EWING QUINTET LOSES 1ST TILT OF THE SEASON

Grand Rapids Junior Takes 34-27 Victory in Sensational Game

Muskogee Junior College lost its first battle game of the season Saturday night after one of the best games seen in Greater Muskegon. The year when Grand Rapids Junior College's veteran team took a shade decision by the narrow margin of 34 to 27. The game was won by a first five minute spurt that was aided by a closing scoring spree that broke a tie and left the Muskogee team behind.

The game might well be called "Midgets vs. Giants." The visiting team was one of six footers and none of the five players could be considered slow by any stretch of imagination. But the Muskogee squad was bucked by Grand Rapids throughout the game, and actually shutout the visiting team, although the reach of the Furniture City quintet kept the ball away from the Ewing crew much of the time. On all its drives and on jump balls, Grand Rapids had the edge. The Ewing players added handicaps for Muskogee, although Norm McDonald isn't a midget. But when Muskogee did get the ball, the visitors had their hands full.

The Basmen stepped into an early lead that stood them in good stead later in the game when Muskogee solved the visiting defense. Five field goals had rocketed through the hoops before Muskogee Junior scored. That 19 point lead was a deciding factor later in the game. At the half time mark, Muskogee had crept up, but was trailing 20 to 15. At the intermission, the Basmen actually outscored the visitors 15 to 10 after that.

The game looked like a Muskogee victory in the second half. The Ewing crew kept cutting that lead, and before the Basmen got started, had tied the count at 22. In a row before Muskogee made any points, Langen scored a field goal before the game ended. The best Muskogee could do was to shoot two additional field goals.

ANOTHER ROAD TRIP AHEAD FOR J. C. TEAM

A two-day road trip will be taken by Muskogee Junior College next week. The team opens its athletic relations with colleges which have yet been played by local college teams. Highland Park Junior, rated a strong basketball school, plays Muskogee Junior Friday night, Jan. 27, and Plint Junior is to be faced Saturday. The two opponents will come to Muskogee later in the season.

ART HAGA AWARDED TED BOOTH TROPHY IN A. A. U. TOURNAMENT

Grand Rapids, March 20—Arthur Haga of the Muskogee Triangles was awarded the Ted Booth Trophy presented yearly in the A. A. U. basketball tournament here to the man adjudged by tournament officials to be the player in competition who shows the most sportsmanlike conduct on the floor, the best individual athlete and is the most valuable to his team. Haga was selected as the high scorer of the tournament, as he played guard position, but his work in every other aspect of the game was highest order. The choice was made from a bracket of 600 players who competed in the two-week tournament just closed.

RATINGS

BASKETBALL BITS

Two class teams will play a preliminary to the Muskogee Junior College-Ferris Institute basketball game Thursday evening at the Central Campus gymnasium. The preliminary was arranged by Coach M. J. Ferris for three seasons, the Ferris team is ranked by Coach Ewing as one of the top teams on the schedule.

COLLEGE ORCHESTRA TO PLAY THURSDAY NIGHT

The Junior College orchestra will add entertainment at the Ferris Institute, Junior College game at the Central Campus gymnasium Thursday night. It was announced today.

BASKETBALL BITS

Muskogee Junior College players are determined to get back the winning ways lost temporarily when Grand Rapids Junior's elongated quintet won here last Saturday night. The team has Ferris Institute tomorrow night. The game opens the week's major schedule for Muskogee teams, on home court. It is set for 8:30 p.m. at the Central Campus gymnasium.