

Lions Devour Ashland Grizzlies 66-53; Rice Scores 27 Points

The Cottage Grove Lions made their trip to Southern Oregon and were successful by trouncing Ashland 66-53 in a non-conference game Friday night. Sharp shooting from Ron Rice scored over half the necessary points by dropping 10 field goals and seven free throws through the hoop for 27 points.

Leon Hayes rallied the team to a 18-7 first period lead with 7 points, but didn't score again during the game. Ashland outscored the Groves 15-11 during the second quarter although rapid Ron Rice scored nine points in the half. With a helping field goal from the hands of Jim Nichols, Coach Donn Gassaway's Lions still led at halftime, 29-22. Ashland didn't appear them again.

Rice combined four free throws with two field goals to pace the Groves to a 52-35 third period lead. Dean Castle also scored eight points during that quarter, while Jim Nichols made four.

In the final period Rice scored

Lions Ramble Past Crater Thursday

The Lions made their sixth victory out of eight attempts Thursday, December 29, as they galloped past Crater 58-46. Jim Nichols led the local team to a slim 12-10 first quarter lead and then the Lion grabbed the foe and shook it.

Dean Castle and Leon Hayes led the second quarter scoring attack, but the game was won during that period on defense. When the first half ended Crater led 25-13.

In the third quarter period the Lion offense showed plenty of sparkle as Jim Nichols dropped eight points into the basket, Ron Rice bucketed six, and Hayes and Burleson scored four each to push the Groves lead to 47-26.

Jim Nichols led the winning Lions with 12 points, while Leon Hayes scored 11. High man of the game was Hermann of Crater with 14. Shama scored 12. Every man on the Lion squad scored.

Statistics:
Cottage Grove (58) (46) Crater
Burleson, 8 F 14, Hermann
Hayes, 11 F 12, Shama
Nichols, 12 C 6, Davis
Rice, 8 G 6, Douthitt
Angell, 2 G 10, Coyette
Subs: Cottage Grove—Castle 7, Woodworth 2, Picknell 2, Peters 2, Thies 2, Matthews 2, Crater—Lefler, Green 4, Allen, Harsh 1, Tidwell.

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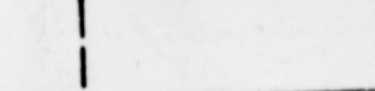


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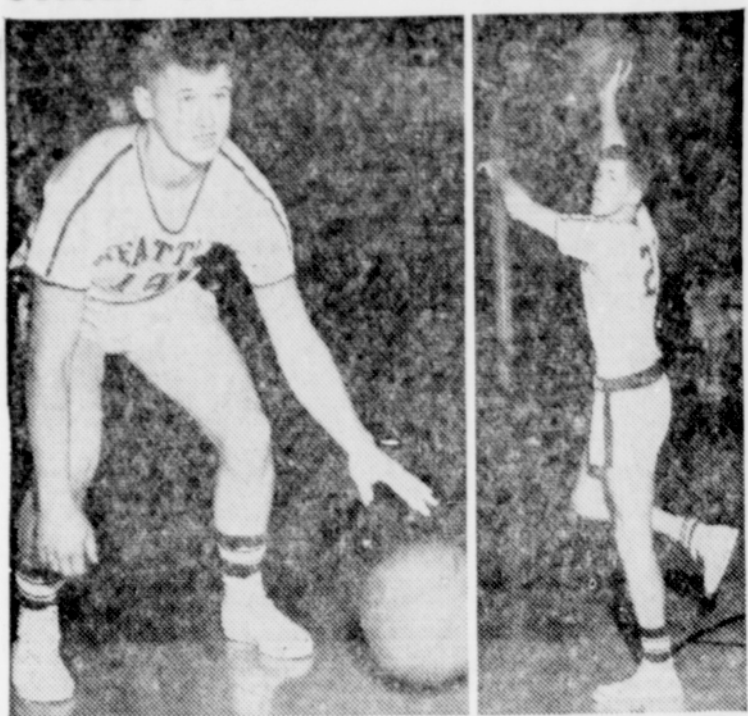
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Seattle U.'s All-America Candidates



SEATTLE UNIVERSITY'S candidates for 1956 All-America basketball honors are Cal Bauer (left), 5 foot 9 inch guard and Dick Stricklin, 6 foot 7 inch center. Bauer and Stricklin have been the 1-2 scoring punch for the Chieftains. Last season Stricklin was the sophomore scoring sensation of the Pacific Coast, coming off the bench at mid-season to win a starting berth and win the team's individual scoring honors. Bauer, a senior, has been the team's playmaker and No. 2 scorer.

