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Basketball fans had enough thrills Saturday to last them for a while. The games between Bluffton and Decatur, Monroe and Pennville and Decatur and Monroe were as exciting as were played in the state, the results in doubt until the pistol was fired and every play a fast and furious one. Every one was tired when the period came to relax, including the "rooter."

Opinion is divided as to the success or failure of the first year of the Harding administration. A lot of fellows out of work, business men and farmers who have continually lost money, all who continue to pay excessive freight rates while the railroads earn big money, could settle the dispute in short order, if given the opportunity.

Decatur handled the tournament in a splendid way and the school authorities have been sincerely congratulated by visiting players, coaches and school men and women. The people of this city opened their homes and showed the visitors other courtesies which made the two days a success and that's just what it was. To Mr. Cline, Mr. Moore, Mr. Worthman, and to all who assisted them, much praise is due for the clean and splendid manner in which the first district tournament was handled.

We congratulate the Decatur players for their hard-earned victory in the district tournament. They had a stiff schedule, meeting the fastest teams in the district and deserve credit for their plucky fight. This is the first victory for the home team in any district tournament and the youngsters could not be blamed for celebrating it. A bunch of loyal supporters will accompany them to Purdue next Saturday where they will meet the Whiting team in the sectional meet.

Out in Lawrence, Kansas, two girls were suspended from school because their skirts were too short, the trustees having adopted a rule that girls must wear skirts which came three inches below the knees. The matter was taken to court and the girls were reinstated, short skirts and all. We don't know what the law is on the questions but we do know that the parents who thus defended their daughters ought to be suspended from society. The tendency to teach the young ladies that there is no such thig as modesty is wrong, but we presume we will just have to struggle through this period some way or other.

All of the contenders in the big tournament worked hard and gave their best efforts. We wish all could have won but of course this was impossible in a contest where the losers were eliminated. Several of the teams were evenly matched and the others are just a degree back of them. It was no disgrace to lose and most of those who did were good sports and added their cheers with the others for the victors. Try again next year, boys. It don't matter so much who wins as it does that every fellow does his best and smiles. Life's the same way. We can't all win all the time, but we can all keep on trying.

The Bluffton Banner, maintaining its record for "baby" sportsmanship, declared in ten-point type Saturday that Early, who received a broken ankle in the game against Decatur was either "kicked or shoved." They don't know just which but they are sure it was one way or the other. Early, who is a brilliant player, had his ankle injured some time ago and in some manner in the hot finish of Saturday's game, turned it again. We are willing to let the hundreds who witnessed the game testify to the fairness of the Banner inference. The teams were evenly matched, each having won on the opponents' floor during the season and played Saturday's game "nip and tuck." Cut your kindergarten stuff, Bluffton, and be good sports once.

We are hearing a good deal these days about agricultural "blocs," and for the benefit of those who may not understand the meaning of a "bloc" we might say it is a term used to designate a combination of men who are personally interested in seeing that the rural interests of the United States get just legislation, and needed legislation, and get it where and when it is needed. Recently one of these "blocs" has served the interest of the farmers of the country pretty well in Kansas, and while it has not succeeded to any very great extent in having beneficial legislation passed, it has succeeded in preventing the passage of several measures that do not appear destined to assist rural America, in the event they ever become laws. We are going to hear a good deal more about "blocs" during our elections this year and next. They are not going to sweep the country in the shape of a new-born political party, if indications can be depended upon. But they are going to have sufficient influence to make the old-line politicians sit up and take notice, and govern their actions accordingly. The men composing these "blocs" are among the most substantial citizens in the country. Their interest in the farmer is not mercenary. They are honest men, and their attempt to get farm prices on a better basis is sincere. That is why we are going to hear a lot about the "blocs" they represent; that's why the old-line politicians are even now changing the line of talk they have so long been handing out to us. It is too early to make predictions, but even now we feel safe in saying that our readers are going to witness some mighty interesting things in this country before the "blocs" get through their program.

Vane Thompson spent ast evening in Berne.

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HOLD PASTRY SALE

The Woman's Bible Class of the Baptist S. S. will hold a pastry sale at the Schmitt Meat Market, on Saturday March 11, from 10 to 12 a. m. Cakes cookies, doughnuts and other home made goods will be on sale.

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DOINGS IN SOCIETY

CLUB CALENDAR

MONDAY.

Research Club Monday 2:30—Mrs. Henry Heller.

Phi Delta Kappa—Club Rooms.

