

FOSTER'S SUPERB PITCHING ALL FOR NAUGHT FIRST GAME

Sixteen hundred and ten human lives and a baseball player went down in the Titanic disaster a few weeks since—there was another titanic disaster in the ninth canto of the introductory chapter to the pages of Western Tri-State league history yesterday evening when Boise came up from oblivion like a black horse hopelessly beaten and batted herself to victory when costly boots by La Grande made heavy clou'ing an expedient course to pursue by Boise. The word went when the masterly ship sank at the Atlantic coast—the city, that portion of it, recent, came away from the Lincoln playgrounds, daubers down the funeral dirge sounding, spirits depressed and the anvil chorus about to commence the third stanza. It was a hard game to lose for the Pippins had it securely tucked away in their jeans and sewed up from the very start to the beginning of the ninth when five balls in one half of the ninth put Boise so far ahead that the half-hearted attempt to breast the terigators was hopeless.

Foster's Form Superb.
For eight innings Foster's biceps snapped with terrific force and telling accuracy and it was a magnificent piece of pitching. He scattered the few hits registered up to that point, going to the sixth before more than one single echoed o'er the dale in one inning. On the whole his support behind him was good and the banner crowd of 1500 citizens that forsook business in a body to see the opening of the series, jiggled their toes and were happy.

Ninth Fatal to Locals.
In the sixth and seventh the Boise Macduffs commenced to lay on Foster's slants, and by the ninth the slaughter was terrific. A triple, three doubles and a single, as many hits as Foster allowed through the first eight, were slammed to all corners of the lot, and while contributory negligence is chalked up to Bradley et al, the swatting bee was all sufficient after the boots had been made.

La Grande Scores Early.
Fox went on the mound—after diligent search for it—and Cosgriff found him for a single, right off the starting gun. Tex followed the young infielder with a hit to right and Owens leant

ed against the first home run of the season. It was a clean drive and cleared the bases ahead of him. Proe, Bradley and Forbes were retired, ending the first session. With three runs in pickle, La Grande dallied along to the fourth when she needs must ring another gong. Forbes caromed one off Luttrell's shinbone and Miller scored the runner with a clean two-bagger. In the fifth again, La Grande took extra precaution and added another tally, meanwhile shutting Boise out. Tex got a complimentary firstward for Fox was still puffing from the effects of the wozy innng before, was sacrificed to second by Owens, and scored on Walter's hit. Proe who got on when Naughton threw wild to first, was caught at the bag by close pegging.

Second Home Run.
First baseman Walters got into the special mention column, in the seventh, when he lammed out a home run, but, curses be, the bags were empty ahead of him. There the La Grande scoring ended and Boise commenced.

Irigators Get Busy.
Luttrell, the hitting demon, was held down to no hits, and it happened that he was at bat in the sixth. He flew out to Proe and then came up mighty Jansan, the king pin hitter of the Boiseites yesterday. He laced one at Foster, that might be an error but it was too hot to handle properly. Then McRae, Willamette collegian, lined up a cross between a hit and a bungle and Bradley had brainfog over Gimlin's easy hit.

West came up with a drive that landed him on the half-way station but it scored Jansan and McRae. In the following inning Boise made it three with a long drive to right field that got into the sun and dopped rat Forbes' feet. King standing up safe on third. He scored on Jansan's two-bagger. With the game still safely suitcased by La Grande, the ninth inning approached and then came a procession of boots, hits and runs that told a heart-breaking story, the gist of which was five runs, enough to win. It was hard to lose, sure enough. About this time Kellackey was doing some cute managing. He sent Fox in to bat for Jansan, previously had put

Lundstrum in for Naughton, and had Mays pinch hit for Pitcher Fox. The switching did what was intended for it. When La Grande essayed the final task, he was prepared for them and had Karr warmed up and on the hill-top to retire Bradley and Forbes by the bait route and Walter went out, Luttrell to McRae and it was all over—a said, weird ending to a brilliant game.

Fans Are Satisfied.
There is an awful lot of fuss about Bradley taking the field, but besides this and maybe one or two other exceptions fans are highly pleased with the complexion of the La Grande team. The more soberly-minded ones are willing to let Bradley take another shot at it to hit his stride if possible, and all unite on the general lineup as sufficiently good to win. Objectors to the manager want him to manipulate his brain from the bench and slip a young man on second. When it comes to doping out plays and outguessing opponents, one has to slip it to Bradley, notwithstanding the grouches who knock him. If he is going to continue as he played yesterday he should immediately retire to the bench for there is where he, like Hugh Kellackey, can be a potent power for good to his men.

Sad Feature Apparent.
The saddest feature of all was that Foster was not wig-wagged when he commenced to weaken after the finest piece of pitching through seven innings that could be imagined. He has smoke to burn and his twisters come up in clean-cut fashion. His defeat yesterday is of course not his fault entirely in view of the scandalous capers in the infield at times, and the fans will give the Wisconsin youngster a warm welcome any time in the future that he mazammas the mound.

BOISE.

