

Mustangs Rack Up Two More Hoop Wins

By Larry Mollahan

Anyone who says height isn't everything in basketball better think it over. Neil Beamer 6' 4" giant of the Heppner Mustangs once beaten quint came out with 17 points to his credit in the Friday night win over Condon 53 to 29 on the Heppner court.

"Big Beams" took control of the ball practically every time it came off the boards for Heppner. There wasn't any shrimp guarding Beamer either. Tom Neel, 6' 1", Condon center accounted for 13 points for the boys on top the ridge.

The Mustangs, grimly determined to retain their league championship moved into a 11 to 6 lead in the first quarter with Beamer tipping in three pair along with a foul shot.

Working like a well oiled precision machine Heppner swept in 10 points in the second quarter to pull into a 21 to 8 lead. Jerry Haguewood was in his element sinking two long netters from the corner and two charity shots.

The third quarter wasn't a non-conformist either. Beamer set the ball back in the basket twice and with three tries at the foul line sank one. Condon showed signs of coming around, dropping in 12 points to end the period 37 to 20.

Pacific Power Co. Explores Dam Sites

Explanation of two new dam sites deep in the lower reaches of the Snake river canyon, which are expected to add 850,000 kilowatts to the regional power supply, was being readied today by Pacific Northwest Power Company as advance crews moved camp supplies and drilling equipment over rugged mountain trails into the isolated area.

Immediate objective of the pioneer parties was to establish access roads and set up field camps in the canyon before mid winter snows handicapped travel through the adjacent high country.

To be investigated are the Mountain Sheep and Pleasant Valley dam sites, on which Pacific Northwest Power has filed application for preliminary permits with the Federal Power Commission. The Development company's sponsors are Pacific Power & Light, Portland General Electric, Washington Water Power and Montana Power companies, which together serve 800,000 of the region's electric consumers.

A 233-foot dam at Mountain Sheep and a 492-foot dam at Pleasant Valley would drop water a total of 530 feet through generators to harness the 850,000-kilowatt potential of a 55-mile stretch of the Snake river downstream from Hells Canyon and above the Salmon and Imnaha rivers.

Engineering studies of the sites will be carried on jointly by the Bechtel Corporation and Ebasco Services, Inc., with construction cost estimates to be developed by the Morrison-Knudsen Company, it was announced.

Work parties are being moved in to the camp sites from both the Oregon and Idaho sides of the river. Because of the rugged nature of the country, supplies are also expected to be moved in by boat from Lewiston.

The last act of the blitz showed Beamer machine-gunning the twine for another five to be a triple ace plus two.

Jackrabbits Skinned 50 to 31

It was a big night for Skip Ruhl, the bouncy little guard from Blackhorse Canyon fast broke after stealing the ball and racked up 17 points for the Mustangs. The Heppnerites fought a rough and ready Lexington all the way for a 50 to 31 win.

Keith Gray and Larry Groves caged 9 points each to score high for the Jackrabbits.

Ruhl was just about too much for Lexington as he capitalized on five ball interceptions to hit the nets on four of them. The first period ended with Heppner out in the lead 17 to 9.

Jerry Haguewood put on the same second period performance of the previous night caging two beauties for the corner and dropped in two foul shots for six points.

Hitting three out of four foul shots and one basket Dick Kononen came up with five points in the third period for Heppner.

With the third period score standing 36 to 27 Heppner stopped fooling around and dumped in fourteen points to Lex's four in the final period. Neil Beamer and Ruhlaced in five points in the last panel.

Heppner lost the preliminary to Stanfield scores 49 to 29. J. D. Hudson scored high for Heppner with 11. Gordon was high for Stanfield with 26.

Pony Hoop Squad Adds Three Wins To Season Record

By Larry Mollahan

While the big boys in high school are turning out on impressive list of wins the grade school team isn't doing too bad either.

