

A Goodbye to Legs



Martha Behaza (left) and Bonnie James lead the pack through the first loop around the Chemawa course. (Photo by Roy Aishanna)

Girls End Year Of Long Runs

On October 17 the girls had a meet with Molalla and lost, 22-35. The top five finishers for Chemawa were Tat Andrew (3), Emma Leavitt (4), Josie Ayunerak (7), Martha Baheza (10) and Chris Penn (11).

Top finishers at Gervais October 15 were Bonnie James (4), Tat Andrew (5), Josie Ayunerak (9), Emma Leavitt (10) and Angie Kochergin (11). Gervais won by the score of 19-39.

The Chemawa Invitational girls results were Bonnie James (20), Tat Andrew (31), Josie Ayunerak (37), Emma Leavitt (42) and Mary Augustine (56). Taking first was Crook County with 35 points. Then came Cascade (70), Madras (79), Newberg (154), Chemawa (186) and Monroe (208). Gervais, Sweet Home and Reedsport had individual runners. The course was 2.3 miles and the lowest score won.

The girls ran at Western Mennonite October 24. The day was cold and the course was slippery and wet. Out of five schools and 36 runners Chemawa took second and placed three girls in the top ten. They were Bonnie James (6), Emma Leavitt (9) and Tat Andrew (10). Catlin-Gable of Portland won the meet.

Missing a Turn

This is a runner's point of view on running long distance, and how it feels to mess it up. Picture yourself running. The starting gun just blasted, and you blast off.

You're ahead! There's one girl behind you and you get scared! She can't stay behind you very long!

You go faster. Your feet are cold. It's raining out. You don't let that worry you. You've got your mind on only one thing--running.

You get to the open path and want to look back to see where she's at. You can't see anybody! You feel so good inside--you keep running--FAST.

Almost to the end! Stop--look--what way? You go left--run hard--through the suckers, through the bushes--wait! We never walked this way when we went through!

You're lost and it's getting dark!

You almost want to stop altogether, but you think of your team--keep going!--and finish LAST!

Man, what a disappointment!

Coming up Next
In the American
Basketball and
Wrestling



Stanley Johnson heads for the finish line at Bush Park. This was the 4th district meet for stan, a veteran of last year's championship team. (Photo by Roy Aishanna)



Delbert Okbaak led the Braves to a third place finish at the district championships at Bush Park October 26. (Photo by Roy Aishanna)

Boys Take Third In District Run

The varsity cross-country team wound up their season by taking third in the District Meet October 26 at Bush Park in Salem and third in the Regionals at Burns November 3.

The Braves final dual meet record showed four wins against LaSalle, North Marion, Gladstone and Gervais and three losses to Cascade, Woodburn and Stayton.

Chemawa finished 7th out of 12 teams in the Chemawa Invitational October 20. Reedsport won the meet which attracted 250 runners from all over the state.

Delbert Okbaak was named to the Capital Conference all-star team, and Foster Simmonds, was given honorable mention. Other varsity runners were Robert Lake, Stan Johnson, Ken Morris, Gary Clark and David Enoch.

Sam Beetus missed the second half of the season with a leg injury. "Sam was a very good runner," said coach Gene Merwin. He will be back next year, along with Simmonds, Morris and Clark. They will be joined by jayvee runners that took third place at the North Marion Invitational.

Members of the junior varsity squad were Plat Ward, Phil Ward, Leonard McCarr, Henry Alexie, Alex Gregory and Johnson Booth.