

Frisky Mustangs Gallop over Burns

Heppner's Mustangs, tamed by league opponents in basketball action early in the season, turned into raring Broncos against the Burns Highlanders here Friday and Saturday, winning 83-73 and 65-54.

Friday night's game apparently was a record setter, the 83 for Heppner probably being a school high mark. They had posted 79 against Ione in the second game this year, but the 83 would require a long search through the record books to top.

Lee Padberg ran wild Friday night, scoring 31 points, a pretty fetching total for a sophomore. The Lexington lad drilled 10 field goals on all manner of shots and added 11 from the free throw line.

After losing two heartbreakers at Burns, the Mustangs would not be denied here. They took an early lead Friday, going at 20-13 at the end of the first quarter, only to see it melt to 35-34 at halftime.

The Burns boys, a pretty nifty outfit themselves, pecked away at the lead. Gale Merseith, who about sunk Heppner with a rash of baskets in the third period, brought the lead to Burns at 31-49 with a layin. But this was short-lived. Padberg gained it back on two free throws only to have Merseith make another bid with a pusher to give Burns the edge, 51-53. Padberg hit one from the baseline to even it at 53-53, and the Heppner five pulled away from that point.

With all team members coming on strong in the final period, the Mustangs were like wild thirsty cayuses running for an oasis in the desert. Shan Applegate, LeRoy Gardner, Padberg, Captain Bruce Moyer and Doug Dubuque all got into the fourth quarter scoring picture as they poured in 25 points.

Captain Moyer had a fine evening with 19 points, and sparkplug Shan Applegate hit 13.

Big 6'5" Lee Larsen was a thorn in the side of the Mustangs all night, but he proved to be only a burr under the blanket of the heel-kicking Mustangs. He scored 22, seven field goals and eight free throws, but Heppner's five rode him down with their 43 per cent shooting. Merseith blasted 17 in his attempt to break the Mustangs, but he couldn't get them haltered.

Saturday night's game was different. Burns took the jump and Heppner had to fight back. Paced by Darryl Womack and Larsen, the Highlanders got ahead as much as eight points in the first quarter at 17-9, but big John Porter helped close the gap with some sterling play and timely shooting, so that they trailed only 16-19 going into the second period.

Burns made another strong bid in the second and moved away to 23-18 with Cal Mosley doing yeoman work for his team. At this juncture, Coach Bob Cantonwine sent in three from the bench—Dick Springer, Gardner and Kit George—and they stole the play from the Highlanders. Applegate started turning the tide with a pusher, then Gardner followed with a jump. Springer picked up two free throws and the Mustangs were in front, 24 to 23. Larsen, Jim Catterson and Mosley fired back for Burns, but Springer put two more baskets in the bank and Gardner drilled a long pusher. Thus at halftime the score favored Heppner 30-29.

With Padberg, Dubuque and Moyer rested and ready and Porter doing great work under the boards, the Mustangs were off and running in the third quarter. By the end of the period they had the game sewed up to all intents and purposes, 50 to 39.

This night's work saw Heppner putting out a real team effort. Unlike Friday night, no star could be picked out. Every boy in the ball game made a fine contribution to the victory. However, in the fourth quarter, their old early season habit of over-

anxiety almost got them in trouble. They started playing as if they were 10 points behind instead of 10 points ahead, and Burns, down but not out, was quick to take advantage of their wildness. They came back within four points 55-52 before a series of Highlander fouls knocked the visitors out of the running.

Burns lost two on fouls Friday night, Merseith and Womack, and late in the Saturday game they started dropping off like flies. Mosley, Terry Presley, Womack and Berg all had to leave. Heppner lost Applegate late in the Friday contest but otherwise was not in trouble.

Windup of the Saturday game was almost like a free throw practice for Heppner. Actually in the two games the Highlanders had a field goal edge, making 29 from the floor to 28 for Heppner Friday, and evening off at 21 each Saturday night. In the two games, though, Burns made 61 fouls in an effort to stop the fast-breaking Mustangs. Heppner made only 36 in the two tilts.

The two victories brought Heppner's league mark to 3-7 with six Greater Oregon contests yet to go.

Friday game:

BURNS 73				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Mosley	5	0	3	10
Presley	5	0	4	10
Catterson	1	0	2	2
Merseith	7	3	5	17
Womack	2	2	5	6
Berg	2	2	3	6
Woodfin	0	0	0	0
Larsen	7	8	4	22
Rodabaugh	—	—	—	—
Totals	29	15	27	73

Shooting: Field goals, 29 of 78. Free throws, 15 of 24.