Grove Moves Into City League Lead With CG Lumber

Grove (La Vern Hess 539) moved into a tie for first place in the City Bowling League with Cottage Grove Lumber last week, by blanking Eagles Lodge (Ken Harlow 201) 4-0. Cottage Grove Lumber (Keith Stiff 208-559) squeezed by Moose 3-1 to retain their share of first place with a 10-2 record.

Grable Machine (Clarence Lowe 210-549) raised to a tie for third place by shutting Kimwood Service out 4-0. Yoncalla Lions (Don Atkinson 200-536) held onto the third place tie by taking Coast Fork, 3-1. Grable Machine and Yoncalla Lions have 8-4 records, two points out of first place.

Randall & Woolcott took possession of fifth place by dumping Cottage Grove Fire Department (Bill Dryce 189, Walt Sorenson 513) 3-1.

McCoy Motors is the other team in the upper half but they (Kermit Lighter 518) were beaten last week by B & H Feed Store (Dick Cherry 193) 3-1.

Standings WON LOST %
CG Lbr. 10 2 .833
Grove 10 2 .833
Yoncalla 8 4 .667
Grable Mach. 8 4 .667
Randall & Wool. 7 5 .583
McCoy Mtrs. 6 5 .542
Eagles 5 7 .417
Coast Fork 5 7 .417
Moose 4 7 .375
CG Fire Dept. 4 8 .333
Kimwood Serv. 0 12 .000
High Team, 3-Games: Grable Machine Co., 2832; Grove, 2809; Randall & Woolcott, 2707.
High Ind. 3-Games: Keith Stiff, 539; Clarence Lowe, 549; La Vern Hess, 539.
High Team Game: Grable Machine Co., 984; Grove, 964; Grove, 960.
High Ind. Game: Bob Bond, 211; Clarence Lowe, 210; Charles True, 209.

Steelhead to Be Tagged With Plastic Streamers

Fishermen on the Columbia river may have a surprise this winter—some of the steelhead they take will have a 12 inch bright yellow plastic streamer tag attached to the fish's body.

Threatened with a special needle at the base of the dorsal (top) fin, the tag bears a number and the word (inscribed with a special ink) "Return, Oregon Fish Commission, Portland" or "Return, Washington Department of Fisheries, Seattle." This is a cooperative venture with the Washington Department of Fisheries.

The plastic tag is a new type of marker for the Columbia river. It is a modification of the so-called "spaghetti tag" which has been used on tuna in California.

"Purpose of the steelhead tagging," so says Harry L. Rietze, in charge of Columbia river investigations for the Oregon Fish Commission, "is to determine the size of the run that comes into the river, the tributaries to which they're headed, the time of passage, and the method of recovery. More than 400 steelhead have already been marked in this new study which started November 27.

Tagging is conducted from four gill-net boats. One thousand steelhead were tagged last winter with use of the Petersen plastic discs. Because the discs, fastened with a metal pin, got caught in fishermen's nets and on vegetation and stones, a new type of tag is being tried this season. Tagging will continue through March.

METHODISTS WIN FROM BAPTISTS 34-18

In the only intra-church basketball league game scheduled last Thursday night, the Methodist team defeated the Baptist team 34-18. Wayne Tonole, Methodist player, was high scorer for the evening with 12 points. Teammate Charles Coston had seven points for the game. Dave Thun led the losers with 6 counters.

Thursday (tonight) all six teams will enter competition. This will be the initial game for four of the teams. The league leading Methodists will meet the Presbyterians, while the cellar dwelling Baptists challenge the Church of God. The Free Methodists will open their season against the Church of Christ. Bob Gerstenberger and Ed Estes will officiate.

