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Women's volleyball team ranks second

The women's volleyball team at Heppner High School is still in second place in the Columbia Basin Conference after two league victories last week.

The varsity team beat Sherman 15-7 and 15-12. Geri Grieb was the high server.

"They all played a pretty good game," Karen Howe, assistant coach, said.

In the junior varsity contest, Heppner won again. Sherman won the first game 15-8 but Heppner came back to win the final two games 15-11 and 15-13.

"Sherman is not that easy of a team to beat," Howe said. The C team lost to Sherman 15-7 and 15-9.

All three of the Heppner teams won against Riverside.

The varsity team was a little overconfident in the first game and they lost 15-12. They came back to win in the second game 15-11 and the last game 15-4. Grieb was again the high server.

"They did not play as well as they could have because they knew they could beat Riverside," Howe said. "They could not get their serves in but they did all right once they got going."

The JV team won 15-10 and 15-8 and the C team won 15-9 in the first game but lost the second one 15-10 and they came on strong to win going away in the last game 15-6.

The Heppner varsity team is second in Condon in the league standings with a 4-1 record. Condon is 5-0.

Pyatts, Three L's top in local kegler play

The Pyatts and the Three L's are tied for first place in the Koffee Kup Kegler League with 11-5 records.

The Three L's are ahead in total pins with 6,365 compared to 6,346 by the Pyatts.

Hi Ho's are in second place with a 9-7 record and Weary Wives are third with an 8-8 mark. The Newcomers and the Three Hokers are next with 7-7 records and the Gutter Dusters follow with a 6-10 record. The Dregs, with a 5-11 mark, are currently in last place.

The total pins race is very

close. After the top two, the Newcomers have knocked down the most pins with 6,259 followed closely by the Weary Wives with 6,213. The Three Hokers come next with 6,119. The other teams are bunched close together with the Dregs knocking down 6,094, the Hi Ho's with 6,078 and the Gutter Dusters with 6,075.

High game for the week was rolled by LaRae Kindle with a 195. The high series rolled was by Iris Campbell with a 516. The Weary Wives had the high team game and the high team series with a 581 and a 1,631.

Better lighting asked for football field

John Sporseen, head football coach at Heppner High School, was the guest speaker at the Heppner Chamber of Commerce meeting Monday.

He started out talking about his football team but ended up asking the chamber about improving the lighting on the football field at the fairgrounds.

There was a motion made to form a committee to check into the lighting situation. Sporseen did some checking of his own before going to the meeting.

"The lights are old, the wires are in bad shape and the lights are far away from the field," Sporseen said. "Quartz lighting will last longer than the present lighting, it is better light and less lights are needed."

Sporseen said the quartz lights cost about \$60 apiece and four would be needed on each of the seven existing poles. There are about 12 lights on each pole now. He

also said the quartz lights only have to be about 45 feet off the ground while the present lights are about 80 feet up. This would mean the cost of replacing the poles when they go bad would cost less.

The possibility of blending in the new lights a little bit at a time was also brought out at the meeting.

Most of Sporseen's talk was on his football team. He was not too boastful in his prediction because he said, "I predict we will win at least four games this year, (the team has already won four games). Every time I go out on a limb and make a prediction, something messes up."

Later on, Sporseen did say, "We will win first place in the league."

If they go, Heppner will be the home team in the district playoffs against the District VI second place team. If they win that one, they will be at home in the next district round

too. There are three district games before a team can go to state.

If the team comes in second place, any district games they play will be away from home.

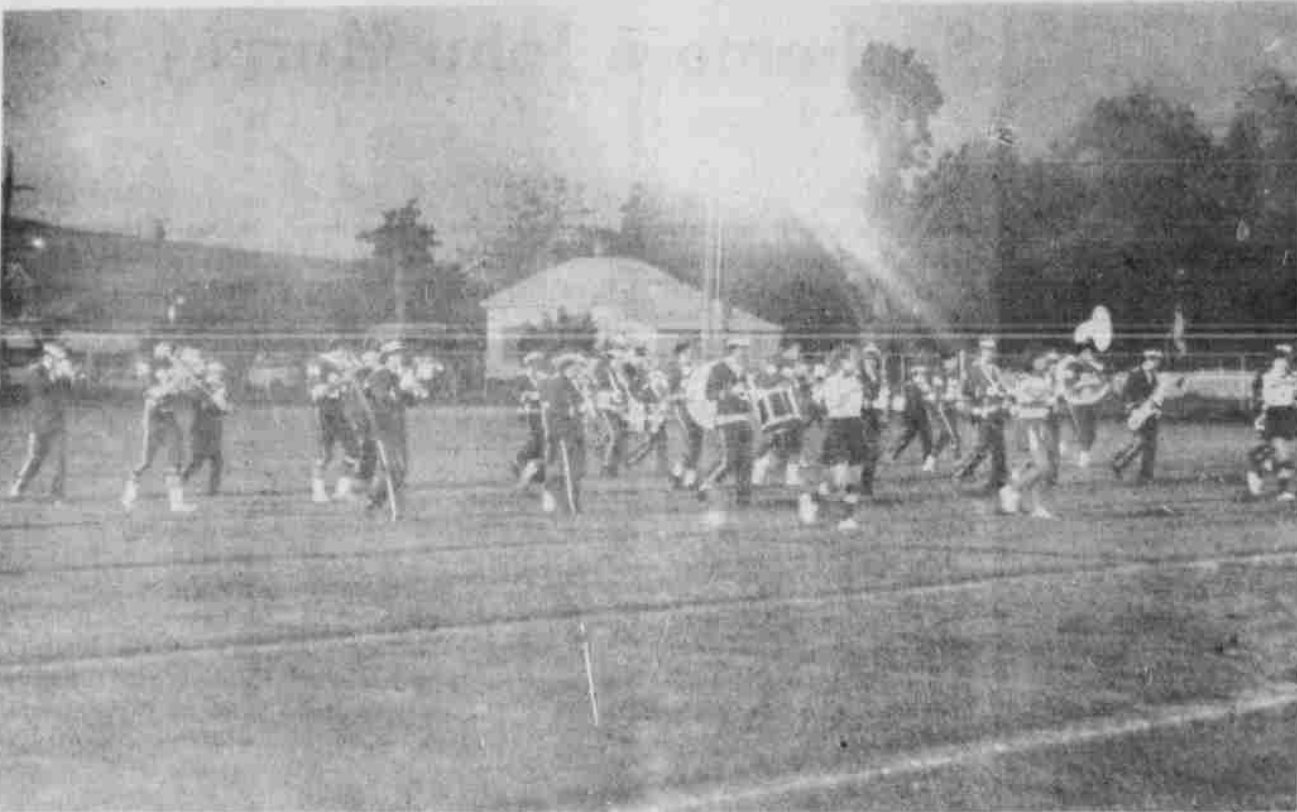
Sporseen said Pilot Rock is the only "tough" game left on the schedule but that any of the other teams can be "tough" because anything can happen.

