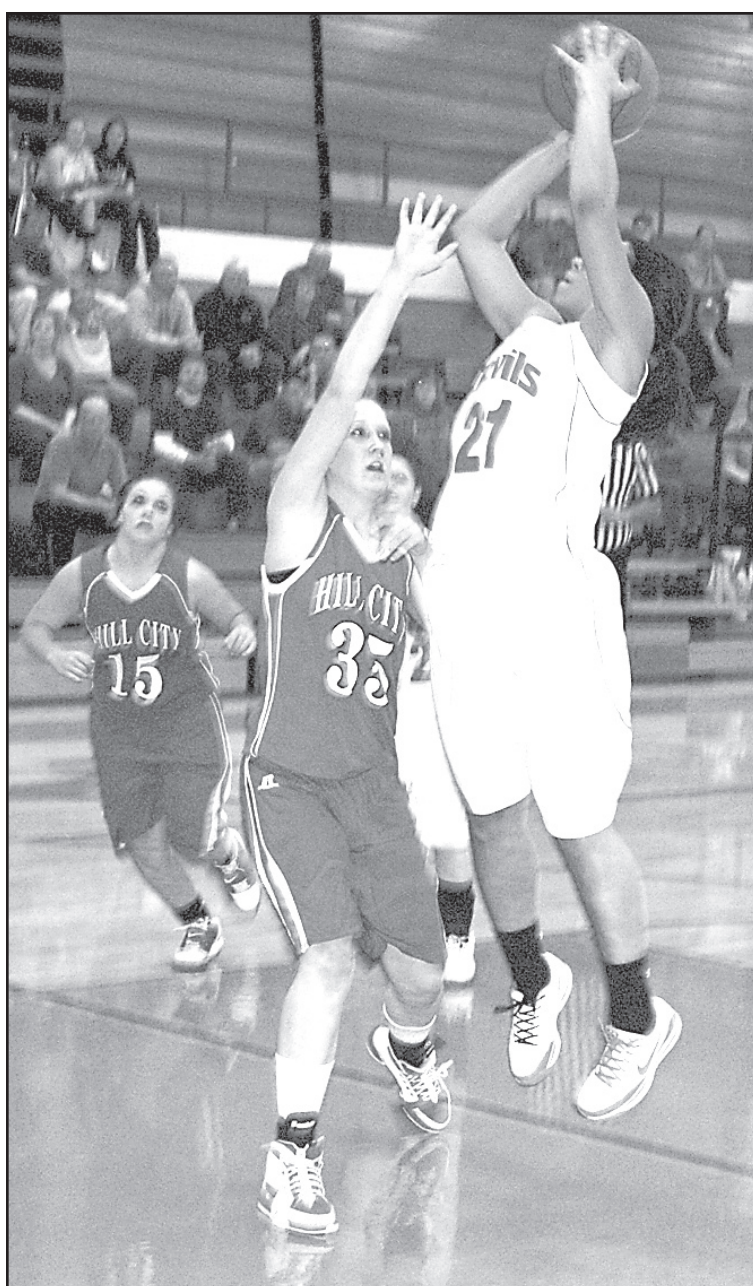


# Girls win pair Women beat Sainty, Hill City



**THE HILL CITY LADY RINGNECKS** couldn't stop Kiah Blau (No. 21) from scoring 31 points last Tuesday and helping Oberlin win the game 62-54 — Herald photo by Susan May

The Decatur Community High girls basketball team downed the Hill City Lady Ringnecks 62-54 in overtime at home last Tuesday and the St. Francis Indians 66-54 on the road on Friday, evening up the team's season record.

The victories put the girls' record at 3-3.

Last Tuesday, Hill City jumped out to a 14-8 lead in the first quarter and continued to hurt the Lady Red Devils with a 14-9 second quarter to lead 28-17 at the half. In the third quarter, it didn't look good for Oberlin, as Hill City outscored the home team 13-9 to take a commanding 41-26 lead.

In the fourth quarter, however, Oberlin's Kiah Blau took off and scored six field goals and hit three free-throws for 15 points. Jordan Dreher added 6 and Alexis Hissong a free throw to outscore the Ringnecks 22-7 and tie the game at 48. In overtime, the Oberlin girls scored 14 to Hill City's 6 for a hard-won 62-54 victory.

Scoring were Blau 31, half of Oberlin's points, Dreher 18 including two four of six at the free-throw line, Miki Dorshorst 6 including a three pointer, Darbi Rouse 4, Tiffany Anderson 2 and Hissong 1.

Blau and Dreher split rebounding honors with eight each, followed by Rouse and Anderson, three each; Hissong, two; and Dorshorst and Brianna Klima, one each.

Dorshorst had three steals; Blau, two steals and a blocked shot; and Rouse, Dreher, Hissong and Anderson, two steals each.

