

Mustangs Take Two More Games, Set For Tournament

By Larry Mollahan

Two home games and two victories served to tie up this season's play on the home court for the Mustangs.

The Friday night tilt showed a hard fighting Condon team receive a hard trouncing from the local cagers 53 to 47.

Dick Kononen of Heppner lived up to a very good scoring record with 18 points to his credit. Lof-ton was high for the Blue Devils with 15.

The first quarter turned out to be a low scoring affair with the Heppner cagers ahead by a 7 to 6 score. Kononen was fouled heavily during the second period getting 6 fouls and stepping up to the foul line to mark up three of them. The half wound up 22 to 17 with Heppner still maintaining its lead.

It was a fired up Tom Neal who took to the floor for the Blue Devils to pile in 8 tallies in the third stanza. Kononen dropped in 2 field goals and two foul shots together with two field goals by Skip Ruhl. Condon was ahead by a mere squeak at the end of the third quarter 34 to 32.

Ruhl and Neal both ended the game on the bench with five infractions. The Blue Devils bottled up Kononen to hold down his scoring but that gave rise to some fancy shooting on the part of the other members of the Mustang squad.

H. H. S. Raps Vikings

Jerry Hagwood again caused the Umatillas reason to groan in the return game on Heppner's home court, the agile "Jay" dumping in 16 points to top the scoring. O'Brien was high for the Vikings with 19. Both teams did some pretty high scoring to end the score 71 to 61 in favor of the Mustangs.

High scoring was the rule in contrast to the previous night's play. The first period ended with Umatilla ahead 12 to 15. Kononen dumped in 8 points this period to start the game off. The half ended with Heppner still trailing 32 to 24.

The Mustangs opened up in the third period to narrow down the margin to three points with the Mustangs behind 33 to 36.

Lyle Jensen rolled in 9 points



MUSTANG basketball Squad who will try to repeat their last year's performance at the district playoffs next week at Arlington. Shown front row, left to right: Nelson Connor, manager; Jim Hayes, Lyle Jensen, Jerry Hagwood, Jim Green, Eugene Ruhl, Wayne Soward, manager. Second Row: John Piper, Bill Hughes, Dick Kononen, Bob Grabill, Jerry Dougherty and coach Stephen Trukositz.

Lex Five Wins Over Irrigon to Win Spot In District Tourney

Lexington high school defeated Irrigon 68 to 64 Saturday night in the last regular game of the season to win themselves a spot in the district tournament at Echo starting today. They ended the season with a record of 8 wins and 11 losses.

Irrigon led through all of the Saturday game until the final two minutes when Lex edged out in front and managed to hold the lead until the final whistle. Asa Way was top point-getter with 22, followed by Larry Groves 17, Keith Gray 16, Hermans 9, Bill Steagall 6 and Bob Steagall 4.

Lexington will meet Pilot Rock in the first game of the tournament at 2:00 o'clock.

In the last quarter to provide a shot in the arm for the Mustangs who forged ahead to win the game 71 to 61.

The "B" squad won the preliminary 29 to 37. John Piper scored high with 11 while Knight was high for the Vikings with 9.

Final Game Friday

The Mustangs play their final game with Wasco on the Wasco floor Friday night then will get set for the district tournament at Arlington March 3, 4, 5 and 6. Condon and Heppner are definitely in the play, and St. Mary's of The Dalles and Culver are known to be certain of a spot. Drawing for positions in the double-elimination tourney will be held at 3 p. m. March 3. The winner of the district will go on to the state tournament.

N. A. Leach, former Heppner resident, and writer of one of the Heppner flood stories, is a patient at Emanuel hospital in Portland.

TUESDAY FIRE CALL BREAKS SPELL, FIRST IN NEARLY FOUR MONTHS

The fire siren early Tuesday morning not only called out a lot of sleepy firemen, but it brought to an end what is probably a record "dry spell" for fire calls in Heppner. It had been three months and 28 days since the whistle had been blown for a fire.

The blaze—or more properly, the smoke—even then would hardly classify as serious. The call came from the post office where an overheated furnace had

HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. Jack B. Todd, Condon, a 6 lb. 11 oz. girl born Feb. 20, named Kathy Susan. To Mr. and Mrs. William H. Nichols, Lexington, a 5 lb. 9 oz. girl born Feb. 20, named Patricia Lee (deceased). To Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McNeill, Kinzua, a 8 lb. 4 oz. girl born Feb. 22, named Julia Ann. To Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Labraaten, Condon, a 7 lb. 13 oz. girl born Feb. 23, named Belinda Marie.

