-0	0	0
Beverage, c	10	1-2	5	21
Senf, c	0	0-0	0	0
Ingwerson, c	0	0-0	0	0
Smith, c	2	3-4	0	7
D. Nettleman, g	0	1-2	1	0
B. Nettleman, g	2	0-1	4	4
McGraw, g	0	0-0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>9-17</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>51</b>

Bellevue (67)

Player	fg	ft	pf	pts
Mitchell, f	2	3-4	2	7
Grandgenett, f	0	0-0	0	0
Mathis, f	0	0-0	0	0
Dismuke, c	9	3-8	2	21
Shaw, c	1	1-3	1	3
McCraken, g	0	1-4	1	0
Walker, g	2	2-3	3	6
Moss, g	4	1-1	1	9
Carr, g	7	4-8	3	18
Wytock, g	1	0-0	2	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>15-30</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>67</b>

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## Reserves Nipped, 45-44

Plattsmouth High's Reserves rallied in the fourth quarter to keep the pressure on to the end, but lost their third straight basketball game by a one-shot margin at Bellevue Tuesday night, 45-44.

The Blue Devil seconds were down 6-10, 19-22 and 31-39 at the stops before using the free throw to get into contention in the last quarter.

But, 9 for 13 foul shooting wasn't quite enough that period and Bellevue squeaked through.

Jim Ingwerson led Plattsmouth with 12 points before fouling out in the fourth quarter and Dave Nettleman got seven.

The loss followed a 51-50 last-second defeat by University High and a 39-38 loss to Ashland, also in the last seconds.

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## Scores

Bellevue 67, Plattsmouth 51.  
Bellevue Res. 45, Plattsmouth Res. 44.  
Avoca 64, Sterling 52.  
Fairbury 64, Beatrice 36.  
Syracuse 69, Rainier 58.

**Class C Districts At Johnson**  
Weeping Water 69, Adams 43.  
Humboldt 81, Eagle 31.

**At Springfield**  
Millard 70, Louisville 51.

**Class D Districts At Lincoln NE**  
Murdock 71, Ceresco 35.  
**At Peru**  
Dunbar 50, Nehawka 36.

**Mustn't Cheat**  
Two crooked boxing managers were discussing a forthcoming fight "at the end of the second round," said the first, "your man will hit mine and he will go down for the count."

"No, no," expostulated the second, "Not in the second round in the seventh or eighth. We mustn't cheat the public."

**Service Station Burglarized Here**  
The Plattsmouth Service Station in Plattsmouth was broken into Wednesday night. Burglars entered the station through a south window.

Joe Goehneour, station manager, told the Sheriff's office that night time, 40 to 50 feet of air hose and a tool box containing new tools were missing.

The men are wanted in Kansas for possible connection with two school house burglaries Tuesday night.

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Classified Ad in The Journal cost as little as 50 cents.



TOURNEY ACTION SCHEDULED—Tournament action is scheduled for the Weeping Water High volleyball team, March 6-7 in the Southeast Meet at Louisville and March 20-22 in the Peru Meet. Team members are, from left: back—Diane Radliff, Dorothy Voyles, Linda Rehmeier, Janice Kassube, Sharon Gausemer, Suzanne Seeger, Leona Nichols; front—Ann Callahan, Charleen Thoren, Susie Thoms, Carol Nickels, Lana Wendt, Janice Domingo, Betty Wade, another team member, is not shown. Truman Lytle is volleyball coach. —Photo by Fred Ward, W. W.

Two Cass County basketball teams advanced in tournament competition this week, three were eliminated and others awaited action, one tonight.

Weeping Water, one of the favorites to reach the state tournament in Class C, advanced in the Johnson District Meet by beating Adams, 69-43, Monday night. Carl Voyles, the Indians' 6-8 center, hit 26 points and led a 31-point second quarter when the Indians outscored their foes by 25 points.

Weeping Water coasted after leading 42-21 at halftime.

Tonight's semifinals pit Weeping Water against Wymore, 60-49, victory over Johnson, and Pawnee City against Humboldt.

