

# BEAR FACTS



Basketball season is well under way and our first home game is coming up this Saturday, December 22. The Grizzlies have two games under their belts and should be sharp for the Red Devils from Coquille. With a win from Coquille already, and a close one dropped to Crescent City, the Bears are primed to break into the win column again. It should be quite a battle as Coquille will undoubtedly be out for revenge.

The probable starting lineup for Ashland this Saturday will be Merle Deets, Gregg Lininger, Mervin Taylor, Bill Hollingsworth, and Harvey Woods.

## Ashland Quintet Trims Red Devils

The Ashland Grizzlies basketball team opened their season Friday, December 7.

Playing their first game at Coquille, they ran over the Red Devils by a score of 41-26.

Although they had only four reserves, the Grizzlies easily outran the opposing team. Because of the condition of the floor they were unable, however, to make their fast break work properly.

Ashland took the lead during the first few minutes of play and the Red Devils followed in the dust, never coming closer than six points of tying the Grizzlies during the rest of the game.

Merle Deets was high point man for Ashland, scoring twelve points.

The starting line-up for Ashland was Hollingsworth, center; T. Tenney and Taylor, forwards; Deets and Woods, guards.

Coach Jandreau emphasized that his opening five is very flexible and is usually different for each game.

Other varsity cagers are Ted Tenney, Vern Tenney, Bill Mills, Harold Fowler, Phil Henning, Keith Garrett, Ryle Stemple, Bob Myrick, Jim Jeffries, Winton Miller and Loyd Green.

The Junior Bears are active, too, defeating Talent Jayvees 51-31. A practice game with O'Hara's service station gave them another one, 42 to 30.

Members of the J. V. squad are Kenza Gandee, Jimmy James, Clyde James, Bill Bates, David Herburger, Jim Watrus, Walt McCoy, Bob Basey, Marvin Woods, Don Lawa, Bill Welch, Bruce Hamilton, Ken Rogers, and Glen Ingie.

## Kolored Klown Klif Koaches

The barnstorming Harlem Clowns and the Ashland coaches tangled on the Junior High court, Tuesday, December 4, with the clowns emerging a 40-36 victor.

The Ashland coaches, led by manager Charley Jandreau, made it an exciting game as they were on the heels of the Clowns at all times.

The score at the end of the third quarter was tied at 32-32, but the Harlemites quickly ran up the final score.

Exhibiting skill in passing, dribbling, and shooting, the Clowns tried all kinds of outlandish tactics. Included were bouncing the ball off the floor into the hoop; shooting lay-ins between their legs; and rolling the ball through the whole Ashland team for a shot at the basket.

Not content with playing on the floor, the Clowns stationed one of their players in the balcony for a better shot. Then, firing of basketball, they ran for a touchdown from midcourt out of a T formation.

Proceeds from the game go for spring sports which include baseball, track and tennis. Total profit from the game was \$125.

## ATA Dinner Given For Board Members

School board members were dinner guests of the Ashland Teachers' Association at a dinner given Thursday evening, December 13, at the Walker school cafeteria.

After dinner Miss Iva Weir sang "The Holy Child" by Martin, and "The Birthday of a King" by Neidlinger.

Mr. Clarence Wiggins then led the group in singing Christmas carols.

A progressive auction, directed by Mr. Gene Allison, was held to add money to the depleted funds of the association.

Santa Claus came to distribute the presents brought by the 125 persons attending the dinner party.

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## So You Think You Know Sports

Here's a little quiz for you sports fans. Let's see how you rate on athletics. Answers are below.

1. Who is the king of swat?
2. Who is golf's mity mite that was almost killed in an accident last year?
3. What is the longest major league baseball game on record?
4. Basketball is the only major sport that originated in the U.S. Name the man who devised the game.
5. Who is the present heavy-weight champ?
6. Lou Gehrig was known as the \_\_\_\_\_ of baseball.
7. Who is the flying parson?
8. Who was rated the outstanding athlete of the past half century in a recent poll?
9. "Gorgeous" Gussie" Moran is noted for her skill in \_\_\_\_\_
10. Who holds the national mile high school record?
11. The score was 6-3 in a baseball game, yet not one man reached first base. How could this be?
12. Who won the 1936 Olympics?

