

Cardinals Lose Close Games, Finish in Fifth

Ione's Cardinals came out in fifth place in the 7-B basketball tournament which ended in Pendleton Saturday night, winning the first round game and losing the final two. However, their two losses were by a total of only nine points.

One of the defeats was by Umatilla, eventual champions, by only five points, 66 to 61, Friday night. In the opener Thursday, the Cards smacked Helix, 76 to 57, and in the battle for third place Saturday night, Coach Gene Dockett's boys took a thriller on the chin, 56 to 53, at the hands of McEwen of Athena.

Ione claimed some of the honors when Mark Halvorsen was chosen for a position on the all-star first team, and Stan Holstein tied for second in tournament scoring honors, hitting a total of 55, which deadlocked him with Partlow for second place. Holstein also was named to the second all-star team and Halvorsen tied for seventh in tournament scoring with 48 points.

Scoring champion was Tom Lewis of Umatilla with Riverside's Jim Partlow tied with Holstein for second.

Joining Halvorsen on the first all-star team were Partlow, Don Whitney of McEwen, Lewis, Ron Barber of Umatilla, Doug Harper of Helix and Tyler Hansell of McEwen.

With Holstein on the second squad were Gilbert Thonstad, Umatilla; Scott Billing, Echo; Dennis Gronquist, Riverside; and Mike Smith, Riverside.

Riverside came out second in the tournament by defeating Stanfield, 56 to 42 on the opening day; downing McEwen, 60-50, on Friday; and losing to Umatilla, 61 to 52, in the hard-fought championship game.

Ione took a 34 to 21 halftime lead over Helix in the Thursday game and hit at a 456 clip throughout the contest. The Cards peppered 42 points in the second half to win going away. Stan Holstein led Ione with 18 points, but four of the five starters were in double figures.

In the contest with Umatilla on Friday, the Cardinals went down to the wire with them, trailing by only one point with one minute to go, 57-58. The Vikings got three free throws in a row to cop a 61-57 edge that the Cards couldn't overcome. Mark Halvorsen was game high with 21, and again four starting Ione lads were in double figures. Halftime favored Umatilla by only 33-31.

McEwen held a two-point halftime edge, 28-26, over Ione in the battle for third after the Cards had come back from a 17-11 first quarter deficit. The two teams went neck and neck in the second half with each making 14 points in the third quarter and McEwen adding another point to its margin in the fourth, outscoring the Cards 14 to 13. Stan Holstein had 23 for Ione in this one and Tyler Hansell of McEwen was second for the game with 19. Mark Halvorsen had 14 for the Cardinals.

Umatilla, tourney champions, will join Weston, Morrow-Umatilla B league champs, for the district tournament in John Day Friday and Saturday to determine the state tournament entrant. Prairie City and Monument will oppose them from the southern subdistrict. As league champion, Weston won an automatic district tournament berth and did not play in the subdistrict.

Mustangs Defeat Savages, Earn Tournament Berth

By KIT ANDERSON

Heppner High's Mustangs cleared the last hurdle in their path to the District 7-A2 Tournament in La Grande as they defeated the Enterprise High Savages, 58-50, in the McLoughlin High gym at Milton-Freewater last Saturday night.

The Mustangs, showing a fine floor game, led throughout most of the contest. They suffered a third quarter lapse but finished strong.

Some 300 Heppner supporters looked on as Gene Heliker took the opening tip from Mac Hoskins and drew first blood with a layin. Stu Dick put in another layin and Hoskins added two gift shots to give the Heppners a 6-0 lead with the game only two minutes old. Carl Bau-

man put the Mustangs out front at 4:25 of the opening period but the command was short-lived as Mike Strohm scored for the Savages on a layin to tie it up, 8-all. The Heppner team came right back, and they had the lead, 17-12, at the end of the first quarter.

The Mustangs continued to hold a big lead in the second quarter until Larry Aschenbrenner put in a layin to narrow it to one, 26-25, with 3:04 left in the half. Heppner High responded rapidly and was never threatened again in the half as they were on top of a 35-29 score at the intermission.

In the third quarter, Enterprise did to Heppner what the Mustangs did to Burns in Baker. The Savages came out in the

second half like a wild dog and scored eight quick points to demoralize the Heppner lead. With just three minutes gone, Bill Ensminger drove through the Mustang troops for a bucket to give Enterprise a 37-35 edge. But Wayne Evans stole the ball as the Savages were bringing it down court and tallied a quick two to put the Mustangs back in front, 38-37. The Enterprise five went ahead again, 41-38, but some fine shooting put Heppner back in front as the period ended, 42-41.

Nothing could stop the Mustangs as they came out in the final stanza determined to win. The Heppner quintet made it a five-point margin when Heliker put in a side jumper with 7:11 left to play, 46-41. Ensminger and Strohm accounted for five straight for the Savages to tie it up at 2:22 of the last period, 46-all. The two foes traded baskets until 1:25 to play when the Mustangs held a 52-50 edge. Heppner scored six straight to end the game and gain the trip to La Grande.

Heliker had 17 for the Mustangs but Ensminger took game honors with 18. Bauman added 12 and Hoskins chipped in 10 for Heppner.

