

Vaughnsville Wins Tourney

Sugar Creek Boys are Basketball Champs

Blanchard Second and Leipsic Third

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Vaughnsville High School team won the Putnam County basketball tournament by beating Blanchard in the finals 67-40.

Blanchard, county league champs, played the final tilt without the aid of their star player, Bob Stahl, who was sick in bed with a throat infection.

Leipsic was the surprise team of the tournament by taking third place. They were buried in 12th place in the league with a record of two wins and ten losses. They beat Ft. Jennings in the consolation game 43-36.

In the semi-finals last Thursday night, Vaughnsville ripped Ft. Jennings 51 to 45 and Blanchard barely edged a determined Leipsic five, 42 to 40.

Capacity crowds saw the games with the attendance set at 1,882 on Thursday and 1,900 on Saturday

Vaughnsville's Chuck Myers was the high scorer of the tournament with 86 points in four games. Gene Stechsulte of Kalida racked up the highest single game total, 31.

Vaughnsville – Blanchard

Blanchard was lost without Stahl and Vaughnsville turned the game into a complete rout. After jockeying for the lead in the first two minutes of play,

Vaughnsville took over and kept right on going.

Myers was hotter than a fire cracker for Vaughnsville. He sank 12 field goals and three free throws for 27 points – 13 in the third quarter – before he taken out of the game midway in the third period.

Twenty-one players saw action in the game, 10 for Vaughnsville and 11 for Blanchard.

Vaughnsville 27/13/67

Myers – 12/3/27. Sherrard – 4/4/12. P. Jackson – 4/1/9. Reese – 2/2/6. Stephens – 1/0/2. Stemen – 3/1/7. T. Jackson – 0/1/1. Smith – 1/0/2. Klausung – 0/1/1.

Blanchard 16/8/40

Stainbrook – 1/3/5. Kline – 7/3/17. DeVore – 2/0/4. Gratz – 1/0/2. Inbody – 1/2/4. Wehrly – 2/0/4. Meyers – 1/0/2. Peckinpauh – 1/0/2.

Vaughns	14	15	28	10	67
Blanchard	6	10	9	15	40