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Weather

by the City of Heppner

| | High | Low | Precip |
|-----------------|------|-----|-------------------|
| Tues., Dec. 18 | 20 | -2 | 1 1/4" snow |
| Wed., Dec. 19 | 16 | -4 | 1" snow |
| Thurs., Dec. 20 | 37 | 9 | .05 1/4" new snow |
| Fri., Dec. 21 | 46 | 24 | |
| Sat., Dec. 22 | 50 | 40 | |
| Sun., Dec. 23 | 48 | 28 | tr snow |
| Mon., Dec. 24 | 50 | 27 | |
| Tues., Dec. 25 | 24 | 30 | .02 |
| Wed., Dec. 26 | 44 | 30 | 0 |
| Thurs., Dec. 27 | 43 | 22 | 0 |
| Fri., Dec. 28 | 42 | 28 | .01 |
| Sat., Dec. 29 | 45 | 34 | 0 |
| Sun., Dec. 30 | 50 | 22 | 0 |

Fillies take 3rd straight game from Lone



photo by Wayne Hams

By Dana Reid

The Heppner Fillies traveled to Lone Friday Dec. 28 to play the Cardinals for the third time this year.

The Heppner Fillies kept their

seniors, Stephanie Payne, Jodi Padberg and Ellen Arbogast, out of the match. The exception was player Shelley Stroeber.

Varsity players Lana Reid, Missy Turner, Andrea Ball, Missy Eubanks, Penny Connor, Shelley

Stroeber and Dana Reid, played the first, second and part of the third quarters.

Junior Varsity players Kim George, Cindy Stroeber, Theresa

Lindsay, Windi Mitchell, Tina Davidson, Susie Martin, Beth Forrar and Tareena Nash played the rest of the third and fourth quarters.

The starters for Heppner were forwards Lana Reid and Shelley Stroeber, Center Penny Connor and guards Andrea Ball and Dana Reid.

Lone came out pressing. Heppner managed to break the press and took a slow lead. At the end of the first quarter the Fillies were ahead 6-1.

Heppner started the second quarter receiving the tip. The Fillies were having trouble with their fouling but were playing aggressively. At the end of the second quarter Heppner pulled ahead 25-7.

The ball was tipped to a Filly to start the second half of the game. Heppner continued having foul trouble with two players fouling out. The third quarter ended with the Fillies in the lead at 34-16.

The third quarter began when the Cardinals grabbed the tip. Heppner was hustling but had a few too many turnovers. Throughout the fourth quarter the Heppner Fillies maintained the lead and went on to win the game. The final score was Heppner 38 and Lone 26.

The Fillies play their first league game Friday, Jan. 4 at Heppner against the Riverside Pirates. The Varsity game begins at 6 p.m.

The Fillies also play Saturday, Jan. 5 here at Heppner. They will be playing the Weston McEwen Tiger-Scots. The junior varsity girls will begin playing at 3 p.m. and the varsity girls will begin at 6 p.m.

Lana Reid 8-0-3 16; Missy Turner 3 0-1 6; Penny Connor 2 1-5 5; Dana Reid 2 0-2 4; Missy Eubanks 2 0-1 4; Andrea Ball 1 1-2 3 Totals 18 2-16 38 Lone Totals 9 8-23 26.

Red birds outscore Mustangs 45-40



photo by Wayne Hams

By ASHLEY CONKLIN

The lone boys basketball team extended their winning streak to six by defeating the Heppner Mustangs 45 to 40 on Friday, Dec. 28. Lone now stands at 7-1.

The Cardinals were without their leading scorer and rebounder, Randy McCabe. As a result, the Cardinals were outrebounded 36 to 30.

After one quarter Lone went up 11-8 over Heppner.

Each team produced eight second period points. At halftime, the Cards led the Mustangs 19 to 16. Mark Meyers and Jeff Ball both netted four in the period for the Cards.

Heppner took a 32-29 lead after three periods, thanks to a 16 to 10 controlling of the third period. Todd Lindsay and Wayne Wilgers tossed in eight and six points respectively in the period for Heppner.

Lone doubled the Mustangs' point production 16-8 in the fourth quarter to win 45 to 40. Lone made eight of nine free throws down the stretch to ice the win. Meyers got 10 in the quarter.

Each team made 17 field goals. Lone shot 44 field goals for 39 percent, compared to 53 attempts and 32 percent for Heppner. The difference in the game was free throw shooting. The Cardinals were 11 of 16 for 69 percent, while the Mustangs were six of 11 for 55 percent.

Meyers was the games' high scorer with 20 points. Ball gained 12 more for Lone. Lindsay led Heppner

tallying 10. Steve Currin got nine, followed by Wilgers with eight.

