

Mustangs Split Hoop Tilts With Rufus and Echo

By Larry Melahan

The Heppner high school Mustangs started their 1954 league play last weekend winning their first hoop game from Rufus on Friday night 54 to 34, but stumbling over a tough Echo squad the following evening to drop that game 52 to 47.

In the Rufus contest, the Mustangs held only a five-point lead at the end of the second quarter, but exploded in the third period to pile up 21 points to pull way ahead of the Wolves. The fourth period saw Grabill make effective use of his jump shot to take high point honors with 15 points.

In the preliminary, the Philles, girls' high school volleyball team, beat the Rufus girls in a decidedly one-sided contest.

Echo Wins
In the Saturday game, George DeLapp's Cougars had to stretch to beat the Mustangs, but at the final gun were on top 52 to 47.

After trailing by six points in the first quarter, the Cougars bounced back at the half to lead 28-25. The Mustangs retaliated in the third period to tie the score at 39 all. The most exciting action of the game came in this period when each team would match basket for basket.

The fourth quarter however, saw the Cougars pick up a five point lead which it held until the end.

Friday night the Mustangs traveled to Condon for their first game of the weekend and Saturday on the Heppner floor they will tangle with a tough Lexington squad that has been giving all its opponents a rough time this season.

Final shot percentages for Mustang players show Jim Hayes has the best eye from the free throw line, with a 78 percent figure. Others are Bob Grabill 74, Bill Hughes 56, Skip Ruhl 52, Dick Kononen 49, John Piper, 44, Jerry Hagewood 41, Lyle Jensen 33, and Jim Green and Neil Beamer both with goose eggs.

MINISTERIAL ASSN. MEETING SCHEDULED

A meeting of the Heppner Ministerial association will be held Saturday, Jan. 16 at 8:15 a. m. at the home of Rev. Francis McCormack.



ONE GRADE SCHOOL children troop into the kitchen-cafeteria section of the new Ione school building which was dedicated at special ceremonies Tuesday night. Shown serving the youngsters their hot noon lunch are Mrs. C. E. Brenner, left and Mrs. Josephine Buchanan.

Shamrock Squad Riding Top of Tri-County League

Heppner's town basketball team, the Shamrocks, catapulted themselves into first place in the Tri-County League standings the past two weeks by winning five consecutive league contests.

After dropping three pre-season games, two to the Condon Elks and one to the Condon Air Base, the Shamrocks settled down to business when league play started by dumping Lexington twice 56 to 35 and 89 to 42, rolling over Ione 75 to 55, and then upsetting previously unbeaten Boardman 69 to 62 to gain first place. Tuesday night the Shamrocks strengthened their first place standing by romping over Echo 81 to 45.

Next home game for the Shamrocks will be Friday, January 15, when they entertain the Pilot Rock Lumberjacks of the Pendleton City League.

Leading scorer for the Heppner team for the eight games played has been Bob Peterson, sharp-shooting guard, with 94 points, closely followed by Big Stan Kemp with 89 points. Individual scoring has been as follows: Peterson 94, Kemp 89, Rippee 85, Sumner 83, Huggett 62, Green 45, Piper 33, and Prock 27.

Farm Bureau Week To Be Observed

A county-wide membership drive will be opened Jan. 24 by the Morrow county Farm Bureau as part of the observance of Farm Bureau Week which has been proclaimed by Paul L. Patterson, governor of Oregon, Farm Bureau president Nevt O'Harra, announced today.

"Farm Bureau Week is being observed to better acquaint the people of the county with the importance of a prosperous agriculture and the efforts of the Farm Bureau to improve these conditions," president O'Harra said. "We are going to put on a membership campaign to invite every farmer in the county to join our organization."

Governor Patterson's proclamation said:

"The County Farm Bureaus of the Oregon Farm Bureau Federation will observe Farm Bureau Week in their counties at various times between October 1, 1953 and March 31, 1954.

"The Oregon Farm Bureau has continually manifested the will to understand the problems of agriculture as well as a resolute determination to solve those problems in a manner equitable to producers, consumers, and in the public interest.

