

# Mustangs Open Hoop Play With Win, Then Drop 2 to St Joe, Ione

By Jim Morris

## PENDLETON

Heppner high school's Mustang quintet scored its first win of the 1956-57 basketball season Friday, December 7 at the Pendleton armory as they rolled over the Pendleton J. V.s by a count of 40-32.

The Mustangs had trouble getting their offense to roll in the first half both teams had strong defenses as they fought to a 15-14 half time score with the Mustangs on the bottom half.

In the third quarter the Mustangs completely dominated the Baby Cucs as they held them scoreless and caught fire as they themselves bucketed 13 points.

From here on they had little trouble as they went on to an eight point margin of victory.

High point collector for the Mustangs was Ruhl with 19 points. High for Pendleton was Nelson with 12.

## ST. JOSEPH

Coach Larry Dowan's Mustang

courtmen traveled to Pendleton again on December 8 but this time they were not so successful as they went down in defeat to a St. Joseph squad by a score of 51-46.

The Bluejays led by their center Bill Carey, took an early lead as they potted 14 points in the first quarter to the 12 scored by the Mustangs.

Then in the second stanza the Jays had their biggest bulge of the evening as they connected for another 14 counters while they held the Horsemen to 8. At half-time they were the owners of a 28-20 edge over the Mustangs.

After the intermission the Mustangs came back strong and in the last panel forged to a 1 point lead, but this was soon erased as the Jays stole a pass and scored. After this the Mustangs were never able to overtake the St. Joe five, but they never ever gave up trying.

High point collector for Heppner was Ruhl with 18. High for St. Joseph and for the game was Carey with 27.

## IONE

Heppner high school's Mustangs dropped their second game of the year Tuesday December 11 to a "red hot" Ione five by a score of 61-47. The Cardinals outplayed the Mustangs in all four stanzas as the Mustangs lacked only the morale to make it work.

The Cardinals opened the game by outscoring the Mustangs 16-11 in the first panel. The second stanza proved to be no better for the Mustangs as the Cards outscored them again 18-15. At the half the Redbirds sported a 34-26 lead.

In the third quadrant the Horsemen came back fighting, but the speed and accuracy of the Ione quintet was too much for the low-morale Mustangs to overcome. In the last period the Mustangs tried a last resort, this was the full-court press. The attempt proved to be futile as the Cards went on to win.

High scorer for Heppner was Ruhl with 23. High for Ione was Salters with 21.

## Oregon's Traffic Death Record For Year Looks Grim

Oregon is in danger of killing more people in traffic accidents this year than in any year since 1952.

An estimated 42 traffic deaths in November showed the state's count for the year-to-date to 387. If December deaths match those of December last year the final toll was 460.

November traffic this year claimed 14 more lives than for the same month last year, the Oregon Traffic Safety Commission reported.

Commission secretary, J. R. Banks, said the state has joined a nation-wide campaign, "Back the Attack on Traffic Accidents," which hopes to reduce the accident, injury and death toll over the holiday period and throughout 1957.

## SCHOOL ENDS DEC. 21

The Heppner school system will dismiss pupils at 1:45 Friday afternoon, Dec. 21 for the Christmas holidays with buses scheduled to leave the school at 1:55. Classes will resume on Wednesday, Jan. 2.

Mrs. Robert Ferrell, Judy and Nancy spent Monday in Pendleton, visiting at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hattenhauer.

## Farm Land Values Hit High Record; Reasons Outlined

Farm land values, including those in Oregon, have gone up in most parts of the nation in spite of lower farm incomes in recent years.

Value of farm land in Oregon reached the highest point on record at mid-year, reports Mrs. Elvera Horrell, extension agricultural economist at Oregon State college.

Nationally, farm land values have averaged a 3 percent jump during the same period. Only six states, most of them in drought areas, did not show increases.

What's behind the rise in the value of farm land?

Mrs. Horrell says people who have analyzed the situation feel the rising land values are a result of a strong demand from farmers themselves for more land, the expansion of irrigation, and the feeling of many people that farm land may be a safe long-term investment. The demand for part-time farms and houses out in the country and urban and industrial expansion are also seen as factors supporting the higher farm land prices.

The expansion of urban and industrial developments out onto good farm land has started moving at a rate that alarms many agricultural leaders, Mrs. Horrell reports. The soil and water conservation advisory committee of the U. S. department of agriculture has decided to ask the USDA to take steps to help check this rapid conversion of good agricultural land to non-farm uses.

The committee estimates that about 17 million acres of good tillable land have been taken over for industrial and urban housing use in the past 15 years. And they point out that this rate is being stepped up by the present emphasis on industrial decentralization and urban living.

