

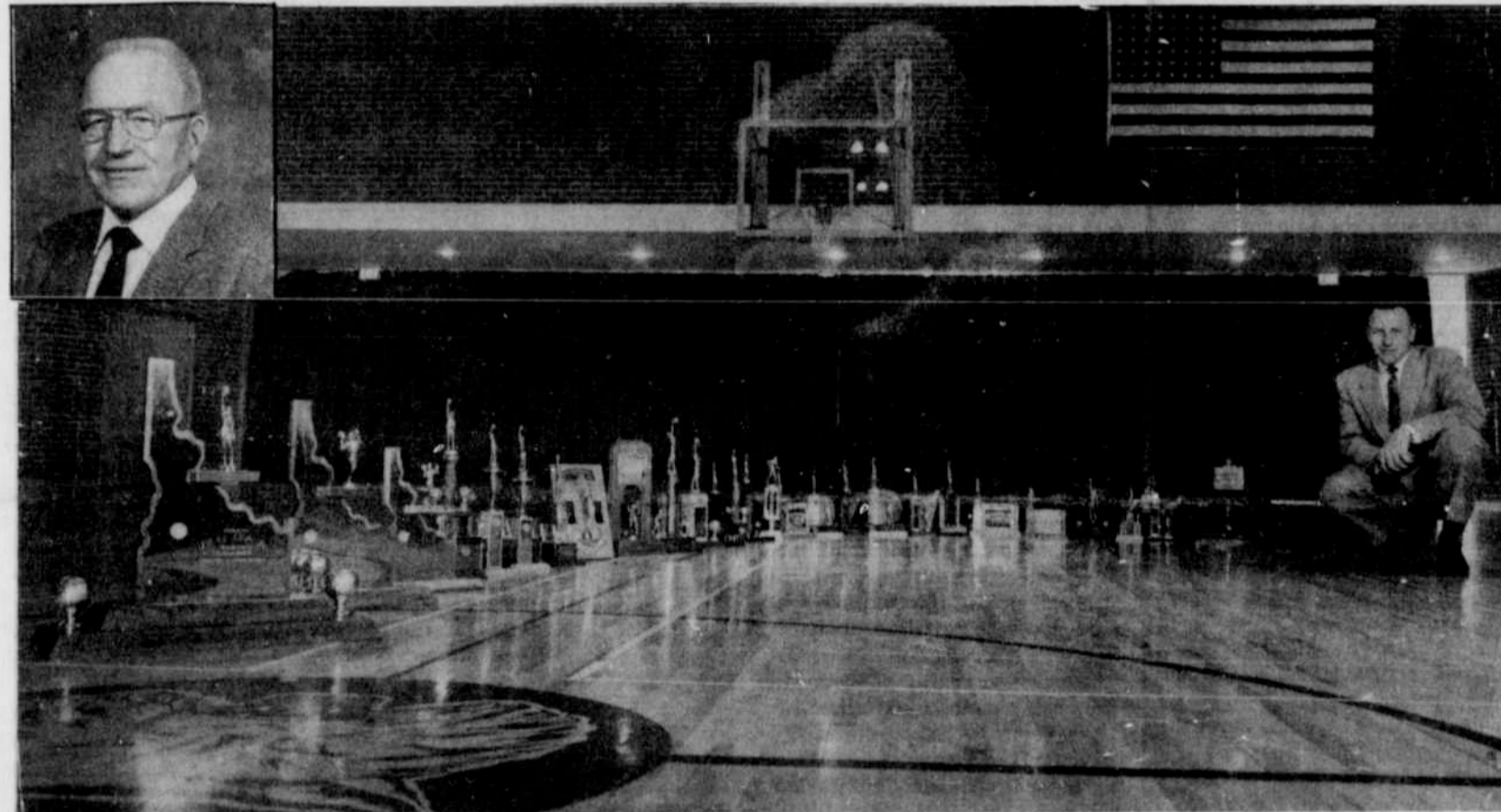
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## Ed Hiemstra honored for prestigious sports career



Bottom left: Former pro ball player Ed Hiemstra at Polo Grounds in New York City in 1942. Above-Ed displays trophies he won while coaching in Idaho.

