

MARVELOUS HITTING WINS

WEST, MENSOR, M'BRIDE AND KING STABS.

Seven to Five Game Thrills With Sensational Stunts.

Bang-up baseball for five innings moved the proverbial handful of people in the grandstand to much excitement in a game that La Grande managed to wiggle away with through frequent efforts to blow up in the last inning or two kept the outcome much in doubt until the last minute. Fitchner and Jamison were working against each other and the drubbing that Jamison got was something awful, but notwithstanding that there were hits enough to make a dozen runs, La Grande only got seven across. There were plenty of features about the game, and they came pretty nearly every inning, foremost among them being the wonderful way in which Fitchner would get out of holes. There were holes and holes, but some of those the smiling slabster got into were bottomless pits. For instance: in the fifth inning before the small-sized blowup, a lightning double saved Fitchner from sure scores. This double in itself was worth some big type and subheads, but for individual work one has to slip it to Kelchner who knocked down a hard hit ball that sized by Clark and looked like two bases. How the second baseman ever got on it is a mystery but he did. For real stunts it was supreme. King, who was back in the game, came to Fitchner's rescue in one straining inning and grabbed a long high foul just about when three or four scores loomed. Then the hitting of West, Mensor, McBride and King, on one side, and the clouting of Clark, Freine and one or two others on the other side, added still more features. All in all, the game was so thrilling as to be painful. La Grande earned it, however, and has nothing to be ashamed of or taking it. Boise tried hard to come up from the rear, but she was ripped in the bud in the ninth after Mays had failed to pinch hit.

La Grande scored in the third after King had doubled to signalize his return to the game. The manager was still lame and Mountain ran for him coming home on Esola's single—"Pewee" was himself again after a day off. In the fifth the Pippins landed with terrible strength on Jamison's offerings. Esola made good with a hit and Lomond forced him at second but Jamison balked and then came Mensor's first triple of a brace of them for the day. Mensor scored from third on West's third hit for the day. The left fielder made a wonderful record and he is the idol of the fans today. Peculiarly enough West for long wore a Boise uniform and his swats were perhaps doubly sweet to him.

The Boise irrigators broke up a winning streak in the sixth though not until after a run. Altermatt and Clark did it with some fast pizzazz. Then came the seventh when La Grande again sent three home, done with Mensor's second triple, West's fourth hit in triple, Naughton's sacrifice, McBride's double and Fitchner's drive through Reams.

Peculiarly enough the Boise people scored their first three without hits. Freine struck out but Kelchner walked, Jamison's drive to Naughton was booted, Reams walked, Naughton mused up Clark's drive, and Altermatt sacrificed to Mensor. Naughton kicked the third one around and the misery ended with Fitchner striking out Taylor. But three runs resulted.

The hardest hitting for Boise of any inning came in the ninth with Clark doubling, Altermatt walking and Freine tripling, Kelchner scoring him with a single. Scott struck out, retiring the side when it looked pretty dubious about the Pippins getting away with it.

The score:

	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Reams, ss	5	1	0	3	4	0		
Clark, 1b	6	0	2	2	1	0		
Altermatt, 2b	3	0	1	1	1	0		
Scott, rf	5	0	1	0	0	0		
Taylor, c	4	0	1	4	2	0		
Corrigan, lf	4	0	0	1	0	0		
Freine, cf	4	1	2	1	0	0		
Kelchner, 2b	3	2	1	1	0	0		
Jamison, p	3	1	0	1	2	0		

	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Luttrell, rf	4	0	2	1	0	0		
King, 1b	4	1	1	7	1	0		
Esola, 2b	3	0	2	2	1	2		
Lomond, 3b	5	1	2	1	1	0		
Mensor, cf	5	2	2	1	0	0		
West, lf	4	1	4	1	0	1		
Naughton, ss	3	0	1	1	1	3		
McBride, c	4	1	2	13	2	0		
Fitchner, p	4	1	2	0	2	0		

Batted for Jamison in ninth.
SCORE BY INNINGS.
 Boise 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2-5
 La Grande 0 0 1 0 2 1 3 0 x-7

SUMMARY.
 Stolen bases, Scott, Kelchner, Esola, West, McBride, Fitchner; sacrifice hits, Freine, Jamison, Esola (2), and Naughton; two base hits, Freine, Clark (2), King, West, McBride; three base hits, Freine, Mensor (2), West; double plays, Lomond to McBride to King, Esola to McBride, Altermatt to Kelchner to Clark; left on bases, Boise 17, La Grande 10; struck out, by Jamison 1, by Fitchner 11; base on balls, off Jamison 2, off Fitchner 5; hit by pitcher, Taylor. Time of game, 2:20. Umpire, Golden. Scorer, S. Van Buren.