No lawyer can afford to be ignorant of the Bible.

Hass Family Back From Trip to East

By Mrs. James Northcutt
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DISSTON, Mr. and Mrs. Dilard Hass and children and Rachel Beavers returned home Saturday from a six weeks' visit in Murphy, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dotson spent Christmas visiting at Sweet-home.

Jerry Ecleberry spent Christmas at The Dalles and the rest of the school vacation at Hermiston.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Robinson and family of Philomath were Monday guests in the Claude Carr home.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Carr and Claudia helped Mrs. Newhall of Creswell celebrate her 92nd birthday Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Cline and children, the Rev. Dodd, Hoyt Ballow, Della, Buddy and Katherine, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil White and Rachel Beavers attended an all-day Fellowship meeting at Oakland Monday.

Julia Ann Hass, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hass is at home from Cottage Grove hospital, where she was confined with pneumonia.

Rosetta Northcutt left Monday for Oregon College of Education at Monmouth, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Northcutt, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Weikum and children, Donald, Idaho, spent New Year's weekend with Mr. and Mrs. George Damewood. Karen Damewood left Sunday for Eugene, where she is attending nursing school, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Damewood.

Joe Thompson of Veneta is visiting with his daughter, Mrs. L. C. Rexroad, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Hogate and Darla spent New Year's weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Nixon. New Year's dinner guests were Neal Hogate from Oakridge, Alvin Theiss, Jim Childers, and Darlene Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Anderson spent Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Kuhn and Mrs. Anderson will be remembered by her friends as Syble Kuhn.

Larry Anderson left Saturday evening for San Diego where he is stationed in the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kuhn and Mrs. Larry Anderson were guests in the Joe Kuhn home New Year's day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Arthur and Mr. Arthur went to Dallas Friday to attend the funeral of James Holman, who was a brother-in-law of Mr. Arthur. They also visited with relatives in Sheridan.

Sideline Scenes

(by Dave Cooper, Sports Editor)

The Lions won two games last week, each by more than 10 points. That is an impressive margin, but neither game indicates the strength of Donn Gassaway's team.

As far as that goes the complete non-conference season gives only minor indication toward the possibilities of the Lions to have a successful league season. The Groves have an impressive record with seven wins to only two losses. Impressive, except for the fact that all their victories have been over 4-2 teams with the possible exception of Ashland and the Lions will play in an A-1 league.

Cottage Grove has far outlasted the A-2 teams they have played, except for the surprisingly strong St. Francis team. They lost by one point in the last minute technical foul of the St. Francis game, but they have beaten all the other lower category teams by more than 10 points. The margin would probably have been larger in all these games, but Gassaway believes in giving the reserves as much experience in active competition as possible, without causing a loss.

Whether the Lions could have had a similar record or not against a schedule of all A-1 teams can only be seen after they enter district 5 A-1 competition.

Best Chance
Gassaway feels that the Lions have a better chance of going to the state tournament this year than ever before. In the league against Eugene, North Bend, Marshfield, Springfield, and Roseburg, they will have to take first or second to be guaranteed a berth in the tourney. If they take third place in the league, they will play the third-place winner of the league that Corvallis, Albany, and the Salem teams are in to get into the tournament.

Corvallis, the only A-1 team to play (and beat) the Lions during the non-conference season is supposed to be one of the strongest teams in that league.

This week-end, the scheduled game for this week, Grove travels to Reedsport, Tuesday. Their chance to prove that they can beat all the A-2 teams on the schedule comes January 29 at the home game when St. Francis faces the revenge seeking Lions.

Over Half World's Telephones in U.S.

With one telephone, on the average, for every three persons, the United States had more than half of the world's 94.5 million telephones on January 1, 1955.

This information was released in Oregon this week by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company from figures compiled by American Telephone and Telegraph Company in its annual survey, "Telephone Statistics of the World." It takes a year to compile the report.

The State of Oregon, Pacific Telephone officials in Portland indicate, was right in line with the national average. At the first of the year, the population of the state was just about 1,662,680 persons. The telephone population—Pacific company and independent companies combined—was 536,576.

