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### TREASON

The history of liberty often shows that a would-be tyrant likes to accuse his opponents of treason. So, to safeguard our liberty the constitution itself sets out the kind of proof we need to find some one guilty of treason.



For this reason America has had relatively few cases of treason. Not so in early English and Roman law. "Treasonous acts" covered many things, in fact, anything that seemed to threaten the community safety.

In the fourteenth century the English tried to define treason: Since every subject owed allegiance to the King, trivial breaches of a private nature became "petite (small) treason." But a subject disloyal enough as to attack or plot against the king himself was guilty of "high" treason.

The kings liked this: For one to imagine the king's death became treason subject to death. The broadened treason widened further to include crimes against private persons. Later even the king himself was not exempt: In 1649 they indicted, convicted, and beheaded King Charles I for treason.

King Henry VIII made it

high treason to slander Queen Anne or her children. Failure to take an oath not to slander the queen itself became treason.

Under Elizabeth I it became treason for anyone to hold a religion which did not conform to the crown's.

Conviction of treason was easy. In some cases you needed no witnesses. Trials were short and the accused could have no defense counsel.

In conflicts for power, the losing politicians often became "traitors" as they do in many countries to this day. Our early settlers lived in troubled times with the coming revolution creating new factions. For them treason was also a frequent accusation.

But after the revolution the founding fathers and the people had had enough.

They decided to limit "treason" and faced these problems: Should the new executive put down rebellions and define treasons himself? Should the Congress during "troubled times" have power to define treason?

No. The new Constitution took treason out of politics. It said treason "shall consist only of levying war against the United States or in giving aid and comfort to the enemy."

Conviction required testimony of two witnesses to the same overt act.

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## Heppner Mustangs Win Pair From Condon on Hoop Court

After postponement of three games and the Condon Invitational tournament, Heppner ran its season's basketball victory string to four games, gaining two wins over Condon during the week.

The Mustangs managed to get to Condon over storm-damaged roads last Wednesday and defeated the Blue Devils, 67 to 55. In a return game at Heppner Tuesday night, the home five won by about the same margin, 62 to 48.

Forward Carl Bauman led the Mustangs in the two triumphs, totaling 26 points in the two nights, but Coach Bob Clough also received some sparkling performances from others. Gene Heliker played two quarters at Condon and tallied 17 points, while Dave Anderson chucked in 13 points in the game here for high point honors in the second victory.

Getting solid support from the bench, Coach Clough said that he now feels that he can play anyone on his traveling squad without weakening the team materially. Tim Driscoll, who played in four quarters in the two games, contributed 16 points.

In both contests, Heppner took command from the start and held leads throughout. In the game here, however, Condon made a good battle of it in the early stages. Trailing 18 to 9 at the end of the first quarter, the Blue Devils gained a point in the second period and were down only 25-17 at halftime. In the first half, Heppner made only six personal fouls. After intermission, play became more ragged, but the Mustangs pulled away and were in front, 41 to 24, starting the fourth stanza. Condon lost one man via the personal foul route, and had three with four at the final buzzer. Heppner had two in trouble with four, but none went out. In the game at Condon, Heppner had an 18-10 first quarter advantage and held a 15-point

spread at halftime, 37-22. They sagged in the third quarter and dropped to a 33-44 advantage by the end of that period. In the final canto they climbed three points for the final 67-55 score.

Heliker was high point man in the game there with 17 followed by Bauman with 16. Rob Meyers led Condon with 14, followed by LaRue and Ashenfelter, each with 9.

At Heppner, Anderson's 13 was tops followed by Bauman with 10 and Driscoll with 9. Palmer led Condon with 10, followed by Bailey with 9.

Coach Clough's charts show Bauman leads the Mustangs field goal shooting percentage with .485, followed by Mac Hoskins with .455 and Heliker with .438. David Clark has a phenomenal .999 average on free throws, followed by Bruce Spencer's .857 and Stuart Dick's .796.

It can be seen from this that team achievement is pretty well divided.

Scores:

HEPPNER 67				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Anderson	1	0	0	2
Bauman	8	0	3	16
Spencer	1	0	2	2
Snyder	0	1	3	1
Doherty	3	1	3	7
Clark	1	0	0	2
Driscoll	2	3	0	7
Wagenblast	1	0	1	2
Hoskins	3	1	0	7
Heliker	5	7	2	17
Dick	2	0	2	4
Evans	0	0	0	0
Totals	27	13	16	67

CONDON 55				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
D'Avignon	1	0	2	2
Ashenfelter	4	1	2	9
Barnett	2	1	1	5
Stinchfield	1	0	0	2
Meyers	7	0	3	14
LaRue	2	5	3	9
Palmer	3	2	4	8
Totals	23	9	20	55

Logan	1	0	3	2
Johnson	0	0	2	0
Bailey	2	0	0	4
Totals	23	9	20	55

CONDON 62				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Ashenfelter	1	0	4	2
Stinchfield	0	0	2	0
Meyers	1	5	5	7
LaRue	1	0	1	2
Johnson	2	0	1	4
Barnett	1	1	4	3
D'Avignon	2	0	4	4
Logan	0	1	0	1
Bailey	3	3	4	9
Burres	1	1	2	3
Magee	0	3	2	4
Falmer	4	2	1	10
Totals	16	16	30	48

HEPPNER 62				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Anderson	4	5	1	13
Bauman	4	2	2	10
Hoskins	2	0	2	4
Snyder	0	4	2	4
Doherty	1	0	0	2
Clark	2	2	4	6
Wagenblast	0	2	0	2
Driscoll	2	5	2	9
Spencer	0	0	4	0
Heliker	2	2	0	6
Dick	2	2	0	6
Gray	0	0	2	0
Totals	19	24	19	62

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## First Aid Class To Start Tuesday

A Red Cross first aid class, will be the junior high library both standard and advanced, will start Tuesday night, January 12 at 7:30 p.m.

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