

7th grade Ponies stop Condon 26-14

In their third outing of the season, Dec. 10, the Heppner Jr. High 7th grade boys teams notched their first win, 26-14 over Condon. Mike Currin led the Ponies with 10 points followed by Andy Samples, Jay Hayes and Marty Britt, each with four points.

The Ponies opened the year with a 59-25 loss at the hands of Pilot Rock. Again Currin led the way in the losing effort with eight points while Billy Smith tossed in five.

"We took it on the chin in

that one," said coach Jerry Deford.

The second game of the year saw Riverside top the Ponies by a 32-21 margin as Currin scored nine and Samples and Hayes each had four points.

Other members of the team include Matt Barnes, Greg Miles, Mike Johnson, Shawn Gibson, Matt Clark, Monty Hoilan, Shane Laughlin, Casey Fargher, Duane Garrett, Charles Knopp, Charles Parker, Tom Huston and Wesley Marlatt.

Lady Cards come from behind

Ione's lady Cards outscored Spray 18 to one in the fourth quarter to post a 35-27 come from behind victory Friday at Spray.

The Cards were down by 10 points going into the final period when they launched their attack. Ione was paced by Grace McElligott with 10 points, Susan Thompson with nine, Darcy Rea with eight and both Michelle and Carol McElligott with four points.

Thompson, Rea and Grace McElligott all turned in strong performances under the boards.

"We're progressing," said

Card coach Martha Doherty. "I was pleased about the way we were able to come back

towards the end of the game." Doherty said all the starters

played well and added that Michelle McElligott did a good job coming off the bench.

HHS jr's sink Cards

Ron Young tossed in 14 points and pulled 12 rebounds to lead the Heppner jr's to a 43-33 win over Ione Friday.

Lionel Wood added 11 points while Shawn LaRue paced the Cards with 13.

Heppner held a 31-16 lead after three periods when Ione

put on the pressure with a half court press to close the gap to 10.

The Mustangs committed only 17 fouls in the game with just four coming in the first half but Heppner couldn't capitalize on their own trips to

the line as they missed 15 of 28 attempts.

Mustang coach George Koffler said his team played a good game defensively "except in the fourth quarter".

"We tend to get a little rattled when the pressure is on," Koffler said.

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PR defense shuts down Heppner jr's

A six point third quarter and 23 turnovers spelled defeat for the Heppner jr's as Pilot Rock led throughout the game for a 51-43 win Monday.

Heppner was down by seven points at the intermission but got left behind in the third period. Overall, the Mustangs connected on only 15 of 50 shots from the floor and hit 13 of 34 free throw attempts.

Ron Wood topped the Heppner scorers with 12 points followed by Mike Stookey with eight.

"They were the best defen-

sive team we've faced this year," said coach George Koffler. "We took a lot of bad shots and just made too many turnovers."

Koffler said his team was outrebounded "by about 20" and didn't block out well under the boards. He credited Darrel Bigelow for displaying good hustle in the game.

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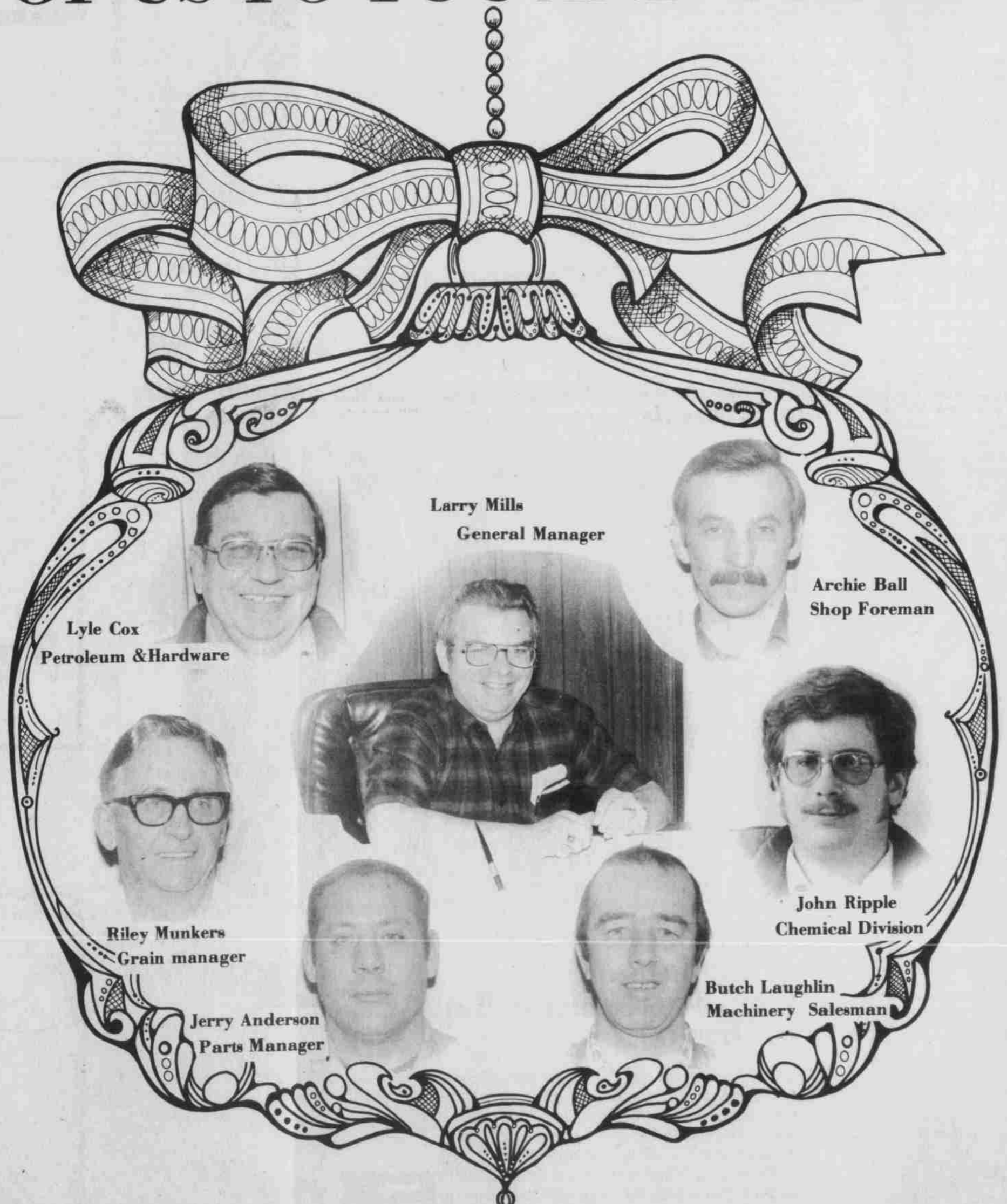
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