

Mustangs Win Two Thrillers, League Play Ends Saturday

By Kenneth Easter

Coach Steve Trukositz's Mustangs added two more victories to their string last weekend as they edged out Rufus 55-53 in a Big Wheat League contest and on Saturday downed Pilot Rock 59-57 in an overtime tussle.

In the Friday game, Rufus started fast to jump to a 15-7 first quarter lead. Heppner settled down in the second period and tied the score at 24-24 at half-time. Heppner gained a six-point lead, 36-30 by the end of the third quarter, and Rufus came back in the final stanza but the Mustangs managed to wind up with a 55-53 win.

Rufus's Al Blake was high point man for the game with 28 and Heppner's Mike Grant was a close second with 25 points.

In the Pilot Rock game Heppner gained a slight 13-12 first quarter lead, and had lengthened it to 28-20 by half-time. They really got rolling in the third quarter running up a 46-29 lead. The reserves entered the game in the final period only to have Pilot Rock suddenly get hot and tie up the game 54-54 as the final whistle blew to send the game into overtime. The start-

ers went back into the game and playing cool, deliberate ball, outscored the Rockets 5-3 to gain their 59-57 victory. Heppner played most of the game without the services of Mike Grant, starting forward, who sprained his ankle after three minutes of play.

Jack Sumner was high point man for the Mustangs with 17 and Carey collected 15 for Pilot Rock. In the preliminary the Heppner Bs downed the Rocket reserves 58-32 with Bob Grabill getting 12 points for the victors.

Friday the Mustangs meet the Condon Blue Devils at Condon in a Big Wheat League game and Saturday will travel to Umatilla to meet the Vikings in a Cayuse conference contest. The Condon game is particularly important for Heppner for if they win it they are assured of at least a tie for first place in the Big Wheat League. This weekend's games will wind up regular league play but the Mustangs will take a trip the following weekend into the Wallows to play two post season games with Wallows and Joseph. The District 6-B basketball tournament will open in The Dalles on March 4.

Oregon Canning Crops Equal Nearly Half West Europe Output

The volume of vegetable crops grown by Oregon farmers for the state's canning industry exceeds the individual vegetable production for processing of four of Western Europe's leading countries.

Oregon canners processed more than 200,000 tons of vegetables for canning in each of the last two years, according to American Can Company. In 1951, the last year for which figures are available, the United Kingdom produced 152,670 tons for processing; France 152,604 tons; the Netherlands 69,997 tons, and Germany 56,989 tons.

Dr. Glenn Cunningham, economist for the can-making firm which manufactures millions of cans annually for the state's packers, pointed out that Oregon canners equal about half the total annual production of the four European countries combined.

"This large production by Oregon farmers and canners is an outstanding example of the teamwork between farmer, canner and can-maker", Dr. Cunningham said, "and is made economically possible by markets provided by the state's canning industry, which is more highly developed than in any foreign country in the world."

HOSPITAL NEWS

Medical—Dorr G. Mason, Ione; Virginia Louise Peck, Rufus; Arline Lois Roland, Spray; Mrs. Sarah Lightner, Spray; Karen Jean Pruett, Lexington, dismissed. Minor Surgery—Frank H. Robinson, Lexington; Michael Don Wright, Kinzua; Florence Morris, Heppner, dismissed; Doris Morris, Heppner, dismissed; Patricia Weherli, Condon, dismissed.

Major Surgery—Hughie Kennedy, Kinzua.

Out-Patients—Virginia Gentry, Heppner; Mrs. Marie Britt, Spray. New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Doherty, Heppner, a 5 lb. 8 oz. girl, born February 15, named Rebecca Lou. To Mr. and Mrs. James E. Bloodworth, Heppner, a 6 lb. 14 oz. girl, born February 17, named Denise Ruth. To Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Baker, Heppner, a 7 lb. 8½ oz. boy, born February 17, named Kenneth Elden.

