

Mustangs, Pilot Rock Square With 68-58 Win

GREATER OREGON LEAGUE (Western Division)		
W. L. Pct.		
Heppner	4 0	1.000
Sherman	3 1	.750
Burns	2 2	.500
Pilot Rock	1 3	.250
Grant Union	0 4	.000

With the Rockets running behind just out of reach through the game, Heppner High's varsity basketball five defeated the visiting Pilot Rock quintet here Friday night, 68 to 58. This evening the games between the teams at one each, but Heppner's win was a little sweeter since it was a league game and the first one was a non-counter.

The Mustangs jumped to an early 8 to 1 lead and were never headed, although the Rockets were within three at the end of the first period, 15 to 12, and threatened to pour on the steam at other times. Despite the pressure, though, the Heppner clan sometimes forged in front by as much as 17 points.

A little foreboding of possible calamity for the Mustangs came when John Porter and Dick Springer of the home five got in hot water with personal fouls and eventually went out. This gave the Rockets a chance to gain in the fourth stanza but not enough to turn defeat into victory.

Shan Applegate, who had slim pickings in the first half and chalked up several passing violations, came on with a rush after intermission and burned the net with accurate shooting to become the high point man for Heppner with 21. He made his points on seven of 12 field goal attempts, plus seven of 10 free throws.

The boy who proved dynamite for the Mustangs was Rich Mikel who poured through 11 buckets of 19 attempts and got two of four free throws for 24 before retiring from the game on five personals. This lanky lad is an ill omen for opponents in the future since he is only a sophomore.

Lee Padberg, Heppner's far-and-away scoring leader for the season, didn't have his best shooting eye this night for he connected on only five of 22 attempts. On the free throw line he hit six of nine tries, building a respectable 16-point total. Padberg, a marked man, had to fight for every shot, however, because of the Rockets' determined attempts to subdue him.

Springer had a rousing first half, scoring 12 points, but he managed only one more before retiring on personals in the second half. Porter had 10, thus making four of the five starters in double figures, the exception being Fred Harnden who was blanked on the scoreboard but was an important cog in the

Mustangs to Play Two Non-Counters

There will be plenty of basketball action for Heppner High school teams this week-end but it isn't the worrisome kind for the Mustangs.

Standing at 4-0 at the top of the western division of the Greater Oregon league, the Heppner gang will play two non-conference tilts, travelling to Umatilla Friday night for a return game and entertaining Pilot Rock at home Saturday night in the Heppner High gym.

The Mustangs posted a rather easy victory over Umatilla here earlier in the school year and stand even at 1-1 with Pilot Rock, losing a non-league tilt at Pilot Rock and winning a counting game here last week, 68 to 58. After the forthcoming non-conference game, the Heppner five still has a fourth game set with the Rockets at Pilot Rock, the second league game between the teams.

The squad has been taking a respite from heavy drills this week after strenuous games of the past few weeks.

While Heppner is not facing league action this week-end, Sherman county with only one loss against them will have opportunity to slip up on the leaders with two league games scheduled. They could come here next week (Friday, February 8) just one game off the pace, and should they beat the Mustangs, the conference leadership in that case would be tied.

With the season half over, Heppner is undefeated, and three of their league games of the last half are at home. However, tough battles loom ahead.

Cardinals Slate Two League Games

Two week-end league games, one with the undefeated league leader, Athena, are scheduled by the lone High school basketball team.

The Cardinals will go to Stanfield Friday night for a return game after dropping them in a rout, 65 to 23, on January 4. McEwen of Athena will play at lone Saturday night. In the first meeting of the teams, at Athena, the Cardinals gave the Morrow-Umatilla league kings a tough tussle but lost, 63 to 54. They hope to turn the tables at this second meeting, but they may be without the services of center Ron Crabtree who has been ill this week.

Sports



"AVALANCHE PROOF" paperboard boxes, made by one of this state's industrial concerns, get unusual workouts this spring with the 1963 American Mt. Everest Expedition. They protect new foods and equipment through steaming jungles and on the world's highest peak. Shown during high-altitude tests on Oregon's Mt. Hood is Robert O. Lee, executive of Georgia-Pacific Corp. which made the lightweight containers. He led the 1961 Expedition on Mt. Talung near Mt. Everest, and is the 1963 expedition's packaging adviser.

Heppner High machine because of his floor work. Richard Clark, Heppner, reserve, came in for fourth quarter action and helped keep the visitors from catching up as he dented the hoop with three field goals on five tries. These were his first field goals for the Mustangs this season.

Buzz Quempts, one of the Rockets' jet-propelled aces, was pretty well checked in the first half of the game but came back in the second half to finish with 15 points.

The contest was a success from a financial standpoint, too, for the gate was one of the biggest in Heppner High's history as fans crowded in to root for the Greater Oregon league leaders.

Heppner took 63 shots from the floor and made 26 for a .413 mark, bettering Pilot Rock's 21 of 68 for .309.