TUESDAY.

Pythian Needle Club—2:30 o'clock.

The C. L. of C. will meet Tuesday evening at the K. of C. hall.

Tri Kappa—Naomi Meyers.

C. L. of C.

Dutiful Daughters—Mrs. Gregg McFarland—7:30.

Wednesday

Shakespeare Club—Mrs. J. C. Patterson.

THURSDAY.

Loyal Workers—Mrs. Maynard Johnson.

U. B. Ladies' Aid—Mrs. Isaac Nelson—2 o'clock.

The U. B. Ladies' Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Isaac Nelson on Line street, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Associate hostesses are Mrs. U. S. Drummond and Mrs. George Summers.

Mrs. Maynard Johnson will entertain the Loyal Workers' Class Thursday evening. Associate hostesses will be Mrs. John Schnitz and Mrs. William Alfather.

The Dutiful Daughters' Class will meet Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Gregg McFarland. This is an important business meeting and every one is urged to attend.

The Shakespeare Club will meet Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. C. Patterson, who will also have the club paper.

Mrs. A. B. Winnes celebrated her 80th birthday anniversary yesterday with a dinner at which she entertained a number of her relatives. The guests were, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Miller and daughters, Mildred, Barbara, and Gretchen of Anderson, Mr. Ed. Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Will Winnes and children.

The Phi Delts will hold their regular meeting tonight at the club rooms. Every member is requested to be present. Initiation.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sellemeyer and daughter, Miss Della, were greatly surprised yesterday noon when they returned from church to find a lovely dinner cooked and on the table and the entire family there to help the former celebrate his 69th birthday. This pleasant surprise was planned by Mrs. Fred Heuer, Mrs. O. L. Vance and Mrs. Albert Sellemeyer. The dining room table was adorned with a huge birthday cake containing red candles. Place cards were decorated with tiny branches of pussy willows and blue birds. At a small table were seated, Misses Kathryn Sellemeyer, Lee Anna Vance and Mary Ann Miller of Bluffton. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Vance, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sellemeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heuer, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sellemeyer and daughter, Miss Della. The guests spent the afternoon motoring and returned to the Sellemeyer home for supper. They left later wishing Mr. Sellemeyer many more such happy birthdays.

The members of the C. L. of C. are requested to meet at the hall on Tuesday evening after church services.

The W. M. S. of the Reformed church will meet Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock in the Sunday school room of the church. It is urged that a large attendance be present as an election of officers for the ensuing year will be held. Mrs. Broadbeck, Mrs. Heuer, Mrs. Baumgartner and Mrs. Ashbaucher will be the hostesses, with Mrs Otto Reppert as leader. The first chapter in the new study book, "The Kingdom and the Nations" will be taken up and will be in charge of Mrs. Heuer. Devotionals will be lead by Mrs. Reppert. Isaiah, 55; 1-7 leaflet by Mrs. Ellicker. Mrs. Baumgartner will give a talk on "The Outlook of Missions." Do not forget your prayer calendar.

NEW FIRE EXTINGUISHER

The Ossian town board has purchased a new chemical fire extinguisher which is expected to arrive from the factory within a few days. A Ford truck has also been purchased and is being prepared to hold the chemical apparatus. The truck will also furnish the motive power for pulling the present fire engine, so that there need be little or no difficulty in getting the entire outfit to the scene of any fire in or near the town. The chemical extinguisher will put out small blazes without the use of water,thus preventing damage by water when it can be avoided. The new equipment will probably be on display soon.—Bluffton News.

District Championship Is Won by Decatur Team

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a total of thirty-one points to his credit in all games and was the third high man of all teams entered. His work at foul shooting was also a feature of the tournament, he registering a total of twenty-three free throws out of twenty-eight chances.

Meyers, the lightning man of the Decatur five was second high point getter for his team, "Bobby" coming across with thirteen baskets in all games for a total of twenty-six points. Meyers also played a nice floor game at all times.

Linn, the captain and center of the local five was also a big factor in the locals victory and deserves much credit for his good work. "Lank" although on the squad for four seasons had played his first tournament game this year, he entering under a great handicap with an infected arm. Linn played a wonderful game at all times, registering eleven baskets for a total of twenty-two points and was forced out of the final game with Monroe on account of a broken rib.

Teeple ,the midget guard came through in fine styleand kept up the fight until the end. "Jack" covered the floor in an excellent manner in all the battles and also added to the locals scoring, registering four baskets in all games, making his total of points stand at eight.