## Justice And Municipal Courts

James Ulan Smith, truck speeding, fined \$25.

Robert N. Leslie, overweight load, fined \$10.

Leland A. Anderson, truck speeding, \$30 bail forfeited.

Walter H. Browning, drunken driving, \$150 fine and 60 days in jail.

Edward Elmer Adkins, charged with drunken driving, pleaded not guilty and 6-man justice court jury found him not guilty.

Jim Richardson, violation of basic rule, fined \$10.

Denward Bergevin, drunk in public place, fined \$20.

Robert Laughlin, speeding \$10 fine and after hours, \$10 fine.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. Alva Justus, Fossil, a 7 lb. 2 1/2 oz. girl born Dec. 9, named Jeanie Rae.

Medical—Philip Carlson, Ione, dismissed; Randy Morris, Heppner, dismissed; Newton Matteson, Heppner; Alice Galbraith, Condon; Jim McNamee, Heppner; Cora Wallace, Condon; Mary Rigby, Ione; Johnny Medlock, Kinzua, dismissed; Jessie Morton, Condon.

Minor Surgery—Marsha Sowell, Heppner, dismissed; Ramona Marshall, Heppner, dismissed.

Major Surgery—Richard Ekstrom, Ione, dismissed; Verna Tate, Condon, dismissed; Paul Still, Fossil; Linda Bird, Kinzua; Harvey Harshman, Heppner; Leta Smith, Condon.

## Water Sources Needed As Winter Fire Guard

Good outside sources of water for protection against home fires are lacking in many Oregon homes during the winter months, reports M. G. Huber, Oregon State college agricultural engineer.

The specialist lists the following safeguards for water resources:

See that the water pump is on a separate circuit.

Protect outdoor water pumps from freezing by installing a small electric heater, heat lamp, or plain light bulbs in the pump-house. Insulation will keep the pump-house warmer and cut heating costs.

Water taps and other outdoor hydrants need protection from freezing.

It may be necessary, Huber points out, to have frost-free fire extinguishers installed in some outbuildings.

## O-KI-ZU CAMPFIRE GIRLS

The meeting was opened in regular form. The group was invited to go caroling with the Boy Scouts on Dec. 21.

Our president told us that Mrs. Duvall had graciously given us and all the other Campfire and Boy Scout groups five dollars.

The meeting was adjourned and we made angels for table decorations.

Shirlee Gaines, reporter

## City Families Spend 75% More For Food Than Farm Families

City families spend 75 percent more for food and alcoholic beverages than farm families, reports Mrs. Elvera Horrell, extension agricultural economist at Oregon State college.

She says a 1955 survey by the U. S. department of agriculture showed rural families spent an average of \$17 a week, compared to \$30 a week spent by city families. Rural nonfarm families were in between, spending an average of \$24 a week for food and alcoholic beverages.

This doesn't mean farm families have smaller appetites, Mrs. Horrell hastens to add. They produce a part of their food on their farms and in their gardens. And farm families tend to buy fewer services in the form of processed foods and prepared meals.

Regardless of how much they spend, there should be plenty of food for both rural and city families during the holiday season ahead.

Even before this year's harvest the nation's cupboards were far from bare. And on top of that, Mrs. Horrell says farmers appear to be on their way towards making their 1956 crop output one of the largest on record—in spite of drought in some sections of the nation.

## MRS. GREEN PLACES IN WHEAT LEAGUE CONTEST

Mrs. Alex Green has returned from Portland where she attended the Wheat League meeting and was in the bake off contest in which she received honorable mention. While there she visited her two daughters Mrs. Wallace Green and Mrs. Omar McCaleb.

## CIVIC LEAGUE DECEMBER MEETING CANCELLED

The regular meeting of the Heppner Civic League scheduled for Dec. 17 has been cancelled, it was announced today. The next meeting will be in January when new officers will be elected.

## Boardman News

Guy Ferguson is ill at his home with the mumps. Billie Bedord, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bedord also has the mumps.

Stanley Zunker, Kennewick, Wash., and Harley Sweeny, Kiona, Wash., were visitors Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ferguson. Sunday visitors were their daughter, Mrs. Vern Moe and children, Hermiston.

## CAMP FIRE GIRLS

### HAPPY BLUE BIRDS

The Happy Blue Birds went to the hospital and sang Christmas carols to the patients. They took boxes of candy and cookies made by the Heppner Mother's club.