Donnie Doherty hauled in 11 rebounds and Mike Rietmann pulled down 10 for the Cardinals. Keith Kennison clutched 10 for the Mustangs.

Both teams had turnover problems. Lone committed 25 to 27 for Heppner. Meyers passed out four assists. Ball and Doherty each gave out three more of Lone's 13 assists. Heppner handed out 11 assists, with Ron Doherty getting eight. Meyers also had seven of Lone's 14 steals.

"The extra time we spent in practice with free throw shooting paid off," remarked Lone coach Del LaRue.

Statistics

Heppner - R. Doherty 0 0-0 0; Hyatt 0 0-0 0; Green 0 0-0 0; Wilgers 4 0-0 8; Lindsay 5 0-0 10; Currin 3 3-5 9; McConnell 0 0-0 0; Storm 3 1-2 7; Graves 0 0-0 0; Kenison 2 2-4 6; Totals 11, 6-11, 40.

Lone FG FT. T. PF. TO R. A
Rietmann 1-8 1-4 3 1 3 10 1
Doherty 2-2 0-0 4 2 6 11 3
Meyers 8-19 4-5 29 3 6 3 4
Ball 4-9 4-5 12 3 7 3 2
Pointer 0-0 0-0 0 1 0 0 0
Douglas 2-6 2-2 6 1 3 3 3
Snider 0-0 0-0 0 0 0 0 0
Totals 17-44 11-16 45 11 25 30 13

Fouled Out - none. Technical Foul - R. Doherty. Total Fouls - Heppner 10, Lone 11.

Chamber of Commerce invites county residents to annual awards banquet

Tuesday evening, January 8, the Heppner-Morrow Chamber of Commerce has scheduled its annual First Citizens and Installation of Officers Banquet in the dining area of the Heppner Elks Lodge.

This is an all county event—everyone is invited. The evening will begin with a no-host social hour from 6 p.m. until the 7 p.m. dinner is served. This year the menu is planned around prime rib. Dinner tickets may be purchased in advance from the banquet chairman, Jackie Gentry, at the Western Heritage Savings and Loan; her office telephone is 676-9021 and she would appreciate knowing how many plan to attend.

Officers who will be installed are Doug Smith, president; Gerald Pierson, vice-president; Birdine Tullis, second vice-president; Justine Wea-

therford, secretary; and George Koffler, treasurer.

The announcement of the two first citizens and of honors to outstanding

business persons will be made by Dr. Wallace Wolff, chairman of the honors and awards committee.

Twelfth Night tree burning set

The Lone Garden Club is sponsoring a Twelfth Night tree burning again this year at Rietmann's lot in Lone.

Because Epiphany falls on Sunday, the ceremony will be the following Monday, Jan. 7. Cupcakes and hot chocolate will be served. Jean Nelson and Norma Rea will

lead a carol sing.

Those lone residents who are unable to bring their tree to the lot

Planning continues for 100-year celebration

Work is continuing with the plans for the Morrow County Centennial Celebration February 16. The big event is a planned dinner and program, starting early in the evening. A spokesperson will be present.

Each community will be asked for a number for the program as well as an exhibit. The granges in the County will help with the dinner. A pre-sale of tickets for the dinner will start in January. Delpha Jones and

may leave their discarded Christmas tree in the garbage pickup area adjacent to their property.

Ruth McCabe, co-chairmen met recently with the County Court to start the plans. Remember to buy your tickets for the Centennial picture, a desert print painted by Mary Lou Carlson. It is hoped that enough tickets will be sold to provide frames for the prints given the Centennial Committee one to hang in the Court house and one given to a luckyperson. Tickets will go on sale in January and are available from the committee.

Marine Board sets meeting to adopt boating regulations on Willow Lake

On Thursday, January 17, 1985, the State Marine Board will hold a Board Meeting beginning at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at 4245 Kale St. NE, Salem, Oregon.

Among items for consideration is: Proposed adoption of OAR 250-20-270(2), establishing multiple use

boating regulations on Willow Creek Lake in Morrow County.

A Director's Report and status report on Outfitter Guide registration, boating accidents and facility projects will be provided.

Other items of interest may also be heard.

Christmas lighting winners announced

The Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce has announced the following winners of the Christmas Lighting Contest.

In the outdoor lighting division, first place winner was Ed Heimstra, 680 S. Alfalfa; second place winner was Jim Lankford, 280 N. Court; and

third place winner was Harry Kenison, 275 Rock.

In the indoor lighting as seen from the street category, first place winner was Marshall Lovgren, 240 S. Court; second place winner was Avon Melby, 270 E. Connor, and third place winner was Glen Smith, 475 W. Morgan.

