

## Heppner in Fourth State Tournament; Lone 2nd in 1961

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This was the first time that lone had ever gone to a state basketball tournament.

**Knappa Big Rival**  
In the same tournament, Heppner had the misfortune of drawing Harrisburg, the eventual champions, in the first game and lost by ten, 67-57. Their one-point loss to Knappa, 51-50, in the second game put them out with a seventh-place finish.

Coach Trukositz was still at the helm of the Mustangs, and he had pretty much the same squad as in the previous year with Ruhl, Jensen, Hagewood, Hayes, Grabill, Kononen and Hughes back on the squad, but he had lost two of the previous year's stars—Sumner and Taylor—by graduation, as well as Grant and Case. Joining the varsity in 1954 were Jim Green, John Piper, and Jerry Dougherty. Connor and Soward remained as managers. Kononen was high scorer for the regular season with 231, followed by Grabill with 133, Bill Hughes with 131, Skip Ruhl with 129, Hagewood with 116 and Jim Hayes, 109, thereby showing a pretty well-balanced outfit.

**Knappa Jinx Again**  
Again in 1955 Heppner rolled through the district, clipping Maupin, 51-26; Culver, 49-42; and St. Mary's, 53-36. As in the 1954 tournament, however, they bumped into the eventual champions in the first game, their old rival Knappa, and lost, 41-38. Thus, they met Knappa in each of the three tournaments and in the three meetings, the three-point spread in the '55 classic was the widest spread between them.

Once having tasted defeat, the Mustangs, now coached by Larry Downen, rambled through Prairie City, 57-34, and Enterprise, 46-37, to pick off fifth place.

Several of the Mustangs played in all three of the state B tournaments in the consecutive years—Ruhl, Hayes, Grabill, Kononen, Jensen and Hagewood. John Piper played in two tournaments, 1954 and 1955; and Delbert Piper, Neil Beamer and Lowell Turner went to the tournament on the varsity only in 1955. Connor was manager all three years.

After 1955, there has been a long drought for Heppner on the state level, ended this year with the "Cinderella" team, coached by Bob Clough.

**'61 Great For Ione**  
But a big year was yet ahead for Ione in 1961 when Coach

## Chapel Service Held for Olson

Services were held Tuesday, March 16, for a former Heppner resident, William (Bill) Thomas Olson, 41, at Sweeney Mortuary Chapel. The Rev. Earl Soward officiated, with interment in Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Mr. Olson had made his home in Heppner for 16 years prior to his moving to Klamath Falls with his family two years ago. He died Friday at a Klamath Falls hospital following a heart attack. He had been employed as a carpenter.

Born March 6, 1924, at Des Moines, Iowa, he had just passed his 41st birthday. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Coast Guard.  
Survivors include his widow, Opal Lee, four daughters, Sherrie Lee, Marion Diane, Sue Ann and Debbie Linn; two sons, William T. Jr., and Michael Dale, all of Klamath Falls; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Olson; two brothers, Richard Dale and Edgar Clyde; two sisters, Millie Winters and Alice Anderson, all of Heppner, and several nieces and nephews.

Chuck Hudson came up with a great team of Cardinals.

This squad defeated Weston in the district finals, 52-50, after knocking off Prairie City, 56-42, and Umatilla, 49-41. At the state tournament, played in Bend, the Cardinals showed their stuff and marched right to the finals by dumping Huntington, 72-56, and Powers, 67-54. They came close to walking off with the state championship but lost to Lowell in the title game, 52-49.

On this squad, which has a permanent place in Ione's athletic annals, were Ron Crabtree, Ed Marick, John Swanson, Tom Martin, Francis Rea, Roland Ekstrom, Ralph Martin, Jerry Davidson, Jack Crum, Kenneth Neilson, Jim Martin and Bill Akers with Bruce Rigby as coach. Swanson and Rea were unanimous all-state first team choice. Swanson was tournament high scorer with 77 and Rea tied for fourth with 51.

The trip by the Mustangs to Coos Bay this year will be the longest journey to a state tournament for a Morrow county squad. In the days of yore the B tournament was held at the Willamette University gym, Salem, but the 1961 tournament was in Bend. The A-2 tournament also was held in Salem in the late '50's—in the South Salem High gym—but moved to Coos Bay in 1959.