HEPPNER 83

	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Padberg	10	11	2	31
Moyer	6	7	4	19
Porter	3	2	3	8
Dubuque	3	2	3	8
Applegate	5	3	1	13
Springer	0	0	2	0
Gardner	1	2	1	4
Totals	28	27	16	83

Shooting: Field goals, 28 of 66; free throws, 27 of 44.

Score:

	BURNS	HEPPNER
1st	13	21
2nd	21	18
3rd	21	19
4th	18	25
Total	73	83

Saturday game:

BURNS 54				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Mosley	9	0	5	18
Presley	3	1	5	7
Johnston	0	0	0	0
Catterson	1	1	3	3
Womack	0	1	5	1
Berg	1	0	5	2
Woodfin	1	0	3	0
Larsen	7	7	4	21
Rodabaugh	0	2	4	2
Totals	21	12	34	54

Shooting: Field goals, 21 of 69. Free throws, 12 of 23.

HEPPNER 65

	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Padberg	6	4	3	16
Moyer	3	4	3	10
Porter	1	4	2	6
Dubuque	3	4	5	8
Applegate	2	4	5	8
Springer	3	3	2	0
Gardner	2	0	1	4
George	1	0	2	2
Cox	0	0	0	0
Totals	21	23	20	65

Shooting: Field goals, 21 of 63; free throws, 23 of 47.

Mrs. Lincoln Nash received word this week of the death of her grandmother, Mrs. Kathryn Schenk, Geneseo, N. D. Mrs. Schenk died Sunday at the age of 88 after a long illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown, accompanied by Mrs. James Driscoll, Mrs. Wayne Snyder, and Mrs. Walter Edger, attended the junior high basketball games in Condon Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Nash, Rose and Shirley, were in Hermiston for the funeral services of Mrs. John Eastwood.

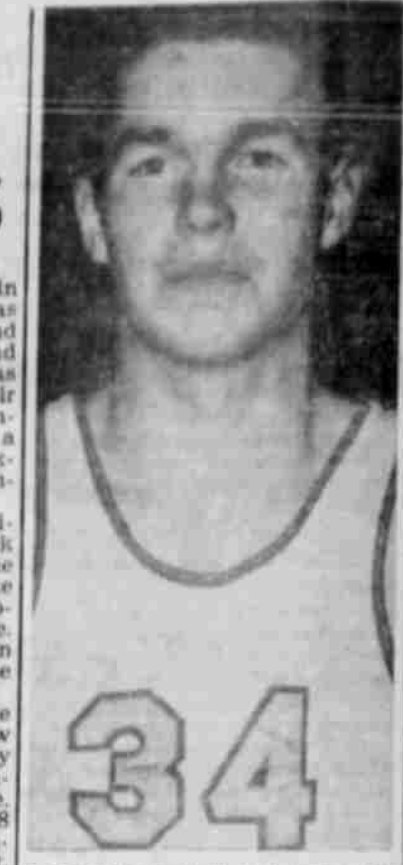
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LeROY GARDNER, 6-0 junior for the Heppner Mustangs, turned in some fine performances in games against Burns. He hit the go-ahead shot for the Mustangs in the second quarter Saturday after the Heppner five had trailed in the contest to that point. (G-T Photo)

Jay Ball Competes In Free Throw Meet

IONE—Jay Ball, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ball of Ione, competed in the Elks-sponsored state grade school basketball free throw contest at Gill Coliseum, Corvallis, Saturday after winning the right to represent this district. Jay made 35 of 50 tries in the afternoon round, a good performance but not high enough to compete in the finals during the half in the OSU-Seattle University basketball game.

Jay won the right to enter the event at Corvallis when he competed against Billy Snyder of Heppner in the Heppner gym January 16. He made 14 of 25 as compared with Billy's 11 of 25 and received the expense-paid trip sponsored by Elks lodge No. 358.

Mr. and Mrs. Ball accompanied their son, and all three had a thrilling time, they report. They met basketball stars and heard OSU Assistant Coach Paul Valenti speak at a luncheon at the Corvallis Elks banquet room.

Card Jayvees Tip Heppner Freshmen

Overcoming a 24-20 halftime deficit, the Ione Jayvees topped Coach Don McClure's Heppner freshmen on the Cardinals' maple court Tuesday night, 49 to 37.

Coach Glenn Biehl used mostly freshmen early in the game but played more sophomores in the second half. They overcame the visitors in the third quarter and led going into the final period, 32-29.

Lee Hams of Ione bagged eight field goals and four free throws for 20 points to capture scoring honors for the night. Bruce Spencer of Heppner led his team with 11.