The first win of the series was the most decisive. Ione fell to the Ponies 47 to 7 on the Ione court. Jack Eberhart dropped in 12 points for the Ponies.

Chuck Hugget's Ponies next took on Lexington giving them a good drubbing 33 to 21. Duane Alderman caged 11 points to score high for the junior horsemen.

Heppner traveled to Pilot Rock Tuesday night and made short work of the "Little Rockets" tromping them 42 to 19. Another Ruhl is coming up in sports, Dick, Skips' younger brother, dropped in 13 for the Ponies.

1955 Fertilizer Prospects Said Good

Commercial fertilizer prospects for 1955 are favorable with slightly larger supplies in sight and with prices expected to be about the same or possibly lower than in 1954.

T. L. Jackson, Oregon State college soils specialist, says the estimated national supply of nitrogen, phosphate and potash will exceed the 1953-54 supply by about 5 percent.

Most of the increase in these three primary plant nutrients will be in nitrogen fertilizers. Estimated production of 2.2 million tons of nitrogen will be an increase of almost 9 percent over the 1954 supply.



New Spray Treatment Fights C.R.D.

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'Vetstrep' Spray is available to poultrymen through feed and remedy dealers and drug stores. Its development is another example of the partnership of science with the man on the farm.

Jackson says proposed expansion of urea production promises to bring another high-analysis nitrogen fertilizer to Oregon farmers at a price competitive with ammonium sulfate. He bases the price comparison on cost per pound of "actual nitrogen."

Urea and ammonium nitrate mixtures from the base of the nitrogen fertilizer solutions that have boomed into popularity in the midwest in the past few years. The solutions are just now being introduced to Oregon farmers.

Forecast for available phosphate in 1955 is 2.35 million tons—about the same as 1954. Jackson explains, however, that the phosphate industry is geared to boost its output rapidly if demand warrants.

Oregon farmers showed a 5 percent increase in total tonnage of fertilizers used for the year ending July 1954. For the same period, natural use declined 1.5 percent. Industry representatives explain that while national tonnage was down, use of higher-analysis materials brought a slight increase in the amount of plant nutrients returned to the soil.

Meanwhile the fertilizer industry plans rapid expansion to meet anticipated requirements for the next several years. Jackson says it is estimated that by 1957 the United States will have the capacity to produce some 3.5 million tons of nitrogen, compared to 2 million tons produced in 1954.

HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. Chester Dyer Mayville, a 6 lb. 1 oz. girl born Jan. 14, named Mary Helen. To Mr. and Mrs. John Wetmar, Condon, a 9 lb. 12 oz. boy born Jan. 16, named Mark Richard. To Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cutsforth, Lexington, a 7 lb. boy born Jan. 18, named James Watson. To Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hall, Kinzua, a 7 lb. girl born Jan. 18. To Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Garrison, Condon, a 7 lb. 13 oz. boy born Jan. 19.

Medical—Esther Hiatt, Fossil; Roy Leathers, Monument; Camilla Monahan, Heppner, dismissed; Jack Gentry, Heppner, dismissed; Dennis Fitzgibbons, Fossil, dismissed; George Marugg, Heppner; Luelladean Severs, Condon; Tom Schoolcraft, Kinzua.

Minor Surgery—Alberta Pierson, Kinzua, dismissed; Eugene Wardwell, Heppner, dismissed; Charlie Driscoll, Heppner, dismissed; Irene Wright, Fossil.

Major Surgery—Clarence Woods, Kinzua, dismissed; Shirley Mengum, Kinzua; Barbara Bacon, Tygh Valley; Hazel Morris, Heppner, dismissed.

Out-Patient—William Runte, Portland.

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Ag Report Draws 23-Year Contrast

Some revealing comparisons of Oregon agriculture in 1931-32 and in the 1953-54 biennium are contained in the report of the state department of agriculture recently made by Governor Paul Patterson. The biennial report also contrasts operations of the department itself in the period. The 1931-32 period was chosen for comparisons because that is the first year of department operations.

