

**DIRECTORY OF THE FRATERNAL ORDERS LA GRANDE, ORE.**

**M. W. A.**  
La Grande Camp No. 7793 meets each Monday evening at I. O. O. F. hall. All visiting neighbors are cordially invited to attend.  
M. McMURRAY, C.  
CAL JORDAN, Clerk.

**F. O. F.**  
La Grande Aerie No. 259, F. O. E., meets every Friday night in Elks' hall at 8 p. m. Visiting brethren invited to attend.  
C. E. HACKMAN, W. P.  
GEO. ABEGG, W. S.

**O. E. S.**  
Hope Chapter No. 13, O. E. S., hold stated communications the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. Visiting members cordially invited.  
RACHEL E. WORSTELL, W. M.  
MARY A. WARNICK, Secretary.

**I. O. O. F.—Encampment.**  
Star Encampment No. 31, I. O. O. F., meets every second and fourth Wednesday in the month in Odd Fellows' hall. Visiting patriarchs always welcome.  
H. E. COOLIDGE, C. P.  
W. A. WORSTELL, Scribe.

**M. B. of A.**  
Meets every Thursday evening at I. O. O. F. hall. Visiting members always welcome.  
ANGUS STEWART, President.  
C. J. VANDERPOEL, Secretary.

**Woodmen of the World.**  
La Grande Lodge No. 169, W. O. W., meets every second and fourth Tuesday evening in K. of P. hall in the Corps building. All visiting members welcome. NERI ACKLES, J. H. KEENEY, Consul Commander.  
Clerk.

**I. O. O. F.—Subordinate.**  
La Grande Lodge No. 16, meets in their hall every Saturday night. Visiting brothers cordially invited to attend. Cemetery plot may be seen at Model restaurant.  
HUGH McCALL, N. G.  
OSCAR COOLIDGE, Secretary.  
W. A. WORSTELL, Fin. Sec.

**Foresters of America.**  
Court Maid Marion No. 22 meets each Wednesday night in K. of P. hall. Brothers are invited to attend.  
BEN HAISTEN, C. R.  
LEO HERRING, C. S.  
C. J. VANDERPOEL, F. S.

**A. F. & A. M.**  
La Grande Lodge No. 41, A. F. & A. M., holds regular meetings first and third Saturdays at 7:30 p. m.  
R. L. LINCOLN, W. M.  
A. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

**Knights of Pythias.**  
Red Cross Lodge No. 27, meets every Monday evening in Castle Hall (old Elks' hall). A Pythian welcome to all visiting knights.  
J. F. BAKER, C. C.  
R. L. LINCOLN, K. of R. & S.

**Rebekahs.**  
Crystal Lodge No. 59 meets every Tuesday evening at the I. O. O. F. hall. All visiting members are invited to attend.  
JENNIE N. SMITH, N. G.  
MARTHA E. SCOTT, Secretary.

**B. P. O. E.**  
La Grande Lodge No. 433, meets each Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in Elks' club, corner Depot street and Washington avenue. Visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend.  
C. S. DUNN, Exalted Ruler.  
G. E. McCULLY, Recording Sec.

**NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.**

Notice is hereby given that Mertie Aldrich, administrator of the estate of Mary A. Aldrich, deceased, has filed in the county court of Union county, Oregon, her final account in the matter of said estate, and the county court has appointed Tuesday, the 2nd day of March, 1909, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., at the court house, in La Grande, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to such final account and the settlement thereof.  
MERTIE ALDRICH  
Administrator of the Estate of Mary A. Aldrich, Deceased.  
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Motor boat racing, yacht races and rowing regattas on Lake Washington, will be a daily feature of the A. Y. P. exposition.

For expert piano tuning, see Thomas Bruce. 1-28tf

**Washington Once Gave Up**  
to three doctors; was kept in bed for five weeks. Blood poison from a spider's bite caused large, deep sores to cover his leg. The doctor's failed, then "Bucklen's Arnica Salve" completely cured me," writes John Washington, of Bosqueville, Texas. For eczema, boils, burns and piles it is supreme. 25c at Newlin Drug Co.

**Special Real Estate Bargain.**  
\$3250 cash will buy 15 lots, 1 brick house, 2 frame houses, good orchard, with water right; if taken this week, and assume loan of \$1385. Income from property \$34.00 per month. Loan payable \$29.25 monthly.  
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**Sporting and Athletics**

**HISTORY OF AUTOMOBILES**

**HI HENRY BROUGHT THE FIRST INTO THE COUNTY.**

About 1900 Saw First Automobile in This County and Now There Are Over 50—Evidence of Doubling the Number This Year—Speed Mania Has Seized Every Owner So Far.

