

# SPILYAY TYMOO SPORTS

## Travelers Place Disappointing Fifth

With only seven players, the Oregon Travelers went to Taholah, Washington, to play in Quinalt Nation's All-Indian basketball tournament January 13-15.

Placing fifth in the 10-team double elimination, the Travelers had two players receiving All-Star trophies, Isaac Mitchell from Warm Springs, and Gib Scott from Pendleton. Lyman Bulchild received an all-star trophy also, but he played for Queets, Washington, instead of the team he usually plays for, the Oregon Travelers.

With only six of the seven players able to play the Travelers went against Seattle N.A.P.I in their first game falling 97-90. Oregon was ahead by fifteen points in the first half, but in the second half, three players, Tony Suppah, Bob Cody, and Bobby Ray, ran into foul trouble. This left only three players on the court for the Travelers but they played a good, hard game. High scorers for Oregon was Tony Suppah, 22 points, and Gib Scott and Chuck Blacketeer with 16 points.

The Oregon Travelers made a quick comeback, beating Corwin Enterprises of Taholah, 95-72. Bobby Ray and Bob Cody were high scorers in that game, scoring 26 and 21 respectively.

After a quick win over Corwin Enterprises, the Travelers were all fired up, easily winning over Queets by 31 points, 125-94. Buzz Knightpipe led the way sinking 40 points for the Travelers. Bobby Ray scored 24, Bob Cody 21, and Isaac Mitchell 20.

With two wins and one loss, the Travelers were shooting for third place against Taholah II. Without Buzz Knightpipe, the Travelers had to settle for fifth place, getting beat 104-92. Isaac Mitchell moved 24 points to lead the scoring for the Travelers, and Gib Scott had 18.

Coach Tony Suppah said that it was the lack of rest that was Oregon's downfall. Oregon played three games in one day then tried to get into the playoffs. He also said jokingly, "We had to travel to get together and go to a tournament." Ray Cornwell, Gerald Nicodemus, couldn't make it to the three day tournament as some of the other players couldn't either.

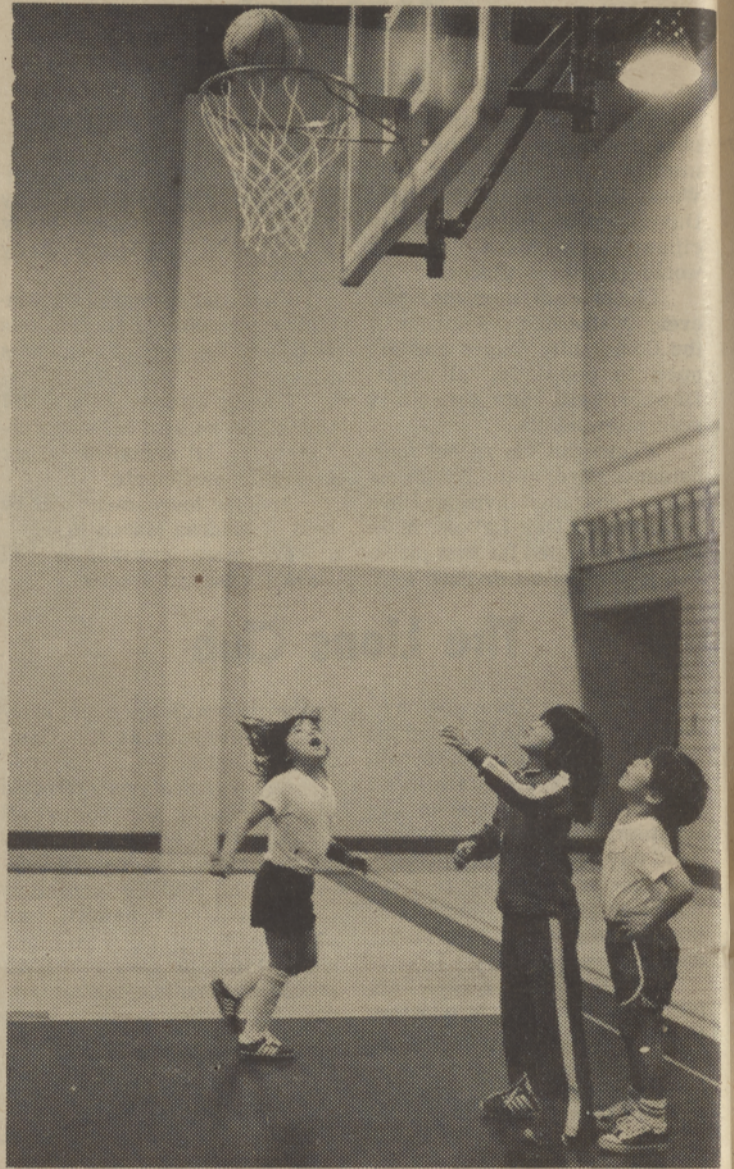
Puyallup won the Quinalt tournament and Seattle was second.

