

Heppner Takes Lopsided Win from Fossil 65 to 13

By Larry Mollahan

Outclassed and outgunned by an uncheckable Heppner team the Fossil Falcons kept up their good spirit even after losing a terrifically one-sided contest on the Heppner floor 65 to 13 Friday night.

Dick Kononen, Heppner's number one key specialist dunked in 15 points to lead the scoring for the Mustangs. Meyers led the Fossilites with three tallies.

Fossil could only look on as Neil Beamer picked up passes from Kononen and set up eight points for the once beaten Heppner quint in the first quarter.

Kononen and Lyle Jensen, versatile Heppner guard each caged two points to end the initial period 12 to 1 in favor of Heppner.

Beamer saw the second quarter from the bench and saw Jensen and Kononen each rack up six more tallies. John Piper and Jerry Hagewood zeroed in on the hoop and collected two more points. The midway mark saw Heppner clinch another Big Wheat League game 28 to 5.

Shamrocks Add Two More Wins

Playing at peak form the past week the Heppner Shamrocks scored three wins over rivals Ione, Nirschl Bros of Pendleton, and Arlington.

Thursday night the smooth playing Shamrocks breezed by the Ione Townies 53 to 33 with Eddie Gunderson leading the Heppner attack with 12 points, followed closely by Jack Sumner with 11 counters.

In a March of Dimes benefit game at Heppner on Saturday night the Shamrocks scored an impressive 76 to 62 victory over Nirschl Bros. of Pendleton, leading team in the Pendleton City League. Big Stan Kemp was the high scorer for the Shamrocks with 18 points.

Monday night the Heppner team entertained Arlington and downed the river boys 71 to 53. Chuck Huggert, Heppner forward, was the big gun for the Shamrocks with 18 points.

Next home game for the Heppner team is Monday, February 7, against the Condon Elks, last year's fourth place team in the Oregon State AAU basketball tournament, and led by their six foot seven inch center, Don May.

Heppner Mentor, Larry Downen put in his starting five at the start of the half to add the Coup de grace, Kononen and Hague, wood each dropped in seven points along with Skip Ruhl who finally broke the ice and hit four points. Beamer set in three more points and headed for the bench again.

Ahead 49 to 7 at the three quarter mark it became difficult to tell whether Heppner was cheering louder than Fossil when the Falcons made a basket in the last quarter.

Downen's subs played the whole last quarter with Ed Olson hitting four foul shots and one basket for Heppner. Del Piper worked from the key and caged six points for the Mustangs. Jim Hayes turned on the accuracy for Heppner and hit one field goal and two gift shots.

The Mustangs have a full card this weekend playing Arlington Friday night on the home floor and Fossil the following evening at Fossil.

PONIES DROP PILOTS 38 TO 26

Duane Alderman clicked for 21 points against the Pilot Rock Pilots Saturday afternoon for the Heppner grade school in their 38 to 26 win over the graders from Pilot Rock on the Heppner floor.

Pilot Rock pulled ahead 8 to 4 in first period with Alderman hitting both field goals for Heppner. Halftime found Heppner ahead 16 to 13 with Alderman hitting five more.

Jim Walker and Dick Ruhl each hit 4 points in the third period for Heppner, as pilot Rock slowed their blistering pace Heppner surged ahead 25 to 20.

Alderman's big quarter came in the final period of play hitting ten points for the Ponies to put Chuck Huggert's hard playing little team away ahead.

ANNUAL MEETING SET

The annual meeting of the Lexington Oil Coop will be held at the Lexington Grange hall Tuesday, Feb. 8 starting at 10:30 a. m. it is announced. A dinner prepared by the Lexington home economics club, will be served at noon.

GRANGE TO MEET

The Lexington Grange will hold its next regular meeting at the grange hall Saturday, Feb. 12 at 8 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Graham were dinner guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Thompson in Pendleton.

Economist Reviews Government Wool Program Benefits

Oregon sheep raisers stand to benefit this year from two government programs designed to help meet national needs for wool.

M. D. Thomas, Oregon State college agricultural economist, says sheep numbers in this country have declined most of the time for the past 20 years. Last year, national wool production was about one-fourth of the 1934 level.

Growers are eligible this year for incentive payments based on 62 cents a pound for shorn wool, grease basis, that is sheared after January 1 and marketed after April 1.

Wool producers who shear between January 1 and April 1 must retain ownership of the wool until after April 1 to be eligible for incentive payments. The wool may be stored in commercial warehouses or consigned for future sale, but the owner must keep title to it until April 1.

The economist also suggests that any wool growers still holding 1954 clip might consider Commodity Credit Corporation non-recourse loans. Loan values have been above market prices recently. Secretary of Agriculture, Ezra Taft Benson has announced that such CCC loans will be available until April 30 to protest growers in selling the balance of the 1954 clip.

Thomas says the 1955 incentive payment program encourages the individual producer to sell his wool for the best possible price. Payments will be calculated as a percentage of the individual's net sales proceeds. For example, if the incentive price of 62 cents is 20 percent above the national average price of wool sold this year, the payment made to each eligible producer will be 20 percent of his own net sales proceeds for wool.

