

Pirates Take Two; Now Tied for 3rd In 2-County Loop

Riverside's Pirates swept a pair of basketball games over the week-end, defeating Umatilla at Boardman, 51 to 39, Friday night and Weston on the Grizzlies' floor, 67 to 54, Saturday night. The wins now knot Coach Dan Daltoso's squad at third place in the Morrow-Umatilla B league with McEwen at Athena.

The game with Umatilla was a close affair with the visitors jumping to an early lead at 11-9, but the Pirates came back to deadlock the count by half-time, 22-22. In the third period, Riverside pulled out for a 35-29 margin by the end of the stanza. They won going away, outscoring Umatilla 16 to 10 in the final quarter.

Riverside shot at a 42.9 clip, hitting 18 of 42 field goals, while Umatilla went cold and made only 16 of 66 for 24.2. In free throws, Riverside shot 15 of 23 for .652 as compared with Umatilla's 7 of 16 for .438. Umatilla controlled the boards with 35 rebounds to 29 for Riverside.

The victory evened the home and home series, since Umatilla had defeated the Pirates earlier in the season.

Chet Phillips of the Pirates burned the net with 11 field goals against Weston to lead the way to the 67-54 triumph. Phillips tallied a total of 23 points, but Tucker of the Grizzlies also had a good night with 20.

Riverside made good on 24 of 62 field goal tries for .387 as against 20 of 58 for Weston, .345. On the free throw line, Riverside hit 19 of 35 for .543 while Weston had 14 of 22 for .636. The Pirates dominated rebounds, 40 to 15.

Two big ones remain ahead for Riverside, against Pilot Rock and Athena. The Pirates hope to hold their spot in the standings to get into the district tournament March 2-4 at Pendleton. The top four in the league are included.

UMATILLA (39)				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Buck	5	3	4	13
Eldridge	3	2	3	8
Hiatt	4	0	4	8
Corder	0	0	1	0
Matlack	4	2	4	10
Colbain	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	16	7	16	39

RIVERSIDE (51)				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Phillips	4	4	3	12
Schmeder	3	1	4	13
Partlow	3	1	4	14
Baird	2	3	1	7
McRae	1	2	1	4
Hobbs	0	1	0	1
Dodson	0	0	0	0
Dodson	0	0	2	0
TOTALS	18	15	12	51

UMATILLA				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
UMATILLA	11	11	7	10-39
RIVERSIDE	9	13	13	16-51

RIVERSIDE (67)				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Phillips	11	1	2	23
Schmeder	3	3	2	9
Partlow	2	6	3	10
Baird	5	8	5	18
McRae	3	1	1	7
Hobbs	0	0	0	0
Dodson	0	0	0	0
Lesperance	0	0	1	0
TOTALS	24	19	15	67

WESTON (54)				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Wamsley	0	0	3	0
Tucker	7	6	2	20
Sloan	6	3	5	15
Baysinger	4	2	4	10
Dowd	2	2	5	6
Evans	0	0	0	0
McCullough	1	1	2	3
TOTALS	20	14	21	54

John Day Freshmen Top Young Mustangs

By MAC HOSKINS

Grant Union's powerhouse freshmen parlayed a blitzkrieg first quarter into a 68-49 victory over the Heppner frosh January 31, in a game that was a runaway for the Prospectors from start to finish.

Capitalizing on their home court advantage, the Grant County hoopers nearly blew the visitors off the mapwood in the first quarter by piling up a 23-4 bulge, which Heppner never was able to erase. In actuality, the Morrow county cagers played to a standstill with John Day the rest of the contest, but the first quarter margin was too much of a deficit to overcome.

With John McCabe leading the way, Heppner forged back with 16 second quarter tallies, nearly matching Grant Union's 17, and went into the half time locker room trailing, 40-20.

By the end of the third stanza, the Mustang Rooks had crept up another point, but were still behind, 49-30. Fourth quarter scoring saw both quintets talking 19, to end the game at 68-49.

McCabe and Ronny Thunnell shared scoring honors, both with 18. Jim White tossed in 17 for the home-town 'five' while Lee Huson of Heppner and Mike Lissman of Grant Union each counted 11. The Mustangs' Pat Kilkenny added 11 rebounds to 10 points for his night's work.

In the close "B" game, which was a tight one down to the wire, Grant Union prevailed by the narrowest of margins, 40-39, on a basket made with only a few seconds to go. In this contest, diminutive Mark Lovgren flipped in 17 for game honors, while John Harris was second high with 10.

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THE HELIX GRIZZLIES did their best but Ione High's basketball team took an easy victory Saturday night at Ione. In this picture Wreny Hawkins of Helix (21) tries a shot while an unidentified Cardinal tries to check it. Watching at left is Steve Rodgers (15) of the Grizzlies, while Eddie Sherman (20) of Ione is in the background.

