

SPORTSDOM

THIS CITY HOST MAY 18

EASTERN OREGON MEET WILL BE HELD HERE THEN

Strenuous Effort Will be Made to
Pull out Off Speedily.

On May 21st, La Grande will conduct the Eastern Oregon track and field meet, and event that will draw something like 200 athletes and many more adherents to the city. The meet will be held on the fair grounds track this year, and a special train will be provided by the management to take the crowd to the grounds. Already communication is under way to provide a referee from Walla Walla or Pullman and the meet will be conducted in a way that will give shame to the sloppy manner in which it was conducted last year at Pendleton. Pendleton had neither track or system and the meet was a drag and a fiasco. If strenuous work and adherence to rules amount to anything the meet this year will progress with out a hitch.

Another meet that is attracting considerable attention right now, at Cove especially, is the Union county meet on May 14. On that occasion La Grande and Cove will meet as the only two teams in the county and some good records are sure to result for the teams are quite evenly matched this year. La Grande won this meet at Union last year by an overwhelming score.

First and foremost right now is the tri-state meet at Walla Walla in which La Grande will figure conspicuously. Last year this city made the finest showing in its history there, and it has now come to be reckoned with by the dopsters and scribes who have anything to prognosticate about the coming meet. La Grande's chances of winning the coveted cup were never better, and the team will leave here May 5th with that high ambition firmly tucked away in their bosoms.

Here is hoping.

BAN PUT DOWN ON FIGHTS

PRIZE FIGHT AND COPIOUS FLOW OF CUSSES AT FAULT.

Mayor Has Set Down on Prizefights
Following Recent Bout.

Executive disapproval of fistie combats has gone forth from Mayor F. L. Meyers. The lid of boxing followed the slugfest the other night

when the principals forgot they were to give a sparring match and substituted a prizefight. Then too, another thing that actuates the Mayor in setting his foot down on the game was the flow of language that was emitted by the fighters in the ring, and emitted in such pitches it could be heard in the galleries by a half-deaf man. Referee O'Brien tried to stop it, the promoters tried to stop it and it was only quenched when an officer leaned over the ropes. But anyway, the two phases of that particular fight has spoiled others of a similar nature that might otherwise have been permitted.

When sparring matches between local youngsters who are clever at the game are arranged in the order of "smokers" there is both instruction and amusement in the game, criticisms to the contrary notwithstanding. There are a dozen or more who come under this category in La Grande and it is really too bad that gymnasium facilities are not afforded where bouts could be pulled off without admission charges to the fans, members alone being invited. Some day, however, we will have a "gym" and incidentally some sparring, some wrestling, some gymnastics and other legitimate sports that came under the ban of the law when carried beyond the statute provisions.

TRACK READY SUNDAY

MANY BLOODED ANIMALS TO BE SEEN THERE.

Speedway for Horses Open to Auto-
mobile Owners Hereafter.

Like unto Salem, Portland, Walla Walla and other centers of horse speed development, La Grande will have by tomorrow a well prepared track on which its fast and clever horses will be "worked out." The fair grounds track will be ready for the high and rapid steppers by tomorrow and those who are in on the association by virtue of having paid the admission price are jubilant to know that excellent speedway facilities are awaiting them. The track will be a speedway in every sense of the word, and the inner half of the wide and spacious mile track has been made soft, yet firm, best adapted for horse speeding. The horse fanciers of the city who own standard bred animals are almost to a man joining the association and every afternoon, or morning, as the case may be will see standard stock warming up and speeding over the track at the direction of an experienced trainer, if a suitable man can be found. Otherwise, the owners themselves will drive.

La Grande is the metropolis of a far renowned horse producing valley and it is no wonder that the

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owners of these animals are laying the foundation for something really extensive later on. While it is yet premature, a series of racing meets at the fair grounds with local horses alone entered, is not improbable.

Among the horses to be seen at the track after tomorrow, their sires and dams and owners, are:

First Fruit, by Shepard Laddie; Dam, Winall. Owner, Herman Siegrist.

My Jewel, by Evergetts; Dam, She. Owner, A. T. Hill.

John, by Calepel; Dam, fah. Owner, Frank Childers.

Jim Smith, by Satin Royal, Dam, Lady Careful. Owner, Dr. Bacon.

Prince, by Helness, Dam, Catholett Wilks. Owner, Dr. Charlton.

Blondwell, by Commonwealth; Dam, Nellie McC. Owner, Shorty McCall.

Tony Chehalls; Dam Mamie X. Owner, Lloyd Scriber.

Amy McKinney, by Capt. McKinney; Dam, Amy May. Owner, N. K. West. Mr. West has six other horses, has six other horses.

Opportunity for Autoists.

La Grande is coming to boast of having more rabid auto fans than any other Eastern Oregon town, and the track will be open to auto owners who wish to join, paying \$5.00 for the season. Non-members will not be permitted on the track at all, but those who belong will be given the choice of afternoon or morning as they choose and in specified hours can use the outer half of the track to their heart's content. It is extremely hard and firm, well suited for the pneumatic tires. In this way it will be possible to pull off a series of auto matinees, all of which will add to the innocent amusement of La Grande sport lovers.

WINS GAME AT ENTERPRISE

MEYERS' THROWING IS GOOD AND SUPPORT FINE.

La Grande Hitters Get in Line and
Swat Out Long Ones.

