

Freshmen Crush Condon, 51-19

Heppner High freshmen got back on the winning track January 26 by romping to an easy 51-19 basketball victory over the Condon frosh.

Led by the 13-point first-half effort of Calvin Ashbeck, the rooks took an early lead and were never headed. Heppner commanded at the first rest, 13-4, and the second quarter was just as lopsided, as the Mustang frosh went into the dressing room with a 24-7 half-time lead.

Ashbeck was the only man on either squad to break into double figures, as he popped in 17 and did his usual fine board job. The other two of the Ashbeck triplets also figured in the scoring, as Alvin totaled 8 and Melvin 6.

CONDON FROSH (19)—Anderson 5, Johnson 4, Gilliam 6, T. Burns, J. Burns, Tombleson, Upsaid, Weimar, Mercer, Huston, Barnett 2, Payne 2.

HEPPNER FROSH (51)—O'Donnell 4, Healy, Kindle 4, A. Ashbeck 8, Kemp 6, M. Ashbeck 6, C. Ashbeck 17, Evans, Pettyjohn 6, Smith, Dickson, Bloodsworth.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients who were admitted to Pioneer Memorial hospital during the past week, and are still receiving medical care, are the following: Nellie Mahon, Heppner; Kenneth Howard, Heppner; Betty Ledford, Baker; Leta Ledbetter, Heppner and Edith Nicholson, Ione.

McMurdo Attends Heart Symposium

Dr. A. D. McMurdo was among the physicians who attended the Oregon Academy of General Practice Symposium on myocardial infarction (heart attacks) held Friday, January 28, at the Sheraton Motor Inn in Portland.

Dr. and Mrs. McMurdo traveled to Portland by train from the Hinkle station. They attended the noon banquet together.

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Home Extension Unit Organized For Kinzua Area

By VIRGINIA KESLO

KINZUA—A home extension unit was organized here last Thursday with Bunny Dyer, home extension agent, in charge. Chairman for the unit is Mrs. Donald Cor. Secretary is Mrs. Doyal Hubbell.

The project study for February is "Short Cuts to Hot Meals" with Wanita Hubbell and Joy Brock in charge.

The next meeting will be February 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the church annex.

New Club Officers Chosen

New officers for the coming year of the Kinzua Womens club were elected last Thursday at the kitchen. New president is Vonnice Browning; vice president is Lucille Reavis; secretary is Edith Lynch, and treasurer is Virginia Keslo.

Mrs. Kathryn Flack was appointed bazaar chairman, and Mrs. Margie Ball is in charge of Polly Anna's.

Margie Ball is in charge of quilt tickets and cards are in the charge of Emalee Long. Gifts are in charge of Virginia Keslo. Hostess for the afternoon was Loiselle Dahill.

Business visitors to Condon Monday were Elva Davis and Paulette Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rhodes received word of the birth of a grandson, John Charles, born January 25 to Mr. and Mrs. Louis S. Rhodes of Coulee Dam, Wash., where Mr. Rhodes is history instructor and athletic coach in Junior High school.

The new baby joins a brother Louis Bradley who is two years old.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Hyatt and daughter Theresa spent the week-end in Portland visiting relatives.

In the Dalles Saturday on business were Paul Oylar and Howard Rice.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Frank DeMerrit on Sunday were Mrs. Mary Madison of Woodawn, Wn. She is Mr. DeMerrit's sister. Also visiting there were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ordway of Spray.

The Friendship club was entertained last Wednesday evening at the Camp 5 community hall with Judy Norris as hostess. High was won by Sue Mattison, low by Mavis Oylar and floating by Pat McMinn and Jean Medlock.

Others playing were Rita Conlee, Doris Stubbiefield, Dinah Jackson, Naomi Rice, Rosie Graham, Betty Murdock and Carol Norris.

Mrs. Frank Ferrel went to Portland Wednesday for business and shopping and to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Burton Nelson.

Mrs. Earl Norris and Mrs. Kenneth Norris went to Biggs Junction Friday to meet Mrs. Richard Mortimore who was coming home for the week-end. Mr. Mortimore took her back to Biggs Sunday.