Lex Edges Rufus To Finish Second In League Play

Lexington beat Rufus in a hard-fought game on the Lexington floor Tuesday night 65 to 63. Lexington jumped into the lead from the start and held a 2 to 6 point margin throughout. The score at half-time was 33 to 31.

Asa Way with 21 points led the scoring for Lexington while Fox and Blackburne led the Rufus team with 23 and 18 points respectively.

This game completed the regular schedule for the Lexington team with a record of 11 wins and 7 defeats. Their standings in the Little Wheat League is 3 wins and 3 losses which puts them in second place.

The Lexington team will go into action in tournament play against St. Joseph Academy on Saturday, February 21, at 6 p. m. The tournament will be held at Athena this year.

According to word received in Heppner, P. A. Anderson, former owner of the Morrow County Abstract company, is hospitalized in Roseburg as a result of a heart attack suffered early last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse C. Payne spent the weekend in Pendleton with his mother, Mrs. George N. Perry and Mr. Perry.

The Federalists and the Republicans were the first two major political parties.

SEPARATES FOR 1953



NEW YORK—Newest Fruit of the Loom quality fabrics were selected to home-sew this attractive and modish blouse and skirt combination for less than five dollars. These crisp separates are featured in the new issue of Simplicity Pattern Book. The blouse was inspired by Simplicity Pattern No. 4180 and the skirt is from No. 3774.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Doolittle returned the last of the week from Portland where they spent a fortnight visiting with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Doolittle. The younger Doolittles are the parents of a son born recently in the city. This is their second son.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Warren left Friday for Amarillo, Texas to visit her mother who is seriously ill there.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vaughn departed last week for San Jose, California where they will visit at the home of Mrs. Vaughn's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton C. Gilliam.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Green were over from Walla Walla to spend the weekend here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cornett Green. Green is expecting to be called to the service in the immediate future.

Dr. and Mrs. Edward Schaffitz and Dianne spent the weekend in Portland visiting with her mother Mrs. Mary Carter.

Mrs. Carl Vincent and children arrived home Sunday from an extended visit with her parents in Ontario, Oregon.

Mrs. Clara B. Gertson, Mrs. Pearl Devine, Mrs. Lora Moyer and Mrs. Edna Turner drove to Pendleton Sunday afternoon to attend the symphonetta at Vert Memorial. Others from Heppner attending the concert were Mrs. Lucy E. Rodgers and Mrs. Ethyl Lingholm.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gentry and daughter, Debra, of Milton visited in Heppner during the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gentry and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Creswick. Gentry was here to assist with some work for the telephone company.

Rt. Rev. Lane W. Barton, Bend, Bishop of the Eastern Oregon Diocese of the Episcopal Church, was a business visitor in Heppner on Thursday evening.

Ione Completes Hoop Season With 13 to 3 Record

Ione completed its regular basketball schedule last weekend with victories over Irrigon and Umatilla by both the regular and the B squads. They walked over Irrigon 68 to 36 while the B team won 75 to 48, and won from Umatilla 72 to 54 after the reserves had taken their game 48 to 40.

The Cardinals completed their regular season with 13 wins against 3 losses, which is a better record than they have made for several years.

The sub-division tournament opens February 20 at Athena but the Cardinals have drawn a bye for the first round and will open their tourney play February 26.

Former Marine General Visits Here

Major General Merritt A. Edson, U. S. M. C., retired, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown this week. General Edson, now executive director of the National Rifle Association of America and editor of the American Rifleman, monthly publication of the NRA, was met at the airport in Pendleton by Mr. and Mrs. Brown following speaking engagements in Portland and Seattle and a conference with Governor Patterson at Salem.

Mrs. Brown served on General Edson's staff in Pearl Harbor in 1944 and 1945 when she was a member of the Marine Corps Women's Reserve. At that time General Edson was Chief of Staff of Fleet Marine Force in the Pacific.