Medical—Mrs. Camilla Samples, Kinzua, dismissed; John Whitehouse, Condon, dismissed; Loyd Parker, Heppner, dismissed; Douglas Youree, Fossil; Mrs. Harry O'Donnell, Heppner; Mary Kay Bettsamiller, Condon, dismissed; Phyllis Nelson, Condon; Mrs. Adele Hayes, Condon; Amos Hawes, Condon; Joseph E. Thornborg, Lexington; Dave Van Heppner.

Major Surgery—Mrs. Ellen Moore Heppner, dismissed; Mrs. Francis LaBlanc, Hermiston, dismissed; Sharon Baker, Ione, dismissed; Mrs. Winona McCabe, Ione.

Minor Surgery—Mrs. Stella Devitt, Heppner, dismissed. Out Patients—John Eubanks, Ione; Dennis Logan, Condon; Mrs. Florence Green, Heppner.

District Assembly of God Church Meeting Set for Heppner

Pastors and delegates of about 15 Assembly of God churches from neighboring town will come to Heppner for a monthly fellowship and annual business meeting at the local church Monday, March 1st, according to Rev. Willis Geyer, pastor. It is expected that superintendent of the Oregon Assemblies of God, Rev. Atwood Foster will speak at the evening service at 7:30.

Visiting ministers will speak during the day under direction of Presbyter, Rev. B. M. Shelton, of Freewater. Local and visiting talent will offer musical numbers.

Highlights will be annual election of officers for section eight of the Oregon District of the Assemblies of God. These include a Presbyter, Sunday school representative, a Women's Missionary Council president, and a Christ's Ambassadors representative (youth organization).

Ten Confirmed in Episcopal Service

A capacity crowd filled All Saints Episcopal church Sunday February 21 when ten were confirmed into the church by the Rt. Rev. Lane W. Barton, Bishop of Eastern Oregon.

Beautiful new lights, the gifts of William and David Hynd, in memory of their parents and sister, were dedicated, as were also the efficient directional lights for the pulpit and lectern, gifts of Josephine Baker in memory of her parents and Kenneth Mahoney. Also received was a new sign to be placed in front of the church, this was a gift of Sara E. McNamer and Grace O. Nickerson.

A coffee hour and reception followed the morning service. The Bishop met with the YPF in the evening and later with the vestry to whom he expressed much satisfaction at the work being done in Heppner, the loyalty of the vestry and the spirit of the people.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Blake were visitors in Redmond over the weekend.

School Election

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an early start can be made on the construction of a building. The administration has been struggling with seriously overcrowded conditions throughout the current school year, with one first grade class still being conducted in a church, and two other classes housed in temporary quarters on the school grounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanfred Keri were weekend guests at the home of Mrs. Keri's father, Ben Buschke in Pendleton during the weekend.

CLASSIFIED ADS PAY

Mrs. O. Marie Ernsdorff of Yakima, Wash. is visiting with her son John Ernsdorff and family.

Mrs. Allan Case and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Blakney left Saturday evening for Portland where they will attend Market Week the first part of the week.

Mrs. John Ernsdorff left Tuesday morning for a two weeks visit in Seattle with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Steinberger.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Pickney, former Heppner residents, now of The Dalles, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mankin. The Mankin's daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Al Bunch of Parkdale were also their guests.

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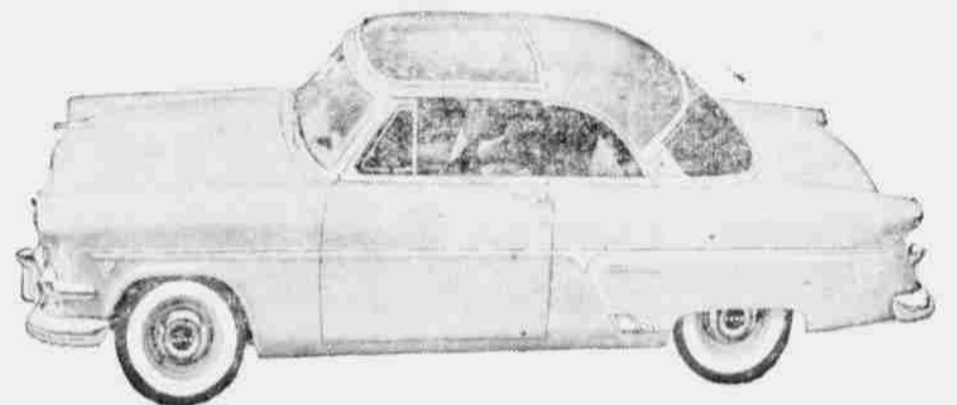
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