

Echo and Lone Outhit Mustangs To Win Two Tilts

By James Monahan
 Coach Larry Downen's Mustang "nine" found out that the old ball can take a wicked hop. Last week the "ole ball" took two big bad hops as the Heppner squad dropped a pair of encounters to Echo and Lone by 8-2 and 7-4 scores respectively.

Echo's "cats" grabbed an 8-0 lead in the first five innings and held it throughout the tilt, while Heppner fought for its only two runs in the last frame.

Sam Ramos, sophomore Cougar twirler pitched one-hit ball up until the final inning when Griffith of Heppner slammed a single to left center field. Gentry then popped up a fielder's choice which erased Griffith at second and left only one Mustang on base. Heppner's first sacker, Lance Tibbles drew a base on balls and reached second when Jerry Dougherty lined a base hit to left field.

Heppner's keystone man, Lowell Turner went down swinging before Ron McCabe was issued a walk which forced across Heppner's first tally of the game.

Jim Morris drove in the Mustang's final run with a well planted single to right field.

Echo made hits scarce for the blue and gold batsmen as they collected a wee total of 4 compared to the 10 big base swats the Cougars hammered out.

In the strike-out department, Ramos sent seven men down swinging while Heppner twirler Mac Griffith fired through 4 kayos.

A lot of things came big for the Heppner Mustangs last Tuesday in the early innings but not enough of them came in the late frames, for the Cardinals from Lone came back even bigger in the fifth panel to score four runs on two hits to defeat the Heppner crew 7-4.

Ione jumped to an early 1-0 lead in the first but Turner scored for Heppner in the second on a tremendous triple by Ron McCabe to tie the score.

Heppner went ahead in the third when Skip Ruhl reached first after driving a single past short and Griffith was given a free trip to first. Burke Gentry

then blasted a one and nothing pitch past the homerun barrier to send the count to 4-1.

Larry Pryce's Redbirds came back in the third and fourth to collect 2 runs and edge within a point of evening the score.

Ione virtually led the game in the fifth when they pounded the Horsies for four runs and then leaped to the final score of 7-4.

The Cards not only had a good day at the bat but also Ernie Drake, Card hurler struck out 11 Mustang batsmen.

This week the Mustangs play host to the Stanfield Tigers who were early season victims of the Heppner nine but have improved vastly with wins over Irigon and Echo.

Pilot Rock Wins Invitation Meet

By James Monahan
 Heppner was the scene of one of the larger track meets of this area as the blue and gold thin-clads played host the Heppner Invitational track meet last week.

Dominating the event was the state champion Pilot Rock team who ran up a total of 82½ points. Umattila, who placed second in the meet could only come up with 32½ tallies while Ione placed third with 25½.

In the fourth place position was the Jackrabbit squad from Lexington while the host, Heppner

For the second straight time Pilot Rock dominated the Umattila-Morrow track meet held here Wednesday night. Their total was 75½ points to second place Ione's 38½.

could come up with 18 points to place fifth in the competition.

Hurting the Mustangs in placing higher was the fact that Skip Ruhl was disqualified because he supposedly bumped in to a man in the 440 sprint. Ruhl who in all actuality won the event was clocked in 57.14 while Suiste of Pilot Rock, who was credited with the blue ribbon, was timed at 57.1.

Heppner's only first place was captured by miler Mike Monahan who showed his heels to a pack of 10 century men to win in the fair time of 5:16.

Other Mustang tracksters to score points for the Heppner team were: D. Ruhl, fifth in the 120-yard high hurdles; Tim Carr, fifth in the javelin; Dean Connor, third in the pole vault; Dick Ruhl fourth in the high jump; and Skip Ruhl who took second in the broad jump.

Hermiston Shuts Out Mustang Netmen

By James Monahan
 Coach Jim Popham's Mustang netmen lost another match and, this time, to a band of experienced raquet men from Hermiston by a complete 10-0 shut-out.

Mustang netman, Dave Cox, gave the Bulldogs the roughest time as he slammed out a 5-7 win from Phelps of Hermiston but faltered in the last two matches to lose 6-2 and then was edged in a 8-6 squeaker.

