

Wrestlers compete in city tournament

by Mary Jane Hulett

Wrestling, in the city tournament for all schools in the area which will begin next Thursday and will continue Friday and Saturday in the new gym are approximately 26 of the school's wrestlers.

Each school will enter 26 men, which will be two men for each weight class.

The meet is primarily an elimination for all wrestlers who are competing for the state tournament. The first and second place winners of each class will go to the state tournament in Corvallis on Marh 4-5.

Since the beginning of wrestling season the wrestlers have been preparing for this meet. Gene Brown has remained undefeated all season. Other members of the team have done equally as well.

Wayne Crawford boasts 8

wins, 1 loss and 1 draw; Randy Boone 7 wins, 2 losses; Bill Lott 8 wins, 1 loss; Paul Farnham 9 wins, 0 losses.

Other top wrestlers include Chuck Kerns, 5 wins, 2 losses; Bert Leas 5 wins, 1 loss and 2 draws; Cliff Rose 6 wins and 3 losses; Ivory Nicholas 7 wins, 1 loss and 1 draw, and Ron Brown 5 wins and 4 losses.

Completing the list are Dave Gray with 3 wins and 0 losses and Dennis Semler, 4 wins and 0 losses. These wrestlers, according to Coach Shewbert, are the school's best possibilities for the state tournament.

At last Friday's match against Jackson the Generals kept the Raiders from scoring a single point and won the meet 45-0.



JUMPING for the ball in basketball activities at the Franklin-Grant game last Friday is forward Steve Turner. Looking on is center Leo Franz (24). The Generals topped the Franklin Quakers 36-47 in the action.

Generals meet Benson here tonight with Lincoln on schedule Tuesday

Benson, one of the league's hottest teams, and Lincoln, the disappointment of the year, will provide basketball opposition for the Generals tonight and Tuesday.

Winners of only 2, first-half games, Benson has surprised 4 of 5 second half foes, and will travel to the General gym tonight remembering a 55-49 first-half loss to Coach Ed Rooney's forces.

In upsetting Madison 3 weeks ago, the Techmen allowed Washington to replace Jefferson atop the league standings. Over a 3-year period, the Generals have topped Benson 6 times in 7 games, but 2 have been won in the last minute of play.

Offensive stalwarts for the Engineers include 3-year letterman Dick Poeschke, 6-2 Bob Folkerts, 6-5 Cal Fowler, and guards Mike Bright, Ken LaDue, Steve Nord, Dave Neuman, and Ron Kernan.

Lincoln was rated first because of its "hustle and muscle" but after 16 games the Cardinals have won but 3, and only first-year Jackson has fared worse.

The Generals lost to Lincoln in the first half. Top players for the Cards include Mike Bubalo, Bruce Schoen, Jeff Kolberg, Greg Slavens, Dick Morrison, and Charlie Smith.

Franklin has been the only team to lose to Lincoln in the second half, and the Cards have little to look forward to, because they finish the season against Madison, Jefferson, and Washington.

The Generals downed Franklin and Jackson last week, winning 2 in a week for the first time this year.

Fine playmaking by Ron Young and the consistently good shooting of Steve Turner, Scott Terrall, and Harvey Whitney propelled the Generals to both victories.

Baseball team starts workouts; Harrington readies 'sluggers'

Practicing earlier than ever this year, the varsity baseball team began hitting and fielding workouts two weeks ago.

Coach Roy Harrington stressed the fact that it is necessary to be in top shape by the league opener, because the team plays every day.

Returning lettermen who have already turned out for practice include infielders John Pachot, Mike Hoffman, Tim Prah, Larry Voth, and Dave Dimitre and outfielders Mike Balkovich and Jim Fox.

Pitchers Steve Pendergrass and Bruce VonWald are others with varsity experience. A total of 17 players will return from last year's 22-man roster.

Coach Harrington named John Pachot infield captain, Mike Balkovich outfield captain, and Steve Pendergrass captain of the pitchers.

Mr. Harrington has been pleased with the early season practices, and says that the team is further along than this time last year.

Pre-season games have been scheduled beginning spring vacation, and about 10 non-counting games will be played. Regular season games will be played every day following a 22-game schedule. There will be no league divisions in baseball.

Last year's Generals finished first in the first half, and were runners-up to Roosevelt for the city championship. Their record was 16 wins, 4 losses; the best in 11 years.

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