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Luttrell, 3b	4	1	0	1	3	1
Jansan, ss	3	1	2	4	0	0
Fox, ss	1	1	0	0	0	0
McRae, 1b	5	2	1	6	0	0
Gimlin, cf	5	1	1	4	0	1
Harmon, rf	5	0	2	3	0	0
West, lf	5	0	1	1	1	0
Naughton, 2b	2	0	2	0	1	2
Lundstrum, 2b	2	0	1	0	1	0
King, c	3	2	1	7	1	0
Fox, p	3	0	0	0	2	0
Karr	0	0	0	0	0	0

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LA GRANDE.

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Cosgriff, 3b	5	1	1	1	2	1
Tex, lf	4	2	2	1	0	1
Owens, ss	3	1	1	4	3	0
Proe, cf	5	0	0	2	0	0
Bradley, 2b	5	0	0	2	3	0
Forbes, rf	4	2	1	1	9	0
Walters, 1b	4	0	2	10	0	0
Miller, c	4	0	1	7	0	0
Foster, p	4	0	2	1	2	0

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SUMMARY.
Earned runs, Boise 7, La Grande 4; three base hits, McRae, King; two base hits, Jansan (2), Miller, Harmon, West, Lundstrum; home runs, Owens, Forbes; first on balls, off Fox 4, off Foster 1; left on bases, Boise 7, La Grande 10; wild pitch, Fox; first on errors, Boise 4, La Grande 3; struck out, by Foster 6, by Karr 2; double play, Cosgriff to Owens to Walters; stolen bases, Gimlin, Tex (2), Proe; sacrifice hits, Jansan, King, Owens. Time of game, two hours, 10 minutes. Umpire Longenecker. Scorer, Nelson.

After the Game.
Some delay was occasioned because the grounds were not complete but only 20 minutes were lost. After this we will all be prompt.
West's catch of Forbes' long drive to the left field was an eye opener. Kellackey's fielders all look good in the gardens.
Backstop King wears full regalia, and it is hard to tell whether he is a Shriner or a diver, but he has some peg to the stations.
Naughton got mixed on a fielder's choice in the second and while trying to start a double, let Walters and Miller go safe.
Union's big moguls were in the crowd yesterday—Phillips and Spencer.
Proe won, and got, a hand for a long hard running catch.
Miller was the candy kid through the game a condition enhanced by a couple of kids. The stunt was

a neat one. He batted well, too.

Tex, he with deerhoofs, did some clever dodging in the eighth. He had a long lead and Fox heaved to first but after a game of tag, Tex got back. He tried the same thing a little later, and when McRae shouldered him until King could come from home to receive the catch, it looked liked he had played with fire too long. He dove under King and was safe.

Great ado is made because Bradley gets but three errors. Technical interpretation of the scoring rules would allow him to escape the error column in this case. Had he had to move six inches in the effort and then not touched it, it would have been a hit. There is room for difference of judgment on the grounder that carromed off his arm. He couldn't field it and it was a hit.

Forbes is as much entitled to an error as Bradley. e let a ball drop at his feet almost, though the sun bothered him. The same principle applies. It is not what a player could do. It is what he does that counts.

Longenecker was mighty satisfactory. If he keeps up that lick he will be the mushy boy with the fans.

On the whole, the La Grande bunch is up to snuff—the knockers are busy, of course; but that is mere detail. Karr was kept warmed up until the psychological moment and his nibs, Hugh, sent pinch hitters in when hits meant runs. Hugh has perfect control, is a long head and unostentatious in his bearing on the field.

Dietz Must Serve Term.

Madison, Wis., May 14.—John F. Dietz, "defender of the Cameron dam" was today denied a re-trial of his case by the state supreme court. Dietz was convicted of killing two deputy sheriffs and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Meridians Run Due North and South.

A man "following the absolute line of the tenth meridian east from the north to the south pole" would travel due south and never southeast or southwest so long as he remained on the meridian upon which he started. If on the tenth meridian east, for instance, his angular distance from the meridian of Greenwich does not change. He is always 10 degrees east of that meridian from one pole to the other. He could only travel southeast or southwest by departing from that meridian on one side or the other.—New York American.

Perturbation.

"Don't you want to leave any footprints in the sands of time?"
"I don't know," replied Senator Sorghum. "There's so much sleuthing going on that a man gets shy of a thumb print, a footprint and even of leave to print."—Washington Star.

Her Hope.

Josie—I was taken for twenty-five to-day, and I am only eighteen. Julia—Who will you be taken for when you are twenty-five? Josie—For better or worse, I hope.

The Test.

He—If I should propose to you what would be the outcome? She—That would depend largely upon the income.—Judge.

Novelty is the great-parent of pleasure.—South

NOTICE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of La Grande, Oregon, on the 3rd day of April, 1912, creating improvement district No. 49 and designating First Street as such district and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said Common Council on the 17th day of April, 1912, whereby said Council determined and declared its intention to improve all that portion of First street in said improvement district as hereinafter described by laying thereon Gravel Bitulthic pavement, 30 feet in width, with full street intersections and constructing cement curbs, and constructing drainage, the Council will ten days after the service of this notice upon the owners of the property affected and benefited by such improvement order that said above described improvement be made; that the boundaries of said district to be so improved are as follows:
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