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CLEAN UP DAY BUSY ONE

La Grande has never been combed with a finer dirt-finding comb than raked over the city today under the direction of Boy Scouts and the Neighborhood club. Scout Master H. C. Vinacke and Chairman Mrs. Fred G. Schilke, chairman of the civics committee, heard reports of 12 huge loads of filth hauled away between 8 and noon.

At noon, a substantial line of rations were served camp fashion on the Mrs. Anthony lawn. Mrs. J. H. Rudd, Mrs. Fred G. Schilke, and Miss Vinacke and Miss Schilke serving. The workers posed for pictures and before leaving admitted the task was too big for one day and the youngsters volunteered to come back and work Monday to clean it up.

SUPPORT BUILDERS, SLOGAN

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explained that they were handling community money and were required, under the law, to give the bid to the lowest competent bidder. How outside bids were turned down in some communities by permitting the home bidders to reconstruct their bids, or to change the plans so that the home bidder could get such a municipal or individual contract, so long as that bid was not extortion—all done in such a way that the

letters of such contracts can conscientiously feel they have abided by the law—was pointed out as a sensible way to keep contracts at home. Mr. Reynolds again explained that each home contractor on the school house bid had been asked if, by cutting his bid \$200, \$300 or even \$500 to get the contract, if he would do so. The board was advised that the bids were the lowest possible.

There is absolutely no opportunity for trust prices when the city is well stocked with able contractors, was expressed on all sides. Builders have the option, it was pointed out, to consider outside bids and thereby learn that they are not being charged extortionate prices.

While no action was taken it is apparent that the meeting resulted in a better understanding between contractors and business men and that hereafter insofar as those who heard the discussions are concerned at least, the outsider will have but little chance to obtain business in La Grande hereafter. That the main contractor should sublet to local sub-contractors wherever possible, other things being equal or nearly equal, was another point emphasized by non-contractors who fell in with the plan. That a shade higher figures by home contractors are to be overlooked, and mean in the end cheaper bids for the home investor, was affirmed, it being also pointed out that jobbing houses in Portland and other big centers quote lower figures on material to big city contractors than they do to the small town contractor, they being thoroughly imbued with home patronizing schemes themselves.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT HERE

Prof. Churchill of Baker, and Prof. Landis of Pendleton Come.

State Superintendent of Schools—to be—Churchill of Baker, and Prof. J. H. Landis of Pendleton, are here today conferring with County School Superintendent E. E. Bragg over the text book question. The text book commission meets in Salem in a week or so, and Mr. Bragg who is a member, will attend at that time.

Bids Wanted.

Bids will be received at the office of the secretary of the Union County Fair association until Wednesday, May 28th, at 6 o'clock p. m. for the re-roofing and repairing of the grand stand at the fair grounds. Plans and specifications may be had at the office of Block & Bunting, architects, 3rd floor New Foley building.

C. SECOR, Secretary Ass'n.

ATTENTION PUBLIC

In order for us to have a clean city every person must assist the Street department by cleaning up their premises, and keeping same clean. The ordinance providing for the cleaning of alleys and preventing the depositing of any rubbish of any kind in the streets or alleys will be strictly enforced.

C. G. Stacy, Street Supt.

BEARS WIN IN THE 6TH

FITCHNER WILD IN THAT INNING AND LOSES.

Druhoh Stops Scores Laird Off Color—Batting Is Good.

Walla Walla, May 24—(Special)—The Walla Walla Bears slaughtered the La Grande Spuds on the Walla Walla grounds yesterday afternoon in the first of the transferred series of games. The score was 14 to 5.

The game was characterized by heavy hitting, there being nine two baggers. Sheely and Fitchner got two each.

Fitchner for La Grande started out like a winner and pitched an excellent game for five innings. In the sixth he weakened and the Bears batted clear around the list. Druhoh then went in and did good work, retiring three men and permitting but one run. The Bears obtained eight runs in this inning.

Laird for Walla Walla was relieved in the sixth. He was pitching a good game but a sore arm bothered him and Kelly was put in. In Kelly's four innings he fanned seven.

