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ASHLAND HI WINS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Pendleton Beaten in Final Game by 45-22

Ashland won the state high school basketball championship Saturday night at Salem, in the finals of the state tournament, when the runner-up, Pendleton high school, was defeated by the decisive score of 45 to 22.

It had been generally prophesied after the semi-finals had been played, that Ashland would have a very poor show as against the "backrooms" from Pendleton, who had brought beef and blood and brawn and skill, and had so successfully trampled on other favorites in the earlier games, teams supposed to be on about equal footing with Ashland. However, this prophetic "dope," like it oftentimes is, was completely upset.

The Ashland basket tossers opened up in the finals with a speed and accuracy that simply dazzled and bewildered the Pendleton quintet. They danced over the floor light as fairies, swift as shadows and as sure as fate. It was an exhibition of such ball as never had been seen in any of the earlier games. Ashland simply opened up a new and inexhaustible bag of tricks and endurance, and after the first five minutes of play, the only question in the minds of spectators was how big a score the Ashland lads would run up.

The Pendleton team has some fast, resourceful men, sturdy, muscular phenoms, who seemed invincible. They had been well-coached and did some of the cleverest work, picking up the ball from the floor and pivoting around an opponent, shown in the tournament. But for sheer speed, the local boys surpassed them; for shooting, our boys were like well-trained men matched against raw boys. Each team lost a man through personal fouls. Hobson of the locals and F. Kramer, of Pendleton, going to the side lines for being overzealous.

Heer hardly lived up to the reputation he went north with, that of an infallible foul shooter. He was able to convert only five out of 11 chances into scores. However, W. Kramer, of Pendleton, only negotiated two out of seven chances, and left Heer in the lead for the game. The most spectacular foul shooting done during the tournament was by Anderson, of Astoria, in the first game played, when he made seven out of ten tries.

The Eugene team was swamped by the invincible man-to-man guarding which Pendleton used, which failed, however, against the faster, tireless Ashland team. Where it had practically paralyzed the Eugene players, it never even touched the Ashland

plan of play, and the boys slipped around it with the greatest of ease.

Heer and Guthrie, of the local team, made 19 and 22 points, respectively, and were absolutely guard-proof. Toward the end of the game it seemed that once either of the boys got hold of the ball, no effort was made to interfere with the toss to the basket.

Guthrie is recognized as being the star of the entire tournament, and will rank with the best forwards that have ever been produced in the state. Despite the fact that Guthrie alone made the same number of points that the entire Pendleton team made, W. Kramer of Pendleton is one of the most impressive floor players in the tournament, which only goes to show that in our local man, we have the best among the best.

Ramsey, of the local team, was a better man at center than his opponent, and was able to do very effective work. Like his teammate, he would be close to the front in the picking of an all-star team for the state.

While Hobson and Young were not among the scorers in the game, never the less, the certainly did their part—as did Weisenburger—and started the ball well on its way time after time. They also broke up the forward movement of their opponents with a good deal of regularity. They are both men to be proud of in their positions.

Some 50 or 60 riotous rooters from here attended the games and gave the boys loyal support. Others who were unable to attend the tournament, sent telegrams to congratulate and encourage the boys. The final verdict was probably one of secret if not expressed satisfaction, for the Ashland team is a genuine high school team, well within the interscholastic age of 21 years, while a general doubt was expressed as to whether certain of the Cow Punchers would ever see the age of 21 until after their next reincarnation. It may be unjust but it seemed to find expression on every side. It was on this account that there was some secret satisfaction in the result of the final game by a good many neutral spectators.

Between 1500 and 2000 people were out to witness the final game. Following the game a reception was given for all the visiting players and their friends, which lasted well into the night. As practically all of the teams had remained for the finals, it was a large crowd that assembled at the Willamette university halls.

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Ku Klux Klan Active in Southern Oregon

POWERS HAGGLE RESULT IN WITHDRAWING TROOPS

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 20.—The disposition of the allied powers to haggle over the American bill for \$241,000,000 for keeping American troops on the Rhine, resulted in President Harding ordering the withdrawal of all American forces from the German Rhineland.

The troops, Secretary Weeks announced, will be brought home as fast as available transports can bring them. It is expected that the last American doughboy will be out of German territory by July 1. At present approximately 4000 American officers and men are in the American sector of the Rhineland.

The announcement made no reference to the pending army bill which stipulated that the troops shall be withdrawn, nor to the controversy with the allies over the \$241,000,000, but it is known that the president's action was accelerated by these factors. The state department note to the allied governments will point out that the United States did not want to send troops into the Rhineland and only did so at the earnest solicitation of the allied governments. For them now to haggle over reimbursement to the United States, which was guaranteed under the armistice terms, is an "unusual proceeding," the American note will state.