For agriculture itself, the report includes these quick comparisons: Cropland has increased by more than half a million acres; farm numbers by nearly 4700; land in farms from 16.5 million to 20.3 million acres. Commercial vegetable production has tripled and berry tonnage doubled; major seed acreage of 20,000 has expanded to 303,000 acres.

Irrigated farm land more than doubled in the 23 years; irrigated farm numbers increased by more than 6,000. On the other hand, sheep numbers dropped from 2.6 million head to 700,000 head. Chickens held fairly even; turkey numbers more than doubled. Dairy cows are fairly even but the overall cattle numbers grew by more than 500,000 head.

Operations of the department of agriculture have grown along with the state's agricultural developments. The report pin points some information on finances and personnel for 1931-32 and 1953-54. This shows the legislative appropriation has increased from \$102,850 to \$485,800 while the income from licenses and fees has grown from \$202,248 to 1,200,686. The department activity was 71.2 percent self-sustaining in 1953-54; 66.3 percent 23 years ago. The number of employees grew from 79 to 303; the number of cars operated from 15 to 96; capital outlays from \$1,100 to \$9,839; and salaries and wages cost six times as much. The department administers 33 more laws than it did in 1931-32. Here are a few work-load comparisons: Bang's tests increased from 65,537 in 1931 to 281,003 in 1953; almost twice as many meat

4-H CLUB NEWS

IONE LIVESTOCK CLUB

The Ione 4-H livestock club meeting last Sunday at the Phil Emert home reviewed rules and regulations for the Oregon Wheat Growers League Fat Stock Show and Sale, which will be held at The Dalles June 6, 7, and 8. Leader Herman Blettell, called to their attention that fifty percent of the ration exclusive of hay must be wheat and that bran, mill run, or other wheat by-products could not be counted as wheat in the ration. He also pointed out that in order for club members to exhibit their steers, they must have been on feed by December 1st and that pigs and lambs must be put on feed by March first.

Those planning to exhibit at The Dalles show, are Ellis Ball, Wayne Ball, Kenneth Nelson, Kenneth Smouse with lambs; Dick Ekstrom, Phil Emert with steers; and Bill Brannon with a pen of three and one fat hog. The films, "Ounce of Prevention" which showed approved production practices and handling to prevent bruises and waste of

dealers were licensed and inspected; wheat receipts at Portland grew from 20 to 30 million bushels; shipping point inspections were four times as many; 1200 more dairy farms were under inspection; twice as many nurseries were licensed; laboratory analyses jumped from about 8,000 to over 54,000.

meat in livestock was shown. Also the "American Cowboy", illustrating the life of a cattleman was seen by the group.

MERRY COOKERS CLUB

The Merry Cookers 4-H club met Friday January 14 at the home of Shannon Mahoney. The following members were present, Mary Slocum, Carolyn Slocum, Gale Hoskins, Lora Sumner, Shannon Mahoney, Julie Pfeiffer and Judy Hamilton.

Our leader, Mrs. Claude Graham, checked our books and explained how to keep our records. Judy Hamilton, reporter

RIVER NAVIGATION AGAIN OPEN

Interested parties are notified that all areas in the waters of the Columbia River within the vicinity of the Northern Pacific Railway Company bridge between Pasco and Kennewick, Washington, are reported reopened to navigation. Certain areas in the river located immediately upstream and down stream of the bridge were closed to navigation as a safety measure in a public notice issued by this office on November 1953.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pfeiffer spent the weekend in Portland.

Bob McWhoney and Doug Gribble spent the weekend in Boardman as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bus Rands.

Bill Hughes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hughes, is a member of the JV basketball team at Pacific University. He is the only team member from a B school, it was reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson left Friday for Pendleton to stay several days while Mr. Thompson attends P. C. A. meetings in the area.

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