La Grande got the first two scores in the first inning. Nadeau singled, advanced to third on Peterson's single, and scored on Naughton's single. Peterson scored on Miller's grounder. Walla Walla came back in the second for four.

Walla Walla in the third scored two more with a walk and three hits.

La Grande obtained two in the fourth. Walters walked and scored on Fitchner's two bagger while Fitchner scored on Beck's hit. Beck played a good game, getting three hits yesterday.

In the fifth the Spuds got their last run. Naughton walked, advanced to second and scored on fielder's choice, the basemen tagging Walters, who grounded.

Walla Walla came back heavy in the sixth, batting around. Six hits, three walks and one error let in the eight runs.

SCORE BY INNINGS. Walla Walla .0 4 2 0 0 8 0 0—14 La Grande .0 2 0 2 1 0 0 0—5 SUMMARY.

Stolen bases—Druhoh, Nadeau, Lundstrum (2), Brown, Laird, Kelly. Left on bases—La Grande 5; Bears 6. Two base hits—Harmon, Martini, Back, Sheely (2), Fitchner (2), Davis. Struck out—by Laird 3; Kelly 7; Druhoh 4; Fitchner 4. Bases on balls—Laird 3; Fitchner 6; Druhoh 4. Umpire—Burnside.

Miners Win Third Game.

Baker, Ore., May 24.—By making a sensational battling rally in the ninth inning Baker took its third game from the braves yesterday. Gordon opened for Yakima but was pulled in the sixth after allowing 6 runs, 8 hits and walking three. Kane replaced him sticking it out until the first of the ninth. Three hits were made off him but the Gold Diggers failed to score.

Batteries—Ward and Cress; Gordon, Kane and Kile; Stevens and Stanley.

At Boise— R. H. E. Boise 3 7 1 Pendleton 5 15 2 Batteries—Bredger, Pittman and Gard. Osborne and Byrnes.

FOR RENT—7 room house, corner Spring and Walnut. Phone Farm. 11X1. 5-24-tf

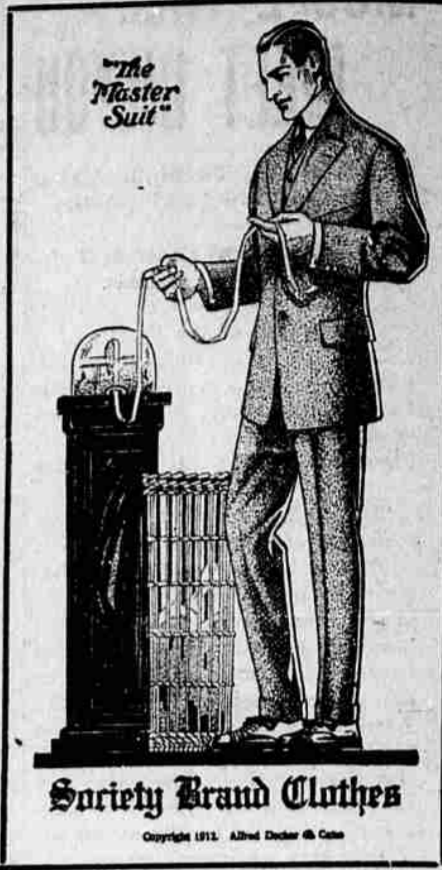
Publish Standing Monday. Owing to an unavoidable accident the table of contestants' standings cannot be published until Monday.

Notice of Final Account Hearing. In the matter of the estate of Mary E. Childers, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as executor of the estate of Mary E. Childers, deceased, has filed his final account and the county judge of Union county, Oregon, has appointed Monday, May 26, 1913, at 10 o'clock a. m. as the time, and at the county court room in the court house in La Grande said county and state, for the hearing of all objections to said final account and settlement thereof. Order dated April 2th, 1913.

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WILL TRADE—For good work horse, good lots close in, also good small business. See Slough Investment Co., over Newlin's, Monday. 5-24-1tp