Small Child Dies Sunday Morning

Pearl Eleanor Walker died at the home of her father, J. J. Walker, at Talent, Sunday morning at 8 o'clock. She was two years, 11 months and 14 days of age. The child had suffered an attack of influenza and had been in a critical condition for the last ten days. The mother was buried last Thursday, having died from the same disease.

The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the H. C. Stock undertaking parlors. Burial will be in Mountain View cemetery.

"Build with the Birds."

'Build With the Birds' Movement Siirs City

Local Interest Keen in Home-Making Program; Several New Houses Already in Prospect as Result of Campaign.

Looking at building sites and talking over plans for new houses or discussing the possibilities of remodeling old ones, is the favorite pastime this week of Ashland residents, since the full import of the "Build with the Birds" campaign was announced last week exclusively in the Tidings has been realized.

Already sufficient houses are in prospect to assure a period of exceptional activity in the building trades this spring. There have been numerous inquiries for the book of plans of the prize all-shingle house issued by the Rite-grade Shingle association as the result of their nationwide contest, copies of which are being distributed free at the Tidings office to parties interested, and many a family and prospective family are studying the plans for suggestions as to their own "nest," which they will soon begin to erect.

Enthusiastic approval of the movement as a civic and community enterprise has been expressed by representative citizens and business men, who point out that it will bring a revival of commercial and industrial activity in many lines.

"It is right in line with the new idea of thrift which is being emphasized all over the country this year. Thrift is now defined as a judicious expenditure of one's funds, and there is certainly no more commendable object of investment than a home. Given a home and the other necessities and luxuries for the family follows as a matter of course.

"In promoting this movement the business men who deal in building materials and home furnishings are not only stimulating activity in their own lines, but are encouraging a resumption of trade in various commodities and creating a demand for a larger volume of labor.

The following building activities are planned and under way at present in Ashland and vicinity, which indicates that there will be much building done this spring.

J. Q. Adams is contemplating the building of a new house on his lot on Grant street just west of North Main street. Work will begin in the very near future.

J. G. Ambrose is removing the de-

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COMMITTEE TALKS WITH PRES. ON SOLDIERS BONUS

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 20. Republican leaders in congress are going straight ahead with plans to rush the soldiers' bonus bill through the house this week. This was the net result of the protracted conference between Harding and the republican leaders of the house which lasted nearly two hours.

Republican Floor Leader Mondell said the legislative situation relative to the bill was fully presented to the president, adding that "the president advised the committee that legislation is the responsibility of congress, and he did not think it essential to offer any recommendations."

Mondell would not state whether the president said he would approve or veto the bill if it passed the two houses, as his friends said he would. Mondell indicated that the house would pass the bill before tomorrow night.

Later, Mondell announced that the bonus bill will not be considered later than Thursday. Five democratic members of the ways and means committee submitted the minority report today. The report brands the bill as a "gold brick." They declare they favor a bonus bill, but recommend that the original bill be passed, providing for the raising of funds through the re-application of higher surtaxes on incomes and an excess profits tax.

Million Homes to be Built in 1922

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 20.—A million new homes will be built in the United States in 1922, according to an estimate the department of commerce made following the receipt of the reports from the building boom that is now under way. It is said that construction operations will approach the pre-war level before the close of this year.

Cape Horn was so named by the Dutch navigator who discovered it in 1616, and called it Cape Hoorn after his birthplace.

County Officials to Probe Kidnapping

The account published in the Mail Tribune Saturday afternoon, of the kidnapping from his home of J. F. Hale, well-known Medford citizen, at the hands of the Medford Ku Klux Klan, created a great sensation throughout the county. While the county authorities refuse to talk about the affair, it is known that they are making an investigation towards bringing the guilty members of the secret organization to justice for their unlawful treatment of Mr. Hale.

It was learned yesterday that when last Friday night, the Ku Klux kidnapers became alarmed at Mr. Hale's "fainting spell" and drove back to Medford with him and released him, they did so with the admonition that he could remain in Medford, but that, if he ever related or complained of the kidnapping and "hanging" incident, he would meet with death. When near Table Rock they had placed a rope around his neck and had declared they would hang him unless he dropped a suit for money against a Medford citizen and promised to get out of town at once and stay away.