Answers: 1. Babe Ruth 2. Ben Hogan 3. 26 Innings (Brooklyn Dodgers vs Boston Braves) 4. James Naismith 5. Joe Walcott 6. Iron Man 7. Gil Dotts, a minister who holds the national indoor mile record 8. Jim Thorpe 9. Tennis 10. Jim Fullerton from Ashland 11. It was a girls' baseball game 12. There wasn't any.

## VOLLEYBALL, BOWLING ENJOYED BY GAA

Ashland G.A.A. meets every Thursday night after school in the gym. For the first six weeks the girls played volleyball. Then a new sport was chosen for each six weeks.

The girls are now bowling on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Recreation Center, under the instruction of Miss Dyer. Later on when they start on another sport, the girls who still wish to bowl will be able to on Tuesdays.

Plans for initiation have not been completed yet, but it will probably take place sometime in January.

## STUDENT BODY RECEIVES TROPHY; LET'S NOT REST ON OUR LAURELS

... and with great pleasure I present to Ashland High School this Sportsmanship Trophy." Didn't that make you feel good deep down inside when Mr. Arthur Straus of Central Point made a similar statement in the Monday assembly?

But just how many of you know why Ashland was so honored? How did we happen to win the cup?

Each school was furnished with many copies of a ballot put out by the Southern Oregon Principals and Coaches Association. The Yell leaders, Student Councils, referees, and coaches all sent in their ballots and it was they, representing all the schools in Southern Oregon that decided Ashland had the best sportsmanship.

Some of the points considered by the yell leaders were courtesy to opposing yell squad, exchange yells, welcome yell, and no booing.

Student Council rated the schools on record as to vandalism, no visits by opposing stu-

dents at school on day of game, bonfire and noise parade unnoctested.

The officials voted on the sportsmanship of the players, coaches, and fans, if dressing quarters were clean and adequate, and if promptly paid.

The coaches rated schools on dressing room conditions, proper welcome and help, good sportsmanship of opposing coach and congratulations or condolences after game.

Ashland won last year but let's not rest on our laurels. Let's show them that Ashland is still the best sport.

## Noon Activities Draw Attention

Intramural basketball has again started with this year's teams all very strong. To pick a champion would be very hard indeed. Although the names of these noon day teams may be a bit on the lighter side, the teams play in all seriousness.

The games are played at noon, lasting for approximately 25 minutes. A quick rundown of the teams sees the soph boys, consisting of eight veteran ball players; "The Unbeaten Trompers," a senior group of fast and tireless players; the "Country Hicks," a group of fast boys that promise to be tough; the "Cast-off Kids," a junior group that looks like the team to beat. And of course there's Mr. Parks' homeroom team of seniors that may prove to be champs.

Of course there are other noontime activities, such as the tug-of-war between classes. The juniors defeated the sophomores and then after a little trouble, it was decided to call it a tie.

There was also the rope climbing contest with Wayne South, Ken Dailey, LaVern Haptonstall, David Herburger and Martin Kasser competing. Dailey and Herburger tied at six seconds flat. The foul shooting contest was also held with a long list of contestants entering and the first ten declared winners.

## WARRIORS EDGE GRIZZLIES, 55-52

Led by center Lee Templeton with 28 points, the Crescent City Warriors eked out a 55-52 win over the Grizzlies Saturday night, December 15.

Templeton was the whole show, sinking shot after shot as the Warriors grabbed a first quarter lead and held it until the third quarter where they lost it momentarily only to regain it for good.

The Grizzlies, who were hot and cold, were led by Bill Hollingsworth and Med Taylor with 15 and 12 points respectively. The Bear fast break was unable to work under full steam as the California gym was a cracker-jack and much too small for an effective fast break.

The starting line-up for the Bears was Gandee and Deets, guards; Taylor and T. Tenney, forwards; and Hollingsworth, center.

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