

# Mustangs end season with loss

By GLENN SMITH

Last Friday night, Nov. 5, the Heppner Mustangs lost to the top league Riverside Pirates, 0 - 9. The Mustangs finished their rocky season with five wins and four losses. "Defensively, we played as well as we've played all year long," Les Payne, head coach

for the Mustangs, commented. "Offensively we were inconsistent."

Inconsistency has been a major problem all year for the Mustang offense, but when they got together, the "Big O" could really move the ball.

"One has to consider the injuries we have had of offensive personnel," Coach Payne

said. "And we were going up against one of the best defenses in the league."

The game started out as something of a stalemate as both teams' defenses held the offense. Riverside got a field-goal early in the second quarter and by halftime led the game, 0 - 3.

The teams came out after the half and again the defenses were the key point of the game until the fourth quarter when Riverside managed to score. The Mustangs threatened several times but still couldn't get a score. The game ended in favor of the pirates, 0 - 9. Wes Marlatt, one of the captains of the Mustangs,

commented "Riverside won because of our mistakes. They never earned it, we gave it to them." This viewpoint was shared by players and spectators alike.

Coach Payne remarked that he was "Pleased with the overall play of the team. It would have been easy to give up and let the season end, but we fought it down to the wire and I'm really proud of everyone. Riverside didn't want anymore."

The Mustangs did themselves proud all year by always being good sportsmen whether they won or lost and fighting on pride when there was nothing else.

# 2 arrested in Five Star Productions scam

Following an extensive investigation, California state officials have taken legal action against four men for allegedly operating a mail-order talent agency scam called Five Star Productions. Two men have been arrested in Los Angeles and charged with 31 counts of false and misleading advertising and one count of operating a talent agency without a license. Two other men are being sought for their participation in the firm's business practices, announced the Oregon Department of Justice.

Oregon's Department of Justice and Department of Education issued joint consumer alerts concerning Five Star Productions when thousands of post card notices began arriving in the state in September and October. Several graduates of Heppner High School reported receiving post cards.

The cards claimed that Five Star Productions was a "national search for new faces" for a "television special." For an initial "\$10 processing fee" and another \$135.00 to cover "editing and disc replication" charges, an individual might get the show business break of a lifetime, the department stated.

The number of Oregonians who forwarded the "processing fee" is not known but the total amount of notices sent to residents in Oregon, California, Washington, Colorado, Idaho, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Missouri, Illinois and Oklahoma is estimated by state officials at 200,000.

The Oregon Department of Justice, Consumer Protection and Services Section, will continue to work with California officials as the case moves toward conclusion, the department concluded.

# Heppner, Ione residents win in wood raffle



Jean Forquer of Heppner stands with the cord of wood she won in a Cub Scout raffle at the Moonlight Sale in Heppner October 28. Roger Records, also of Heppner, and Lorraine Ball of Ione were also lucky winners in the contest and also each won a cord of wood.

The scouts sold tickets for the raffle for 10 days prior to the sale. Jim Kindle, with 66, sold the most tickets, reported Bobbie Angell, den mother.

Proceeds of the raffle, which will be announced next week, will benefit the Heppner merchants' Christmas lighting project.

# County Fair receives silver medal rating

This year's Morrow County Fair received 828 points out of a possible 1,000 and was awarded a silver medal rating by State Fair Evaluator Margaret Fry, Hillsboro, reported Fair Secretary Dorothy Estberg. Fry's report included the following statements "very outstanding 4-H exhibits, strong FFA show, neat grounds, well used by people from Morrow County... fair board to be commended for continual effort to update fair facilities. Exhibits well displayed. Many volunteers work hard to make this fair special."

The evaluation brought smiles from those who work with the fair. It also brought additional points in the point system that determines the amount of funds the fair board will receive to make the fair even better.

The county fair evaluated each year by a commissioner who visits while the fair is in progress to note the actual conditions and participation at the fair. Contrary to what many believe, it is not the number of people on the grounds that determine ratings. Community participation, the amount of revenue generated throughout the year, the condition and number of restrooms, signs and improvements made are included in the evaluation.

The theme and how well it is carried out throughout the fair, for instance allows a possible 10 points. Morrow County's Fair received five points in this category. General showmanship and how attractively exhibits are displayed allows another 10 points with the county fair

receiving eight. The appearance of the fairgrounds rated seven points, with a comment that while buildings are old, they show evidence of upkeep.

Many items rated ten points out of a possible ten. Personnel (Are they identified and knowledgeable?) rated ten and a postscript stated that they are friendly, too!

Estberg, has the evaluation booklet and it is available to

anyone working with the fair, or who has ideas to help make the 1983 fair a larger, improved event. The fair board and fair committee will be making notes for improvement. They are always open to good ideas and suggestions, and have a long range improvement plan to guide them on yearly improvements.

Members of the Morrow

Fair Board are Harold Peck, Charlie Daly, Merlyn Robinson, and Pete Richards. Ron Currin recently resigned from the board. Fair committee members are Roger Records, Rick Danielson, Bob McLaughlin, Marlene Gray, Carlene West, Scott Madison, Jerry Rood, Eddie Brosnan, Ruth McCabe and Ted Sampson.

# Cost-share funds offered

There is currently money available in Morrow County, under the Agricultural Conservation Program (A.C.P.) to provide 65 percent cost-sharing for thinning young, overstocked timber stands. Applications for cost-sharing will be accepted until November 19 announced the East Central Oregon District of the Department of Forestry.

The advantages of pre-commercial thinning are many. Dramatic increases in useable wood production is the most obvious benefit. Other benefits include increased forage production, decreased fire danger, more available downstream water and a more attractive timber stand, the department said.

Forest landowners interested in participating in this worthwhile program should stop in or call the Heppner Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (A.S.C.S.) office 676-9152, to sign up.

An Oregon State Forestry

Department Forester will visit the proposed thinning area to determine if it will benefit from thinning. Eligible land-

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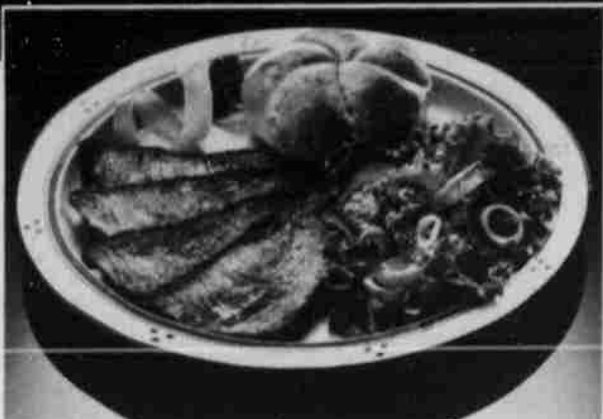
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