

BAKER ELEVEN TRIMMED BY LA GRANDE 14 TO 13

La Grande high overcame and conquered her old-time rivals of Baker by keenness of eye and fleetness of foot yesterday afternoon, winning against great odds and more avoirdupois by a score of fourteen to thirteen. Baker has no one but herself to blame for not trying the official score. La Grande scored during the first half with two touchdowns and as many goals kicked, while Baker didn't register until the last quarter, and the second touchdown was not until 30 seconds alone stood between them and a wide-margin defeat.

Conkey charged through the Baker line on a tackle around play and raced thirty yards for the first touchdown inside of three minutes of playing and later kicked goal. Captain Couch later in the first half added another six points by intercepting a forward pass and sprinting the full distance of the field for the second touchdown. Conkey kicked goal. Steamed up by the first score the youngsters fought Baker to a standstill and outplayed them in all material departments until the fourth quarter when the excessive weight in the back field told its story, and the Baker crowd ran the ball nearly the full length of the field on straight ball and one highly sensational forward pass. H. Miller and Weeks tore great holes in the weakening line in that quarter. Weeks went through the La Grande line on the first play in the fourth quarter for the first Baker touchdown and goal was kicked. In the march toward the goal with five or six minutes to play, Baker had to kick but was soon back in dangerous territory. Weeks tossed a beautiful spiral to H. Weeks that netted fully 25 yards. Line smashes took the ball to the very line and there R. Miller went over for a touchdown. At that point Baker lost a chance to tie the score for her puntout went bad and no attempt was allowed.

Baker relied almost entirely on straight football, presenting but a simple repertoire of attacks. A simple formation play was the chief weapon used, and twice she attempted the forward pass unsuccessfully, and once successfully—very successfully. The home guard tried the forward pass unsuccessfully twice, and, like Baker, got one pass off well, Garrity heaving a long throw to Winters.

In the kicking department, Conkey far outshone Weeks, Swan and Miller, who all took turns at manipulating their Florshelms. A large percentage of Conkey's spirals went better than 40 yards, with or against the breeze. La Grande uncocked about all the principal tricks she has but could not get them off consistently, and seldom made first down. The charging backs broke through the

frail La Grande line or crumbled the light interference about as she chose. The line, on the whole was not much heavier than La Grande's and not a whit better. Baker chargers seldom got through, while Winters, Huff and Conkey were continually breaking through with aggressive charging and tipped up the heavy backs. La Grande's line was not inferior in any way to the foe. In the back field, the big, wiry active bulks of football muscle that Weeks, H. Miller and R. Miller carry told seriously on both the front barrier and the backs. Clean hard tackling alone could stop the Baker chargers and plenty of it was done. Oliver, Huff, Conkey, Winters and the two veteran ends, Garrity and Leffel, tackled fiercely and that alone staved off defeat, for consistently, La Grande could not advance the pigskin against the miners. Elegant defense work sparkled throughout the game. Though it is the first year of football for Kiddle and Westerling, the novitiates did their parts well. Kiddle's passing was very true and Westerling has already gotten on to much of the rudimentary knacks that go to make a guard. Rosenbaum, Hunter Proctor and Couch hurled themselves into the interference and against it, but always with that same handicap, lack of weight.

Details of the Game.

Conkey kicked off to Miller and Baker fumbled on the 30 yard line. La Grande couldn't gain and Conkey attempted a place kick against an angle wind and missed. Baker punted to 45 yard line and Conkey broke through the Baker line on tackle around play, Baker being completely non-plussed. Conkey shook off two tacklers and went over for the first score with a pretty run. Later he kicked goal. Score, La Grande 7. Conkey kicked off and Baker punted from the 10 yard line, the ball rolling by the defenders going to La Grande's 10 yard line. Couch and Oliver reeled off one of the spasmodic runs netting first down; Miller intercepted a forward pass; Miller plowed around on a tackle formation play for the longest run Baker registered—a brilliant 30 yard affair. Kiddle intercepted a forward pass on his own 30 yard line.