"Through the extensive facilities of the American Farm Bureau, Oregon farmers receive benefits at home while being heard as part of the national voice of agriculture speaking on legislative programs.

"On the state level, the Oregon Farm Bureau has been cooperative in Oregon programs for education, improved agricultural conditions, better government, has been active in its support of rural youth.

"I am pleased to salute the County Farm Bureaus of Oregon, and to wish them success in the observance of Farm Bureau Week in each of the twenty-eight Farm Bureau Counties in Oregon."

(Signed) Paul L. Patterson, Governor of the State of Oregon.

Three Farmer Meets Scheduled Next Week

Three meetings that should be of interest to Morrow County farmers will be held next week. They are crops, conservation and land-use committees of the agricultural planning committee and the annual weed control methods meeting.

The first will be the conservation and land use committee which will meet Wednesday afternoon January 20. The meeting will be held at the county court room in Heppner beginning at 1:30 p. m. Howard Cushman, extension soil conservation specialist, Oregon State college, will meet with that group. On January 21st, the crops committee will meet at 10:30 a. m. with the weed control meeting that afternoon. Both meetings will be held in the court house.

One of the problems confronting the crops committee is the matter of farm storage and is expected they will take some action on recommendations to elevate it here. Conservation and land-use committee are confronted with discussions on water resources, tax reappraisal that is soon to get under way in Morrow county. At their last committee meeting that asked that the county court set up community committees to agree on tax evaluations throughout the county with the state tax commission. Now during the reappraisal, they are anxious to see what conflict there will be in the recommendation they made some time ago.

At the weed control meeting, discussion will center around recommended practices including new chemicals that show promise.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Smith will leave Friday for a business trip to Chicago and Pittsburgh. On their return trip they will stay in Florida for a few days vacation.

A BLINKIN' SHAME-

Installation of School Crosswalk Blinker Lights Is Stopped by State

The organization-sponsored campaign to buy and install flashing amber warning lights at the two most dangerous school crosswalks in Heppner, was stymied, at least temporarily by the state highway commission, though sufficient money was raised, the blinkers purchased and delivered and arrangements completed to install them.

A couple of months ago the Soroptimist club and the chamber of commerce started a campaign to raise money for the lights. The campaign was successful and the lights ordered. Now the lights are ready to put up but the highway commission says "No!", they can't be hung over a state highway.

After an interchange of numerous letters between Leslie Grant, chamber committee chairman in charge of the project, and the highway commission, and a survey of the need by an engineer from the department, a recent letter from R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, said that "... I could not recommend to the state highway commission that permission be granted for the erection of these flashing beacons."

Baldock stated in his letter that the highway department has found that flashing beacons have little effect on traffic and that it is the commission's opinion that they impart a false security to the children which might lead to serious results.

He further stated that he had recommended the installation of four 42 inch school crossing signs, two on Main street at the Tum-A-Lum Lumber company crossing, and two at the crossings at the intersection of Court and May streets. It was also recommended that the crosswalks be changed at the courthouse intersections and that head-in parking in front of the court house be eliminated. He also suggested that a schoolboy patrol be established, though this had been given up by school officials because of the length of time the patrol would have to operate due to the staggered hours that children of various ages arrive and leave school.

City Joins In
Though for the moment, it looks like the project is stopped, the city council joined in the program when, at its special meeting Monday night, it ex-

pressed its approval of the project and will write to the state highway department requesting that they allow use of the lights. Grant also plans another attempt to convince the department of the need for the blinkers, for he plans to take the matter up personally with highway officials within a short time while on a trip to the valley.

In the meantime, the crosswalks remain unmarked and the blinker lights remain in storage.

Teacher Training Bible Class Planned

Members of the Assembly of God church voted to conduct a teachers training Bible class at the church during the last two weeks in January. The teacher will be Rev. Willis Geyer, who announced the study will begin Monday through Friday till January 29th.