The Mustangs had fine support as they worked their way to the district tournament by the hard route. Probably 300 fans, including adults and students, made the trip to Milton-Freewater to back them.

In winning, the boys of Coach Bob Clough had to neutralize a sparkling exhibition of outside shooting by the Savages whose long swishers often brought groans of dismay from Heppner partisans.

Mann to Study Cigarette Tax

Rep. Ed Branchfield, House of Representatives Tax Committee chairman, has appointed a subcommittee headed by Rep. Irvin Mann of Stanfield to study the two cigarette tax bills before the committee and to report back to the full committee with recommendations.

Rep. Branchfield followed the same procedure earlier on all bills calling for tax exemptions. He appointed Mann and Rep. James Redden on a subcommittee of which Rep. Sam Johnson of Redmond was chairman, and turned over to them 12 bills concerned with exemptions of various types.

Mann said his subcommittee will act on the cigarette tax proposals after soliciting information from all organizations and groups interested in this particular type of taxation, which he characterized as a "selective sales tax."

Tom Glass Makes W. U. Honor Roll

Thomas E. Glass, a 1961 graduate of Heppner High school, recently was named to the Willamette University honor roll for finishing the fall semester with a GPA of 3.666.

A senior history major, Glass served as homecoming manager, president of Willamette Young Democrats and vice-president of Oregon Young Democrats. He is also a member of Arnold Air Society, an honorary for outstanding AFROTC cadets.

He is the son of Mrs. Velma Glass, Oakhurst Pk., Brownsburg, Ind., and formerly of Heppner.

Creswicks Purchase Portland Mortuary

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Creswick, formerly of Heppner, have purchased the Cascade Funeral Chapel at 9106 S. E. Foster Road, Portland, they said Monday.

The Creswicks were in Heppner to participate in the 70th anniversary of the Eastern Star here Monday.

After selling the mortuary in Heppner last year to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sweeney, the Creswicks lived for a short time in Portland before they went to Woodburn where he was associated with a mortuary before buying the Portland funeral chapel. The Creswicks expect to move to Portland from Woodburn on the coming week-end. Their residence is in connection with the mortuary.

Justice Court

Feb. 3—Edna Marie Ball, no vehicle license. Fined \$5.
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Tryouts, Races Start Wrangler Club Activities

Spring activities for the Heppner Wranglers started Sunday, February 28, at the club grounds with tryouts for princess to represent the club on this year's rodeo court, and followed by a fun-filled jackpot show.

Erna Lynn Winchester, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Winchester, was chosen princess by the judge, Buford Kinnison of Pendleton, based on qualifications set by the club. In close competition with her were Patti Collins and Barbara Gribble.

Following the tryouts many participated in a jackpot show. Winners in these events were the following: polebending, seniors, Erna Lynn Winchester, first, and Sandra Eubanks, second; juniors, Alberta Kinnison, first, and Becky Fulleton, second. Barrel racing, seniors, Ruby Fulleton, first, Erna Winchester, second and Bev Steagall, third; juniors, Becky Fulleton, first, Sheri O'Brien, second, and Jerry Lynn Schubert, third.

There were three go-arounds of team roping. Winners in the first go-around were Bob Steagall and Jerry Dougherty, who also had fast time for the day with 17.3. Second place winners were Roice Fulleton and Buford Kinnison.

Winning the second go-around were Roice Fulleton and Ray Goodworth, with Roice and Jerry Dougherty teamed to win the third go-around with a time of 24.2, with Buford Kinnison and Jerry Schubert placing second.

Father-Son to Open Saddlery Business

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Gray returned last week from Scottsdale, Ariz., where they had spent the winter months. With their son, John, they are reopening their business here, known as Gray's Saddlery, next door to Fulleton's Garage on May Street.

The family has been in saddle-making business and leather repair work for several years. John Gray has built several of the championship saddles used by riders in the Arizona Rodeo Association. He has worked in Saddlery shops in Michigan, in Texas and most recently gained

prominence as one of the top saddle makers for Rancher's Feed and Saddlery in Scottsdale. Mr. Gray was associated with Hamley's in Pendleton before coming here last year.

The Grays expect to branch out their service from here, taking orders from over the northwestern area, building custom hand tooled saddles, halters, belts, purses, billfolds, all kinds of leather repair work and canvas repair work. They invite work from ranchers, riding clubs, rodeo association members, and any others who have need of their services.



Thoughts for THINKERS

What is the Bible but another book with an exceptionally long history—like the Koran or the Vedas of Hinduism? Can such an ancient document be pertinent today? What about such portions of it as The Revelation of Saint John the Divine? Does this fantastic imagery have meaning that should make sense to us? Does it hold a warning for the 20th Century?

It's worth looking into. Actually the entire Bible is a "fantastic" book, for within its pages are facts that touch on almost every facet of living. Proof of its authenticity can be found within its own covers as history and the present bear out prophecies given long before the days of Christ.

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Evans	1	0	1	2
Doherty	0	1	1	1
Driscoll	0	0	0	0
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TOTALS	23	12	6	58

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