Punting and grinding old-style football electrified with two fumbles, gave the ball to La Grande on the Baker 28 yard line. After three downs La Grande cleared decks for the placement kick, but the quarter was over and with the change in goal came a decided aid to Conkey for he kicked with the wind on the next play and the ball went true as a die, but an official objection nullified the score. He tried it again from a different angle and missed. Gruelling flashes of kicking in which Conkey's spirals far outdistanced the Baker booters followed. La Grande was offside and lost five yards, causing a long punt to follow. Another attempted place kick gave Baker the ball on her own 10 yard line and Weeks and Miller carried the ball to the center of the field.

A fumble and a recovery brought the ball to a point where Baker ventured a forward pass but the sphere fell into Couch's arms and tearing away from his own 8 yard line, ran the entire length of the field for a touchdown, splendid interference helping him along through the thickest of the fray. It was La Grande's second

touchdown and Conkey kicked an easy goal immediately afterwards.

Conkey kicked off three times before everything was just right, lifting one over the foe's goal post. Baker was penalized on her own 40 yard line and the half was over.

Baker kicked off but a fumble gave Baker the ball on the second play and rapid interchanges of punts followed, winding up with Winters partially blocking a Baker punt, deviating it enough by the charge through the line to make a fizzle of the kick, Huff recovering. La Grande immediately lost on a fumble on her 40 yard line but Rosenbaum recovered a subsequent fumble and Proctor, taking Oliver's place toward the close of the quarter, clipped off an elegant eight yard plunge over tackle. Rosenbaum followed with 10 yards and the quarter ended, following a fumble on the next play and the ball was on La Grande's 22 yard line.

On the first play at the opening of the last quarter, Miller bored his way through the line and shed off tackler after tackler, going over for the first touchdown. Baker Kicked goal. Then came La Grande's strenuous hour of defense. The heavy halves and full plowed over and through and just off the center line for substantial gain after gain, that carried the ball nearer, minute by minute, to a touchdown. On a spread fake play in the middle of the field Baker mused things up and forced a punt which Conkey on the next play booted out of danger, but the march began over again. To the bewilderment of the locals, Baker would lose or fail to gain for two or three downs and then reel off a long yard-gaining play that, repeated, brought the ball again into La Grande territory. A spread formation, winding up in a forward pass was directly responsible for the touchdown that followed soon after, and Baker exhibited one of the neatest, quickest and longest forward passes yet seen on the local fields of play. It was disastrous to La Grande and with the ball on the local's 10 yard line after the pass, Baker pounded away at the tired line in front of it, and inch by inch carried the ball over, the last effort representing only the line to go. Moments were precious, however, for there were less than two minutes to play at the time Baker forward pass was negotiated. Baker missed her chance to tie the score in a very poor punt out. The touchdown had been made on the extreme cross line, and to get out where the kicker could get a clean sweep and tie or lose the game, the punt was poor and the fair catch fumbled.

By the play, La Grande won, for though Baker had to kick off, there were only a few seconds left to play and the game ended in a fury of excitement occasioned by the terrific onslaught Baker was making on the weakened line in the last portion of the game. The lineup: Baker.—Hoff, le; Brown, lt; W. Langrel, lg; Kennon, c; Christiansen, rg; Swan, rt; H. Miller, re; Fosbury, lb; A. Langrel, qb; R. Miller, fb; Weeks, rh. Substitutions.—Fleetwood for A. Langrel, Cole for Christiansen, Gardier for H. Miller, H. Miller to R. Miller, R. Miller to Fosbury. For La Grande.—Garrity le, Winters lt, Huff lg, Kiddle c, Westerling rg, Conkey rt, Leffel re, Couch and Oliver full backs, Hunter and Rosenbaum halves. Substitutions.—Proctor for Oliver, Oliver for Proctor.

Notes of the Game.

The Red Cross camera force was out strong, Richardson, Reuter and Vehrs having their grafexes in motion during the game.