The course is taken from a book entitled "Bible Doctrines" by P. C. Nelson. It was pointed out that the whole Bible will not be covered, but that some vital subjects will be considered, such as: The Scriptures Inspired, God, Man, The Church, Baptism, Divine Healing, the Millennial Reign of Jesus, and the New Heaven and New Earth.

The study is offered to all interested persons, and certificates will be given to those who complete the course.

HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Nys, Condon, a 8 lb. 2 oz. boy born Jan. 11, named Joseph Louis, Jr.

Medical—Dorothy French, Heppner, dismissed; Robert D. Thornton, Spray, dismissed; Mrs. Betsy Ann Rood, Kinzua, dismissed; Paul O'Meara, Ione, dismissed; Ray O. Strohmayr, Condon, dismissed; Benny Vinson, Heppner; William Nichols, Heppner. **Minor Surgery**—Mrs. Kathleen Enright, Monument, dismissed; Joan Stockard, Heppner, dismissed; Jean Stockard, Heppner, dismissed; Edna Morris, Heppner, dismissed; Mrs. Marjorie Angli, Fossil, dismissed; Merle Burkenbine, Heppner.

Out-Patient—John E. Wood, Fossil.

Mrs. Emma Evans left Sunday for Weiser, Idaho where she will visit her sister.

CONTEST WINNING ADVERTISEMENT USED

A large advertisement on page three of this week's Gazette Times is a part of a publicity campaign won by Mr. and Mrs. Oscar George, Star Theater owners. Submitted in a national contest conducted by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios for the picture "Kiss Me Kate" the Star's entry placed first for theaters in towns up to 10,000 population.

INSTALLATION SET

At an office installation to be held next Wednesday at 10 a. m. at the regular Holy Communion services, new officers of the All Saints Episcopal auxiliary will be installed. Rev. John R. Reeves, pastor said this week.

INSTRUCTIONS SET

Rev. John R. Reeves, All Saints Episcopal church rector has announced that Sunday night's special instruction class will be on the subject, "why we use symbol and form and their meaning." The class starts at 8 p. m. and is open to everyone.

Rev. Reeves also asked members to watch for and read their parish letters, one of which will be mailed this week.

NAMES ASKED

Officers of Ruth Chapter, OES asked that any Eastern Star members living in Heppner, but who do not belong to Ruth chapter, please call 6-9935 as their names and addresses are needed.

IN PORTLAND HOSPITAL

Andy Van Schoiack was taken to Portland last week and is now a patient at St. Vincent's hospital where he will remain for several weeks. He suffered a heart attack about two months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mahon Jr. and family, Elgin spent last weekend with Mrs. Mahon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McDaniel at Hardman. They also visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mahon Sr. on Rhea creek and Mrs. Mahon's grandmother, Mrs. Maud Robinson and Dickie in Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Blake moved to Hood River Sunday to meet Mrs. Blake's mother, Mrs. David Wilson, who returned to Heppner with them after a month's visit in Corvallis with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Barratt.

Mrs. Cecil Gentry of Baker is visiting at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Meador.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hamlin, have returned from a two day trip to Portland.

Reverend and Mrs. Al Boyer were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wells Sunday. Reverend Boyer is minister of the Methodist church in Arlington.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Humphreys left Tuesday for their home in Kennebec, after a visit of about a week at the home of his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Wightman.



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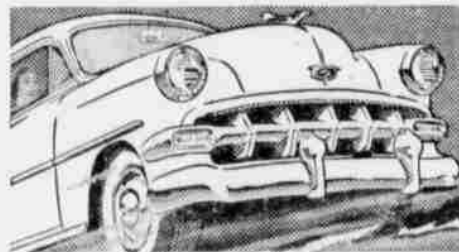
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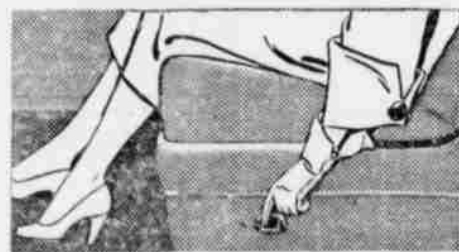
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