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Grizzlies Play C. P. January 3

January 3, the Ashland Grizzlies play Central Point on the Pointers floor to open the 1947 conference season.

Ashland, with only one returning letterman will be outclassed by the Central Point squad which has seven from the first 10 left from last year while the Bears will have the edge on the Pointers in experience as an "A" school.

The Ashland J. V.'s will travel to Central Point to play the preliminary to the varsity fracas.

Last Saturday night the Ashland Grizzlies tripped the Lebanon Pioneers 32-28 in a nip and tuck affair on the Southern College maple in which the Bears led in every quarter.

Starting the game the Grizzlies trailed during the first quarter but dropped in a cripple to lead at the end of the first marker 9-7.

In the second quarter the Frontier boys started hitting on all five and were but one point behind at the midway marker.

Coming back at the half, the Lithians started hitting the bucket and held a 3 to 5 point lead through the remainder of the game.

The previous night the Pioneers had dropped the Medford Black Tornado 39-24.

Carlson was high for the locals with 11 tallies and Jack Evans, ballhawking guard of the Pioneers, with 14.

SOC Faculty Members Vacationing

Southern Oregon College faculty members dispersed for the holidays, most of them combining business with pleasure as they left for other parts. Dr. and Mrs. Russell Elliott flew to Sacramento on the first leg of their trip to Ely, Nevada, where they will visit with relatives. Dr. Elliott plans to spend part of his vacation at Reno, where he will renew old contacts at the University of Nevada.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Bowmer left by car for Los Angeles where Mr. Bowmer plans to work on his educational film series in co-operation with movie studios. Mr. Leon Mulling will also be in Los Angeles visiting the speech clinic at the University of Southern California.

Miss Marion Ady is going to San Francisco to observe the art center there. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pennington have gone to visit friends in Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Matthews will leave shortly for San Jose, California. Miss Marie Ferraris has gone to Portland. Mrs. Mabel Winston is going to San Francisco. Miss Myrtle Funkhouser has gone to Ridgefield, Washington to visit her mother.

Ball for Retiring Queen Saturday Eve

Dorothy Elhart, retiring honored queen of Jobs Daughters, will be honored with a formal ball, December 28, at the Lithia hotel ballroom, by members of the Jobs Daughters. Miss Jean Clary, honored queen for the new year, is Chairman of the dance committee for the affair. Mary Lou Hahn is program committee chairman for the formal dance.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Clary, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. Weitzel, and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Elhart will be the patrons and patronesses for the evening.



'Twas THE NIGHT BEFORE Christmas

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house

Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;

The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,

In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;

The children were nestled all snug in their beds,

While visions of sugar-plums danced through their heads;

And mamma in her kerchief, and I in my cap,

Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap,

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,

I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash,

Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash,

The moon, on the breast of the new-fallen snow,

Gave a lustre of mid-day to objects below;

When what to my wondering eyes should appear

But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer,

With a little old driver, so lively and quick,

I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.

More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,

And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name;

"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer! now, Vixen!

On, Comet! on, Cupid! On, Dunder and Blitzen!

To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall!

Now dash away, dash away, dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly

When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,

So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,

With the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas, too.

And then in a twinkling I heard on the roof

The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.

As I drew in my head, and was turning around,

Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur from his head to his foot,

And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;

A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,

And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.

His eyes how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!

His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry.

His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,

And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow.

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,

And the smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath.

He had a broad face, and a round little belly

That shook, when he laughed, like a bowl full of jelly.

He was chubby and plump—a right jolly old elf—

And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself.

A wink of his eye, and a twist of his head,

Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,

And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,

And laying his finger aside of his nose,

And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,

And away they all flew like the down of a thistle;

But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,

"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good-night!"

KWIN DIRECTORS AWAIT REPORT ON FIRE DAMAGE

Legion Sponsoring New Year's Dance

Harold Jordan, Ken Miller, and Leo Zupan are on the building and decorating committee for the American Legion New Year's eve dance. The dance will be held in the Ashland Armory and dancing will start at 9 p.m. and continue into the New Year.

William E. Healy and Robert Lugar are on the entertainment committee. Door prizes will be given with entertainment throughout the evening.

A legion executive committee assisted by Colonel Preston B. Waterbury are studying plans and methods of sponsoring public dances in Ashland each month.

Raiders Planning Linfield Games

Next Monday and Tuesday, December 30 and 31, the Red Raiders, S. O. C.'s basket ball squad, will go to McMinnville, Oregon, to play Linfield College.

This will be the second series of scheduled games for the Raiders. The first series was played with Pacific University, December 20 and 21, Southern Oregon College won both games the first game being called off with two minutes left to play, because of unnecessary roughness by the Pacific University. The score stood at 49-36 in favor of S. O. C. when Parker Hess, the umpire, called the game to a halt. The second game was also won by the Red Raiders by a score of 55-42.