(By L. C. Smith.)  
The first automobile to be seen in Union county was a steam machine used by Hi Henry when here with his minstrels. This was perhaps about the year 1900.  
The first automobile Union county really claimed was a four-horse power, Oldsmobile, owned by Dr. Phy, formerly of Baker county and later of Hot Lake. The doctor traded this machine to George Ruckman of Alice, who claims the distinction of being the first farmer to own an automobile. This was in 1902-03. James R. Smith in turn became the owner of the Oldsmobile and boasts that he drove it a thousand miles during the summer of 1908. In the spring of 1903 two more machines appeared. One a four-horse affair, drawn as a prize by a Union mercantile company and a Rambler, eight horse power machine bought by Dr. Molitor, later becoming the property of J. Van Buren. Just last week this machine was seen doing its chug-chug stunt up and down the streets of La Grande.

**Fever Grows Rapidly.**  
In 1904-05 the fever began to spread in all directions. During that year Clare Crawford, Fred Housh, Jap Stephens, Drk Phy, Rumble and McCully and perhaps a machine or two in Union, made up the list of owners. Since that time the number has increased so rapidly that it is impossible to mention them in order, but there are now more than 50 machines in Union county.

**Speed Mania Epidemic.**  
It is a noticeable fact that not one man who has owned a machine has lost his desire to own one, but each year he wants one with more horse power and greater speed. Of these we might cite Dr. Phy: First a four-horse power Oldsmobile; then a 16-horse power Reo; then a 20-horse power Reo; then a 42-horse power Franklin, and rumor has it that the best one is of the 60-horse power, 70-mile an hour variety. J. Van Buren, eight horse power Rambler; then 20-horse power Reo; then a 40-horse power Kissel Kar, and a 42-horse power Franklin. T. J. Wright, a 12-horse power Cadillac; a 20-horse power Reo; a 30-horse power Pierce Racine. Others seem to be following in their footsteps.

**Promises to Double Number.**  
The coming season promises to nearly double the number of machines in the county. Many of the factories have representatives pushing their lines, of which might be mentioned W. H. Bohnenkamp Co., with the Cadillac, a 30-horse power machine selling, fully equipped, at \$1900; and the Buick roadster selling at \$1050. J. R. Oliver, representing the E. M. F., a 30-horse power machine, selling at \$1400; L. C. Smith, representing the Ford, a 5-passenger, 20 to 24-horse power car, selling at \$1000.  
Foster & Brown, of Union, representing the Mitchell, and others.

**MARATHON RACE NEAR.**

Widely Heralded Event in Seattle Brings Skill to the Coast.

Seattle, Feb. 20.—When Mayor Miller fires the starting pistol Monday afternoon, the speediest bunch of distance runners ever gathered on this coast, will be off over a full-distance Marathon course. Besides Seattle, Los Angeles, Chicago, Centralia, Wash., Vancouver, B. C., San Francisco, Oakland, Portland and Tacoma represented.

Archie Wilson, and C. C. Clarke, manager of the experiment station at Union, are here today.



A Later Model of the Automobile Used by Hi Henry in Advertising His Minstrels. The Original Was of Primitive Make.

**CONFERENCE WEEK HENCE**

**FINAL ACTION TAKEN ON SATURDAY MORNING.**

Indications Are That at Least Twenty Actual Representatives Will Attend Important Meeting Here Next Week—Early Gathering and Draft Work Friday.

One week hence the Eastern Oregon High School Athletic conference will actually have materialized. As the time approaches for perfection of the first conference among high schools that has ever amounted to a row of pins, deep interest is taken by all the schools that are to be represented here. G. M. Mickelson, on whom has fallen the brunt of the work in issuing invitations and securing promises of general attendance, due to the fact that Principal Hockenberry has been handicapped with illness, is receiving notification from all parts of the state in the territory to be represented, and the attendance will be large. Actual representation will no doubt touch closely to a total of two dozen, yet proxy representation will be far more than that.

**Meet Friday.**

The first delegations will arrive Friday and on that day a rough draft of the conference rules will be made. As much of the work as possible coming under preliminary description will be transacted Friday and Friday evening. On Saturday morning other delegates will have arrived and final adoption of rules will be made early in the day.

Delegates will be routed from their beds with the rising of the sun Saturday, that all business can be transacted prior to the opening of the teachers' meeting, which is slated for 10 o'clock Saturday.  
After Saturday eastern Oregon high school athletics enter a new era: one where men will be eliminated from high school sports; where law and order will prevail, and far more benefits derived from athletics than now grow out of the various branches of sports.

**2 HOLIDAYS**

Public employees of all classes will be given a double holiday, commencing tomorrow. Washington's birthday follows Sunday and among those to lay off Monday, will be Uncle Sam's servants. The postoffice will be open on Sunday hours, both Sunday and Monday, except that on Monday the city and general delivery windows will be open from 5:20 till 6 o'clock. In this way the mail can be distributed to those who are anxious to get it. All public offices and banks will be closed all day Monday.

Peter O'Sullivan went to Pendleton this morning. He will spend a week or two with his wife, who is in St. Anthony's hospital there, and hope that he will be able to bring Mrs. O'Sullivan back to La Grande in a month's time.

**SPIKES AND TRUNKS, HO!**

**SUCCESSFUL YEAR IN BASEBALL NEARS END.**

New Precedent Set in Basketball as Played by La Grande Boys—Year Successful in Every Respect—Coming Season Looms Up Bright in Baseball and Track Work.