Money receipt books in duplicate and triplicate are on sale at the Gazette-Times.

## Spring Carnival To Climax End Of Ski Season

The traditional skiers' Spring Carnival, to be held at the Arbuckle Mountain area Sunday, March 28, will mark the end of the skiing season.

Skiers are expected to wear costumes and enter into the fun-filled atmosphere of the event.

Highlighting the races to be held at 2 p.m., will be the girls' slalom, the Arbuckle "downhill" for boys, and the "no alibi" slalom race for men over 30 years of age. The rapid development of skiers' ability will insure plenty of action for the enjoyment of spectators, and a full slate of entries is expected.

Numerous fun races for young skiers will complete the activities of the day.

Ron Reid and Bob Henry will co-chairman the carnival. They invite everyone to come to the mountain and help make the day a success.

Arbuckle ski area will operate Sundays only, beginning this Sunday, March 21, through the remainder of the season. There will be no bus transportation on Saturdays. New snow in the area this week will make for excellent cross-country skiing, and good conditions are expected to hold for several more weeks.

Anyone with questions on the carnival, transportation, or general ski program may get in touch with Ken Peck, Lexington, or Bob Henry, Heppner.

## Services Held For Pioneer Son

A lifetime resident of the Lexington community, Walter John Evans, died Sunday, March 14, on his ranch home, at the age of 74 years.

He was born to his pioneer parents, Marion and Maleta Browning Evans, on September 13, 1890, in Lexington. His wife, Stella, preceded him in death in 1938. He was a member of the First Christian church.

Memorial services were held Wednesday, March 17, at 2 p.m. at the First Christian church in Heppner, with the Rev. Kenneth Robinson officiating. Interment was in the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

Surviving him are one brother, Earl Evans of Heppner; a nephew, Don Evans, Heppner, and a cousin, John Evans of Everett, Wn.

## M&R Curtails Store In Temporary Plan

While reorganizing under temporary arrangements, the M&R Floor Covering and Heating Co. has announced that its store will be open only between the hours of 4 p.m. and 6 p.m., but a telephone answering service will take a message anytime during the day. Anyone needing services is asked to call 676-9418 and leave their message, or name or phone number, and the owners, Matt Hughes and Ray Ayers, will get in touch with them.

They will continue to handle a full line of heating supplies, floor coverings, linoleum, tile, formica, paint supplies, appliance repair and refrigeration, as well as some lines of furniture.

The store will be open all day this Friday and Saturday for the Spring Opening in Heppner stores.

## Skirt Making Studied

The Busy Beavers 4-H club met at Kathy Crum's home on March 1. We tore the materials for our skirts. Mrs. Ruth McCabe visited us and gave a demonstration on how to make a skirt. She also showed us how to look on a bolt of fabric to see what kind of material we are getting. Mrs. Crum served refreshments.

Our next meeting will be at Kathy Crum's home on April 5.  
Karen Crowell, reporter

## BOWLING

Pin Spinners		
Team	W	L
Peterson's Jewelry	29	15
Central Market	27	17
Bank of EO	25	19
Del's Market	21	23
Edma's Apparel	21	23
Heppner Elks	20	24
Jack's Chevron	18	26
PMH Angels	15	29

High Ind. Game—Marlys Phegley, 182; High Ind. Series—Gladys Ramberg, 494; High Team Game—Del's Market, 903; High Team Series—Bank of Eastern Oregon, 2564.

Thurs. Night Ladies		
Team	W	L
C. Ed Cole	28	8
First Natl. Bank	25	11
MLadies	19	17
L. E. Dick	19	17
C. A. Ruggles	16	20
Humphreys Drug	16	20
Wishing Well	14	22
Phil's Pharmacy	7	29

High Ind. Game—Mary Van Blokland, 204 High Ind. Series—Jo Ann Dyck, 494; High Team Game—C. Ed Cole, 972; High Team Series—C. Ed Cole, 2673.