The girls didn't give the Oberlin fans quite so much anxiety on Friday in St. Francis, as they led the Lady Indians 13-11 in the first quarter and outscored them 17-8 in the second for a 30-19 lead at the half. In the third quarter, St. Francis fought back, hitting 19 points to Oberlin's 11 to trail by three, 41-38. In the fourth, Oberlin again took command, hitting 24 points to St. Francis' 16.

Scoring were Blau 26, Dreher 24 including three three-point shots, Dorshorst 9 including a three point-

er, Anderson 5 and Rouse 2.

Blau led in rebounding with nine followed by Dreher with five; Dorshorst, three; Klima and Anderson, two each; and Hissong, one.

Dreher had six steals; Anderson, five blocked shots; Blau, three steals and a blocked shot; Dorshorst, three steals; Hissong, two steals; and Klima, one steal.

The Lady Red Devils will be off for Christmas break the next two weeks and will return to action at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4, in Norton against the Lady Bluejays. Then on Friday, Jan. 7, the girls will be at home against the Rawlins County Lady Buffaloes.

## Eighth grade comes in second

The Oberlin eighth graders took second in their bracket of the Northwest Kansas League Tournament in Quinter on Thursday.

The eighth-grade team downed Rawlins County 38-28 in its first game but fell 38-34 to Hoxie in the championship.

Except for the second quarter, both teams scored fairly equally in the Atwood game. In the first quarter, Atwood outshot Oberlin 10-9 but in the second, Oberlin pushed by Atwood 11-2 for a 20-12 lead. In the third and fourth quarters, Oberlin outhit Rawlins County 12-11 and 6-5.

"Rawlins (County) always plays us tough," said Coach Breth. "We split games in the regular season."

"Our press caused Rawlins to turn the ball over and we took advantage, especially in the second quarter. Our defense was key."

"We were eight of 18 from the free-throw line, which is a poor percentage for us. We would have had an easier time if we shot free throws better."

Scoring were Regent Erickson 11, Kaine Fredrickson 7, Ganon

Henningson 6, Kelden Breth 5, Rex Diederich 4, Troy Juenemann 3 and Gabe Anderson 2.

In the championship game, Oberlin fell to Hoxie 38-34.

Hoxie started with an 18-10 lead in the first quarter. After that, Oberlin was able to outshoot the Indians by a point or two in each quarter, 9-7 in the second, 8-7 in the third and 7-6 in the fourth, but that didn't quite make up the difference.

"Hoxie came out really hot that first quarter," Coach Breth said. "At one point, we were down by 12, and

we battled back to within two points in the third quarter.

"I applaud my team's effort. Even though we outscored Hoxie in all quarters but the first, it just wasn't enough. We had a couple of chances but just couldn't do it."

Scoring were Fredrickson 12, Erickson 10 Henningson 6, Breth 4 and Diederich 2.

The eighth-grade squad finished its season 7-3.

"I want to thank everyone who supported us this season," Coach Breth said.

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## Sports

# Junior varsity loses two

Oberlin's junior varsity girls basketball team fell to both Hill City at home last Tuesday and St. Francis on the road on Friday.

The junior varsity fell to Hill City 50-29.

The girls came out ice cold and couldn't find the net last Tuesday while Hill City hit 14 points, including three three-pointers, to lead the Lady Red Devils 14-0 after one quarter. The Oberlin girls found their rhythm in the second period and outscored the Ringnecks 14-7 despite Hill City's hitting another pair of threes. The Ringnecks lead 21-14 at the half. The were able to outscore Oberlin in both the third and fourth quarters, 15-7 and 14-8.

Scoring were Brianna Klima 10,

Serena Stacy and Taylor Macfee 6 each, Jamie Soderlund 3 on a single shot and Alexis Hissong and Hannah May 2 each.

Hill City ended up scoring seven three pointers, 10 two pointers and nine out of 10 free throws while Oberlin hit a three, 11 twos and only four out of 11 free throws.

St. Francis won 34-30 on Friday.

In St. Francis, neither the Oberlin girls nor the St. Francis Lady Indians did very well in the first quarter.

Oberlin hit two baskets and St. Francis one, so the Lady Red Devils lead 4-2. Both teams scored 12 in the second quarter, so that at the half, Oberlin was still ahead by two

points, 16-14.

The third quarter was decisive, as St. Francis scored 14 to Oberlin's 8 to take a 28-24 lead. Both teams scored 6 points in the fourth quarter.

Scoring for Oberlin were Soderlund and May, 10 each; Cassidy Shields, 4; and Hissong, Klima and Stacy, 2 each.

The Hill City girls had enough players for a two-quarter C-team game, which Oberlin won 14-8.

Oberlin shut out Hill City in the first quarter while scoring 8 points. In the second, both teams scored 8.

Scoring for Oberlin were May 8, Soderlund 4 and Ashley Witt 2.

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