

Ottawa Wins Tournament

LEIPSIC LOSES

In Final County Event Tuesday Evening

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The Ottawa girls, runner-up in the county last year, upset a favored Leipsic six by the score of 24 to 17 to capture the championship honors in the girl's division. The girls' finals were played in the Leipsic gym on Tuesday evening.

Girls' Championship Game Leipsic – Ottawa Girls

Ottawa Public came through with flying colors by defeating their ardent rivals, Leipsic, by the score of 24 to 17. Since both teams battled to a 17 all tie during the regular playing season, this game had all the earmarks of a slam-bang, thrilling affair.

In the preliminary to this game, Columbus Grove defeated Glandorf 15 to 13 for third place honors.

Leipsic opened the scoring by sinking a field goal, Ottawa retaliated by making a field shot, followed by a foul toss to go in the lead. Leipsic again sank a couple of field goals and a foul toss to widen their margin. Ottawa came back to sink one charity toss and then scored two more field baskets to lead at the first quarter 8 to 7.

Leipsic scored a two-point basket to go in the lead again but its hopes faded as Ottawa came through with two successive field goal, the Purple and Gold lassies answered with a free throw, and another of the same variety to add to their total. Then the Ottawa girls turned on the steam and quickly scored on two successive field shots followed by a free throw to lead at half-time 17 to 11.

Scoring in the third period was held at a minimum as Ottawa was able to make but four markers, while holding their opponent to but three foul throws. Ottawa again led at the three-quarter mark, 21 to 14.

In the fourth and final session of the Putnam County Tournament, the Ottawa lassies made good on three foul tries while Leipsic lessened the gap by sinking a foul toss and quickly added a two-point marker as the final gun sounded – Ottawa 24 and Leipsic 17

Ottawa	8	9	4	3	24
Leipsic	7	4	3	7	17