

All-Stars meet Redmond, July 17

Eighteen players in the Willow Creek Little League have been nominated for the All-Star team which will meet Redmond, July 17, 6 p.m., at Hood River to settle the question of who is champion of sub-district 5.

The players and their teams are as follows: Braves—Perry Wilson, Scott McEwen and Greg Groshens; Tom Wilson, manager; Giants—Dale Holland, Mike Lott, Tim Hedman, Joedy Marlatt and Richard Smith; Ted Toll, manager; Indians—Treve Peterson, Robin LaRue, Dennis Stefani, Craig Rea, Scott Martin and

Gregg Rietmann; Jerry Stefani, manager; Dodgers—Ronald Young, Lee McCarl, Coleman Devine and Rick Cole; Jack Graham, manager.

Of these, 14 will be selected for the Willow Creek Little League All-Star team. The boys tried out for the team last week and again this week. Wednesday night they played Arlington at Ione, and will play Arlington again Monday at Arlington.

The Hood River tournament will be held July 17-20. The winner plays the champions of the eastern half of district 5.

NEWS FROM IONE

COFFEE FOR IDAHO GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree were visited last week by their daughter, Mrs. William (Sharon) Gelinas and children, Tim and Alisa, of Caldwell, Idaho.

A coffee hour for Mrs. Gelinas and a birthday party for Alisa were given at the Crabtree home. Attending were Mrs. Paul Pettyjohn, Mrs. Wayne Hams, Dina and Don, Mrs. Gene Lancaster, Gene Jr. and J.D., Mrs. Lewis Halvorsen, Mrs. Larry Prock and Laurie, Mrs. Norman Nelson, Mrs. Kenneth Palmer and Scott Crabtree Balfe, Anchorage, Alaska.

LELAND MILLMANS HOST VISITORS

Attending a family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Millman recently were: Mr. and Mrs. Gary Owen and daughter, Baker; Mr. and Mrs. Lance Whitmore and six children, Burns; Mr. and Mrs. Don Brown and six daughters, Oak Harbor, Wa.; and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bauer, Ione.

Mrs. Owen and daughter Mrs. Brown and daughters are staying on this week to visit.

Other weekend guests at the Millman home were Mr. and Mrs. Ken McCord, Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Marick and Laura and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lancaster and sons spent July 4 in Condon.

Richard Rea was here recently to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clell Rea, and his daughters, Donna and Larcy.

Mr. and Mrs. D.E. Myers, Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Davidson, DeWayne and LaDana, also of Portland were weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree.

Weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Halvorsen were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hoffman, Salem. Also visiting at the Halvorsen home were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stender, Salem.

Gene Lancaster, John Marick, and Bill Ashurst returned recently from a successful four-day fishing trip to Illwaco.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Willard French is Debbie Martin, Ize, Ore.

Red Cross approved swimming lessons have been scheduled at the Ione pool, July 4-12 and 16-19. Intermediate lessons begin at 10 a.m. and swimmers lessons begin at 11 a.m.

Vernon Leathers dies at Lexington

Vernon Leathers 74, died at his home in Lexington, July 7.

Mr. Leathers was born Dec. 28, 1899, at Parkers Mill near Hardman, the son of Nicholas and Hattie Hinton Leathers.

An overseas veteran of W.W. II, he was a member of Goldbeach Lodge No. 199, AF&AM. He was also a life member of the Portland Musicians Union, and he operated a tavern in Lexington for many years.

On June 2, 1928 he was married to Grace Marquis in Portland.

Services were held July 10 at Sweeney's Mortuary Chapel with Heppner Lodge No. 69, AF&AM, officiating.

Casketbearers were William Padberg, Buster Padberg, Kenneth Klingler, Wade Bothwell, Morris McCarl and C.C. Carmichael.

Survivors include one sister, Mrs. C.C. Carmichael, and a brother, Owen Leathers, both of Heppner.

The following is a tribute to Vern Leathers by his sister, Mrs. C. C. Carmichael of Heppner:

Since many in this area have not known the ability of Vern Leathers, I feel that his death merits more than casual notice.

Vern's high ideals and high ambitions made him a man of unswerving loyalty to his friends. His sense of justice

and fair play is seldom equalled.

Early in life his musical ability was discovered. He was one of those rare individuals who possessed a God-given "true pitched" ear. While in early years he tried many musical instruments, he was still searching for that one particular one until the family moved to Vancouver, Wa., where he realized that the trombone was for him.

He studied six years with Burns Powell, famed trombonist, and was then as good as he could ever be. His remarkable music from within brought him more and more invitations to play for dances, in theaters and for concerts. Through his warm and friendly personality and a life based on sound values and hard work, he eventually found his place in the sun.

When Wilhelm von Hoogstraton, internationally famous conductor, came to Portland, Burns Powell died and the first trombone chair in the

Portland Symphony became vacant. Looking over the applications for this position he found Vern had not applied (Vern thought he didn't play well enough). Having the musicians' union secretary contact Vern by phone, he insisted that he come play for the conductor because he had heard Vern was an artist on the trombone. Vern hesitantly went, and this visit enabled him to play first trombone for 11 years in the Portland Symphony, until World War II. The conductor praised Vern highly by saying, "I have

never heard a more brilliant trombone artist." Visiting guest conductors always congratulated him on his fine technique and beautiful tone—always in perfect pitch.

Vern's passing will leave many of his friends with a feeling of keenest regret that we shall not again hear his velvety tones on the trombone he had truly mastered.

Mrs. Leona Smallwood's son, his wife and two daughters from Hawaii visited her in Heppner last week.

Swimmers complete training

Fourteen swimming students successfully passed requirements in the first session swimming lessons at Heppner Municipal Swimming Pool last week.

Of the 47 enrolled in the beginners class, Laurel Groce, Andrea Ball and Marti Baker earned Red Cross cards.

Passing advanced beginners tests were Kenneth Gochnauer, Christy Anderson, Greg Connor, Michele Saling, Wesley Marlatt and Arlene Gray. Twenty students enrolled in this course.

Tawnee White, Todd Harrison and Dee Ann Connor were three of the six enrolled in intermediate lessons and successfully completed it.

Receiving swimmers cards were Janice Sherman and Susan Craig, who were the only two to fulfill all phases in this class of seven.

TOMMY STEAGALL MEETS A CELEBRITY

A trip to Spokane last week resulted in the meeting of a celebrity for Tommy Steagall, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Steagall, Heppner.

Due to the ticket sell-out the Steagalls were unable to see the Liberace concert. However, as they were waiting in line to rent a wheelchair for Tommy, Liberace's understudy, Scott, turned to Tommy and shook his hand.

Scott, the 13-year-old banjo player, has been working under Liberace for some time.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 11
Port of Morrow meeting, Boardman.
- July 12-13
Sidewalk Sale Days
- July 14
4-H picnic, Cutsforth Park; 2nd Annual Picnic, Anson Wright Park
- July 15
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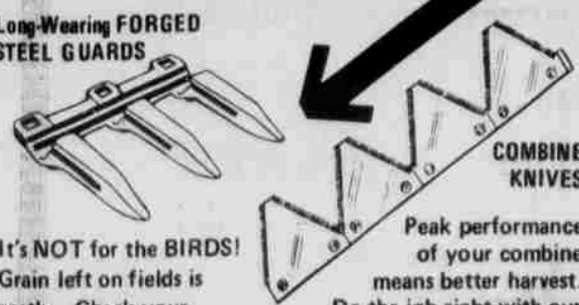
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