The Camp 5 community card party was held Saturday night with five tables in play. High was won by Rusty Medlock and Carol Norris, low by Don McConnell and Jean Medlock, floating by O. L. Adams and Betty Murdock. The door prize was won by Rusty Medlock. Coffee and sandwiches were served by the hostesses, Jean Medlock and Carol Norris.

Cub Awards Earned By Local Troop 661 Given at Pack Meet

Cub Scout awards were presented to several young scouts at the January Cub Scout Pack meeting of Troop No. 661 last Thursday evening at the grade school cafeteria.

Regional Director Don Wike of Pendleton called the meeting to order, using the Cub Scout candle lighting ceremony.

Troop 1, under the direction of den mother, Mrs. Alice McCabe, entertained with a skit entitled "The Sinking of the Bismarck." Mrs. David McLeod's Troop 4 followed with a skit, which was a train representing the grades or classes of the Cubs.

Marion Green awarded Bobcat pins to the following boys: Jerry Gentry, Raymond Curritt, Bobby Todd, Tracy Wilson, Howard Green, Douglas Kreiger, Clay Benson and Billy Adams.

Wolf pins were awarded to David McLeod, Douglas Kreiger, Clay Benson, Billy Adams, Dirk Dunlay and Bobby Todd.

Keith Todd was issued his Bear pin and a silver arrow badge.

Boy Scout leader Moose Stephens introduced Rob Abrams, Scout second class, who invited any Cub who became 11 years old during February to attend the Scout meetings at the American Legion hall and to join.

Additional den mothers are also needed to take care of the increasing number of cubs. Anyone interested is asked to contact Mrs. McLeod.

Refreshments were enjoyed at the close of the meeting, served by Mrs. Robert Todd, Mrs. McCabe and Mrs. McLeod.

Justice Court

Jan. 3 — Dee Jones, Cecil, drunk on a public highway, fined \$50; Charles E. Cline, insufficient binders, fined \$15; Alex Ulrich, driving under the influence of liquor, fined \$300.

Jan. 7—William Henry Padberg, failure to yield right of way, fined \$15; Mark Victor Weatherford, no operator's license, fined \$5; Archie Thelman Estab, lino, obstructed rear vision, fined \$10.

Jan. 10—George Van Schoiack, Condon, expired operator's license, fined \$5.

Jan. 11—Gary Lee McQuinn, Spray, insufficient binders, fined \$15.

Jan. 13—Robert Patrick Conway, expired operator's license, fined \$5.

Jan. 18—William James Doherty, Lexington, parking on highway, fined \$15.

Jan. 19—Freddie Richard Pappineau, Lexington, overweight log load, fined \$15.

Jan. 25—Virgil Edwin Hathaway, Bend, no operator's license, fined \$5; Leonard William Schultz, overweight log load, fined \$15; Donald Wilson McCarty, no operator's license, fined \$5.

Jan. 27—Lynn Royce Jones, Pilot Rock, overweight log load, fined \$15.

Jan. 28—Victor Carroll Fusselman, Spray, overweight load, fined \$15.

Feb. 1 — Leonard Willa a m Schultz, 7200 lb. group axle overload, fined \$150.

Municipal Court

Jan. 16—Eugene Najar, disobeyed stop sign, fined \$10.

Jan. 23—Monte Lee Crum, Ione, disobeyed stop sign, fined \$10.

Dennis Children Helped to Safety By Portland Girl

By DELPHA JONES

LEXINGTON — According to an article in the Sunday Portland Oregonian, Mrs. Ed Dennis, a former Lexingtonite, credits her baby sitter, Diane Gerrard, for saving the lives of their two children on Friday night.

Diane told the police she heard a muffled explosion which she thought might be a noise caused by the two boys, Clifford, 4, and Clyde, 18 months, playing. She went to Clifford's bedroom and found the door jammed shut.

Forcing the door open, Diane saw flames coming from the closet and the room filled with smoke. Clifford, however, was asleep in his mother's room.

She awakened Clifford, leading him outside and carrying Clyde. The neighbors were then asked to call the fire department.