During his lecture tour, General Edson stressed the need of instructing boys and young men in the correct and safe handling of firearms. He left Friday afternoon by plane for his home in Washington, D. C. with stops at Boise and Denver where he was scheduled to address NRA meetings. This was his first visit to Eastern Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Creswick spent last Monday and Tuesday in Spokane where they attended a Frigidaire meeting.



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Local P-TA Observes 56th Anniversary

The Heppner P-TA met Wednesday evening February 11 at the school.

During the business meeting a nominating committee was elected consisting of Mrs. Irl Clary, Mrs. L. D. Tibbles and Harold Becket.

The program was a skit "Guard Well Thy Trust", in honor of founders day. Leonard Pate was the narrator and the Harmony club sang the accompanying music.

Refreshments were served after the meeting. There was a large birthday cake in honor of the 56th anniversary of P-TA.

267 Persons Named On New Jury List

Published on page 6 of this week's paper is the complete list of persons recently picked by the county court for the 1953 circuit court jury list. There are 267 names on the list.

The names of persons chosen to serve on circuit court juries when needed throughout the year, will be taken from this list.

FOOD BASKET STARTS

Officers of the Heppner Legion Auxiliary announced this week that a food basket will be circulated among members starting February 23. Money raised by the project will be used to send a local girl to Girls' State.

CAMPFIRE GIRLS AID POLIO DRIVE

Among the many organizations who aided materially in raising funds during the March of Dimes drive, yet which received little publicity for its efforts, was the Wa Can Te Ka Campfire Girls group, under the leadership of Mrs. Alena Anderson.

Through their varied efforts the girls raised \$941.11 for the polio fund.

TO HOLD FOOD SALE

The Junior class of Heppner high school will hold a food sale Saturday, February 21 at the Heppner Red and White store.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

J. Palmer Sorlien, Minister. Sunday February 22. Morning Worship and Sermon by the Pastor. Special Music by the Choir. Mr. Oliver Creswick, Director.

Sunday Church School at 9:45 a. m. Everyone Welcome. Choir Practice Thursday at 8 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swick of Monument were here the first of the week to visit his grandmother, Mrs. Anna Bayliss, who is a patient at Pioneer Memorial hospital.

Defense Bond Sales Up During January

Purchases of series E and H defense bonds throughout Oregon during January jumped 5½ per cent over January of last year, according to Jeff Carter, county defense bond chairman.

State-wide sales of the E and H defense bonds amounted to \$2,642,464, while county sales totaled \$7,700. An additional \$513,328 in series J and K defense bonds were also sold during January throughout the state.

Carter stated that the total state sales fell three million dollars short of the assigned January sales objective. "The good increase does reflect, however, an upward swing in purchases, and our volunteer sales organization is optimistic regarding an acceleration in purchases during the year that will enable us to make our goal of \$46 million 300 thousand."

Across the nation defense bond sales jumped 14 per cent, while redemptions of matured and unmatured defense bonds dropped 12 per cent over January of last year. A little over one-half billion dollars in all series defense bonds were purchased toward the national goal of \$5 billion 650 million.

Tress McClintock spent several days here the first of the week attending to business matters. He reports that they are nicely settled in their new home near West Monmouth and like their new location.

Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Bailey drove to Pasco Sunday afternoon taking son, Albert, to his home there after spending the weekend in Heppner. Mrs. Ernest Johnson of Monument was a weekend guest of the Baileys' also.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Pranger of Hermiston spent Sunday in Heppner with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hughes. Pranger is the representative for the East Oregonian at Hermiston.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bergstrom drove to Corvallis Friday to spend the weekend with their son, Gerald, and attend the Dad's Day festivities. They were accompanied by their daughter, Miss Marilyn Bergstrom.

Mrs. Katie Slocum has moved to West Linn where she will make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Barelay.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fraters have returned from San Leandro and Sacramento, Cal., where they have been visiting his sisters for the past several weeks.

Frank W. Baker spent Thursday in Portland attending the Westinghouse school on electric dishwashers. Baker went down on the early train from Hinkle and returned that same evening.

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