Last Home Game Friday for Ione

Ione High school's basketball team will play its last home game of the season Friday night when Echo invades the Cardinals' gym. The Redbirds are currently tied for fifth place in the Umatilla-Morrow B league and with three games left, have a chance to climb a notch and gain a berth in the district tournament in Pendleton in early March.

On Saturday night they travel to Umatilla for a return game with the Vikings, now standing second in the league behind Pilot Rock. If the Cards can take Echo and upset Umatilla, they will be in a better position to gain on the field. However, the loss to Stanfield last week hurt.

Final game for Coach Gene Dockter's team will be at Umatilla on Friday, February 24.

Losses Plummet Heppner to 3rd; Crucial Tilt Due

Greater Oregon League WESTERN DIVISION

Sherman	7	2
Burns	7	3
Heppner	6	3
Grant Union	5	5
Enterprise	4	6
Madras	2	7
Wah-tonka	2	7

Last week's results: Friday — Enterprise 58 at Madras 61, Heppner 39 at Burns 42, Wah-tonka 45 at Grant Union 66, Saturday—Heppner 53 at Grant Union 55; Enterprise 50 at Sherman 57, Wah-tonka 41 at Burns 69.

Coming Games: Friday — Sherman at Heppner, Burns at Enterprise, Madras at Wah-tonka, Saturday—Heppner at Madras, Grant at Enterprise, Wah-tonka at Sherman.

It's now or never! Because of their two losses last week, which subsequently dropped Heppner into third place from being at the top the week before, the Mustang hoopers now face two do-or-die contests this week-end. Friday night, the Blue-and-Gold take on league leading Sherman. This game could well decide the championship. It is followed by the Saturday night encounter with Madras. The Husky-Mustang contest will be at Heppner, while the Madras-Heppner fray will be held on the White Buffalo hardwoods.

These remaining games are important on two counts. First, there is the battle for the league championship. Second, and more important, is the securing of a district tournament berth. This year the first three teams of the GOL's Western Division qualify. Indeed, there is still a possibility, mathematically, of Heppner not qualifying, should it lose all of its remaining three and John Day win both its contests.

However, Heppner could also conceivably top the league by the week's end, if Sherman lost both of its games, Burns loses to Enterprise, and the Mustangs are victorious both nights.

Sherman played only one last week, nipping Enterprise, 57-50, largely on the strength of Gene Lanthorn's fabulous 37 points. Stopping Lanthorn figures to be the main problem for Heppner, although Dave Richelderfer hurt them badly in Sherman's previous 58-51 conquest of the Mustangs.

It's an old cliché, but Heppner is counting no chickens. Even though the Sherman battle looms as the week-end's top horseman headache, Madras has also showed promise at times this year. Terry Rohde is the Buffalo's primary offensive threat.

Ione Cards Bow To Stanfield; Bowl Over Helix

A big third quarter gave Stanfield a 63-53 victory over Ione High's basketball team at Stanfield Friday night, but the Cards came back Saturday night to pummel Helix at Ione, 58 to 37.

Stanfield scored 22 in the third quarter after the teams were tied at the half, 26-26. Riding a 10-point lead, 48 to 38, going into the fourth, they held the margin the rest of the way.

The home five sizzled on shooting in the second half, hitting 17 of 25 attempts (.68%). Frank Halvorsen was out of the game for Ione in the third, skirting trouble with four personals which he picked up in less than five minutes of the first quarter.

"This really hurt us defensively," said Coach Gene Dockter.

While Stanfield shot an overall 51.3, Ione trailed at 34.0. Rebounding was even, but the Cards were a bit more ragged on floor play with 14 turnovers compared to eight for Stanfield. Eddie Sherman led in rebounds with seven and in assists with four.

Against Helix, it was Ione all the way with good margins at all quarter stops and even scoring by the Redbird lineup. Ione hit 420 and Helix 250, and the Cards led in rebounding, 40-24. Jim Swanson was leading rebounder with 12 while Ball led in assists with four. Coach Dockter had all his squad in the game early in the first half.

IONE (53)				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Swanson	4	2	1	10
Halvorsen	3	3	4	9
Lovgren	0	3	3	3
Morgan	7	2	3	16
Magill	0	0	0	0
Sherman	6	3	1	15
TOTALS	20	13	12	53

STANFIELD (63)				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Clark	6	3	4	15
Cox	5	1	5	11
Krawe	7	2	3	16
R. Monkus	5	3	0	13
L. Monkus	3	2	4	8
TOTALS	26	11	16	63

HELIX (37)				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Embysk	3	0	0	6
Rodgers	4	2	2	10
Hawkins	4	6	5	14
K. Campbell	0	2	1	2
Westover	0	1	1	1
M. Campbell	1	2	3	4
TOTALS	12	13	12	37

IONE (58)				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Swanson	5	1	2	11
Halvorsen	3	3	4	9
Lovgren	3	1	0	7
Sherman	2	3	4	7
Morgan	4	3	1	11
Ball	2	2	1	6
McElligott	1	0	0	2
Nelson	0	1	1	1
Magill	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	21	16	15	58

HELIX				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
HELIX	7	9	5	16-37
IONE	16	9	15	18-58

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Sports

Burns Beats Mustangs On Ball Control Game

By JEFF TURNER

It was bad news week for the Mustangs last week-end as they bowed to Burns 42-39 in overtime there, Friday night and then dropped another league counter to John Day the next night.