Score: Pilot Rock 12 13 12 21-58 Heppner 15 18 19 16-68

PILOT ROCK 68				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Quempts	6	3	4	15
Spino	1	2	1	4
Gulliland	2	5	3	9
Mikel	11	2	5	24
Wilson	1	0	1	2
Long	0	0	1	0
Metz	0	0	0	0
D. Baker	0	0	1	0
Hamilton	0	4	2	4
Totals	21	16	18	58

HEPPNER 68				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Applegate	7	7	4	21
Harnden	0	0	1	0
Springer	6	1	5	13
Porter	4	2	5	10
Padberg	5	6	1	16
Wright	1	0	0	2
Gardner	0	0	0	0
Clark	3	0	2	6
Smith	0	0	0	0
Totals	26	16	18	68

Mustang Climbs In Paper Polls; Recognition Given

With their current record of 10 wins and one loss ranking as one of the best for A-2 teams in the state, the Heppner High basketball team climbed to ninth place in the Oregonian's A-2 poll Tuesday. The Mustangs picked up 23 votes, highest of any Eastern Oregon team.

Coach Bob Cantonwine's eagers were also highly rated in the Associated Press poll, ranking 10th with 18 votes, to displace Seaside in that spot. In the Oregon Journal poll, the Heppner lads were listed 12th among the state's A-2 teams.

This week was the first time that the Mustangs cracked the top 10 in the Oregonian poll, although they have been high among the "also rans" throughout the season.

Pilot Rock is the only team to defeat them this year, and the boys squared that one last week-end. Two more games are coming up with the Rockets, one to be here Saturday night.

An indication of the recognition that the Heppner team is getting around the state is the writeup given them by Leo Davis of the Oregonian in his "Prep Patter" column in the Sunday sports section.

He had this to say about the Mustangs:

In the seven-year history of Oregon's A-2 basketball tournament, District 7 has contributed five finalists, two of which won championships. Yet, with all the blowing of horns and beating of drums to herald this season's contenders, that fertile area has been pretty generally neglected. Odd, too, since Heppner, heir apparent to the Greater Oregon crown, boasts one of the best win-loss records in A-2 ranks.

Coach Robert Cantonwine is predictably cautious about Heppner's future; he doesn't, however, deny ambition. The Mustangs are being groomed for a berth in the post-season hoop derby at Coos Bay.

Among his blessings Cantonwine counts experience, with four starters back from last year's club. He would welcome a big man but admits his front line, John Porter, 6-2, Dick Springer, 6-0, and Lee Padberg, 6-0, has yet to lose a battle on the back boards.

Rebounds are strictly a fringe benefit with Padberg. His specialty is points (44 against John Day, 30 against Sherman) and Heppner's offense is geared accordingly. Cantonwine gives his junior marksmen protective screens and sets the picks to take advantage of his driving speed. Double-team defenses are no novelty, but Padberg solves them by feeding off to his front-line sidekicks or Shan Applegate and Fred Harnden, Heppner's back court operators.

Depth is a problem but relief is on the way. Doug Dubuque, 6-2, a muscular veteran, is recovering from an injury and slated for action next month. His rebounding skills will be a welcome addition.

It's a rocky road Heppner travels to the tournament. Even if the Mustangs win the subdistrict crown, and Cantonwine predicts they'll be challenged at every step, there is a little matter of a playoff with the eastern champion to cloud the picture. Five times the winner of that playoff reached the A-2 tournament final. Heppner is shooting for six.

Cards Tip Riverside; Lose To Weston

UMATILLA-MORROW LEAGUE		
W. L. Pct.		
McEwen	11 0	1.000
Weston	9 2	.818
Riverside	7 4	.636
Ione	6 5	.545
Stanfield	5 6	.455
Umatilla	5 6	.455
Helix	3 7	.300
Echo	2 8	.200
Umapine	0 11	.000

Ione High school's basketball team edged Riverside High in a double overtime thriller in the Cardinal's gym Friday night, 61 to 59, but lost a postponed game with Weston there Tuesday night, 64 to 46.

The Weston game was scheduled for Saturday night but was postponed until Tuesday night because of the death of Mancell Townsend, Cardinal jayvee player.

Score was deadlocked at 51 to 51 at the end of the seasaw game with Riverside. Then each team made two points in the first overtime. In the second overtime, the Cardinals hit for eight points while the Pirates, who lost four men on fouls, made six.

Ron Crabtree rolled up 38 points in the game on 12 field goals and 14 free throws, high for the team this year. He was ill and unable to play Tuesday night, thus hurting the cause against Weston, and he may not see action on this week-end against Stanfield and Athena, according to Coach Glenn Biehl. In the exciting Riverside battle the visiting Pirates moved in front at the end of the first quarter, 13 to 9, and held a slim 26-24 halftime bulge. However Ione came back to take the lead at the end of the third period, 40 to 39. In the final regular stanza, Riverside tallied twelve while the Cards hit 11, making it 51 for each team.