Steele, the long, lanky back guard was rather unfortunate in helping his team make any points but made up for it with his defense work, he breaking up a number of plays under the opponents basket. Steele played a fine game in every contest and his good work is appreciated. This is Steele's first year on the squad and his first playing in a big meet.

Schultz, Hill and Cline who are on utility also proved valuable and deserve part of the honors. All three played in several games and contributed to the victory.

Decatur 20-Monroe 17

The final game between the two Adams county teams was called prompt at 8 o'clock with Hale refereeing and Humke as umpire. The game was well played by both teams and was close throughout, the winner not being decided until the gun was sounded.

The locals appeared on the floor with Dorwin filling the gap at center GAL TWO—TOURNEY .. .. and Schultz at forward, Meyer startinf the scoring by registering the first field goal. The Monroe five then came back about a minute later, Shirk registering their first marker which tied the score at 2-all. Both teams battled on even terms, Decatur climbing to a slight lead and called time out after eight minutes of play with the score standing 6-4 in their favor. The game was resumed after a slight rest and Monroe then tied the score at 8-all with five minutes left to pay for the first half. During the remaining five minutes the Monroe lads managed to score three more points while the locals registered two, the locals holding the short end of the score at the end of the first half which stood 11-10.

At the opening the second half, the locals substituted Hill for Teeple and Teeple for Schultz. During the first minute of play in the second period Hill dropped one through from the center of the floor, the locals taking the lead by one point. The locals held the lead for several minutes and were still leading 15-13 with nine minutes to play when they again called time out, the score again being tied at 15-all, within a short time. With five minutes left to play Crist, Monroe back guard was forced out of the game on personals. The locals jumped into the lead by a score of 18-15 with three and one-half minutes to play and registered another field basket during the next minute giving them a five point lead when Monroe called time out. The game was again resumed with two minutes of playing time remaining, Monroe registering a long shot but failed to register any more, and were forced to bow to defeat to the locals, the final score resulting 20-17.

Decatur (20)		Monroe (17)
Myers	F	C. Kessler
Schultz	F	Shirk
Dorwin	C	Lammiman
Teeple	G	R. Kessler
Steele	G	Crist

Decatur subs — Hill for Teeple, Teeple for Schultz.

Monroe sub—Andrews for Crist.

Field Goals—Decatur: Myers, 3; Dorwin, 2; Teeple, 1; Hill, 1.

Monroe: C. Kessler, 4; Shirk, 2; R. Kessler, 1; Crist, 1.

Free Throws—Decatur: Dorwin, 6 out of 8. Monroe: Shirk, 1 out of 3.

Referee—Hale.

Democrat Selection of Teams

The selection of district basket ball teams by the Democrat from the eighteen teams entered was made immediately after the semi-finals Saturday afternoon and in no way have anything to do with the official selection made by the referees. The two selections show very little difference and are as follows:

First Team

Meyers, and Dorwin, Decatur, Shirk, Monroe forwards. Shirk, capt. Linn, Decatur; Gettle Bluffton, Centers.

Early, Bluffton; Mossburg, Liberty Center, Steele, Decatur, guards.

Crist, of Monroe was placed on the first selection as guard but was not awarded the place owing to the large number of personal fouls made throughout the meet.

Second Team

C. Kessler, Monroe; Cunningham, Portland; McClain, Pennville, forwards; Harris, Pennville; Lammiman, Monroe, Centers.

Teeple, Decatur; Ohmart, Portland; Brady Pennville, guards; Teeple, Capt.

Herman Roth of Union township attended to business here today.

