

Former Lexington athlete to enter Hall of Fame



MEMBERS of the Heppner Lions Club distributed American flags to 1st grade children Friday. From the left, Mike Howell, Neil Parks and Don Cole try to speed things up as the children await their flags.

Dallas Ward, assistant athletic director and former football coach at the University of Colorado, has been named to the Colorado Sports Hall of Fame.

Ward is the third person named for induction and he will be enshrined at the 11th Annual Hall of Fame Banquet, Feb. 10, at the Denver Hilton Hotel.

Dallas Ward was born on a farm near Lexington, the son of Bert and Ola Ward, Aug. 11, 1906. When he was seven, the family, which included a younger sister Velle, moved into Lexington where the Ward children continued their education through high school.

He was virtually self-supporting at the age of 12 and at 13 worked as a farm hand during the summer, never missing a harvest.

while he was in the 7th grade, competing in baseball and basketball in addition to football.

At the age of 17 he entered Oregon State (then called Oregon Agricultural College), Corvallis, where he starred in football, basketball and baseball. Although he failed to impress football and baseball coaches he did make the frosh basketball team, and led the team in scoring.

During his sophomore year, he was able to win a regular spot on the football team and became one of the best and lightest ends in Oregon State history. He started every game for the Beavers during his three years on the varsity, which was climaxed by his being named to the All-Pacific Coast Conference team in his senior year.

His greatest thrill as a player came when he blocked three University of Oregon punts, to set up a trio of touchdowns and paved the way for a Beaver win over OSU's arch rival.

Ward passed up basketball during his sophomore year,

but played during his junior and senior years. He also played three years on the baseball team as an outstanding outfielder.

He was equally proficient in the classroom, winning memberships in five honorary organizations, and was president of Phi Delta Theta, all the while financing his own education by working at numerous jobs on campus during the school term and returning to Lexington to work in the harvest during the summer.

Although he won many honors during his college career and received many offers to play professional ball, he turned them down in favor of a job as assistant coach in football at Marshall High School, Minneapolis, Minn.

He later coached at the University of Minnesota, at which time he entered the Navy's physical fitness program as a lieutenant. Shortly afterwards he married Jane Helwig, in 1940.

He was separated from the Navy in 1945 and returned to Minnesota as a backfield coach.

He went to Boulder, Colo., in 1948 and began his coaching at the University of Colorado. After his controversial dismissal in 1959, he stayed on as an assistant athletic director although he received many offers from other colleges.

The Wards have five children: twins—Mary, an interior decorator, and Barbara Spangler, a housewife; Mrs. Martha Kettler, Phillip, a real

estate man in Boulder; and Mark, a freshman architectural student at University of Colorado.

"Games my teams have won never gave me my greatest satisfaction as a coach. Actually the most gratifying reward about coaching comes from the success of the kids as men after they finished school," Ward said.

Irrigon IONE NEWS

A baby shower was given for Oliver Jacob Endicott, 7-week-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Endicott, at the home of Mrs. Albert Partlow on Thursday evening. Hostesses were Mrs. Partlow and Mrs. Robert Schmolli.

Winners of games were Donna Driver, who collected the most safety pins from others who used the word "I". Joan Smith identified the most baby pictures, Rose Wilson won the scrambled word game and Milinda Hixson won the tray game.

Mrs. Bessie Agee gave a short devotional talk.

Geoffrey Numbere of Port Harcourt, Rivers State Nigeria, West Africa, was the special guest speaker at the Irrigon Assembly of God Sunday for both the morning and evening services.

He is leader of an evangelistic team of about 30 ministers who travel by boat on the delta of the Niger River in Nigeria. The Rev. Numbere will be speaking Tuesday and Thursday nights at the Umatilla Assembly of God and at the Christian Center, Hermiston on Wednesday night.

There was a good turnout of 4-H leaders present at the North Morrow County 4-H Leaders meeting Thursday at the Windmill Drive-in.

Mike Howell, extension agent, and Birdine Tullis, extension aide, were present from Heppner to bring 4-H leaders up-to-date on 4-H activities, including the 4-H Leaders Conference to be held in Corvallis, Feb. 9-11. Mrs. Tullis gave a resume of the 4-H International program, stating that any 4-H home wishing to host an IFYE student this summer should contact the extension office.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Eppenbach and Jeffery have moved into their new modular home in East Irrigon.

Mrs. Lola Breeding has returned from a visit with her children and grandchildren in Gresham and The Dalles.