Ed says during his time with the pros in New York he and his wife Marylee, "walked all over New York." He says that she was in pretty good shape herself, having walked to the top of the Statue of Liberty eight months pregnant with their first child, leaving some visiting friends huffing and puffing behind them. She made it to the top, but the friends didn't.

Ed's career with the pros was cut short however, war broke out and he joined the Army Air Force in 1943. While in the service he directed a physical education program for the Air Force and coached the troop carrier football team in 1945. While he never was injured playing in college or for the pros, he was in the service playing football for entertainment for the servicemen. As a result of a back injury at the U of Colorado at Boulder, Ed ended up in the hospital for a month.

In 1947 Ed started his coaching career at Nampa High School when he was football and track coach. The next year he moved to Kellogg, where he was athletic director and coached football, basketball and track. During his tenure at Kellogg he started his "fabulous" career coaching basketball. Over 16 years he had a record of 265 wins and 112 losses (for 70 percent), and won five district titles, three regional titles and three state titles-in 1955, 56 and 59.

### Weather Report

by City of Heppner

	Feb. 19-25, 1991		
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Tues.	62	45	.01
Weds.	60	35	T
Thurs.	56	37	.0
Fri.	56	32	.0
Sat.	57	32	.0
Sun.	58	29	.0
Mon.	55	30	.0

When angry parents ask long-time youth sports coach Ed Hiemstra where in the heck he learned to coach, they are probably not prepared for the answer.

Hiemstra played pro ball for the New York Giants early in his long sports career and he is being honored for that and other achievements by the Idaho Hall of Fame. Hiemstra will be inducted into the Hall of Fame in a ceremony at the 29th annual Idaho Sports Banquet at the Coeur d'Alene Resort on March 16. The Hiemstras get an expense paid trip to Coeur d'Alene for the festivities.

To be inducted along with Hiemstra are Ed Troxel, Kennewick, WA.; John G. Smith and Tim Hayhurst, both of Idaho; and J. Neil "Skip" Stahley, Beaverton.

Born in Columbus, Montana to Taek and Francis Hiemstra from Friesland, The Netherlands, Hiemstra moved to Nampa, Idaho with his parents and three brothers and three sisters in 1929. After completing high school, where he competed in football and track, Ed enrolled in college at Sterling, Kansas. At Sterling Ed lettered and earned

15 varsity awards in four sports- football, basketball, baseball and track. In football, Ed established a still standing record of playing in every minute of every football game in all four years of varsity competition. He played center, line backer and punter.

His success at football earned him a place on a Kansas all-star football team, which, in turn, nabbed him a contract with the New York Giants in 1942. There was no draft in those days, said Ed. After playing for his all star team in the Sunflower Bowl seven pro teams wanted him to sign with them. Ed says that he talked to his all-star coach who recommended that he go with the Giants. He signed with them in 1942.

Ed played offensive guard and linebacker for the Giants. Ed said that football was a little different in those days, in that players played both offensive and defensive and if a player was taken out he was not put back in until the next quarter. Players were just about as big, though. Hiemstra was 225 pounds in his college football career and 235 in the pros.

## Mustangs, Fillies head to Regionals



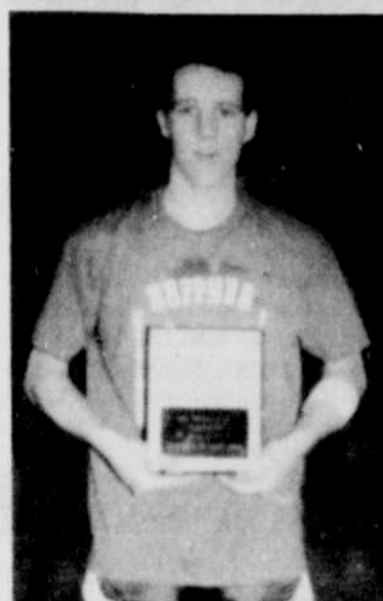
Heppner Mustangs accept bracket board and first place trophy as winners of the District 7 Tournament in Pendleton.

The Heppner Mustangs and Fillies both advanced to the Regional Tournament Friday and Saturday, March 1 and 2 held at the Quinn Coliseum in LaGrande.