Spiked shoes and rubdown are rapidly supplanting interest of waning basketball. Manager Earis has about given up hope of landing any more big games of the strenuous indoor kind, and while one or perhaps two minor contests may be witnessed in this city during the 1908-09 season, it is safe to say that the wind will soon be removed from the sphere and basketball togs laid away for another year. The passing of basketball for this season, has a striking significance, as for the first time in several years the sport has been conducted on a paying basis. Previously it was not an uncommon thing for local girls' teams to fill a hall to capacity with spectators, but never so the boys. This year the reverse has been true, but there has not been a girls' contest this year, and boys have not lost money, though, admittedly, the athletic coffers are not much fatter than in the beginning of the year. The team won two and lost one big game, and came out financially even. Thus the record is a creditable one from all standpoints.

But with the passing of basketball comes the call of track and field activities, and the high school baseball fever. In both branches of the summer sport, La Grande has blooming prospects. The entire squad of last year's cinder material is back in school, all stronger, all better imbued with more confidence than ever before. The new material that entered high school this year will play an important part in the selection of teams. As yet no organization has taken place, but long before dust flies and the warm breezes blow, the spike and the trunk will be dusted and broken in for another year's hard but victorious work.

**Baseball Prospects.**

An augmented and strengthened baseball squad will trot out for the initial warm up this season. In the pitching department the school is well supplied. Meyers, Heidenreich, Oliver, Geddes and others will be ready to race for the stellar moundship. The entire squad of last year's team will be in school with freshmen to strengthen the experience of last year's work. James F. Wall will exercise his skill in the coaching line in baseball and his fruits will show in that branch as they did in football.  
He and Prof. Mickelson together, will be able to turn out a fast nine with the material to be on hand. In baseball Mickelson is distinctly at home. This was demonstrated last year when he rounded a green bunch into championship form. Wall, too, has a thorough knowledge of the sport.

**Changed His Location.**

All parties wishing a first-class workman to repair their watches and jewelry, will find O. M. Heacock located with Carl Bros., at Huelat's old stand. Repairing done promptly. If

**CALLING BALL-MEN TO BAKER**

**WEISER, CALDWELL, BAKER AND LA GRANDE LOOM UP.**

Promoter Lincoln Sends Invitations to Western Idaho and Eastern Oregon Towns to Appear in Baker City—Material in La Grande Squad to Be Large.

Invitations to all promoters of semi-professional baseball in western Idaho to attend a baseball conference in Baker City at a nearby date, were sent out last evening by G. A. Lincoln, the local baseball organizer, who is engineering preliminary work in the formation of an Eastern Oregon-Western Idaho four-club baseball league under class D regulations and protection this season. At this meeting, to be held to best suit the convenience of all concerned, the personnel of the league will be hashed over and organization perfected. Realizing that the call of the diamond is loud, and growing more staccato daily, Mr. Lincoln is hurrying the preliminary meeting with all dispatch. This week he toured the western portion of Idaho but, unfortunately, found only a few of the "big guns" in town, so another trip is necessary, no doubt. He did find Baker City promoters at home, and with considerable evidence of interest.

**Two Clubs Decided On.**

There is no question for debate as to the color of two faces in the proposed league: La Grande's countenance and Baker City's "mug" will be prominent parts of the four-cornered affair. To all appearances Weiser and Caldwell will be the others. But the invitations sent out were not to these two teams alone, and the conference in Baker City will doubtless find other representatives than these four at hand.

**Early Skirmishing.**

Grant Lincoln has been doing two things at once, and while the preliminary arrangements are being perfected he is looking out for likely material that will form the nucleus of the coming La Grande club. It is yet too early to announce the youngsters he has his on his wires, but inside information is to the effect that all is good quality. Just what other prospective clubs have done cannot be positively asserted, but it is safe to surmise that they have not taken advantage of early skirmishing, due to uncertainties of any of the leagues that have been discussed during the ante-baseball season. That period of the year, by the way, is not far hence, and quick organization work will have to be the order of the day.

**No General Shoot Tomorrow.**

Though a few may take cracks at the pigeons tomorrow, members of the gun club will not, as a rule, attempt to do much practicing until the weather grows more balmy. Last Sunday the work was greatly hampered by cold winds, and for this reason the Sunday practice shoots will be delayed a week or so, pending arrival of more suitable climatic conditions.

**BOYS MAKE A MAT.**

Athletic Department of B. M. A. Avoid Expense and Makes Mat.

The athletic department of the Blue Mountain association now boasts of a gymnasium mat, having manufactured a very suitable one last evening at the meeting held at the home of H. S. Massee.

**A Clever Playlet.**

The playlet "Government Bonds" made a decided hit at the Pastime last night. The pictures are the "best ever." Don't miss this show if you don't want to pass up a real treat. "Government Bonds" has a laugh each minute of the play. The people who put it on are capable persons and the nature of the work they put on requires skill. This is without a question, as good a skit as has been seen in La Grande vaudeville.