In Class C Wednesday night, Millard eliminated Louisville in the District Meet at Springfield, 70-51. Millard was ahead, 37-17, at the half. Jerry Moffitt was high for Louisville with 14 points. Millard was stronger under the baskets.

Murdock advanced in Class D Wednesday night at Lincoln Northeast, breezing over Ceresco, 71-35, after a close first half. Ceresco's zone defense bothered Murdock in the early stages and Murdock was held to a 25-23 advantage at the half.

Then though, Murdock took command.

Ross Rikil and Mark Boerger.

## Weeping Water, Murdock Advance in Tournaments

the tricky guards, teamed for 13 points in five minutes after intermission. The lead grew to 43-27.

Clark Rikil, the Murdock playmaker, began to click and it was no contest. He ended with 30 points, high for the tourney.

Semifinals begin tonight.

Avoca enters Class D District play at Palmyra tonight. Meeting Bennet, it's Cook vs. Sterling in the other match.

Monday night in Class C at Johnson, Eagle was eliminated in an 81-31 loss to Humboldt. Doug Johnson was high for Eagle with 9 and Harvey Fraser scored 41 for Humboldt.

Nehawka lost out in the first round of the Class D District Meet at Peru State Teachers College, bowing to Dunbar, 50-36.

## Suspects May Have Burglarized County Schools

Three men being held at Fairbury, after an early morning pursuit Wednesday from Hill City Kan., into Nebraska drew the interest of local authorities as possible suspects in recent school house burglaries.

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## Murdock, Avoca Titlists; 'All' Teams Announced

Murdock High has been crowned season basketball champion and Avoca season volleyball champion of the Cass County Conference by the Cass County Men's Association.

The Association also announced "All" teams for season and tournament basketball and season volleyball.

Murdock's basketball title was its second in three years as the Bulldogs unseated Avoca this year.

Murdock finished 4-0. Elmwood 3-1. Avoca 2-2. Nehawka 1-3 and Eagle 0-4.

Coaches of member schools voted these All-Conference basketball teams:

First team—Clark Rikil and Wayne Luetchens, Murdock; Gary Clements, Elmwood; Phil Boehm, Avoca, and Glen Keene, Nehawka.

Second team—Steve Carsten and Roger Ehlers, Avoca; Jim Panska, Murdock; Gary Marcoc, Eagle, and Don Hollenbeck, Elmwood.

Tournament coaches picked these All-Tournament teams (Weeping Water which did not play in the season schedule repeated as tourney champ, again beating Murdock in the final; Elmwood was third and Avoca, fourth):

First team—Carl Voyles and Bill Miller, Weeping Water; Clark Rikil, Murdock; Gary Clements, Elmwood, and Phil Boehm, Avoca.

Second team—Wayne Luetchens and Jim Panska, Murdock; Jim Moore and Jim Potts, Weeping Water; Steve Carsten, Avoca, and Don Hollenbeck, Elmwood.

Avoca won the season volleyball crown but was defeated by Eagle in the finals for the tournament title.

The All-Conference volleyball choices:

First team—Bonnie Stock, Murdock; Dorothy Voyles, Weeping Water; Sharon Stubbendick, Avoca; Sherry Stolz, Elmwood; Jane Robertson, Eagle, and Ann Briley, Nehawka.

Honorable mention — Ruth Buchholz and Marilyn Tritsch, Avoca; Nancy Ehlers, Nehawka; Jean Rieckman, Eagle; Sarah Albers, Elmwood; Susie Segar, Weeping Water, and Pam Rase, Murdock.

NEHAWKA VOLLEYBALL TEAM—Members of Nehawka High's volleyball team are shown with their coach, from left: front—Carol Oliver, Wanda Hostetter, Karen Hoback, Susan Balfour, Kathy Neumeister; second row—Coach Lonnie Wood, Shirley Ross, Jackie Dodson, Anne Briley, Sandra Stapert, Nancy Ehlers, Betty Janssen, Barbara Chandler; third row—Janet Jones, Sandra Turner, Glenda Jones, Julia Johnson, Nancy Switzer and Cheryl Kearney. —Photo by M. J. Hill Studio.

