

About The City

Will Present Play.

The Junior Endeavor society under the leadership of Mrs. Ford A. Ellis will present a play at the Central Church of Christ, Tuesday evening of this week. The Junior girls have been practicing faithfully for this event. There will be solos, dialogues and instrumental music. The admission to the entertainment is 10 and 15 cents.

Fireman Married.

Howard M. Peck, an O. R. & N. fireman of this city, and Frances B. Newkirk, also of this city, were married at the Baptist church yesterday afternoon by Rev. Gray. Both are well known and popular young people of the city and they will be at home to their friends here, soon.

Class No. 7 Organized.

Class number seven of the Central Church of Christ was organized last evening. The class will be called the Loyal Daughters. This class will serve ice cream and cake at the close of the Junior entertainment tomorrow evening in the church.

Alterations About Done.

The alterations which are making the Rinehart-Little Piano store a model of beauty and style, have about been completed. The place has a metropolitan air, indeed.

Amateur Play Soon.

C. M. Devere will stage a four-act play known as Northern Lights of Custer's Last Fight at the Steward in the near future with local people carrying all the parts. The first rehearsal will be held tonight.

Printer Turns Farmer.

Walter J. Henry, who for four years has been a faithful employee of the Observer, has answered the call of nature and has purchased 40 acres of land near Elgin. He will move on the land soon and make Elgin his home city. Like so many others he realizes the value of Elgin land and is going to buy in while it is yet cheap for some day it will be in a class by itself for potato and orchard land.

Stole Watch and Ring.

Officer Faulk today arrested a Greek wanted in Weiser for stealing a watch and ring from a fellow countryman. The ring and watch were found in his possession when searched.

SPECIAL TRAIN IS ASSURED.

Stores Will Close and All Will Go to Union Next Friday.

President Collier, of the Commercial club, has been advised by the O. R. & N. Co. that the request for a special train from La Grande to Union Friday has been granted and the fare will be \$1 for the round trip from this city to the city of Union. The hour of the train's departure has not yet been decided upon.

Practically all the merchants have agreed to close their stores on Friday and a general, enthusiastic effort is now on to take as large a crowd as possible to the neighboring city.

Tomorrow night at 7:30 in the Commercial club rooms a meeting of businessmen and citizens will be held to push the campaign for passengers on the special train in order to fill Union full of La Grande people Friday at the stock show.

Fighting Is Resumed.

Bluefields, May 30.—Fighting has resumed about Bluefields, but no general attack was made today. It was mostly skirmishing between small parties and the opposing army.

It is believed that Estrada will be able to hold the city despite the fact that the government has captured the custom house and is holding the bluffs overlooking the city. Neither side is strong enough or possess knowledge enough to make a successful aggressive campaign although each side is strong on the defense. There is an unverified report that a truce may be declared as the generals are convinced they cannot take the city. A report that more American marines are en route leads to the belief that American intervention is certain.

There is a belief that Americans desire to end the revolution and keep peace until another national election is held.

BIG AIRDOME OPENS SATURDAY.

Work Being Rushed on Scenery and Stage for Opening.

The big summer theater, the Airdome, is scheduled to open Saturday, June 4th, with the Madison Square Stock company on the boards, in the comedy drama, "The Minister's Wife." Entire new scenery and curtains are being made and painted by Mr. J. E. Simpkins, the famous scenic artist of Salt Lake, and theatergoers are promised a treat in the beautiful stage settings.

Mr. Thomas Bruce, who is to manage the Airdome assures us that everything is being done to give La Grande one of the best stock shows on the coast, and also that the productions will be more complete than at the old Pastime last summer, owing to more stage room being available.

Good music, one of Bruce's hobbies, will be a special feature.

Beginning of a City.

When a travelling man who had been making this part of Oregon for years noticed the excavation being done on Adams avenue today and found upon inquiry that it means the advance work of paving was begun, he said: "Praise goodness. I have played this for the big town in Eastern Oregon for a long time and I had begun to think I was wrong; not because it is not rightly situated but because things did not move. Now, I know I'm right. When you start work like this it means the starting of a city. La Grande will soon be the big one and I am glad of it."

M'INNIS WINS A SOLID HOME

FANS HIGHLY PLEASED WITH SHOWING OF NEW TWIRLER.

Enterprise Takes Fast and Interesting Game from La Grande Yesterday.

Inter-county League.

	W.	L.	P.C.
Enterprise	3	0	1000
Elgin	3	0	1000
La Grande	0	3	000
Joseph	0	3	000

McInnis and Pidcock, with spasmodic assistance from a few of seven other players lost to Enterprise yesterday in an exciting game of baseball at the Lincoln park. Running bases like McCredeites, and backing up the big twirler, Bilyou, with almost faultless precision, the Wallows were able to tinkle the pan four times while La Grande came across but twice; and that at a time when all the players were together and clouting Bilyou's shoots often. But for all the fluctuations, the game was good and the fans got their money's worth, and all will go again is they can see the same sort of ball. La Grande has a veritable whirlwind in the box. McInnis need take the back seat for no one, as he has speed, control and is always in the game, few of the others—in fact Bradley, alone of the infield, were at all reliable. The chief difficulty with La Grande is that all the players are not playing all the time. The talent represented in the lineup is as good as can be found anywhere, and once they get to playing ball together, it will be all off with the rest of them.