The Burns coach must have watched the UCLA-USC game last week as the Hillanders copied Southern Cal's ball-control game. For the Hillanders, however that kind of game paid off.

At the end of regulation play, Heppner and Burns had played to a 33-33 stalemate. Russell Kilkenny, whose game is still somewhat restricted as a result of a knee operation, started the game and scored four of Heppner's six points in overtime.

The way Burns was able to get into overtime in the first place will puzzle many Heppner fans for a few days anyway! With one minute remaining in regulation play, the Mustangs were ahead by four. Pressing defense by Burns forced a bad pass and the Hillanders gained control of the ball. They capitalized on the opportunity and scored.

Burns should do something about its clock which confused both teams.

Heppner, not showing one of its best performances of the season by any means, shot a pitiful 31 percent from the field. They also hit nine for seventeen from the free throw line.

Burns shot a cool 34 percent, which isn't exceptional but was adequate. The Hillanders shot six for eight from the foul line. Jim Doherty was high for Heppner collecting 18 points

while Mac Hoskins potted 12 and collected 14 rebounds.

Miko Revak was high for Burns with 14 counters followed by John Fenly with 11.

The loss dropped Heppner to third place with a 6-3 record in the league. The Mustangs will face Sherman here on Friday and travel to Madras the next night.

Scoring:

HEPPNER 39				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Jacobs	0	1	1	1
Pettyjohn	0	2	2	2
Kilkenny	2	0	0	4
Hoskins	5	2	1	12
Doherty	7	4	1	18
Stillman	0	0	1	0
McLeod	1	0	3	2
Hall	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	15	9	9	39

BURNS 42				
	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Figg	3	3	4	9
Fenly	5	1	4	11
Virgil	3	4	2	6
Bergquist	0	0	1	0
Revak	6	2	3	14
Smith	1	0	0	2
TOTAL	18	6	14	42

Heppner	7	8	9	6-39
Burns	7	10	5	11-42

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Spring Sports Schedule Set Up

A tentative spring sports schedule for Heppner High has been made up with a possible seven or more track meets and 32 baseball games. The track men, coached by Adrian Cook, will start their practices as soon after basketball as possible. The first meet is at Milton-Freewater, the Mac-Hi Carnival of Speed, on April 7.

The baseball team, coached by Dale Holland, will start the full season with a double-header at Riverside on March 24. The boys will dig out the bats and balls after the last JV basketball game on February 24.

Jayvees Split Weekend Series

The HHS Jayvees outscored the Burns Jayvees 62-53, on the Hillander court Friday, February 10.

The Baby Mustangs played with four of five of their starting team sitting out most of the second half on fouls. Gary Kemp led the scoring with 20 points, followed by Melvin Ashbeck with 15.

The HHS Jayvees held the score at intermission, 27-24. Gary Shelton and Mike Peterson led the Hillander scoring with 22 and 16 points.

The Baby Mustangs, playing one of their better games of the season, came out on the short side of the scoring column, 58-53, at the John Day court against the Prospectors.

Calvin Ashbeck, hitting better than 50 percent of his shots, potted 22 points for the Mustangs. Gary Kemp was second high with 15 points.

Ogilvie Derr was highpoint man for the Prospectors with 15.

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McCabe Leads Win Over Rocket Frosh

By TIM SMITH

John McCabe scorched the nets for 19 points Tuesday night, February 7, as the freshman team skinned Pilot Rock, 49-21, at Heppner. Pilot Rock slowed Heppner's scoring drive down all during the game, but couldn't get off the ground with their own offense. Despite the 10-point output by center Pat Kilkenny, most of the game scoring was done from the outside. Along with McCabe's 19, the other starting guard, Pat Sweeney, scored 11. These three—McCabe, Sweeney, and Kilkenny—scored 40 of the 49 points put in by the HHS team.

The game broke open early, with Heppner's hoopers surging ahead, 16-4, in the first quarter and, 29-8 at the half. When the third bell had rung, the score was 40-16, and the game outcome being assured, Coach Carr sent in some of the subs. Pilot Rock retaliated with a five-point last quarter and the game ended 49-21.

HEPPNER	16	13	11	9-49
PILOT ROCK	4	4	8	5-21

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