Extensive damage was done to the bedroom by fire and smoke, and water damage to the rest of the home. Mrs. Dennis is the former Frieda Breeding, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Breeding of Lexington.

Newt O'Harra is a patient in Pendleton Community hospital. He had recently been released from the hospital, was taken ill again unexpectedly and rushed to the hospital in Pendleton. It is hoped that he will be able to return home again very soon.

Mrs. Florence McMillan spent several days this week in Arlington at the home of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Irvin.

Women's Fellowship of the Christian Church met at the home of Mrs. Harley Sager last Tuesday afternoon. Plans were made for a Father-Son banquet with the date being set for March 12 at the church. It is planned that a committee will visit the nursing home in Heppner at least once a month, and perhaps more often, starting in February. The next meeting is scheduled for the home of Mrs. Carl Marquardt when table decorations which is hoped can be served in the St. Patrick's Day motif. Refreshments were served.

The Amacita Club met at the home of Mrs. Al Fetsch for its regular meeting last week. Those winning prizes were Mrs. Bob Davidson, high; Mrs. Ed Baker, second high; Mrs. Eldon Padberg, traveling, and Mrs. Gene Cole, low. Others playing were Mrs. Roy Martin, Mrs. C. Carmichael, Mrs. George Hermann, Mrs. Wm. J. VanWinkle and the hostess, Mrs. Fetsch.

Lexington Grange HEC Has Busy Schedule

The HEC of Lexington Grange 726 met at the home of Mrs. Martha Vanschoiack in Heppner last Thursday afternoon. Plans were made for the Lexington Oil Co-op dinner which is to be February 8 at the Lexington Grange hall. Committees were appointed with Mrs. Norman Nelson chairman of the planning and cooking committee; Mrs. Charles C. Jones, chairman of the serving committee; Mrs. Nora Turner, chairman of the cleanup committee. Also it was announced that the Soil Conservation meeting would be February 1 at the Grange Hall and a committee of Mrs. Wilbur Steagall, Mrs. Ola Ruggles and Mrs. Nora Turner were appointed to serve at this meeting.

The next HEC meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Norman Nelson. It will be a kitchen shower for the dining room and kitchen of the Grange hall. Needed articles include large kettles, pitchers, spatulas, bake pans and various other articles. Refreshments were served to Mrs. Ola Ruggles and Mrs. Nora Turner of Heppner, Mrs. Florence McMillan, Mrs. Wilbur Steagall, Mrs. Charles C. Jones of Lexington and Mrs. Norman Nelson and Mrs. Ella Burgoyne and Carl Smouse of Ione.

Kenneth Jones of Portland and Jim Foster of Scappoose visited with Kenneth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jones over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Palmer and son Mike and Mr. and Mrs. Clell Rea of Ione were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Rea of Condon on Sunday.

Mrs. Cleo VanWinkle was a guest of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack VanWinkle on Sunday.

Mrs. Ernest Christopherson and Mrs. C. C. Jones motored to Hinkle on Tuesday taking Connie Christopherson to a train there, where she left for continued schooling at the university in Provo, Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Yocom were called to Wasco on Saturday by the death of Mr. Yocom's mother. Funeral services were held Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. George Steagall is at home after a stay in Pioneer Memorial hospital.

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Party Honors Area Residents

By MARTHA MATTESON

MONUMENT—Several people in the area were honored at the January birthday party held Friday evening, January 28, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moran.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Rho Bleakman of John Day; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tippet, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gertson, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Vinson, Mrs. Kay Harris, Mrs. Helen Holmes and Mrs. George Nickle, all of Kimberly. Those attending from Monument were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Holmes, Mrs. Darlene Boyer, Mrs. Edna Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Musgrave, Mr. and Mrs. Mead Gilman, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweek, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cavender, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moran, Mrs. Martha Matteson, Leslie Avery, Jerry Boyer and Tony Moran. A social evening of cards and refreshments was enjoyed by all those attending.

Bill Chance returned home from Odell, Ore., last Wednesday, where he had visited his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Steele for a week.

Clearance Holmes and son Steve left last Thursday for Boise, Idaho, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Rho Bleakman of John Day were here Friday to attend the birthday party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moran. They also visited with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Musgrave, on the old home ranch before returning to their home Saturday.