Abrams to be sworn in Fri.

Bob Abrams will swear the oath of Circuit Court Judge at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4 at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner. Presiding

Judge William W. Wells, Pendleton, will administer the oath.

A reception will follow. The public is invited to attend.

Crop Report

Winter wheat seedings down 12%

Winter wheat acreage seeded in the fall of 1984 is estimated at 1,000,000 acres, down 12 percent from last year and seven percent below two years ago. Excessive moisture this fall resulted in very unfavorable seeding conditions this year, particularly in the Willamette Valley says an Oregon Crop and Livestock Reporting Service news release.

Nationally, seedings of winter wheat amounted to 57.6 million acres, down nine percent from last year to the lowest level since 1979.

Oregon's all wheat production of 68.9 million bushels in 1984 was up five percent from the 1983 crop. Increases in both acres harvested and average yields resulted in the

increased production. Winter wheat production, at 66.15 million bushels, accounted for 96 percent of the total Oregon wheat production and with an average yield of 63.0 bushels per acre topped last year's record high of 62.0 bushels per acre.

Winter wheat production exceeded 1983 production by seven percent. Acres of winter wheat harvested for grain for 1984 totaled 1,050,000 acres compared with 1,000,000 acres harvested in 1983. Spring wheat production in Oregon, at 2.8 million bushels, was down 22 percent from 1983 despite a new record yield of 43.0 bushels per acre.

Barley production in Oregon is estimated at 17.4 million bushels, up 5 percent from the 1983 crop. Statewide yields averaged 62.0 bush-

els per acre, up one bushel from last year.

Oat production totaled 6.6 million bushels in 1984, up 10 percent from last year. Average yields reached a record high of 88.0 bushels per acre.

Nationally, all wheat production, at 2.60 billion bushels, was up seven percent from last year. Winter wheat production, at 2.06 billion bushels, was up four percent from the 1983 crop. Spring wheat, (other than durum), at 431.4 million bushels, was up 20 percent from 1983. Barley production in 1984 is estimated at a record high 597 million bushels, up 17 percent from last year's crop.

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Pioneer's First Baby to receive gifts from merchants

The first baby to be born at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner on or after January 1, 1985 will receive gifts from area merchants.

Rules for the first baby contest are the same as in previous years: the hospital has placed no restrictions on where the parents make their home, but to qualify, the baby must be born at Pioneer Memorial Hospital; or if he puts in an early appearance, the mother must be on her way to Pioneer Memorial Hospi-

tal in order to qualify as the first baby of 1985.

The following merchants have donated gifts for the first baby: Morrow County Grain Growers, Lexington Lumber, Pioneer Memorial Hospital, Murray's Drug, Peterson's Jewelers, Case Furniture, Central Market, Heppner Auto Parts, Pettyjohn's Farm and Builders Supply, The Shoe Box, R & W Drive-In, Court Street Market and Ray Boyce Insurance.

Irrigon boys injured in explosion

Saturday at approximately 3 p.m., four Irrigon youths, Gary Smith, age 14, John Smith, age 11, Toby Rodriguez, age 13, and Casey Rodriguez, age 11 set off an explosion in the field behind their home using chemicals they had found on the Umatilla Ordnance Depot.

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minum pipe cap and filled with three to four inches of the chemicals. The explosives were lit through a hole drilled in the pipe. On the first lighting, the "cannon" smoked; the second time, it threw the rock they were using for a projectile a few feet. The third time, it exploded.

The boys had seen a segment of Star Trek a few weeks ago and learned to make a cannon from the show in which Kirk builds one to defend himself.

The younger boys, John and Casey, had walked away about 100 yards when Toby managed to light the cannon the third time. John, Casey, and Gary who was also about 100 yards away were knocked to the ground. Toby, after lighting the device with a stick match, began running, and was approximately 30 yards from the explosion.

Toby suffered multiple injuries to his leg, hand and face. He is now at

St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton. Gary Smith suffered injuries and is hospitalized in Hermiston.

Casey said he had never seen anything stored in this area before—the boys and others have played there for years. The area is also frequented by pheasant hunters. According to the boys, they had never seen a military patrol in the area.

According to military security personnel, the chemicals used to set off the explosion were not gunpowder, but a propellant. He did not disclose what the explosive material was. The propellant was waiting to be burned in the nearby burning pit. The pit has been closed due to Environmental Protection Agency regulations.

Toby and Casey are the sons of Dale Rodriguez of Boardman and Sandy Rodriguez of Irrigon.

Port Commission to meet

A regular meeting of the Port Commission will be held Wednes-

day, Jan. 9, 1 p.m., at the Port of Morrow offices, Boardman.