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## IMBLER WINS OVER ALICEL

DEBATERS MAY MEET A FOURTH TIME HOWEVER

Imbler News Items of General Interest—Local and Personal News

Imbler, March 31, (Special)—The third debate between Imbler and Alicel was staged at the latter town last Friday evening when government ownership of social utilities was argued pro and con for several hours. Imbler had the affirmative and Alicel the decision, two to one. Another debate may be arranged for Memorial Day as the team from our neighboring town seems anxious to cross swords with us again.

The High School Dramatic club rendered an interesting program Friday afternoon consisting of songs, piano and violin solos, readings, speeches and an oration by O. D. Fleener one of the high school instructors. The 5th 6th 7th and 8th grade pupils were invited and enjoyed the exercises. William Wiggins, our moving picture manager, has been stepping just a little higher since Dr. Stork delivered a girl baby at his home last Saturday.

Farmers in this section aren't complaining in the least about these showers we are receiving.

Charley Holmes will move his home in Imbler to a farm just out of town.

Mr. Allphin has closed his barber shop for a few days and journeyed to Salt Lake.

Several Imblerites and nearby ranchers and fruitmen are enjoying themselves as chauffeurs of new cars mostly 1915 model Fords.

Thursday April 1, Will Keown left for Omaha, Nebraska. His brother Archie will start about Saturday. Both boys are to chaperone several

carloads of horses which L. M. Marks of South Omaha has been buying for cavalry purposes in the armies of the Allies. After this trip the Keown boys will visit for two or three months with their grandparents whose home is near Omaha.

Will Bell arrived in Imbler this morning, home from an extended visit in Idaho.

Donal Allphin boarded the train enroute to Lovell, Wyoming, where he will make his future home and enter the high school next year. Donal was a freshman in the Imbler high school.

The M. E. Sunday school is making preparation for an Easter program Sunday evening.

Haskell Andrews of near Elgin, has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Andrews.

The band boys held a business meeting last Thursday evening, elected Radcliffe Henrie president and decided to meet regularly on Thursday night for practice.

The following were registered at the Imbler hotel during the week.

Bert Arkman of La Grande, J. M. Morrow, of Pendleton, Fred Gaskell, of La Grande, Nathaniel Kuhn, of Ogden Utah, and M. L. Marks of South Omaha besides numerous local people.

The two daughters of "Shep" Williams rendered a vocal duet as a special number at the Epworth League services Sunday evening.

Rev. Hanson of Elgin filled his regular Sunday evening appointment at the local M. E. church returning to Elgin Monday.

Many of our people are anxiously waiting the first day of the month in hopes of allowing the denizens of the water an opportunity to April fool them.

If a transient fly stops off at Imbler after April 1st he will be wise if he carries his own nest. April 1st is clean-up day.

Our lovers of the national sport are loath to give up the idea of an Imbler ball team and are yet making efforts to organize a valley league. Summerville is willing and ready but we understand that Cove isn't in favor of an all valley league and wish to join with Haines and North Powder.

Mr. Berry, who recently purchased the Johnson home here will improve it same in the near future.

LOST—A black mare, age six years. Branded G. G. on left stifle. Parties finding same notify E. E. Miller, Alicel, Ore. Will pay well for trouble.  
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## FIRE ASSOCIATION'S SCOPE BIG

Following is the annual report read by the secretary of the Union-Wallowa Counties Fire association, at the annual meeting of the organization in this city a few days ago, it setting out the extensive scope of the work done by the association, in detail:

La Grande, Oregon, March 30.—At the present time this association has 113 members in good standing who represent an ownership of 317,404 acres. The assessment of 1c per acre for timbered land and 1-2c per acre for cut over or brush land was sufficient to take care of all the fire fighting expenses during the past season. The fire patrol force consisted of two Supervising Wardens, five association patrolmen, and two federal patrolmen. These men effectively patrolled all association property during the past season.