Scores follow with Heppner players or teams listed first.

Singles—
 Dave Cox, Phelps, 5-7, 6-2, 8-6
 L. Sayers, Applegate, 6-4, 6-0
 D. Dalley, Wyman, 7-5, 6-3

Doubles—
 Cox and Prock, Wyman and Alexander, 7-5, 5-7, 6-1
 Little and Soward, Sams and Gottchalk, 6-0, 6-2

Girls—
Singles—
 Alice Stewart, Kaitley, 6-3, 6-4
 Peg Applegate, Marr, 6-1, 8-6
 Marilyn Munkers, Rayburn, 6-1, 6-4

Doubles—
 Stewart and Applegate, Rayburn and Gray, 6-1, 6-4
 Munkers and McDaniel, Bellinger and Norton, 6-1, 6-2

OPENS BARBER SHOP

Ambrose Chapin, a barber here for many years, this week opened his own shop in the Case apartment building on Main street.

SQUARE DANCE PLANNED

A square dance will be held May 12 at 8:30 p. m. at the Igo grange hall, five miles west of Condon. A guest caller, Leonard Gorton of Redmond will call the dances, it was said. Admission will be \$1 per couple and pot-luck refreshments will be served.



BEAUTIFICATION project for the Lexington school grounds was started recently when grade school students began planting Austrian pine and Chinese arborvitae trees. They were directed by Serge Coval, teacher with the assistance of county agent N. C. Anderson and Tom Wilson of the Soil Conservation Service. Shown starting the planting are, left to right, N. C. Anderson, Larry Angell, Jim Steagall, Bob Davidson, Bill Parsons, Roger Doherty, Russell Dolven, John Wallace and Tom Martin. (Coval Photo)

Nitrogen Boosts Both Quality, Yield of Wheat

Results of last year's tests in the Columbia Basin Wheat growing area underscore conclusions reached in 1953-54 experiments—nitrogen fertilizers can improve both yield and quality of the soft white wheats grown in that area.

In last year's experiments, yields and protein levels of wheat from different levels of nitrogen fertilization were checked on each of 47 farms in the area, according to A. S. Hunter, OSC-USDA soil scientist in charge of the project.

Protein content is considered important because millers and bakers prefer soft white wheats with a protein level from 8 to 10 percent and it has been found that the amount of nitrogen fertilized added to the soil can affect the protein content of the wheat.

When no nitrogen was used on test plots on the 47 farms, 25 of the farms produced wheat containing less than 8 percent protein—lower than millers and bakers prefer. This was true in spite of the fact that 1954-55 was drier than normal, the kind of year when protein levels usually are higher.

When nitrogen was added, both yields and protein content rose in most cases. But on 85 percent of the farms tested, the rate of nitrogen that produced the highest yield produced wheat containing more than 8 but less than 10 percent protein.

This means that in many cases, farmers gain a double benefit from the use of nitrogen—having both the yield and quality of their wheat improved.

On only 15 percent of the farms did the rate of nitrogen that produced highest yields produce wheat containing more than 10 percent protein. And in most of these cases, the protein content was only a little higher than desirable and would probably have been acceptable to millers.

On four of these farms, the protein level of the wheat was already too high before any nitrogen was added.

Agriculturists hope this information can be used, along with soil tests, to make individual fertilizer recommendations available to each farmer in the area. This would help farmers grow high quality wheat at the lowest possible cost per bushel.

However, several more years of research are needed before these specific recommendations can be made. Farmers planning to use nitrogen on their wheat are advised to contact their local county agent for a general recommendation for their locality.

Research is being carried on by the OSC agricultural experiment station and the U. S. department of agriculture. Work is done in cooperation with the experiment stations at Pendleton and Moro, and county extension agents in the Columbia Basin wheat growing area. Protein content is determined by the OSC soil testing laboratory.

Mrs. Carl McDaniel and children visited her brother James Smith and family of Pendleton over the weekend.

HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. Vester Hams, Ione a 7 lb. 12 oz. girl born April 26, named Cheryl Ann. To Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Turner, Ione, a 8 lb. 3½ oz. boy born April 25, named Monte Raymond. To Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Cress, Spray, a 6 lb. 14 oz. girl born April 29. To Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Morley, Kinzua, a 5 lb. 8 oz. boy born April 29, named Ricky Nelson. To Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Crawford, Ione, a 5 lb. 13 oz. girl born April 30, named Cynthia Jean. To Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Patten, Ione, a 8 lb. 6 oz. girl born April 30, named Linda Dee.

Medical—Genevieve Springer, Heppner; Isabella Dill, Condon, dismissed; Freddy Jenkins, Spray Debra Peck, Rufus, dismissed; Charles Shannon, Kinzua; Joan Shannon, Kinzua; Harvey Haynes, Lonerock, dismissed; Fred McIntyre, Condon; Nona Sowell, Heppner; Charles Geer, Fossil; Lois Ellison, Kinzua; Mina Younce, Service Creek; Bill Lowe, Heppner; Davis Bittle, Kinzua, dismissed.

Minor Surgery—Mildred Ferrell, Heppner, dismissed; Danny Craig, Fossil, dismissed; LaVerne McCowen, Heppner, dismissed; Linda Coval, Lexington. Major Surgery—Robert Akers, Ione; Arthur Keene, Ione; Robert Campbell, Heppner; Mary McLeod, Ione.

Out-Patients—Casey Dick, Heppner; Dee Jones, Heppner; Pansy Seehafer, Bickleton, Wash.; Elwyn Hughes, Heppner.

HERMISTON SALE

The market:
CATTLE: Baby calves, 6.50 to 28.00 per head; steer calves, 17.40 to 18.60 cwt.; heifer calves, 14.60 to 15.50 cwt.; veal, 21.00 to 23.00 cwt.; stocker steers, 14.40 to 16.60 cwt.; feeder steers, 15.80 to 17.10 cwt.; fat slaughter steers, 18.20 to 19.70 cwt.; fat heifers, 14.60 to 17.90 cwt.; dairy cows, 92.50 to 101.00 per head; stock cows, 102.00 to 148.00 per pair; commercial cows, 12.80 to 14.60 cwt.; utility cows, 11.70 to 12.70 cwt.; canner and cutters, 9.20 to 12.10 cwt.; shells, 6.75 to 8.20 cwt.; bulls, 12.75 to 14.80 cwt.

HOGS: Weaner pigs, 3.50 to 7.00 per head; feeder pigs, 12.40 to 14.00 cwt.; top hogs, 14.80 to 16.00 cwt.; sows 10.40 to 13.80 cwt.; boars, 2.30 to 3.20 cwt.

SHEEP: Fat lambs shorn, 15.00 to 15.60 cwt.; ewes and lambs 12.60 to 15.00 per pair.

Anson said for next Friday the company would need a lot of dry cows and fed heifers for prospective buyers.

HEPPNER TRAILBLAZERS

The big event that we have been working finally came off—the field day for all Pathfinders in the southern part of the Northwest conference district. It was held April 29 at College Place, Wash.

About 150 Pathfinder club members were there taking part in the events which included knot-tying, marching, water boiling, first aid, semaphore signaling, and compass game.

In the final score Pendleton got first, College Place second, and Heppner and Ephrata tied for third. We are looking forward for the whole Northwest conference in the fall.

Steve Estberg, scribe

Gun Club Wins Tri-County Shoot At Arlington

The Morrow county gun club team, which only last week walked off with top honors at a Hermiston shoot, added another win to their growing list when they walked off with top honors at the Tri-County shoot held Sunday at Arlington. The club was competing with teams from Kinzua, Fossil, Condon and Arlington.

The local shooters won with a score of 479 out of 500 birds. Arlington was second with 477. P. W. Mahoney of Heppner tied with Melvin Case of Arlington for top individual score with 98 out of 100.

Members of the Morrow county team are Mahoney, Harry Smith, Dale Brown, George Snider and Luke Bibby.