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Sports



ROLLING along with a good season's record are these Mustang Jayvees, who will accompany the Heppner varsity to Madras this week-end. They are (reading from bottom) Richard Clark and Raymond Nichols, Ken Smith and Ken Wright, Rodney Ayers and John Cole, Roger Schoover and Dave George with Coach Jim Sutherland at far right, and Mike Lesser and Dan Wardwell. Bill Sherman was not present when the picture was taken. (G-T Photo)

Ione's Cardinals, riding a victory string in both league and non-league basketball contests, squared its two-game series with Wheeler county (Fossil) in a return contest at Ione Friday night, 47 to 45, and then downed Stanfield in a Umatilla-Morrow league game there Saturday night, 46 to 43.

The Fossil game was an uphill battle. The visitors had a 27 to 18 advantage at halftime, and Ione's high scorer, Ron Crabtree, had four personals against him in the second quarter. Coming back in the third period, he had his fifth whistled, and his teammates went the rest of the route without him.

The Cards pulled themselves off the ropes, outscored Fossil 15 to 7 in the third to find themselves three points behind as the final stanza opened. Sprinting in the home stretch, the Cards made 16 to 11 for the visitors and took the victory by the slim 2-point margin. This was one better than when Fossil defeated them earlier in the season.

Tom Pointer stepped in for Ione's scoring honors with six field goals and two free throws for 14. Rollie Ekstrom had 13 on four buckets and five from the free throw line. Also coming in for strong supporting action was Bill Klinger who swished four from the field for eight points, just one behind Crabtree who connected on four field goals and a free throw before retiring to the bench.

Fossil's Wright led the visitors with eight field goals and five free tosses for 21. Loomis had five and three for 13.

Ione Jayvees kept up the winning pace with a 35-33 win over the Fossil Jayvees, the contest being nip and tuck all the way. Morgan topped the winners with 11, followed by Lee Hams' 10.

With Crabtree performing in stalwart fashion Saturday night, the Cards led Stanfield all the way. Ron netted 25 points and didn't pick up a single personal. Twenty of his points came on field goals and five were added from the free throw line. Ekstrom was second high for Ione with 11.

Jerry Voss and Ed Banker topped the visitors with 14 each. The victory over Stanfield brought Ione's league record to 3-1 and they are now tied with Umatilla for first.

In the Jayvee contest, the young Cards made it a week-end sweep by tripping Stanfield's seconds, 48 to 35, holding the lead all the way. Lee Hams was high man with 17.

WHEELER 45

	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Loomis	5	3	1	13
Ostrander	0	0	2	0
Mizner	2	1	3	5
Wright	8	5	3	21
McCulloch	2	0	4	4
Rector	1	0	1	2
Hudson	0	0	0	0
Totals	18	9	14	45

IONE 47

	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Ekstrom	4	5	1	13
J. Martin	0	1	1	1
Pointer	6	2	0	14
Hams	1	0	1	2
Crabtree	4	1	5	9
Klinger	4	0	2	8
Rigby	0	0	1	0
Totals	19	9	11	47

Score:

	WHEELER	IONE
1st	11	16
2nd	7	11
3rd	16	16
4th	11	14
Total	45	47

Shooting:

	WHEELER	IONE
Field goals	18 of 51	19 of 56
Free throws	9 of 13	9 of 18

Jayvee scores:

WHEELER COUNTY 33—Seitz					
3. Nicholson	2	Cobine	10	Humphrey	4
4. Cox	4	Reid	2	Campbell	1
5. Boyles	0	Marks	5	Wright	0
6. Zehner	2	Loomis	—	—	—

IONE 46

	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Ekstrom	4	3	4	11
Martin	0	1	0	1
Pointer	3	1	2	7
Hams	0	0	1	0
Crabtree	10	5	0	25
Klinger	1	0	2	2
Davidson	0	0	0	0
Rigby	0	0	1	—
Totals	18	10	10	46

STANFIELD 43

	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Clark	3	0	4	6
Krause	0	1	0	1
Foss	5	4	3	14
E. Banker	7	0	1	14
Herrick	1	0	3	2
Corey	0	0	1	0
Davis	2	2	2	6
W. Banker	0	0	0	0
Totals	18	7	14	43

Shooting: Ione—Field goals, 18 of 58; free throws, 10 of 18. Stanfield—Field goals, 18 of 54; free throws, 7 of 12. Jayvee score:

STANFIELD 35—Seibel 11, Banker 4, Corey 6, Davis 2, Sewell 6, McElroy 0, Alvarez 6, Clark 0, Abel 0, Davis 0.

IONE 48—Heimbigner 10, Akers 2, Lee Hams 17, Morgan 12, Lindstrom 4, Bill Klinger 3, DeSpain 0, Hynd 0, Emert 0, Halvorsen 0, Ralph Martin 0, Ione 11, 8 10 19-48 Stanfield 7 8 7 13-35

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