In Union County, five miles of old trail located in the Catherine Creek district were cleared of logs and made passable, so that the patrolman could get to his various look-out points more readily. A fire break two miles in length was constructed in the Mt. Emily district, which consisted of clearing out an old road. This work was done by the land owners co-operating with the wardens without any additional cost to the association. The telephone line to Mt. Emily, constructed during 1913, was repaired the early part of the season and was effectively used in advising the central office of fires. This telephone line is about six miles in length and connects with the Home Independent Telephone line. Four tool caches were purchased and stocked with fire fighting equipment. Three of these tool caches are located in Wallowa County and one in Union county. At the present time, these are taken care of by Supervising Wardens Joner Trump and Lowell Williamson.

We constructed about five miles of telephone line in Districts 5 and 6, connecting patrolmen's headquarters with the Forest Service line in Wallowa county and the Home Independent company's line, respectively. These lines were built by our patrolmen, the total cost amounting to \$80.00 for both labor and material. The money invested in this piece of improvement work has already been saved several times over by the early suppression of fires, which was made possible by this prompt report from look-out men to headquarters. A new cabin 14 feet by 18 feet, for patrolman's headquarters, was constructed in District No. 5, at a total cost of \$89.00. About 40 miles of old roads and trails were made passable in Wallowa county. This was done by patrolmen during their spare time and aided them greatly in covering their territory and getting to the most advantageous look-out points.

We had 64 fires in the districts patrolled by this association. The causes of these fires were as follows:

Logging engines, 6; lightning, 12; O.-W. R. & N. right-of-way, 12; unknown, 8; Carelessness of campers, 18; hunters and smokers, 7; slash burning without permit, 1.

These fires burned over 9,012 acres and destroyed and damaged 6,031,000 board feet of timber. The cost of fighting these fires in extra labor, outside of our regular patrolmen, amounted to \$1558.41.

The past season has been an unusually dry one and the supervising wardens and patrolmen were kept extremely busy until the early part of September when we received a heavy rainfall. Considering the number of fires we had to cope with during the past season, we were indeed fortunate to get through the season without a deficit on the small assessment mentioned above. With past experience and more complete equipment of telephone service to look-out stations, and the co-operation with the Government Forest Service, this association can and will be much more efficient in preventing and extinguishing fires and saving our forests from being destroyed by fire.

We are gratified and pleased to state that the people living in the timbered areas of Union and Wallowa

counties have been very considerate and willing to co-operate with and assist this association in the prevention of fires, and in fact, it is an accident if a settler in the timbered areas is responsible in any way for starting forest fires, and this co-operation is very gratifying to the association.

It will be noted from the foregoing report that during the past year, there were more than 6,000,000 feet of commercial saw timber destroyed by fire in this district. Burned timber benefits nobody. When it is considered that if this 6,000,000 feet of timber could have been put to the mills, manufactured and placed on the market, it would be worth more than \$100,000.00, and the further fact that fully 80 per cent of this amount would have gone to labor for logging and manufacturing this timber into lumber, the community will realize what a loss by such a fire is to the county or to the community as well as to the man who does the logging in the woods or works in the mills. It is self evident that it is very necessary for all to be very careful in setting forest fires.

It will also be noted in the foregoing report that out of the 64 fires set in 1914, 18 of these were from carelessness by campers and 8 of them were from unknown sources, which probably were caused by the same carelessness. Everyone likes to have a vacation and most people like to go fishing and hunting, but if every party who starts for an outing in the mountains would make one resolution before starting to put out a match before throwing it down after lighting his pipe, and when leaving a camp fire to be sure and put sufficient water on it to know that it is out, and make this invariable rule while he is out, it would reduce the number of fires by more than half and would be of great assistance in conserving the forest value in Union and Wallowa counties and in the state.

Hoping that we may have the co-operation of every citizen of Union and Wallowa counties, we are,

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