Notes of the Game.
 King's running stop of a high foul started the sensational stuff.
 Kelchner's stop will long stand as a phenomenal stunt. It is likely he couldn't pull off the same thing again.
 Altermatt is a rattling fine player, also a good talker. His line of tongue dope is usually clean and wholesome and goes well with the fans.
 Luttrell came to Fitchner's assistance in the third when things were going wrong, and pulled down a hard fielding stunt.
 Taylor hit Fitchner on the toe with a terrific drive that made Mr. Fitchner cringe. It would probably have broken his leg had it hit him on the shin.

Walla Walla Wins.
 Walla Walla, Aug. 8.—(Special)—Garrett was trounced in a stellar game here yesterday. The score:
 R. H. E.
 Walla Walla 4 5 0
 Pendleton 3 5 1
 Batteries—For Walla Walla, Bridger and Brown; for Pendleton, Garrett and Wilson.

Miller's Arm All Right.
 It was rumored this morning that Wm. Miller had received a broken arm. This was positively denied by Mr. Miller, who swinging his arms freely and contracting his hands into a compact ball remarked that he might break his arm if he found out who started the story. It seems that in handling some serious complication of his banking business, namely a game of baseball in the Twilight League, Mr. Miller injured a rib which has delayed his active retirement from the national game for the time. The Bankers have not won since Mr. Miller quit the game, by the way. However, it seems that Mr. Miller swells a mouse in the rumor of his injured arm and expects to come back before long and prove his right as the champion Eric baseman of the league.

Speedy Justice in Old Dominion.
 Richmond, Va., Aug. 8.—Something of a record for swift justice in Virginia will be established tomorrow, when a Lynchburg negro is to be electrocuted in the state penitentiary here for criminal assault. The crime was committed on June 29 last. The negro was captured and indicted the next day and on the second day he was tried, convicted and sentenced to death.

Berailment Is Fatal.
 Boston, Mass., Aug. 8.—Two trainmen and one passenger were killed and 80 others injured, some seriously, today, when a train of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad was derailed near here.

The engine toppled from the tracks and the baggage and other cars followed.
 LOST—A black and white pointer, license number 78. Leave information with J. E. Hillary or phone Main 91. 8-8-12

FRANCHISE IS DENIED

FARMERS' TELEPHONE COMPANY MEETS BARRIER.

Hard Words Pass White Debate on Subject Was Discussed.

Not without heated argument, debate and cross fires in personalities, the council last night at its regular session denied the petition of the Eastern Oregon Co-operative Telephone company to obtain a franchise in this city. The issue was debated pro and con for an hour or more. Attorney John Hodgkin appearing first for the petitioners, President McKinnis of the company, E. S. Norris and other taking the floor of the council in favor of granting the franchise of the farmers' line. The franchise was given its first deathblow when the special committee to whom the application for a franchise—filed a week ago—was referred—reported adversely, basing its decision, the committeemen say, on a canvass of the business section of the city. When the report came to the council for acceptance or rejection, a lengthy petition from local business men, amounting to 80 names or so, was read, urging the council not to allow the franchise, believing the present service to be ample. General Manager Van Houte of Walla Walla took the floor against the franchise, setting out points of discussion against a dual system. He was subjected to a vigorous going over by Councilmen Fitzgerald and Campbell. Mayor Church was frequently forced to quiet the combatants. Harsh statements were made by the applicants and councilmen probably under the spur of debate, all but Fitzgerald were well satisfied with the present service, however.

When the aye and nay vote was cast, Campbell, Davis, Fitzgerald and Mackey voted to reject the report, and Jones, Lilly, Lincoln and Finley to adopt. The chair cast the deciding vote, against the franchise.

While telephone economics were being discussed at length by men who know more about their own affairs than about economics of monopolies, there was considerable common, ordinary business transacted in the half-night session.

The monthly budget of bills was gone over and routine reports acted upon. The Warren Construction company was given the contract for paving the alley through block 105, while acting on petitions for considerable macadam on streets, the council decided, upon recommendation of City Engineer Nell, to ask Road Expert Ayers of Corvallis to draw the specifications. Ayers was recently in La Grande and is familiar with local conditions so that his specifications would be as near correct as any could make them.

The fire street crossing received considerable attention and the council is fully determined that a flammable or gate shall be installed before the dangerous crossing is the scene of fatalities.

Three drinking fountains of white enameled ware, will be erected in the central portion of the city for the convenience of the public.

Speedy efforts to rush construction of the new city hall will be made on the part of Contractor Slater. Internal meetings of the council will be held to decide upon the plans.

After the minutes were read at the council meeting last evening the business manager of the Panama Amusement company asked permission of the council to use the streets of the city for a carnival that is to come to La Grande next week. The location near the depot upon the O.-W. R. & N. property and what portions of Jefferson avenue that will be required was asked for. A good clean carnival of seven shows was promised if the council saw fit to grant the use of the streets. The matter was referred to the street committee with power to set and the matter will be decided some time today.

The report of the street committee to accept the offer of the property owners on Second street at the railroad crossing to straighten Second street at that point was adopted upon condition that it would be satisfactory

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 FRED MACEY,
 8-5-10te

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