The game dragged a little, but grew better with age and finished in a whirlwind of excitement. Victory was won and lost by a matter of seconds. Past defeats are forgotten by coach, players and supporters, now that Baker has been conquered. Baker plays Pendleton next Friday, and Coach Williams is certain his mighties will win. If he does it will muss things up in a championship way, certainly, and Wallowa will have to play the winner to get anything like satisfactory titles settled, if Baker wins Friday—if not Pendleton, and Wallowa must play and settle it, and they should play it out, too. Comparative scores have become a misnomer, or rather will, if Baker wallops, Pendleton.

Orderly, clean, spirited playing—that was the order of the day, and it has now become an established fact that scrapping and football are not kin. In no game this year that La Grande has taken part, has there been a semblance of scrapping. Coach Reynolds is pleased of that fact, and is too much "tickled" today to get the grin off his face to comment soberly on the victory.

"Overconfidence beat us." That is the terse summary of the causes, by

BOWLERS WILL MEET MONDAY

CHALLENGE OUT FOR WINNER OF FIRST MATCH.

From Now on The Club Alleys Will Have Many Interesting Matches.

(By "Pat" Patton.)

Monday night will mark the initial contest of the winter bowling league on the Club alleys when the Mutts meet the Midgets, and will hold contest for supremacy of the city in a five-man match. These teams are composed of some of the best ten pin artists in the city, and while they have broken no records as yet, give promise of holding their own with any bowlers in the state.

Clint Van Fleet will captain the Mutt team and will be supported by such sterling bowlers as Gray, Ferrin, Crowe and Stoddard. Rube Zweifel will lead the Midget aggregation, which makes a formidable bunch, with Kohl, Love, Scranton, Waite and Tuckey in the lineup. The Toggery team has challenged the winner of Monday's match, and from now on the patrons of the Club alleys may look forward to some interesting and exciting contests.

Members of the Mutt club are in deep water. They have issued a challenge to bowl and five-men team in the city but are not worried about their ability to bump over the white pins. They feel able to keep the balls on the track and give a good account of themselves. They place a great deal of dependence on their lusty arms and eagle eyes to put said ball in the "pocket, that sends shivers into the hearts of their opponents, when polished pins roll into the pit. No one is worried about that. Here's where the rub comes in; they have decided to have the word "Mutt" sewed on their backs in big felt letters, but on making the measurements they discovered that they could not claim the same physical development as did the heroes in Rip Van Winkle's story. Van Fleet and Clarence Gray have discovered that their backs are too small for the few letters of the alphabet and are pondering how to overcome the difficulty. At present the only solution seems to be that Gray have the words M U sewed on his back and Clint will have the letters T T sewed on his breast.

Two new tables had been set up in the pool and billiard room of The Club and the entire floor space is now taken up, the player piano having been moved back still farther.

Coach W. W. Williams, a member of the Baker faculty.

The Reynolds style of passing the ball worried the officials. The umpire, Referee Dobbins—who has worked himself into prominence as an official—and head linesman Beaty debated the question at length, and some of them are free to admit they are not well settled personally yet.

The new grounds were a little slippery and fast work not always possible. Neither team displayed any great amount of swiftness, but Baker was the less alert to exigencies and the breaks.

La Grande was not to blame for failing to register, the placement Conkey kicked. A dispute over the manner of passing the ball from center caused a halt in the game, and both teams lined up without the referee's whistle being blown and proceeded to play ball. Conkey booted the sphere true, and then Baker discovered the fact that the whistle hadn't been sounded and the score went for naught.

The Baker boys remained in La Grande over last evening and left today for Union, where they will play today.

RABBIT DRIVE TOMORROW.

Local Sportsmen Going to Telocast for Day of Shooting.

Tomorrow morning a group of local sportsmen go to Telocast to participate in the first jack rabbit drive of the year. Word received from North Powder is to the effect that the rabbits are very plentiful again this year and some good sport is anticipated.

Nate Zweifel will lead the local aggregation to the pastures where the rabbits are staked out.

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