

RACING BARN STRING LARGE

SEVERAL NAGS WORKING OUT WITH SATISFACTION.

Eastern Oregon Turf History Will Be Made It Is Believed.

It is not generally known that La Grande boasts some very promising fillies for track services this year. Hidden behind a high board fence and kept under lock and key in close stables of the fair grounds one will find a few horses with good records and others that will make records as the season progresses. And the owners are La Grande men who are spending about thirty dollars a month per horse for their upkeep and care, and who aim to give La Grande some advertising through the stellar feats of their promising equines.

"Harold Welcome" owned by Grant Lincoln and now being put through the stunts by Chas. Butcher, has a track record of 2.11 and a quarter. It is predicted by everyone owning horses in the stable that Harold Welcome is going to make 2.06 or better this summer. He is a pacer and has both style and muscle. He is over four.

"Cantatrice" is another animal that is expected to do well this summer. She is a dark bay mare and is tall and longboned, with a good reach and wiry of muscle. She had a record of 2.25 and is expected to make 2.15 this summer, or better. She is owned by Frank Childers and is being put through the sprouts by Chas. Butcher.

Then there is a long string of two and three year olds that have no record and which are here after a tireless weeding out process. Some of the younger stock that has been in the barns most of the winter has been sold, turned out on pasture or traded, and what is left presents the cream of the blooded pacers and trotters that will be seen on the track this summer.

"Virginia Dare" a three year old, by Exarious and Indian girl—and its sister, a two-year old named "Indian Maid" are promising colts and will in time make good track artists. Both are owned by Childers.

Bud McAllister of this city also has a string of fine trotters on which he will bank money this summer. "Bud Kinney" a three-year old is going to be some performer if looks count for anything. He is sired by Al Kinney and by Dolores M. He has reach and strength and is a sample of the finest kind of Eastern Oregon trotters. He should make a mark for himself.

"Beatrice" a six-year-old by Beaumont Jr., and "Tilly M" is likewise a promising little lady. "Patricia May" a three-year-old by Exarious and Lady of Wealth, owned by E. B. Johnston of La Grande, stands in way of capturing honor this summer for she has style and speed though untried and without official record. "Kinney X" a two-year-old by Exarious and Amy McKinney, a dark bay gelding, with a fine chest and good legs, high withers and easy action, will be one

of the surprises of the year for uninitiated trotters it is believed.

In speaking of racing conditions at the track Mr. Childers and Mr. Johnston had some complaint to offer relating to the playing of baseball in the afternoon which greatly interferes with exercising animals. Young horses cannot be made to pass the home plate which is almost on the track. This he says is keeping a string of Baker horses from coming to the grounds for practice. Asked whether he had any authoritative information to that effect, he said that both Todd and Wilburn had written him to that effect and would come in a minute if this condition were removed. Rolling the track portion of the diamond has made that part of the track exceedingly hard and coupled with the interference with the afternoon training forms a serious handicap to men who are spending their money for training purposes he affirms.

Read the advertisements too.

THE Y. M. C. A. Its Possibilities

Edited by
J. L. ROBERTSON
Member Junior Board,

In beginning a venture, the first thing to do to insure its success is to have it and its purpose understood by all who are, or might be, interested. Therefore this word of explanation in reference to the report which follows, and the articles which, we expect, will fill this column from time to time.

First: The fact we desire you to understand is, that the Y. M. C. A. is your Y. M. C. A., and that you are welcome and urged to use it.

Second: That it is our Y. M. C. A., and belongs to all of us, and that we, you and I and our friends and our friend's friends and the stranger within our gates, are all welcome and urged to use it to its capacity at all times, for the good and upbuilding of our community morally, mentally and physically.

Third: That the Y. M. C. A., building, within itself, is an empty structure fit only to adorn the landscape, unless it be used by all of us to further the good work for which the Young Men's Christian Association stands the world over, and it is to prepare as much as possible for this purpose that the "Junior Board" of the La Grande Railroad Y. M. C. A. is organized.

In the fall of 1913, shortly after the campaign to raise funds for the La Grande Y. M. C. A., which campaign ended so successfully, the "Junior Board" was organized and consists of a number of young men endeavoring, by correspondence with successful Y. M. C. A.'s throughout the country, by studying ways and means and local conditions, and by meeting together and discussing the problems that confront the Y. M. C. A.'s in similar localities, to educate themselves so that they, when our building is opened next fall, will be prepared to some extent, to handle the volunteer work of our own Y. M. C. A.