The game was snappy and fast and the fans came away feeling that the squad is much stronger than it was two weeks ago. The battery is the basis of all teams, and no improvement can be made on the one now carrying La Grande's colors. Every fan will say McInnis is the best pitcher seen here in several years barring none and if the fans and players alike will put their shoulders to the wheel La Grande will have the best allround team in Eastern Oregon within a week. The talent is here though now dormant.

For the visitors, Bilyou, the Pitcher, and French on third base made the best impression though there is not a weak spot in the entire Enterprise lineup.

The official score follows:

LA GRANDE

	A	B	R	P	O	A	E
Bradley 1b	4	0	0	9	2	0	
Stoddard 1f	3	0	1	0	0	0	
Proe, Stacy 2b	3	1	2	2	2	3	
Shanks 3b	4	0	0	1	2	2	
Childers ss	4	1	1	3	1	3	
Stacy, Proe rf	4	0	1	0	0	0	
Mayhew, Heath cf	4	0	1	2	0	1	
Pidcock c	3	0	1	10	1	2	
McInnis p	3	0	0	1	1	0	

ENTERPRISE

	A	B	R	P	O	A	E
Savage lf	4	0	1	0	0	0	
Crumbecker rf	4	0	2	0	0	0	
Hug 2b	5	0	1	0	1	2	
Bilyou p	3	0	2	1	1	1	
Pace 1b	4	1	1	12	3	2	
Odel ss	4	1	3	1	2	0	
Bauer c	4	1	2	12	2	1	
French 3b	4	1	1	0	2	0	
Sheets, Prater cf	4	0	0	1	0	0	

First base on balls—Off Bilyou, none; off McInnis, one; struck out by Bilyou, 12; by McInnis, 9; umpire, Will Stoddard; scorer, Keeney. La Grande—

Runs 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—2

Hits 0 2 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—3

Enterprise—

Runs 0 0 2 1 0 1 0 0 0—4

Hits 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0—2

Elgin Defeats Joseph.

Joseph, May 30.—Special—Elgin defeated Joseph here yesterday in a featureless game by the score of seven to five.

Baseball Returns.

Portland, May 30.—Results of today's games: Oakland, 2; Vernon, 5; San Francisco, 5; Los Angeles, 4.

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THE FAIR

STORIES OF THE DIAMOND.

Rucker Says Intuition Is Needed For Success in Baseball.

FAST THINKING WHAT COUNTS

Brooklyn's Star Southpaw Twirler Points Out Why Many Players Succeed or Fail When They Get Trial in Fast Company.

No. V.

By NAP RUCKER.

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A young pitcher may come into the big leagues from a minor club with a great record. He may have good curves, fair control and great speed. Many people are under the impression that this is all that is needed to keep the recruit in fast company. This is not so, however. The youngster may possess all these qualities and yet may not be fit for fast company, and he is quickly sent back to where he came from. It is the little things that count the most for the twirler in the big leagues. For instance, here are a few: A pitcher must know how to stand when a runner reaches first. He must learn how to use his shoulders in making a quick movement as if to throw to first when shooting the ball up to the next batter. This little act will serve to make the runner keep on the jump, not knowing just what is going to happen.

Another important point for a young twirler to master is in covering first

go over to cover the bag? A twirler who is in the habit of running over to cover first sack whenever a ball is hit in the right field direction is of great value to a team in every game played. The matter of learning to cover the initial sack on the pitch is easy. All the twirler must do when delivering the ball is to slightly incline his body in the direction of first corner, and in the swing with the ball he gets a fairly good start in the desired direction.

Every now and then the fans read of "boneheads" in baseball. The reason for this is that they do not possess a subconscious mind. Many times there are plays on the diamond which the player must as soon as the ball is hit know exactly what to do. His hands and feet must be ready to act with his mind. Many persons call this instinct, but it is nothing else, however, than the inner mind. In this advanced day of the game ball tossers must think and do so rapidly. They must also possess an inner mind. Could a manager have on his team nine such men he would come close to owning a pennant winning team.

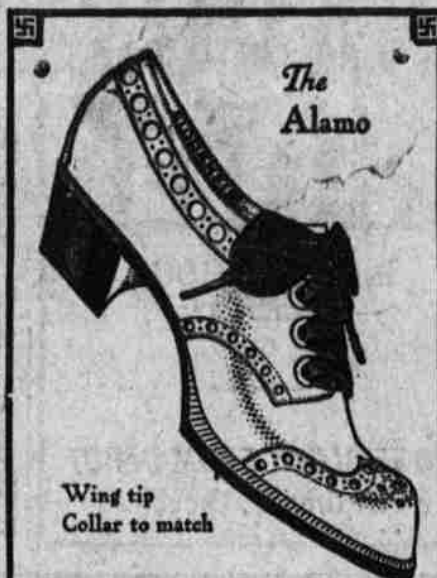
How many times have you read about the wonderful curves that some young pitcher has, and just as soon as the season lengthens how little do you hear of him? A pitcher with freak ball and curves does not last very long in the big leagues.

In the first place, throwing that kind of balls all the time is so hard on the muscles of the arm that one cannot stand the strain very long, and, secondly, in time the batters are bound to get wise to curves and then bat them all over the diamond.

My advice to young men who aspire to success as pitchers is to learn how

to throw a straight ball with unerring accuracy, either very fast, very slow or halfway between, as the occasion demands.

I've found that my most effective ball is a high, swift, straight shoot, cutting the inside corner of the plate. Of course this should be varied occasionally with a slow teaser, and in a tight pinch a curve or a slow drop will do no harm. Just make it a point to see how many batters make a safe hit off a ball that comes in swift on the level and close to the shoulders.



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