

Generals roll over Senators, 68-56

Cogill Comments



ARTIE WILSON puts up jump shot over Madison defenders as Steve Crane gets set for rebound and Tim Myers looks on. Artie scored 10 points for the Generals.

by Steve Johnson
Slick Steve Crane paced the fired-up Generals last Tuesday, as they crushed Madison 68-56. The win clinched the second PIL state tournament berth for the defending state champions. They will face Central Catholic in the opening game next Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Crane, combining quickness with crafty head fakes, continually drove past his slower rival defenders to draw fouls and score on twisting layups. The senior post man scored 17 points and also grabbed 12 rebounds against the taller Senators.

Sparkplug Tim Myers continued to shine on defense and set the tempo on offense for the G-men. All-city guard Artie Wilson scored ten points in spite of a rather cold-shooting night for him.

Juniors June Jones and Eddie Lincoln played im-

portant roles, too. June scored nine points and colared nine rebounds. Eddie hit for 14 points with key long-range baskets. Coach Ed Rooney commented: "We played our best game defensively. We played a much smarter ballgame than our first game with Madison."

Last Friday the Generals handed Benson a 53-46 loss, as Artie Wilson scored 22 points. "We hit when we had to against Benson. We also held the ball well and made them come out of their zone," Mr. Rooney recalled.

"We must foul less than we did in the first game with Central Catholic. They love to run, but I think we can handle them with a man-to-man defense. We'll play better this time," Mr. Rooney stated.

Central won the first game, 67-38. They'll not be facing the same Generals this time, though.

by Gary Cogill

During the past two weeks there have been many different activities going on around school, some of them good and some of them not so good.

If you could have seen them perform in Corvallis you wouldn't have believed it. The Gendrills were great. They showed certain class that no one else did. Although there were some outstanding groups participating, the Gendrills did shine.

We should be very proud to have a dance group of this caliber at school. They have taken their own time to practice their routines and have performed all year at halftimes of football and basketball games, besides assemblies. Dancing, to the Gendrills is like sports to most of the athletes. They take it seriously and show pride in what they are doing. The Gendrills are now the number one dance team in the State of Oregon.

What has happened to the rally assemblies this year? The only thing that has changed is the turnouts, and they are terrible. This is the first year that Grant has lacked in school spirit. Only one or two games have the fans been 100% behind the team.

Maybe it has reached the point where students are too embarrassed to yell or show up for an assembly. If the small turnouts at the rally assemblies stay as they are, then there is a good chance that they will be discontinued.

People who don't play sports cannot realize how important it is to have fans. It means a lot to them, so give them your support.

Just recently Caroline Walker set a women's world record in the 26-mile marathon race at Seaside, Oregon. The race, which started at the turnaround in the center of town, employed over 200 entries, of which 170 finished.

Caroline finished 42 in the race and her time registered 3:02:43. She is a junior and has been running ever since she entered high school.

Caroline finished just a few places behind state cross country champion Scott Jackson and when she broke the finish line, all of the spectators gave her a loud cheer. Her finish was great as she made a final kick during the last mile of the race.

Right now Caroline is one of the top distance runners in the nation. Wait till she graduates from high school.

Varsity gymnasts compete at District; three performers travel to state meet

"I feel our teams had very successful seasons. The girls lost only one dual meet all season and that was to David Douglas, the probable state champions," summed up Bill Graham, varsity gymnastics coach.

OUR BOYS' TEAM was hindered by injuries and sickness all year and we didn't really get together until our final dual meet. We did have some fine individuals, though," Coach Graham explained.

Last Saturday, led by Dave Allred and Bob Saltman, the boys' team placed fourth in the district meet. David Douglas won the meet easily, but in the scrap for second place, the G-men, with 119 points, were nudged out by Benson (125) and Jackson (123).

ALLRED performed very well and took fourth place on the high bar. Saltman finished in sixth place on the rings. Both Dave and Bob will compete in the state meet.

Also turning in good performances were: John Talbot sixth in all-around, seventh in floor exercise and eighth on the side-horse; Ron Elsasser, ninth on the rings and Deane Blair, a freshman, 11th on the parallel bars. About 40 boys competed in each event.

IN THE GIRLS' competition, the Grant contingent placed fifth with 94 points. David Douglas won the competition and Milton-Freewater took second.

Freshman Denise Griffith took second place in the all-around competition. She was the winner on the balance beam and she also took second on the uneven parallel bars and fourth in floor exercise. Denise will compete in the state meet, held today and tomorrow at Eugene.

Laurie Smith finished her gymnastics season by taking ninth in the floor exercise competition. Annie Moorman was the 11th place winner in the vaults.



CAROLINE WALKER shows form which brought her world recognition in 26-mile race at Seaside. She ran the race in record time to establish a new women's record.

Woman teacher joins softball league after layoff from championship team

Our school has a former All-American softball player in the form of a gym teacher and this summer she plans on getting back in the program.

Miss Carolyn Fitzwater is going to play summer softball for a team sponsored by Dr. Bernard, one of the best teams around. Her schedule starts May 9 with the opening game and includes 74 games.

"Right after school is out the team is going on the road for two weeks and 26 games into Arizona and California," com-

mented Miss Fitzwater.

A few years ago Miss Fitzwater played for the world champion Erv Lind Florists and gained All-American infielder as one of her high honors.

"Right after spring vacation we will be practicing inside at Franklin and at Portland State University," said Miss Fitzwater. She also pointed out that they are to report in shape for the upcoming 74-game schedule which includes many doubleheaders.

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