Payment will not be based on the difference between the price received by the individual and the incentive price. In other words, says Thomas, the better the sale the bigger the bonus.

Lexington News

The Amicilia Club met at the home of Tess Hatfield last Tuesday evening with three tables of pinocle being played. Besides the regular members Mrs. Nita Grey and Mrs. Vesta Kilkenny were invited guests. Refreshments were later served by the hostess. Mrs. Vesta Kilkenny won high and second high, Mrs. Martin, and traveling, Mrs. C. C. Carmichael.

The Lexington Altar Society met at the home of Mrs. Don Hatfield on Thursday evening. This meeting was presided over by the newly elected officers: Mrs. Alex Lindsey, pres. and Mrs. Bob Davidson, sec-treas. Later refreshments were served to the following Mesdames Wilbur Steagall, Bernard Doherty, Don Pointer, Charlie Daly, Emma Breshers, Howard Crowell, Frank Schrage, Randy Lott, Bill Doherty, Bob Kilkenny, and the hostess Mrs. Don Hatfield and assistant Mrs. Charlie Daly.

The Lexington church choir has started practice on an Easter cantata and all are invited to come and sing with them in order to make this a fine community Easter cantata. They meet each Monday night at 8 p. m. in the Christian church.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bloodworth were visitors in Olympia, Washington last week and also visited a brother of Mrs. Bloodworth, Denny McMillan.

Let's don't forget the play given by the Lexington P-TA to be held the 11th of February at the school auditorium.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Allen of Redmond were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith. Mrs. Allen is the sister of Mrs. Smith.

4-H CLUB NEWS

BUTTER CREEK JUNCTION LIVESTOCK CLUB

The Butter Creek Junction Livestock club met at the Carl Rhea home Sunday January 23.

Meeting was called to order by Larry Campbell, our president, he asked that each one answer roll call by telling what they had on feed, the age and name and how it was gaining.

Those having stock for The Dalles Wheat League show asked for a discussion of rules and regulations from Nels Anderson, and he explained the plans.

After the business meeting refreshments were served and we watched Treasure Island on Rhea's new TV set.

Next meeting to be at D. O. Nelsons in February. We had fifteen members present.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Nels Anderson and boys, Mrs. Bob Spike, Mrs. William J. Doherty and Glenn Campbell.

Our officers are Larry Campbell, president; Patty Sue Spike, vice president; Sandy Rhea, secretary and Billy Doherty, news reporter.

Billy Doherty, reporter



WA CAN TE KA

The Wa Can Te Ka Camp Fire girls have almost completed Fire-makers rank. Two groups have completed requirement 7 which is a dinner prepared and served by ourselves. Number 11 is a Camp Fire service requirement which we did by helping the Okla su girls and Mrs. Stockard's Blue Bird group with their finances and by going on a drive for new leaders and members. We have one new leader and an assistant who plans to organize a Blue Bird troop in the near future.

Our year's end work was completed by our afghan and quilt project, our Christmas gifts to shutins and hospital patients and our carolling at the hospital and homes. One of our members Kaye Sayers, has been ill for several months and we sang for her.

With the completion of Fire Makers rank, we will have time for more craft work.

Our Memory books are due to be completed by Feb. 1 and also our budget books, requirement 10.

Our ceremonial is planned for late February.

Carol K. Anderson, reporter

Publishers to Meet In Eugene Feb. 18-19

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, January (Special)—The 36th annual Oregon Press conference will be held on this campus February 18 and 19. The meeting is sponsored by the Oregon Newspaper Publishers' association and the school of journalism here.

Chairman of this year's conference is Robert B. Chessman of the Astorian-Budget. Included in the speakers who have accepted invitations to address the journalists are Irving Dillard, editor of the editorial page of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch; Palmer Hoyt, publisher of the Denver Post, and Don Belding, chairman of the executive committee, Foote, Cone & Belding at Los Angeles.

The ninth annual Allen Memorial address will be given by Dillard. University President O. Meredith Wilson will address the delegates and faculty at the Friday luncheon.

At the close of the press meetings, the second ONPA mechanical conference will be held, on February 19. A series of seven

demonstrations of equipment will be given the mechanical men at the University Press.

All sessions of both conferences will be held in Eric W. Allen hall, school of journalism building.

Local News In Brief

Mrs. Claude Buschke has returned from Portland where she underwent heart surgery recently and is convalescing at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Parsons and family left Tuesday to make their home in Elgin.

Verda Ritchie of Portland, a sister of Jessie Griffin of Ione, underwent major surgery at Good Samaritan hospital in Portland last Thursday. Her condition is reported good.

Dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ferrell last Saturday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Jodie K. Morrison of Ione and their three daughters, Michele, Cheryl and Mary Jo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Marshall were Pilot Rock and Pendleton visitors last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Evans of Peace River, Alberta, Canada are visiting at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Keeling. Mr. and Mrs. Evans plan to spend about a month here. They will spend some time in Renton, Washington visiting other relatives, following their visit here.

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