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ATHLETIC NOTES

Last Tuesday evening our basketball teams broke even with West Lynn. Our girls lost 17 to 13 and our boys took the long end of a 27 to 17 score.

Our sextette of girls had harbored considerable hope of turning back the West Lynn team at this meeting because of the defeat they received at their hands early in the season. Recent performances gave them confidence, and possibly too much, but they appeared to be ready for the fray. However, West Lynn caught our entire team flat-footed in the first few minutes of the game and ran up a lead that was never overcome. The first half ended 12 to 5, apparently to the surprise and disgust of our hooperettes, but between halves our councilors of war got together and when they returned they wore a happy, but determined look and immediately began to cash in on it. They passed, dribbled, and shot, and gradually cut down that big West Lynn lead, and all they needed was time to finish the job. When the whistle blew the visitors appeared very thankful, for they never faced a more aggressive aggregation nor one that seemed more certain to complete its job than our girls were in the second half. It was a thriller. Our team had what seemed like a thousand chances in the first two periods, but were able to convert but a couple of these shots. But they deserve to be complimented on a wonderful comeback. Our line-up: Clarice Parr and June Wright, forwards; Arline Hoptowit, jumping center; Edna Dean, side center; Susie Grounds and Margaret Hoptowit, guards.

The boys' game followed immediately. What appeared to be a lamb was a lion in disguise. The first half ended 15 to 1 in our favor. Our five worked so effectively that they kept West Lynn pretty much on the defense throughout the first two periods and allowed them but a single point. But in the second half they rambled like a hurricane, took long shots and made them, not only one but several. Our five checked close and fast, but that did not help matters. They made, em anyhow. However, just before the game was brought to a close our boys had the situation well in hand. Instead of playing their fast-pass-

ing and maneuvering game they stopped, and so did West Lynn. Though our team won by a good margin the game was close and interesting to watch.

On Thursday our spectators were treated to the game of games. One of those you read of but seldom, if ever, see. The Willamette University Reserves furnished the competition, or we did, whichever way you wish to call it. Anyway, it was competition and plenty of it. The Reserves scored almost instantly after the first tip-off. Our boys followed a second or two later, and throughout the game it was an exchange of basket for basket. Both teams traveled full speed ahead and then instantly in reverse for a decided advantage which never came. The score at the half was 20 to 18 against us which was overcome at the very start of the second half. Both teams checked close and fast and allowed neither to get set for a shot. Our team tried several long shots in the closing minutes of the game in an effort to gain the lead, but the reserves checked so close that their shots were always just a little off.

Two new faces were in our starting line-up. Leonard Vivette, forward, and Isaac Brave Eagle, center; both played good ball. Brave Eagle did exceptionally well. He figured a great deal in both offensive and defensive play. Eldred George was our high-point man with 12, and Brave Eagle was next with seven. In spite of a severely sprained finger received in the first game of the week Roy Peratrovich played his usual effective game. Both he and George Meachem intercepted passes that appeared to be headed straight for the goal.

For several long weeks our cross-country runners have trained faithfully through mud, snow and ice in preparation for the big inter-class race that is to take place Friday afternoon, Washington's birthday, just before the basketball game. Every class has several representatives whom they regard as winners, but apparently those who are going to be the hardest to beat are the Frenier brothers and Joe Webster. The Freniers are likely chaps and have all the earmarks of runners, they look the part and they can go. Webster is built more along the lines of the big trucks we see on the highway instead of the trim and speedy little motor cars. But like a truck Joe has a steady and fairly fast gait that he sticks to throughout the course and he gets there. Watch him.

During the past two weeks our pitchers and catchers have been working out daily in the gym. The lack of experienced material is causing us much concern, hence the early start. Roy Meachem, who is making his first attempt behind the bat, looks like the best prospect. Joe Alexander and Al Goudy both started the season last year as pitchers, but got but little chance to show their wares on account of more veteran material. Clarence Elliott and Russell Vallely look like possibilities, though they have not had any previous experience.

ESCORTS

Saturday Feb. 23—to Salem: - - Miss Earlougher
Sunday Feb. 24. McBride - - - Mr. Mason
Winona - - - Mrs. Mason
Hawley - - - Mr. H. Kunkel

The junior classes of the Chemawa Sunday School won first honors in a poster contest recently at the Hayesville District Sunday School convention. On Sunday last, Mr. Cody, president of the district, presented the junior classes with a beautiful framed picture of "The Gleaners," as an award for their work.