## Bauman Selected All-Star; Dick Gets State Honor

Capt. Carl Bauman was chosen to the subdistrict all-star A-2 basketball first team (composed of players in the western division of the Greater Oregon league) at a league meeting in La Grande Saturday, Athletic Director Pete Glennie of Heppner High announces.

Two of Bauman's teammates, Wayne Evans and Gene Heliker, were selected to the second team. Capt. Bauman is a senior, and Evans and Heliker are juniors.

Meanwhile, Stuart Dick, Mustang senior, was given honorable mention by the Oregon Journal in its A-2 all-star state selections.

He was the only Heppner player to get any recognition in the paper's choices.

The four others on the sub-district first team, all of whom were unanimous choices, are: Richard Mikel, Pilot Rock; Larry Kessel, Burns; Brad Ward and Mike Conklin, both of Grant Union. Bauman received all but one vote.

Seven were named to the second team. Besides Heliker and Evans were Dale Slate and Terry Anderson, Pilot Rock; Cork Palmer and Doug Berg, Burns; and Jerry Harmon, Wahtonka.

Receiving honorable mention were Mac Hoskins, Heppner; Dave Helseth and Bob Runie, Wahtonka; Ray Eakin, David Eakin and Steve Gentry, Sherman; and Curt Mundy, Burns.

Commercial League		
Team	W	L
Willow Creek Club	36	8
Bank of EO	31	13
First National Bank	24	20
Heppner Studs	22	22
St. Patrick's	20	24
Gardner's Men's Wear	17	27
A. L. Daggett, Dist.	16	28
IOOF	10	34

High Ind. Game—Bill Siewert, 213; High Ind. Series—Jim Myers, 582; High Team Game—Willow Creek Club, 1040; High Team Series—Willow Creek Club, 2919.

Fiesta Women's Major		
Team	W	L
Turner, Van Marter and Bryant	29½	14½
Padberg Machinery	29	15
Laird's Variety	26½	17½
Lott's Electric	26	18
M. C. Grain Growers	25½	18½
Kinzua Corp.	20	24
Lexington Co-op	12	32
Bristow's Market	7½	36½

High Ind. Game—Earlene Miller, 198; High Ind. Series—Earlene Miller, 533; High Team Game—M. C. Grain Growers, 952; High Team Series—M. C. Grain Growers, 2643.

## Gribble Presents Talk on Chemicals To Farmer's Group

An interesting program was presented to the Morrow County Farmer's Union, Local 297, last Tuesday evening, March 9, at the Heppner City Hall.

After a short business meeting, Clarence Rosewall, program director, introduced Lowell Gribble and his son, Doug, as special guests. Mr. Gribble spoke to the group on "the use of 2, 4-D sprays and fertilizers and the place of their work in the community."

He spoke on how the farmers have increased their yield in the past 12 years since he has been here and used the chemicals, but because of the lack of capital for some, many have not been able to use them to the best advantage. He also discussed the different price ranges of chemicals and the more up-to-date ways of using them. He emphasized that with the better methods of producing more food, there should be better ways of distributing it so that no person in our country should be hungry. The movie, "Food and Famine" is available through the Inland Chemical company, and anyone interested in using it is asked to contact them.

## Rev. Blunt Dies In Victoria, B. C.

The Rev. Neville Blunt, formerly vicar of All Saints' Episcopal church here, died March 11 in Victoria, B. C. and funeral services were held there Saturday, according to information from Josephine Mahoney Baker, Portland.

He is survived by his wife, Frances, of Victoria.  
The Rev. Mr. Blunt was born in England. He came from Nelson, B. C. at the invitation of Rt. Rev. William P. Remington, Pendleton, Bishop of the Eastern Oregon diocese, as vicar of All Saints' Episcopal church.

He remained in Heppner for several years where he did much spiritual work. He held weekly classes in Bible study which were attended by persons of all faiths.

He was in Heppner in the 1940's.  
With the assistance of the Rev. Bennie Howe, pastor of the Heppner Methodist church, he completely remade the interior of All Saints' church.

Leaving Heppner, he and his wife moved to Portland where he was assistant priest at Trinity Episcopal church for several years. Upon his retirement there they moved to Victoria, B. C. where they have made their home for several years.

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