Joan Stockard, reporter

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Downen were his father, John Downen of Marysville, Washington and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Ryan, associated with the Standard Oil Company in Saudi Arabia, who are in this country on vacation.

Mrs. Luther Tunnell of Ben Wheeler, Texas, who has been visiting for the past three weeks with her niece, Mrs. Paul Jones, left Wednesday for Vancouver, to visit her sister, Mrs. Dena Reese. Mr. and Mrs. Jones accompanied her to Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Creston Robinson attended the Hereford bull sale in Pendleton Saturday.

**TO SELL 'EM, TELL 'EM—With An Ad**

Gazette Times Classifieds Pay!

**YOU'D BETTER HURRY!**

**WESTERN'S TOYS**

**ARE GOING FAST**

**BETTER COME A'RUNNIN'**

**WESTERN AUTO ASSOCIATE STORE**

JOHN PFEIFFER, OWNER

**Justice And Municipal Courts**

James Ulan Smith, truck speeding, fined \$25.

Robert N. Leslie, overweight load, fined \$10.

Leland A. Anderson, truck speeding, \$30 bail forfeited.

Walter H. Browning, drunken driving, \$150 fine and 60 days in jail.

Edward Elmer Adkins, charged with drunken driving, pleaded not guilty and 6-man justice court jury found him not guilty.

Jim Richardson, violation of basic rule, fined \$10.

Denward Bergevin, drunk in public place, fined \$20.

Robert Laughlin, speeding \$10 fine and after hours, \$10 fine.

**HOSPITAL NEWS**

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. Alva Justus, Fossil, a 7 lb. 2 1/2 oz. girl born Dec. 9, named Jeanie Rae.

Medical—Philip Carlson, Ione, dismissed; Randy Morris, Heppner, dismissed; Newton Matteson, Heppner; Alice Galbraith, Condon; Jim McNamee, Heppner; Cora Wallace, Condon; Mary Rigby, Ione; Johnny Medlock, Kinzua, dismissed; Jessie Morton, Condon.

Minor Surgery—Marsha Sowell, Heppner, dismissed; Ramona Marshall, Heppner, dismissed.

Major Surgery—Richard Ekstrom, Ione, dismissed; Verna Tate, Condon, dismissed; Paul Still, Fossil; Linda Bird, Kinzua; Harvey Harshman, Heppner; Leta Smith, Condon.

**Water Sources Needed As Winter Fire Guard**

Good outside sources of water for protection against home fires are lacking in many Oregon homes during the winter months, reports M. G. Huber, Oregon State college agricultural engineer.

The specialist lists the following safeguards for water resources:

See that the water pump is on a separate circuit.

Protect outdoor water pumps from freezing by installing a small electric heater, heat lamp, or plain light bulbs in the pump-house. Insulation will keep the pump-house warmer and cut heating costs.

Water taps and other outdoor hydrants need protection from freezing.

It may be necessary, Huber points out, to have frost-free fire extinguishers installed in some outbuildings.

**O-KI-ZU CAMPFIRE GIRLS**

The meeting was opened in regular form. The group was invited to go caroling with the Boy Scouts on Dec. 21.

Our president told us that Mrs. Duvall had graciously given us and all the other Campfire and Boy Scout groups five dollars.

The meeting was adjourned and we made angels for table decorations.

Shirlee Gaines, reporter

**Better Check It for Size**

Is your present fire insurance coverage geared to the current value of your property? If not, better take steps now to correct a situation which could result in serious loss. Let us check it with you.

**Turner, Van Marter & Bryant**

Real Estate — Insurance

Phone 6-9652 Hoppner

**YOUR BEST BETS IN GIFTS FOR MEN!**

At Christmas Time, a Woman's Place is in a Man's Store!

It's our business to know what men like to wear. So... why not make it your business to shop here for men's gifts that are sure to get a warm reception.


**FOR HER—**

Graff Sportswear  
Pendleton Jackets and Skirts  
Kandel Sweaters  
Berkshire and Hanes Hosiery

**THIS YEAR MAKE IT A WEARABLE GIFT FROM Wilson's Men's Wear**

The Store of Personal Service

**Pay Your Bills When Due and Keep Your Credit Good**

PIONEER SERVICE COMPANY CREDIT INFORMATION IS MOST VALUABLE.

NO COMMISSIONS CHARGED ON COLLECTIONS.

ALL MONEY PAID DIRECT TO CREDITORS.

**PIONEER SERVICE CO., INC.**

SINCE 1926

The Merchant's and Professional Men's Own Organization.

OREGON—IDAHO—UTAH—NEVADA DIVISION

Watch For The Green and Black Handbills With Accounts For Sale