Enterprise, April 23—(Special)—La Grande, yesterday, trimmed the Enterprise high school in easy style, winning 7 to 4 in the first game of the series of two. Meyers was on the firing line for La Grande and his supporters may he never pitched a better game in his life. His back stop was Pidcock. Man after man was struck out.

That La Grande had its batting eye ready is attested by the fact that three three-baggers were registered off the opponents. Irwin and Childers were among the heavy hitters. Ralston started off the two-bagger schedule and others followed regularly. Blystone shown in the field by pulling down three difficult flies. This afternoon the team plays again with Childers on the stellar mound.

It is gratifying to see so many coming to the financial assistance of the high school athletic teams. All are distressed from want of funds, and instead of appealing to the merchants for every item of assistance, the various clubs and societies of the city are producing liberal help. Among these can be noted the O. A. C. association which turned over the receipts from last night's dance to the track team. The track team members have voted a very gracious thanks to the association members.

To get the Pacific Coast baseball scores in La Grande a few minutes after the games are ended is one of the means which the Observer is taking to accommodate its fan readers. The effort is appreciated. Within a day or two, the Foley and Sommer hotels will be provided with the score boards as the Van Buren news stand already is. Hot Lake, too, is being supplied with the scores by the Observer.

Elgin, Cove, Union and Walla county towns are on the right track in the formation of an inter county league. There is a double action to the affair. Each county will be anxious to have one in its boundaries win from the teams in the other. The towns are of such a size too, where moral support can be backed up with sufficient mazzooma to make it profi-

table for all concerned.

For the first time since our middle-aged can remember, the La Grande high school is sending a base ball team on a tour. In connection it might be said that a tour or two like this will instill greater interest in the sport, as it gives some promise of remunerative trips as do track and field sports.

Baker City, Boise, Colfax, Dayton, Davenport, Ellensburg, Garfield, La Grande, Lewiston, North Yakima, Oakesdale, Palouse, Pendleton, Pendleton Academy, Pomeroy, Prosser, Ritzville, Spokane, Sunnyside, Waukeburg, Wallace, Walla Walla, Wenatchee, Pearsons Academy.

If we can't have baseball other than such as was dished up for us last year, let's not have any. Ladd Canyon, up the river with a book, Morgan Lake—most any old diversion is better.

Pretty soon now the scores of streams tributary to the Grande Ronde will be the stamping grounds of Waltonites, Five Points and Ladd Creek are the streams which will perhaps first afford good angling.

On May 5th and 6th the Interstate track meet occurs. The schools represented are as follows. Whitman takes no part in this contest, the other schools being the guests of the college at that time.

Tennis has a far more feverish grip on La Grande this year than before. Three courts will soon be the rendezvous of as many club members and a whole lot of others who wish they were members.

Union high school has the baseball bug so badly that track and field stunts are relegated to the dusty shelves of sportdom.

Local firemen and engineers are figuring on forming a baseball team this year.

Next year La Grande will hold its first annual indoor track meet, and again La Grande is to lead Eastern Oregon.

Wallowa county makes its debut in track and field circles this spring.

New Bargains in Real Estate at the C. J. Black agency

NO. 12—120 acres seven miles north of La Grande. New 5-room house good barn and other outbuildings. Water piped to the house from a good spring. 80 acres under cultivation. Alfalfa and timothy hay and also grain land. Small family orchard. 40 acres timber and pasture land, level and well adapted for orchard land when timber is removed. 250,000 feet of saw lumber on the place. Saw mill adjoining property. 4 head of splendid work horses, 1 yearling colt, 2 milk cows, 2 sets of harness, 3, 1-2 wagon, hack, surrey, new

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NO. 15—50 acres in Mt Glenn, Oregon, 30 acres under cultivation. Three acres of orchard and balance acre in fall wheat. Good springs on the place; 4 room house, barns, etc. 20 acres timber on the place. Price \$3000. \$1500 down, balance in two years.

NO. 16—A three room house, one lot on Jefferson Ave. House furnished. Good well and wood shed. All for \$500 on easy terms.

NO. 17—5 room brick house, modern Barn, wood shed, etc, two lots 124 by 124, small orchard, nice lawn and shade trees. All fenced, for \$2000, easy terms.

NO. 18—A four room cottage on O. street, two lots, city water, price \$1300 on terms.

NO. 19—Eight lots and fine new house in Old Town at the head of 4th street. City water inside, also pump; good, big barn, orchard of 52 trees. A beautiful home and room to build several houses. The price is \$5000.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, January 24th, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that Adolph Lauer, of La Grande, Oregon, who

on January 3d, 1905, made Homestead Entry No. 14038, Serial No. 04326, for SE 1-4 NE 1-4, E 1-2 SE 1-4, Sec. 17, NE 1-4 NE 1-4, Section 20, Township 4 South, Range 38 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final Five Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the Register and Receiver, United States Land Office, at La Grande, Oregon, on the 15th day of March, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses:
John Shilling, Jr.
Henry J. Rehen.
James Shilling.
Fred Pohrman, all of La Grande, Oregon.

F. C. BRAMWELL,
Register.

SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Union County.

E. A. Brownell, plaintiff, vs. Ella L. Brownell, defendant.

To Ella L. Brownell, the above named defendant, you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before six (6) weeks after the first publication of the summons in this cause, and you will take notice that, if you fail to so appear and answer said complaint the plaintiff will apply to this Court for the relief demanded in said complaint, to-wit for a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony now, and heretofore existing between you and the plaintiff, and for general relief.

You will further take notice that this summons is published in the La Grande Evening Observer, once a week for six (6) successive weeks.

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