The Fillies open the tournament at 1:30 p.m. Friday against the Imbler Panthers. The game, pitting the second place teams from Districts 7 and 8 is a loser-out contest. If the Fillies win, they will play the loser of the Weston-McEwen and Vale matchup for a trip to the state tournament. That game will be played Saturday at 7 p.m.

The Mustangs, the first place team from District 7, will meet the first place team from District 8, the Vale Vikings Friday at 8:30 p.m. for a trip to the State Tournament in Pendleton the first week of March. The loser will play the winner of Enterprise and Umatilla Saturday night for the other ticket to State. The game will start at 8:30 p.m. All games will be played at the Quinn Coliseum on the campus of Eastern Oregon State College. Ticket prices are \$4 for adults and \$3 for students.

## Jason Britt named MVP



Jason Britt receives MVP award

Jason Britt, a 5'9" junior was named the District Tournament's most valuable Player by KUMA. Britt had 28 points in the two games. He also had seven assists and six steals. One of the keys to the Mustang victory over the Vikings was Britt's dogged shadowing of the Vikings Rusty Green, who suffered through 5-13 shooting and scored only 12 points.

## Tree give-away set March 1

Westwinds Nursery, in conjunction with Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District will be giving away free trees beginning this Friday, March 1.

The trees, six to eight foot mountain ash trees, may be picked up at Westwinds in Hermiston. For more information call MSWCD, 676-5452.

daughter is involved in.

The Hiemstras have two grown children, Patricia Frick who teaches elementary school in Richland; and Theresa Griggs, who is the head of payroll at Westinghouse at Hanford. They also have five grandchildren, who all seem to be following in the footsteps of their athletic grandfather.

Patricia's children are Becky, who captained the U. of Seattle basketball team and is now computer engineer for Boeing in Seattle, WA.; Wendy, a senior in TV communications at Eastern Washington; and Scott, who was 7-foot high jumper at Central Washington and is now a Cargo C-141 pilot flying from the U.S. to the Middle East.

Wendy's children are Trisha, who was a starter on her basketball team at Hanford High and Columbia Basin College. Now living in Walla Walla her husband is a medic in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia; and Nicole, who is a sophomore at Hanford. She was a starter on a soccer team which won a state title. This year she is a starter on a district championship basketball team.

## Morrow DA will not file complaint against Devin

Morrow County District Attorney Jeff Wallace said that he has chosen not to file a complaint against Glen Devin, owner of Devin Oil. Devin was placed under citizen's arrest on Feb. 15 by Victor Klinger, owner of Vic's Lexington Chevron. Devin was immediately released on his own recognizance by Judge Ralph Currin. According to Wallace if a district attorney does not endorse prosecution, under Oregon law a judge does not have the authority to file a complaint.

Klinger, who had been involved in a lengthy dispute with Devin Oil, the Morrow County Grain Growers and other card lock operators, maintains that card locks are illegal and the operations are violating the law. In card lock stations, business customers use a key or card to pump gas at a lesser rate than is charged at regular service stations. A Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge's ruling in a civil card lock

case is in the Oregon Court of Appeals.

Devin had been subpoenaed to appear in court on Feb. 15 in conjunction with two bad check charges filed against Klinger. The checks had been written several days apart to Devin Oil, the distributor from whom Klinger gets his gasoline. Prior to Feb. 15, the date that Klinger had been scheduled to appear on the bad check charges, Klinger filed two motions-one to disqualify the Morrow County DA and another to postpone his bad check trial until the pending court of appeals civil case is settled.

Currin denied the motion to disqualify the DA on grounds that he had no authority to do so, since the district attorney represents the state. Currin initially allowed the postponement but later reconsidered his decision on the grounds that the bad check charges were not related to the civil case pending.

## Guest to speak at Garden Club

The regular meeting of the Heppner Garden Club on March 4 at the St. Patrick's Senior Center will start with a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Special guest will be Virginia Sinclair of Milton-Freewater who

will provide the program. She will discuss the growing and new discoveries on the use of rapeseed as well as the kiwi fruit vine.

Kal Healy will discuss the "flower of the month". Hostesses will be Marianne Kahl and Mary Goheen.

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