Wes Peters and Charley Jandreau of S.O.C. were high scoring men for their team. Thogerson netted 13 points for the Pacific University.

Women's Legion Post Organized

Rogue Valley post, all women's chapter of the American Legion, held its first meeting at the Medford Armory December 12. Mrs. LaMulle Beck Witt was named temporary commander, and Mrs. Georgia Hemmerling, temporary adjutant.

A dinner meeting has been planned for January 6 at the Jackson Hotel and all women veterans of the Rogue River valley are urged to attend and be informed concerning the new women's group. It is pointed out that women from many branches of service. Wacs, Waves, Marines corps and nurses of both the army and navy, are eligible for membership in this group.

This is the second all women's post of the American Legion to be organized in Oregon.

ASHLAND TOPS LIST IN Y. M. C. A. CONFERENCE

R. N. Fletcher, director of Y. M. C. A., received a letter Friday, December 20, from the Associate Secretary of the area council Y. M. C. A., stating that Ashland's "Y" council, which was held last week, had the highest attendance of any council in the Portland area.

At the council held in Portland there was an attendance of 83, and at one held in Tacoma, Washington, there were 82 present, and Ashland topped the list with 88.

Plans To Rebuild Will Be Considered At Next Directors Meeting

Plans for rebuilding Ashland's radio station KWIN which was totally destroyed by fire Friday morning were discussed by the board of directors at a meeting held Friday evening.

Definite commitments concerning the rebuilding are not being made, awaiting the full report from the insurance adjusters and the state fire marshal's office. These reports Harold Merrill, vice president of the Rogue Valley Broadcasting Co. said, will be returned to the board of directors after the statement of "proof of loss," has been made. At present members of the board of directors and the staff of the station are preparing a report showing the total loss.

Availability of equipment will also determine whether or not the station will be rebuilt at this time. Robert Reinholdt, station manager is at present in Portland checking on equipment. He is expected back Thursday.

Mark Hamaker and Herbert Hild, owners of 51% of the stock in the corporation are expected to attend the next meeting of the board of directors of the Rogue Valley Broadcasting company. At that time it is expected that specific plans will be made.

Robert Reinholdt, station manager, Lee Bullis, Ed Barnett, and Floyd Rush are members of the staff who are being retained. Future plans of the other members of the staff who include, Mrs. Robert Dunn, Mrs. Lewis Ritchie, Chas. McFarland, Chas. Fields, Richard DeMers and James Strickland has not been announced.

Temporary offices are being set up in the Lithia hotel building.

\$31,000 Insurance Coverage

The building which housed the \$50,000 property was located at 1180 Helman road. Fire broke out in the interior of the building around 2:30 a.m. Friday. The clocks were stopped at 2:40 a.m. according to Fire Chief Clint Baughman.

Rollin Redifer, former Ashland police officer called the fire department upon discovering the fire at 3:25 a.m. By that time the building was completely in flames.

Insurance coverage totaled \$31,000. The only undamaged portion of the plant was the tower.

Elk Ladies' Smoker Is Saturday Evening

Committee members for the Elks Ladies Smoker that was held Saturday evening, December 21, at the Elks hall, included:

Door committee, Herb Huston, Joe King, Ardis Warren, Ben Lombard.

Dinner committee, S. R. Schuerman, Don McWhirter, William Regan, Andrew J. Curry, Eldred Colver, Robert Lugar, Merritt Paris, C. G. Wolfe, Wm. P. Jacobs, Harold Jacobs and Keith Haines.

Dance committee, Bill Allen, Bill Hampton, Henry F. Hertager, Chas. Warren.

Blackjack and poker games, Jim Harker.

Turkey committee, Ed Dunn, Dom Provost, I. R. Fridger, Les Grant, Frank O'Neil, Jake Schaffer, Ralph McCulloch, Gordon Pickell, Roland Parks, P. A. Benford, Gordon Miller.

Bingo game, Larkin Grubb, Al Snider.

Y. M. C. A. AND CHURCHES WILL FORM BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Ashland boys will have a chance to play basket ball as a result of plans now underway for a Y. M. C. A. Church Basket Ball League, for boys, according to R. N. Fletcher, secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

This league will be sponsored by the Y.M.C.A. and the churches of the city. It will be composed of two divisions—an A division for boys 12 to 15 years of age, and a B division for the younger boys 9 to 12.

Local churches are enrolling boys now and the teams will be complete and ready for the practice games which will be played on two Saturday afternoons, starting on January 4th after the Christmas holiday vacation period.

All games will be played in the Junior high school gym, under the supervision of the Ashland YMCA.

The Senior Hi-Y club as a part of its Community Service program, will furnish the necessary referees and scorekeepers for the games.

Eligibility rules of the League require that all boys playing on teams in the League attend Sunday School at least three times each month.

Churches entering teams in the League are Presbyterian, Methodist, Church of Christ, Episcopal, Nazarene and the Congregational. It is estimated that there will be at least four teams in each division.