Despite telephone growth locally, and throughout the nation, Iceland has replaced the United States as the second talkingest nation in the world, American Telephone's annual report indicates.

Canada, with 417 conversations per person, is in first place. The third consecutive year, Iceland is next with 394, and the United States, 393 per capita.

Countries in the world included in the "more than a million telephones" list grew to 12, during the report period, as the United States installed its one-millionth telephone in 1954.

Leading the list is the United States, followed by the United Kingdom, Canada, German Federal Republic, France, Japan, Sweden, Italy, Australia, Switzerland, Argentina and The Netherlands.

Pacific Telephone's 1954 growth in Oregon, in number of telephone instruments installed was about 4.4 per cent—about 416,564 to 435,236. About 5.3 million telephones were added throughout the world during the same 12 months.

The company's growth in Oregon, through November of this year has been even greater. The birthrate of new telephones jumped 4.1 per cent, in November Pacific Telephone had 461,959 telephones installed throughout the state, as compared with 435,238 on January 1, 1955.

Locally, telephone growth has also been good, according to Pacific Telephone Manager C. W. Hawkins. In the Cottage Grove area the number of telephones has increased 5.5 per cent the past year, from 3641 to 3844.

Telephone service in the United States is supplied by some 4,800 private companies. In Oregon, besides Pacific Telephone, there are 69 independent telephone companies.

Those companies, as of today, are supplying telephone service to about 72 per cent of the 47.4 million households in the United States.

Latest statistics put out by the Bell System show there are currently 99 million telephones in the world, and that 95.1 million can be connected with the Bell System.

So any person, with a telephone connected in the Bell System, has a possibility of 95,999 other telephone numbers to call, if he had the time and the inclination.

There were 200,000 rivets used in construction of the USS FORRESTAL. The Navy aircraft carrier is the largest ever built.

Roads Damaged By High Water In Lorane Area

By Mrs. R. G. Conner
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LORANE. Your reporter must start the new year by apologizing for no news last week as a large landslide kept the south Lorane road blocked until Wednesday and no mail could be delivered.

Many roads in the district are still impassable because of washed out bridges and slides and surface water has damaged them all severely in places.

District Deputy President Mrs. Bridget (Nannie Lou) Maley and staff were installing officers at Lorane Rebekah lodge Monday evening when the new officers took their stations for the first time.

To preside for the next year will be Mrs. J. W. Purdy, Noble Grand. Other officers are as follows: vice grand, Mrs. F. B. Nease; recording secretary, Mrs. Everett Malcolm; financial secretary, Mrs. W. H. Mitchell; treasurer, Mrs. Jack Terrell.

Appointive officers taking office were: Warden, Mrs. F. G. Sessions; conductor, Mrs. John Sayles; musician, Mrs. Harry Jahneke; chaplain, Mrs. Chester Purdy; right support to noble grand, Mrs. Lloyd Counts; left support to noble grand, Mrs. Verne Armitage; left support to vice grand, Mrs. Bridget Maley; inside guardian, Mrs. Stanley Purdy, and outside guardian, Mrs. Joe Swanney.

Committees for the year announced by the noble grand are: Finance, Mrs. F. D. Cunningham, Mrs. R. G. Conner and Mrs. Rodney Dillon. Chairmen of other committees are: Sunshine, Mrs. F. D. Cunningham; showers, Mrs. Chester Purdy; decoration, Mrs. Floyd Holland; entertainment, Mrs. Harry Jahneke; drill captain, Mrs. Verne Armitage; press, Mrs. R. G. Conner; publicist, Mrs. Stanley Purdy; good of the order, Mrs. Russell Alford.

Mrs. Vern Armitage was re-elected trustee for a three-year term.

Annual reports of the various committees were given. Past noble grand Mrs. Glen Myers volunteered to make and present new curtains for the hall to the lodge. Her generous offer was accepted.

A cake walk will be held at the next meeting to raise money for the police fund. Mrs. Jack Terrell police fund chairman announced. Four members volunteered to furnish cakes.

A potluck will be held to acknowledge birthdays of members born in January. All whose birthdays fall during the month are to bring an exchange gift.