Carl Cox and son Bobby are building a machine shop on their ranch.

Stanley Boyer drove to Arlington Friday evening for a load of freight.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Glenger had a car accident Friday in the basin. Mrs. Glenger was taken to John Day for treatments.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie McKinnon and two daughters of Heppner spent the week-end with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ariot Fleming had as guests over the week-end their daughter, Jerry, and her husband, also their son, Tommy and his bride of La Grande.

Mrs. Billie Jean Hunt and Jessie Scott were hostesses for a baby shower Friday evening at the Scott home in honor of Mrs. Janice Herrig.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thrope of Dayville visited Sunday at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown took their son, Mark, and Mark Murray to Eugene Friday for Duck Preview (high school visitation) on the University of Oregon campus. They returned Saturday night. On the trip they stopped at Corvallis to visit the Browns' son, Chris, a student at Oregon State University. Others who went to Eugene for the Preview included Margaret Green, Brenda Young and Joan Stockard.

Rockhound Corner

By RUBY MILLER

At the business meeting of the Morrow County Gem and Mineral Society on January 22, President Ed Gonty appointed Bill Gentry as field trip chairman and Rachel Harnett to head programming. Members appointed to plan a fair booth were Cliff Wagner and Avery Taylor. Those appointed to plan for the sidewalk bazaar were Johanne Taylor and Alice McCabe.

President Gonty read a letter from State Geologist Hollis M. Dole thanking the club for its donation of an opal-filled thunder egg from Opal Butte to the display case in the state capitol. He commended Walt Edger on his workmanship in cutting and polishing the "egg." So far, only two opal-filled thunder eggs have been donated.

With the passing of Senate Joint Resolution 18 on March 29, 1965, the "thunderegg" became the official state rock.

Harold M. Dunn of the Springfield Rock and Gem club in Lane county is credited with bringing the desire for a state rock before the senate and the public. A vote was taken by the rock clubs in Oregon and the thunder egg won.

"Thunderegg," as one word, was adopted by the Oregon legislature for the name of the state rock and, therefore, is the correct spelling when referring to the state rock; however, in describing the geology and mineralogy of thunder eggs, the two-word spelling has priority.

Mrs. Harnett gave a report on thunder eggs, which are rock structures formed in welded tuffs and rhyolites, of spherical or ellipsoidal shape, containing cores of chalcedony or quartz or opal.

The origin of the name "thunder egg" has been credited to the Warm Springs Indians.

George Miller gave a short talk on the difficulties of polishing garnets, birthstones for January.

The door prize, won by Pat Gentry, was an emblem of the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies.

Ruby Miller displayed some rocks found near Malheur Lake in Harney county. They were identified as possibly being oolite. Each member was invited to take one for his own collection.

Refreshments were served by the Bill Gentrys.

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Earl Morgan Tells More of Rainmaker

Earl Morgan of Ione recalls the man who came to Morrow county many years ago in an attempt to make rain, he said in a phone call to the Gazette-Times.

The man's name was Hatfield, Morgan said, and he came in 1907 to interest farmers in obtaining more precipitation. From here he went on to Sherman county and they agreed to give him \$5000 if he could get six inches of rain by a certain date in June.

Morgan, then 16, and his brother were building a fence and working in harvest in Sherman county that year. When they went to work on the day it was to rain, the brother asked if Earl had a coat with him. Morgan replied that since there was no indication of rain he was taking no coat.

About an hour after they started working heavy rainfall came.

The year brought a good crop and a big harvest. "It didn't rain six inches," Morgan said, but he added that as he remembers it the Sherman county ranchers paid him the \$5000, although eastern Gilliam county and Morrow county got a heavier rain.

Morgan said that he believes the story is recorded in the Sherman county Observer. He told his recollection in response to a request by L. A. Moore of Hermiston for information to pass on to a researcher at the University of Oregon.

MONUMENT

Mrs. Jessie Scott and two sons, Robin and Robert, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Matteson gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Laverne J. Matteson nad family Thursday evening to help them celebrate their 7th wedding anniversary.

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