Local Players in Chess Tournament

Five Heppner chess players played in the Oregon open chess championship play held Saturday and Sunday at Portland with some of the top players of the northwest taking part.

Winning top honors among the local group was Tommy Driscoll who came out with a score of 3½ to 2½. Others were James Popham, 3 and 3; John Snyder 2½ and 3½; Harry Tamblin 21 and 3½; adn C. J. D. Bauman 1½ and 4½.

DIVORCES GRANTED

Circuit judge William Wells this week granted divorces to Verla Liehr from J. C. Liehr, both of Heppner; to Colleen Wright from Harvey Wright, both of Heppner; David Mitchell, Baker from Frances Mitchell, Heppner; and to Jewell Loop from Forest Loop, both of Hermiston. Mrs. Loop was granted custody of a minor daughter and support money.

LEAVE FOR WYOMING

Mrs. Roy Neill and daughter Mrs. Ralph Scott left Wednesday for Cheyenne, Wyoming to attend the 50th wedding celebration of Mrs. Neill's sister, Mrs. Alvin Wade. They are meeting Mrs. Neill's brother, Emory Crawford of Clarkston, Wa., in Wyoming and will continue on to Pawnee, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Ad Moore is going as far as Cheyenne with them.

RHEA CREEK H. E. C.

The Rhea Creek Grange H. E. C. will meet Thursday May 10 at the home of Mrs. Leonard Carlson with Mrs. Henry Baker as co-hostess. This will be an all day meeting.

Best Buys in Food For Spring Months Told For Shoppers

Build spring meals around plentiful foods now on Oregon markets and you'll eat well on a trim budget.

Zelma Reigle, Oregon State college consumer education specialist, passes along this market information about supply, cost and variety as she sees it from visiting Oregon food stores.

Juicy roast beef and lean pork are in most meat markets in an assortment of cuts and prices. Record cattle numbers coming in from western feedlots and a big fall pig crop, 12 percent higher than last year's assure continuing good prices on pork and beef during April and May.

Although Oregon-produced fruit supplies are fairly quiet, there are still some apples in local grocery stores. Citrus fruits remain in abundance on most fruit counters. Grapefruit and oranges, two of the most popular add tartness to fruit cups and are good appetite whetters when served at breakfast. Vitamin C, abundant in citrus fruits, builds up the blood and makes gums healthy, besides being a good tonic for spring fever.

In canned foods, Blue Lake green beans are spotted as a bargain by the OSC specialist. Northwest products of Blue Lakes reached an all-time high last year making a greater stock of canned beans available.

Fresh produce from southern states is arriving in local markets daily. Strawberries from Florida and Mexico, and pears from Texas are already in local stores. Prices are fairly high, but as supplies increase, prices will improve, Miss Reigle explains.

Tender new green, red and purple cabbages are an easy way to provide low-cost vegetable servings. Difference in price between the colors is slight, so try all three kinds, she suggests.

Large Grade A and Grade AA eggs continue as good buys at about 57 to 59 cents a dozen. Medium size Grade A's are one to two cents a dozen less than the large size. Large eggs are

My Neighbors



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the best buy when there's such a small difference between the price dozen of the two sizes, says Miss Reigle.

Mr. and Mrs. Gillese of San Diego are guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Monahan recently.

Mrs. La Verne Van Marter spent last week in Portland visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Roger Steiger.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bedford were overnight guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. S. J. Simons in Pendleton last Thursday. Bedford attended a dinner meeting of the Pacific Power and Light Company.

Mrs. Robert Wagner and son and Mrs. Lucy Peterson and three daughters spent last Thursday in Walla Walla.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rauch over the weekend were Mrs. Ernest Steinbrenner and daughter of Lancaster, California and her mother-in-law, Mrs. Tilda Steinbrenner of Chicago who is a sister-in-law of Mrs. Rauch.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. (Slip) Wright of John Day visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Czathers, Sr. at Rhea Creek Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. (Hap) Wood of Portland called in Heppner on Monday.

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