The weekend of January 21-22 found the Oregon team in Reno, Nevada, for a tournament. They didn't fair too well, being because they only had four players. They won the Sportsmanship trophy and 6'9½" tall Bob Cody received an all-star trophy. Oakland won that tournament, Davis, California, second, and Hoopa, California, placed third. Byron Woods, Oakland player was chosen Most Valuable Player.



In Oregon Travelers action against Seattle at the Taholah Tournament January 14-15, an unidentified Traveler snatched the ball away from a tangle of arms. Tony Suppah (23) assisted. The Travelers went on to take fifth place in the tourney.

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It's a long way up for little guys like these but not too long for an occasional hit. Norman Wolfe (left), Kanet Wolfe, Wayne Miller and other 6-12 year olds "try harder" every day at 4:00 at the Community Center. Coach Ron Suppah noted that more girls are needed to make a team. The 12-and-older kids practice at 5:00 and all kids are looking forward to their first tournament, as yet unscheduled.

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## Winning Streak Shot . . .

# Crook County Cowgirls Frustrate Fast-Breaking Buffs

On the heels of a four-game winning streak, last night's loss to Crook County brought the Buff girls' overall season record to 10-3.

Despite the one point loss, the Buffs have experienced steady improvement. They also welcomed the return of Valerie Lawrence this week.

Now eligible for team play the remainder of the school year, Valerie has been practicing with the team since the beginning of the season. "So it won't be like she's coming in cold," said Coach Dave Wiles. "Valerie should help us out a lot, giving us more depth," he continued. "We now have nine who could start on any given night."

Following their January 13 skirmish with Mac Hi at Madras, the Buffs have been on the road. The following is a recap of their games for the past two weeks:

**BUFFS VS. MAC HI**  
Friday, January 13

The fact that it was Friday the 13th didn't spook the Buffs who maintained control throughout their game against Mac Hi to win 49-20.

Superstition aside, Mac Hi scored only 13 points through the first three quarters of action. The credit for this goes to good defensive play on the part of the Buffs, according to the coaches.

At the same time, the Buff offense set a blistering pace, leaping out with a 12-5 lead in the first quarter of play. Firmly in control of the game, the Buff girls outscored the visiting Pioneers in every quarter.

Mac Hi 5 4 4 7-20  
Madras 12 16 12 9-49  
**BUFFS vs. WAHTONKA**  
Saturday, January 14

The girls White Buffs stomped all over the Wahtonka Eagles at The Dalles, putting an end to Wahtonka's 11-0 winning streak. Considered an upset, the Buffs won the important contest 59-40.

"I think it was our best all-

around performance of the year," remarked coach Dave Wiles. "We concentrated on our defense and got our offense running, too," he said.

Perhaps the White Buff secret was their fast-break. "We just wore them down - ran the legs off them," observed Wiles.

Since Wahtonka has two girls over six feet, the Buffs worked on blocking out and just allowing them one shot. "Our girls were really aggressive and pressed the whole game," said the coach.

Except for Kimiko Danzuka, the whole starting lineup fouled out. "And she probably had four fouls," chuckled Wiles. Madras chalked up 32 fouls compared to Wahtonka's 20.

Wahtonka 11 14 8 7-40  
Madras 12 20 13 14-59  
**BUFFS vs. BURNS**  
Friday, January 20

Sixty-nine fouls were whistled during a rough, physical battle at Burns in which Madras

emerged victorious with a score of 69-66 in overtime.

The Buffs came from behind in the fourth quarter outscoring Burns 16-9 to tie the game, sending it into overtime.

"It was a battle of the boards, and we won the battle," mused coach Wiles. "It was a tough, physical game and they just kept pounding us when we got near the basket."

Wiles commended Jennita Ennis for her rugged play. "She didn't back off to anybody." He said Mina Shike played a good first quarter but got into foul trouble, as did Kimiko Danzuka.

But the Burns team committed the bulk of the fouls called. By the fourth quarter they had five players who had fouled out and one who was thrown out. They were forced to play the last part of the fourth quarter and the entire overtime with just four players.

Burns 16 17 19 9 5-66  
Madras 15 16 14 16 8-69

**BUFFS vs. CROOK COUNTY**  
Thursday, January 26

Last night in a league skirmish against Crook County the Buffs lost a heartbreaker 46 to 45.

It appeared that the Buffs were going to blow Crook County off the court as they led all the way up to the last five minutes. Madras was ahead 12 to 1 at one point and 22 to 10 at another.

But it was a frustrating ending for the Buffs who missed numerous free-throws when it was tied 43-all with 1:25 left. Madras just couldn't connect to ice the game which should have been theirs.

In the scoring department Roberta Koch put in 16 points (all coming in the first three quarters), Mary Nelson hit 13, and both Hatfield and Danzuka connected for eight each.

Crook County 7 12 12 15-46  
Madras . . . . . 16 7 12 10-45