Return From Arkansas
Mr. and Mrs. Verne Armitage and children have returned from a trip to Bentonville, Arkansas, where they spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Debus Armitage. They left December 18 and returned December 30. They just missed the floods both ways on the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Cunningham of Korbel, Calif., spent one night with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davis, on their way to visit elsewhere. Mrs. Cunningham is expected back for a longer visit soon.

George Norton was home on the holidays. Mrs. H. E. Norton has been quite ill recently and Mr. Norton was taken to the hospital Sunday for observation after a blood vessel ruptured above his heart.

Shelley Alford suffered an attack of appendicitis Sunday and was taken to Cottage Grove hospital for observation but no surgery was performed at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. William Beaker and family have returned from Portland where they spent the holidays with their parents and other relatives.

Lorane high school students took up a collection for CARE and raised \$10.15.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Warner have returned from Texas where he was stationed for the past two years with the Army. He has received his discharge and they plan to make their home in Eugene.

During the Christmas holidays they took care of the Glen Robertson place while Mr. Robertson was visiting his daughter in San Francisco.

Mrs. Svend Lobek and daughter Karen, spent several days in Salem visiting Mr. Lobek who is working there now. On Sunday the Lobeks had as dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Paul Estergard of Harrisburg.

FIREMAN TRACY ARNOLD has finished putting out a fire in the wiring of the car driven by Charles C. Clark, Clark's car struck another car driven by George L. Clingan after the latter ran a stop sign at the intersection of 6th and Adams.

days last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Castle. Wednesday night they were all dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Rebeck of Blue Mt. Mr. and Mrs. Grant Duley and children of Knox Hill were also guests at the Rebeck home.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Coblenz have moved into their new home and Mr. and Mrs. Forest Hill, who have been living in the rental house on the Harry Castle ranch, have moved into the Tanner Martin house which Mr. and Mrs. Coblenz had occupied. The Hills have bought the place.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Martin and family of Florence visited relatives in Brumbaugh cemetery, and Mrs. Sig Nelson, Mr. Nelson helped Mr. Hill move his household goods.

Doral Roby, who is in the naval hospital, spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Roby. Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Roby and sons, Art, of Forest Grove, spent the weekend at the Glen Roby home.

Mrs. Rilla Pitcher was buried Tuesday in Brumbaugh cemetery. Sig Nelson III.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Fishback of Portland spent the weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sig Nelson. Mr. Nelson has been quite ill and was in Cottage Grove hospital again for a check up.

Callers Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Castle were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Conklin and two girls of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Seward and three girls of Marcola, Mrs. Roxie Miller of Divide and Mrs. Clovie Kutchler and son, Art, of Taft. The Conklins spent the night at the Castle home. They had come to attend the funeral of Mr. Kutchler.

James Kutchler of Taft was buried at Brumbaugh cemetery Wednesday. Mrs. Kutchler is a niece of Harry Castle.

Mrs. Berta McGuire and Bill Jarrod took Mr. Jarrod's daughter, Frances, to Portland Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Barnes and family, who have been living in the rental house on the Northway ranch, have moved to Dorena. This takes two more children out of Blue Mt. school. With the three Hill children out of school this makes five to be missed at Blue Mt. school.

Holiday callers at the Darrel Mosby and Mary Mosby homes were Mr. and Mrs. John May and Mrs. Mosby of Portland. They are sons of Millard Mosby.



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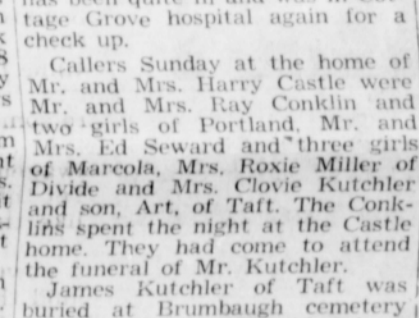
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Mosby Creek Has Holiday Activity

By Mrs. Harry Castle
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MOSBY CREEK—Mr. and Mrs. Forest Hill and five children spent the holidays at Wasco, Calif., at the home of his brother and family. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Hill, of Missouri was with them too. The Hills saw a lot of the high water in California while they were there.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Ramsey and family of Portland spent three

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