TOTAL STATISTICS OF THE DISTRICT TOURNAMENT

PLAYER	TEAM	F.B	F.G.	M.F.	P.F.	T.F.	Total
Shirk	Monroe	17	7	5	3	1	41
C. Kessler	Monroe	19	1	0	3	0	39
Dorwin	Decatur	4	23	5	3	0	31
Early	Bluffton	10	11	4	2	0	31
Harris	Pennville	15	0	0	2	1	30
Arnold	Bryant	13	2	4	0	0	28
Myers	Decatur	13	0	0	4	0	26
McClain	Pennville	12	1	0	1	0	25
Brady	Pennville	7	10	7	2	0	24
McKean	Hartford	10	4	8	2	0	24
Linn	Decatur	11	0	0	2	1	22
Lammiman	Monroe	8	1	0	0	0	17
Gettle	Bluffton	8	0	0	4	4	16
Huffman	Bluffton	7	0	0	5	0	14
Spehiger	Bluffton	7	0	0	2	0	14
Landis	Liberty Center	4	6	7	1	1	14
Morrical	Gray	6	1	1	0	0	13
Settle	Petroleum	6	1	2	0	2	13
Cunningham	Portland	3	6	1	2	0	12
Eckrote	Hartford	5	1	1	1	2	11
Williams	Petroleum	4	3	3	2	1	11
Durr	Craigville	5	1	0	0	0	11
Huffman	Liberty Center	5	0	0	5	0	10
Teeple	Decatur	4	0	0	5	1	8
Whiteman	Bryant	4	0	0	1	1	8
Craig	Pennville	4	0	0	3	0	8
Pensinger	Pennville	3	0	1	1	1	6
Omart	Portland	3	0	0	1	1	6
Ken. Moore	Liberty Center	2	2	2	1	0	6
Ferrell	Petroleum	3	0	5	1	1	6
Lough	Geneva	3	0	0	0	1	6
Ernst	Kirkland	3	0	0	1	0	6
Hill	Redkey	2	1	0	1	0	5
Chaney	Bryant	2	1	1	1	0	5
R. Kessler	Monroe	2	0	0	5	0	4
Crist	Monroe	2	0	0	8	0	4
Hendricks	Monroe	2	0	0	1	2	4
Thoma	Union Center	2	0	0	0	1	4
Haviland	Bryant	2	0	0	1	0	4
Logan	Bryant	2	0	0	0	0	4
Current	Redkey	2	0	0	1	0	4
Rousch	Redkey	2	0	2	1	2	4
Cotterly	Craigville	2	0	1	0	0	4
Wiswell	Geneva	2	0	0	0	1	4
Miller	Berne	2	0	0	1	0	4
Clauser	Berne	2	0	1	0	0	4
Whitehurst	Berne	1	2	3	0	0	4
Lichty	Berne	2	0	0	1	0	4
Sills	Liberty Center	2	0	2	0	0	4
Minde	Poling	2	0	1	0	0	4
Baker	Hartford	2	0	0	0	1	4
Sawyer	Pennville	2	0	0	3	0	4
C. Dull	Gray	2	0	1	0	0	4
Stratton	Gray	2	0	0	0	0	4
Ehrman	Kirkland	1	1	3	0	0	3
Hill	Decatur	1	0	0	1	0	2
Barrack	Bluffton	1	0	0	2	0	2
Costello	Bluffton	1	0	0	2	0	2
Burgess	Redkey	1	0	0	0	0	2
Coble	Redkey	1	0	0	1	1	2
Whitesell	Redkey	1	0	0	0	1	2
Borton	Dunkirk	1	0	1	0	0	2
Faulkner	Dunkirk	1	0	0	2	0	2
Halligan	Dunkirk	1	0	0	0	0	2
Yager	Kirkland	1	0	0	0	0	2
Andrews	Monroe	1	0	0	5	1	2
Walker	Union Center	1	0	2	1	0	2
McBride	Union Center	1	0	0	1	0	2
Buckingham	Bryant	1	0	0	1	0	2
Orens	Portland	1	0	0	2	0	2
Hamlitt	Poling	0	2	4	1	0	2
Snowalter	Pennville	1	0	0	0	0	2
Drew	Geneva	0	1	4	1	0	1
Maab	Union Center	0	1	0	2	0	1
Eddie	Dunkirk	0	1	2	2	1	1
Schultz	Decatur	0	1	0	3	0	1

(Players in the tournament who did not register a score are not included in the above list. This list is only those players who counted for their team.)

High Point Scorer—Shirk, Monroe.

Accuracy in Foul Shooting—Dorwin, Decatur.

Most Personal Fouls—Crist, Monroe.

Most Technical Fouls—Gettle, Bluffton.

MOTHERS ARE HAPPY

Among the most enthusiastic "fans" who "rooted" for the home team during the tournament were the mothers of the lads. Most of whom have attended every game and who expressed great pleasure over the results. And these same mothers felt a kindly feeling for every boy on the other teams and for their mothers, realizing just how they felt.

BIG YEOMAN MEETING TONIGHT

This evening at 8 o'clock the members of the Yeoman lodge will celebrate the 25th anniversary of their organization and will also celebrate the anniversary of the installation of the chapter here about 15 years ago. The Yeoman and their friends are urged to attend. The state manager, R. L. Hill, will be present and will speak to the lodge.

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