Leon Wilson went to Santa Cruz, Ca., where he visited his sister, Carmine, and his grandmother, Mrs. Evangeline Fagerstrom. He also visited at the home of an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. David Bauer, in Watsonville.

The United Methodist Women will hold their February meeting in the basement of the church at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Krebs returned last week from a 4-day trip to San Antonio, Tex., where they attended the National Wool Growers Convention.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Krebs represented Oregon; he as president of Oregon Sheep Growers Association and she as the president of Oregon Sheep Growers Auxiliary.

At the convention Mrs. Krebs was elected auditor of the National Wool Growers Auxiliary. This is a 2-year term. She will also serve on the national executive committee and be a member of the governing board.

1,000 delegates attended the convention.

Kay Bergstrom, Ione, also attended the convention, accompanied by Mrs. Clara Wait, Rickreal, Ore. Kay competed in the National Make-It-Yourself-With-Wool contest. Although she did not place in the finals, she won a wardrobe of scarves.

Clinton Krebs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Krebs, has arrived at his destination in New Zealand. Clinton, who is majoring in agricultural economics, is an exchange student at Lincoln College, New Zealand. He is staying on a 1,000-acre farm in Cave South, Canterbury, New Zealand. He will be there for 11 months.

New hours at the Ione Public Library are: Wed. 1:30-3:30 p.m., 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.; Fri. - 2:30 to 5:30 p.m.

The Ione Advisory Committee will meet Thursday, Feb. 6, 8 p.m., at the high school.

HOBBYCRAFT ENJOYED BY SENIOR CITIZENS

Hobbycraft for senior citizens has caught on in Irrigon, and women of the community have been enjoying an afternoon a week doing this.

In order to finance their project they made a quilt and raffled it off. At Christmas time they made Santa Claus candy jars for children's gifts, using baby food jars. They also made Christmas angels. Recently they have been working on rope horses.

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OFFICERS INSTALLED

Installation of newly elected officers of Kate J. Young Lodge No. 29 were held Jan. 14 at the Degree of Honor Hall.

Installing officers were Mrs. Clara Gerison, president, Mrs. Ida Farra, past-president, and Mrs. Harriett (Dick) Hasbrouck, second vice-president.

The 1975-76 officers are: president, Mrs. Ruth Bergstrom; past president, Mrs. Carl King; first vice-president, Miss Marilyn Bergstrom; second vice-president, Mrs. Dean Connor; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Earl Soward; flag bearer, Mrs. Pete McMurry; ushers, Mrs. Lincoln Nash and Mrs. Mary Bryant; staff, Mrs. Nelson Connor, Mrs. Marjorie Worden, Mrs. Ida Farra and Mrs. Archie Padberg; assistants to first vice-president, Mrs. Calif Padberg and Mrs. Frieda Majeske; inner watch, Mrs. Ed Gonty; outer watch, Mrs. Wilbur Steagall; pianist, Mrs. Oma Cox; ritual counselor, Mrs. Clara Gerison.

Other committees named by the new president are: auditing, Mrs. Pete McMurry, Mrs. Carl King and Mrs. Ida Farra; hospitality, Mrs. Ruth Bergstrom and Mrs. Clara Gerison; telephone, Mrs. Oma Cox; publicity, Mrs. Ed Gonty; yearbook, Mrs. Ruth Bergstrom, Mrs. Ed Gonty, Mrs. Oma Cox, Mrs. Earl Soward and Mrs. June Field; sunshine chairman, Mrs. Carl King.

Ward got some coaching experience early in life, and he was probably the youngest high school football coach. He coached and captained the 1921, 1922 and 1923 teams at Lexington. A born athlete, he played on the high school team

Highway 74 to be improved

On Jan. 8 Dale Allen and Bill Ferguson of the State Highway Division met with the county court to discuss the improvement of Highway 74 between Lexington and I-80N.

At a later date a tour of the highway was made and the areas needing improvement were pointed out. Survey funds have been approved and this work has started. Construction funds are limited and it will not be possible to reconstruct the entire section. Only those areas that are narrow and where curves are sharp will be considered for improvement in this survey.

Ferguson told the Gazette-Times last week. Construction funds are not available at this time as the sale of the bonds has been deferred for the duration of the biennium. "This project is of top priority and will be

programmed as soon as construction funds become available," Ferguson said.

It is anticipated that the construction will begin with a new structure over Willow Creek on the north end of the project.

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