He said Heppner was hurt by penalties last week but the team is improving. After four games, Sporseen is very proud of the fact that Heppner's opponents have gained minus 16 yards rushing.

"No team can win if they don't run against us," Sporseen said. "Teams are trying to pass against us too much and even through they are

getting yardage, they can't win that way."

"Right now, we don't want to have any letdowns or serious injuries. We are having fun and the team is very enjoyable to work with. We have about 50 players turning out but we would like about 60. That way we would not have to have players playing both ways."



The Heppner High School band struts out on the field in sharp order at halftime of a recent football game.

Heppner's scores on scholastic test lower than state average, counselor reports

Heppner High School students scored quite a bit lower on the average, than the state average for the Scholastic Aptitude Test (S.A.T.) last year, according to Michelle Portman, counselor at the school.

The S.A.T. test is given to high school seniors who are interested in going to college. High school counselors use the test results in helping the student decide on what colleges to attend.

The S.A.T. test for this year's seniors will be given Dec. 1 at Heppner High School. Applications must be mailed and completed by Oct. 24. The cost is \$8.25.

Portman said students last year averaged a score of 382.1 on the verbal part of the S.A.T. examination. The Oregon state average on that part was

434. The 434 score was three points down from the year before in Oregon but still seven points ahead of the national average.

On the math portion, Heppner High School students scored an average of 412.5. The Oregon state average was 466, down three points from the previous year and one point below the national level.

Of the 32 Heppner students who took the test, 10 were above the Oregon and national average in the verbal portion of the test. Ten were also above the state and national average in the math portion.

The high achiever at Heppner High had scores of 570 on both sections of the test. Eleven students were above the state and national average on the overall test results.

"I think our scores are

competitive," Portman said.

Both the Oregon and national scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test dropped, State School Supt. Verne A. Duncan reported but Oregon's score on the achievement tests increased while the national average declined.

"Although I'm disappointed that the S.A.T. scores dropped," Duncan said, "my disappointment is offset somewhat by our outstanding performance on the achievement tests which, unlike the S.A.T., measure what a student has learned."

Both tests are conducted annually by the College Entrance Examination Board.

About 12,300 Oregon seniors took the S.A.T., 400 fewer than the number in 1978.

Oregon boys outperformed girls on both portions of the

S.A.T. They scored 437 on the verbal test while the girls averaged 431, and they scored 496 on the math test while the girls averaged 441. About 900 more girls than boys took the S.A.T. in Oregon.

The S.A.T. helps determine a student's apparent preparedness for college. Scores are computed on a scale of 200 to 800. The math test measures a student's problem-solving skills in three areas: arithmetic reasoning, elementary algebra and geometry. The verbal portion covers four areas: antonyms, analogies, sentence completion and reading comprehension.

Oregon seniors scored higher than their national contemporaries on 10 of the 11 achievement tests. They averaged 582 on the tests, five points above their performance score in 1978. The national average was 529, a drop of two points from the previous year.

About 600 Oregon students took each achievement test.

Oregon scores on the individual tests with national scores in parentheses: English composition 567 (514), math level one 571 (537), math level two 684 (657), American history 530 (480), chemistry 616 (575), physics 615 (580), literature 605 (522), biology 564 (547), French 567 (554), Spanish 531 (542), and German 573 (550).

Ione's band performs for Cardinal games

Ione's 28-piece Cardinal Band performs at home football games. The marching unit is under the direction of Mr. Gene Sartain.

Friday's performance in the Long Creek game included the Ione cheerleaders in a dance routine to "Rubberband Man," which featured Michael Conklin on drums. The

band also played a rendition of the disco hit "The Hustle," featuring drummer Les Thompson and led by drum major Lori Fetsch.

An interesting twist in the pre-game show was that eight football team members donned black berets, picked up their instruments, and marched as part of the band.

'Concerned Parents' plan organizational session

"Concerned Parents" will be holding an organizational meeting in the Columbia Basin Electric Co-Op conference room Oct. 4 at 7:30 p.m.

Items to be discussed will be goals of the group, programs, name changes, and so on.

Any interested persons are invited to attend.

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