Quite a little excitement has been aroused during the last few days in this vicinity by various individuals receiving notes asking them to leave the city and vicinity. While some treat it as the work of practical jokers, others see in it the work of some organization that may be of a more serious nature. It has been freely expressed that it was the work of the Ku Klux Klan. The recent kidnapping of J. F. Hale, of Medford, by the Klan of that place, and the activities of the organization at various other places in this section of the country would appear to give the story of the cross some color along that line.

"Did you see it? What does it mean?" "Who did it?" are some of the questions that have floated about town for the last few days and the happening has created almost as much talk as did the recent election. However, as there may be some who did not see or hear of the light, it is sufficient to say that about 9:30 o'clock last Thursday night, several people of Ashland and the valley to the east, saw a fire that seemed to be at the extreme top of some one of the hills to the west of the city, having as a background the open sky.

As they watched, the flames took on the shape of a cross, and the smoke from it could be seen rolling up, even at great distances. After some 20 or 25 minutes of burning, the flames died down and left the naked cross standing up against the sky. This cross can be seen from nearly any place in the city, and is the object of much speculation.

Quite a number of boys and older people made trips up to the cross and found the following set of circumstances. A piece of wood, 4 by 4 inches, and about five feet long, was set on end a short distance in the ground and was surrounded by large rocks and boulders from a near-by rock pile, some of which would weigh around 150 pounds or more. To the upright 4 by 4 was bolted a 2 by 4 about 16 feet long. The bolts in these pieces were six inches long and the holes had apparently been prepared before the timber was taken to the spot, and the bolts simply driven into place with a hammer. To the upright 2 by 4 was attached a 1 by 4 piece about 10 feet long, which made the cross. This was attached about four feet from the top of the upright. These pieces were also held together by a single bolt, and the arm was wired to the top to hold it in position. All over the upright and cross arm, burlap had been tacked with carpet tacks and probably soaked with kerosene and then set on fire. The wind being from the east at the time, the wood on the side next to town was not burned, but the opposite side was badly charred and would not have required a great deal more burning to have caused it to fall. But the cross is still there. No mark of any kind could be found on or about the cross.

The property where the cross was located belongs to Charles Pope, and he had cultivated it on Thursday, intending to seed it within the next few days. He probably will have to do further cultivating now owing to the number of people who have been up and around over the ground, sightseeing.

And it still remains a mystery.

The largest sponge ever found came from the Mediterranean. It was over three feet across and ten feet in circumference.

Turn Out for the Boys In Khaki March 24th

They sacrificed for you; have you no sacrifice for them?

Are St. Mehell, the Argonne and Chateau They so soon forgotten that when the boys who gave of their all for their country ask for a slight recognition, a deaf ear is turned to their smallest appeal?

The Madrigal Glee club, composed of girls from O. A. C., will be here next Friday night to give an entertainment under the auspices of the American Legion in order to raise funds for the care of sick members and to raise the money necessary to erect a monument. The tickets are only 75 cents, and a special reduction has been made for school children, so they can see the show for 40 cents.

The Glee club is made up of 24 youngsters from the Oregon Agricultural college, and the entertainment is of a character, which, if given by professionals, would pack the Vining theater to the doors at \$2.50 a seat. The voices have been picked for their excellence and in Salem,

in Grants Pass, and wherever they have given their entertainment, it has brought forth universal commendation. The Grants Pass Courier went as far as to say that the performance, given by the glee club surpassed any professional concert given in that city.

