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Strange Career Ended

Battling Nelson is no longer the champion but like Paul, "He fought a good fight." Nelson not only died game but he has been game and above all he has been clean. Ever since he defeated Corbett and Britt, temptations have been thrown in his way from the wineroms and other attractions of the primrose path, but through it all, the terrible Dane has stood secure. A rare thing is such circles is this, that a man can endure temptation for that length of time. Other champions have come and gone; Wolgast will come and go and his successor will come and go, but in Nelson alone the world can see a prizefighter intensely moral. "Girls" and "Booze" have always been his mortal enemies. As a consequence of it, he stayed with the strenuous game from three to four years longer than any of his predecessors, and he quit the game yesterday with more glory than any lightweight man who has ever held it, and it is safe to say, with more glory than any man who will hold it in years to come. In sharp contrast to Nelson's high principles, stands the incident in the fight yesterday when Wolgast was forced to take stimulants in the shape of whiskey during the progress of the fight. For his wonderful willingness to stand punishment, his tenacity, his grit, his moral character, Nelson will be remembered as long as there is a fighting game.

A Dry Sunday

Baker City yesterday experienced the first dry Sunday (with the exception of one) in the history of the town.

Every saloon was closed an hour of midnight on Saturday night and Monday morning.

There was no other pleasure could be had. The result had nothing to offer, nor were any side or back doors open as preservers.

The water wagon was abroad on the streets and everybody had a seat—high and dry—Baker City Democrat.

The last two days there seems to be a change of sentiment in regard to the floating of the school bonds which will be voted upon Saturday of this week. However it seems to be evident that if the bonds are carried it will require no small amount of work. The trouble is the people will not investigate. We are crowded now and it is a well known fact that when the school year opens next year we will have to provide for additional room to take care of the 116 high school students who will be promoted.

Friday evening of this week the debating teams of La Grande will contest for honors. These competing teams were the victors in the

last triangular contest but these two teams have never met before. La Grande should turn out and give their encouragement by their presence. La Grande will have one team in Baker City the same evening. Baker City always turns out to her public school functions. Every city should.

Come out and hear the public school debate Friday night. It might give you an inspiration to vote for better school conditions on Saturday.

A great many homes and business houses are throwing feed around so the birds can live.

The March American Magazine contains a very remarkable story called The Rat by T. S. Weldon, M. D. In an introductory note the author says:

It is a known fact that in the secrecy of the back room and in the cells of the New York precinct station, many unheard of prurities occur. The incidents and facts used in this story have been drawn from my own personal experiences as an ambulance surgeon in New York. In the story a thief known as the Rat who has already served two terms in the penitentiary, is discovered by a Young Cop asleep under a baker's window. The policeman raps the soles of his feet with a club and as The Rat jumps up threateningly the Cop slashes him a terrible blow across the cheek with the weighted night stick the Rat is taken to the station house and Dr. Adams is sent for. The story continues.

"The Rat sat huddled on a chair, his face red with blood. Some 11 guardians of the Commonwealth stood about in their shirt sleeves.

Doctor Adams opened his bag and asked for a basin of warm water.

The Rat was dazed and little heeded the words of the worthy Doctor who ordered him to keep his head on one side. So the kindhearted disciple of medicine jammed The Rat's head back, hitting the wall with a thud.

A knife of pain shot through The Rat's head, he felt a sensation of choking and saw the flickering gaslight far away through blood-dimmed eyes. He did not know the reason why; he only knew he suffered, that he wanted air, that he was hungry. So he tried to rise from the chair.

Look out, he may have a knife hid under the door.

Three Cops rushed forward but Adams dropped his needle and silk-worm gut and with a yell hit The Rat on the point of the chin.

Put him away that time, laughed the surgeon.

Then the doctor finished his work. It is much easier to stuture deep laceration when the patient is unconscious.

Guess I'd better make him breathe while he's out," the doctor said Adams. He is out.

A few minutes The Rat was hauled into a cell assisted by the cop who dragged him by being thrown, for the doctor describe it, into a cell.

The wretched officer, went to the ugly blow for good.

Dr. Adams, the Lieutenant's room washing hands, when Patrolman Schmit put in his head, and in an expectant voice asked. Do you think he can stand the water cure, Doc?

Sure thing, replied Adams, wait for me, I want to see the show.

Five large sized pails of cold water were carried up to the lock-up room. Then all hands assembled.

Here's where you get the bath of your life, you rummy, one laughed.

With great glee, pail by pail, the contents went through the bars, soaking the Rat to the skin. The Rat, having fallen into a comatose state, never moved. This caused great disappointment and cursing their luck, the officers returned to the back room, resuming their games,

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and Dr. Adams, bag in hand, went out into the night, jumped upon the rear seat of the ambulance and was hurried back to the hospital.

At four a. m. headquarters told Adams that 700th precinct wanted to talk to him. In a few minutes he was again on his way to the station house.

He's in bad shape, the doorman said.

Dr. Adams went to the cell, examined The Rat and returned to the U. S. tenant at the desk.

He's piked—Gone. Dead? Asked the Lieutenant, with a frown.

Cold, answered Adams, with a wave of the hand.

Say, Charlie, said the Lieutenant, fix up that report. Make it a fight. Some unknown trimmed the hem. Send me Smith and O'Brien. I'll detail them to investigate. That covers us. That guy was a tough proposition all right.

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