To better aid the "Junior Board" in getting at the different phases of the work and assist in corresponding and getting information upon these different phases and subjects, the board was divided into committees, two of which committees were to make a report each week, at the regular weekly meeting, upon the subject assigned to them, these reports to be formed from the information gleaned upon the subject. In this manner we learn the things at which other Y. M. C. A.'s are making a success, and the things in which they are not successful; thus we are prepared, in a measure, to profit by the experience of others, in the maneuvering of affairs within our own Y. M. C. A. building when it is opened for actual use.

This column will be used for a general Y. M. C. A. news report, and we hope to print articles that will be of interest and information to all.

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ONE WAY TO PAY A DEBT.

A Suit That Lincoln Settled in His Own Peculiar Manner.

A crack brained attorney who lived in Springfield, supported mainly by the other lawyers of the place, became indebted in the sum of \$2.50 to a wealthy citizen of the county. The creditor, after repeated efforts to collect the amount due him, came to Mr. Lincoln and asked him to bring suit. Lincoln explained the man's condition and circumstances and advised his client to let the matter rest, but the creditor's temper was up and he insisted on bringing suit. Again Lincoln urged him to let the matter drop, adding "You can make nothing out of him and it will cost you a good deal more than the debt to bring suit."

The creditor was still determined to have his way and threatened to seek some other attorney who would be more willing to take charge of the matter than Lincoln appeared to be. Lincoln then said, "Well, if you are determined that suit shall be brought I will bring it, but my charge will be \$10." The creditor paid over the money and gave peremptory orders that the suit should be brought that very day.

After his client's departure Lincoln went out of the office. He returned in about an hour with an amused look on his face. I asked what pleased him, and he replied: "I brought suit against — and then hunted him up, told him what I had done, handed him half of the \$10, and we went over to the squire's office. He confessed judgment and paid the bill." Lincoln added that he did not see any other way to make things so generally satisfactory.—"The Everyday Life of Abraham Lincoln."

A Daring Skater.

Shortly after the flight at Jena in 1806 Napoleon dispatched an officer to Marshal Mortier requiring him to seize certain important towns without delay. When the officer arrived at the mouth of the Elbe, where the river is seven and one-half miles wide, he was threatened with serious loss of time. The river was just covered with ice; therefore to row over was out of the question. He could not cross by the nearest bridge without going twenty miles out of his way on roads heavy with snow. So he resolved to skate across the thin, freshly formed ice. Had he tried walking he would have sunk at once, but by skimming along on his skates at the top of his speed he got over the river both dry and unharmed. By this daring deed he saved six hours, did what Napoleon bade him do and won great credit for his bold and clever exploit.

Why Not?

Among the mountaineers of Carolina there is a strong feeling of resentment toward anything that savors of charity. In illustration of their independence Miss Margaret W. Morley tells this story in "The Carolina Mountains."

A stranger led a mountain woman, who, having come to town to "trade," stopped at the door, tired and hungry, to sell her butter. The next day the woman came back with a chicken.

"Why, no," said the lady, "I cannot take your chicken. I gave you the dinner."

"Say you did?"

"Yes."

"Say you gave me the dinner?"

"Yes."

"Well, if you can give me a dinner, why can't I give you a chicken?"

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF

THE PHOENIX INSURANCE COMPANY

OF HARTFORD, IN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT, on the 31st day of December, 1913, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law.

CAPITAL.	
Amount of capital stock paid up	\$3,000,000.00
Net premiums received during the year	\$5,799,627.74
Interest, dividends and rents received during year	482,436.99
Income from other sources received during year	89,352.04
Total income	\$6,371,416.77
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Net losses paid during the year	\$2,562,208.04
Dividends paid during the year on capital stock	395,598.42
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	1,266,787.79
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	162,822.43
Amount of all other expenditures	1,012,903.96
Total expenditures	\$5,400,320.64
ASSETS.	
Value of real estate owned (market value)	\$ 141,013.38
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	12,392,069.75
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	110,100.00
Cash in banks and on hand	658,498.91
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1913	1,163,093.62
Interest and rents due and accrued	103,280.22
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$14,568,055.88
LIABILITIES.	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	\$ 578,003.19
Am't. of unearned prem's. on all outstanding risks	5,619,137.31
Due for commission and brokerage	10,000.00
All other liabilities	20,000.00
Total liabilities exclusive of capital stock of	\$-6,407,140.50
Total premiums in force December 31, 1913	\$10,812,523.79
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR.	
Total risks written during the year	\$ 5,554,958.00
Gross premiums received during the year	77,791.66
Premiums returned during the year	18,153.42
Losses paid during the year	29,028.92
Losses incurred during the year	31,436.37
Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon Dec. 31, 1913	3,579,850.00

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