Riverside had a sizeable advantage on field goals with 26 to Ione's 18, but had trouble in the personal foul department. The Cards made 25 on the free throw of 38 attempts, while Riverside garnered only seven of 20 tries.

Going out of action on personals for Riverside were Boothman, Partlow, Anderson and Hobbs. None of the Cardinals had more than three infractions. High men for Riverside were Skoubo and Anderson, each with 13.

Weston had a lead throughout the game over Ione Tuesday

night as they made it two straight for the season at the Cards' expense. However, the Biehlmen put on a fourth quarter rally that brought them within eight points at one time, not close enough to catch up.

Rollie Ekstrom carried a big share of the Ione cause as he came up with 20 points on eight field goals and four free throws.

With the split during the week, Ione stands at 6-5 for its league record, good for fourth place among the nine teams.

Scores: RIVERSIDE 13 13 13 12 51
Riverside 13 13 12 2 6-59
Ione 9 15 16 11 2 8-61
RIVERSIDE 59

	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Boothman	4	1	5	9
Skoubo	6	1	0	13
Partlow	3	0	5	6
Anderson	4	0	5	13
Hobbs	4	0	1	4
Lathrop	2	0	1	4
Schmeder	1	0	0	2
Thompson	0	0	0	0
McCoy	2	0	2	4
Totals	26	7	23	59

IONE 61

	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Martin	2	1	2	5
Totals	21	22	17	64

Ekstrom 3 1 3 7
Crabtree 12 14 3 38
B. Klinger 0 1 3 1
Heimbigner 0 7 3 7
K. Klinger 1 1 3 3

Totals 18 25 17 61

IONE WESTON 13 10 9 14-46
WESTON 17 19 11 17-64

Fg Ft Pf Tp
Martin 2 1 5 5
Ekstrom 8 4 3 20
Padberg 0 2 3 2
B. Klinger 4 1 3 9
Heimbigner 3 0 3 6
Lindstrom 2 0 3 4
K. Klinger 0 0 1 0
Morgan 0 0 0 0
Akers 0 0 1 0

Totals 19 8 22 46

WESTON 64
Lieuallen 0 1 3 1
Darrow 4 2 4 10
Hutchinson 9 7 3 25
Sloan 0 1 3 1
Clark 2 0 0 4
Turney 6 4 1 16
Meier 0 7 3 7

Totals 21 22 17 64

Jayvees Gain Way Back to Win Trail

Heppner High's jayvee basketball team found their way back to the victory trail Friday night after an interruption of their two defeats for the season at Burns and John Day. They tripped the Pilot Rock Jayvees, 60 to 50, in the Heppner High gym.

The young Mustangs rang the bell on 27 of 65 shots from the floor while holding the visitors to 36 shots, of which they made 17 good. In the free throw department, though, the young Rockets netted 16 points to only six for Heppner. Carl Bauman of Heppner and Slate of Pilot Rock tied for high honors with 18 each. David George had a good night with 15 for Heppner and Christensen was second high for Pilot Rock's Jayvees with 12.

PILOT ROCK JV 50

Black 7, Winks 7, Slate 18, Mueller 6, Christensen 12, Ervin.

HEPPNER JV 60
McQuarrie, Bauman 18, Thomson, Spencer 9, George 15, Dick, Evans 8, Anderson 2, Pierce, K. Evans 4.

Riverside Jayvee Five Tips Ione

Riverside's jayvee basketball team defeated the Ione Jayvees at Ione Friday night, 34 to 31. Mark Halvorsen was high point man for the home five with 10 points and Steve Lindstrom was second with eight. Jay Ball of Ione made seven, a figure equalled by three on the visiting Riverside club.

Riverside held a slim edge at each of the quarter stops, 7-6, 18-16, and 26-22.

Mancell Townsend, who died in the accident on the highway after the end of the game, played in three quarters of the contest as a reserve.

There was no jayvee contest preliminary to the Weston game Tuesday night there, which had been postponed to that date because of the tragic accident.

Score: RIVERSIDE JV 34

Schmeder 7, Jackson 4, Lathrop 3, McCoy 6, Partlow 7, Smith, Moore, McCoy 7.

IONE 31
J. Halvorsen 6, Emert, Lindstrom 8, Ball 7, M. Halvorsen 10, Townsend.

HEARS STRANGE VOICE, ANSWERS INSTANTLY



"Goo." This was the staggering statement made by the young gentleman above in reply to his grandmother's delighted voice. His parents had phoned Grandma long distance to introduce him to the clan. Grandmother, who had been feeling lonely, stated: "Bless his heart—I can't wait to see him. Thank you, dears, for calling—it's almost like having you all here." Have you shared some happiness with friends and family lately? Why not tonight? (The rates are even lower after 6, you know.) PACIFIC NORTHWEST BELL

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