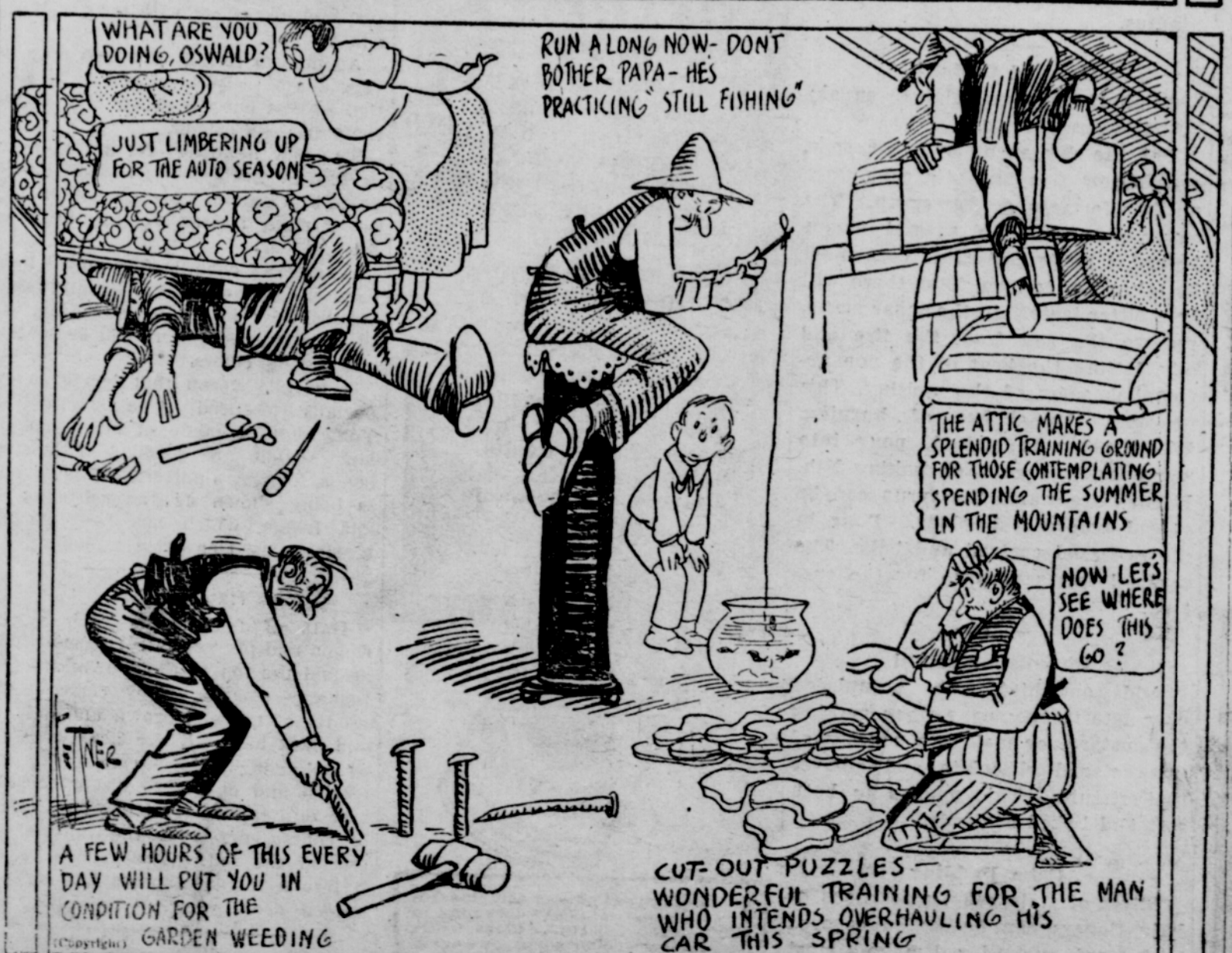
The response that the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Legion, who is handling the tickets, has met with thus far, has not been encouraging, and it is hoped that greater interest may be aroused, so that the theater will be packed to the doors next Friday night.

Let it be seen that the memorial tablet in Lithia Park, with its bronze record of the fifteen heroes who gave their lives for you "over there," has its duplicate in the hearts of the people of Ashland.

A \$40,000 edifice has been planned in Salem by the congregation of St. Paul's Episcopal church.

"Build with the Birds."

Spring Training Season Is On



Whole Town at Train When Champs Return

The Ashland high school basketball team, champions of the state, arrived on train 53 Sunday afternoon, and were given a royal reception by some 2000 citizens of their home town and community.

For an hour before train time, people could be seen wending their way towards the station a foot, and cars began to arrive quite a while before 53 was due. At 4:20, the scheduled time of arrival the entire space in the parking ground at the station was filled, and machines lined both sides of the street for a block or more in every direction.

The Ashland band was out in full force to help celebrate the occasion, and furnished music for the waiting crowd and played as the train pulled into the depot. A number of engines in the railroad yards, together with the shop whistle, helped to announce the arrival by blowing for several minutes.

Mac's taxi was decorated with pennants announcing the 1922 champions, and with the top back, the team and Coach Hughes were placed

on exhibition. As soon as a way could be cleared through the marshes, the start was made for town, followed by the other cars driving closely together. Up Fourth street to East Main and then down Main to the Plaza and returning to the library building, the parade traveled, and at that time all the cars had not yet arrived on East Main street from the station, and there were a number which did not take part. It would be no exaggeration to say that 100 automobiles took part in the trip over town.

The boys and Coach Hughes are very appreciative of the reception tendered them upon their arrival here and are quite gratified with the backing given them during the series, both by those who attended the games and those who remembered them by telegrams. The Medford chamber of commerce and some four or five business men of that city sent telegrams of congratulation and encouragement, as did the local Chamber of Commerce and about 50 other citizens.