



SHERRY'S Watch for J. Rufus Wallingford Wednesday

ley four, McCann five and two fouls and Goodbrod 11 fouls.

Union comes to La Grande a week from Friday night. Union M. I. A. comes to La Grande Friday of this week. The Union M. I. A. team beat Cove 44 to 31, indicating they have considerable strength. This shifts the standing in the M. I. A. stake league as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Team, W., L., Pct. Union 1 0 1000, Imbler 1 0 1600, La Grande 0 1 .000, Cove 0 1 .000

Athletic Director Reynolds is calling his squad together this evening for real business. The high school season is now on in full blast and after a two weeks' rest the team members are ready for a hard grind.

It is possible that Jefferson of Portland will be in La Grande a little later in the month. The high school team is considering the booking.

War News of One Year Ago

Eight Russian army corps forced the Carpathian passes and invaded Hungary. The populace was panic stricken. Two hundred of the crew of 750 were saved when the British battleship Formidable was sunk in the English channel by a submarine New Year's day.

SUES EX-HUSBAND.

Aftermath of Divorce Trouble of the Mayvilles.

Baker, Ore., Jan. 3.—Mayme Hawkins, who recently granted a divorce from her husband, A. N. Mayville, through her attorney, Leland Finch, has brought suit against Mayville and O. W. Thompson to recover the sum of \$425. The complaint alleges that the defendants went on the property of plaintiff and moved therefrom a house and caused damages to the plaintiff in the sum for which judgment is asked.

The property in question is a homestead near Durkee owned jointly by the plaintiff and her husband while they were man and wife, and title to which passed to the plaintiff under the terms of the divorce decree, which also gave her the right to resume her maiden name.

Peculiar Facts About People

Washington, Jan. 1.—Senator Tillman's voice has become so feeble that he can scarcely be heard in the senate chamber. He leans wearily against his desk as he speaks.

UNION QUINT WINS HUMMER

SATURDAY NIGHT GAME SPECTACULAR

Union Team Wins Over M. I. A. Team By Margin of One Point.

Union, Ore., Jan. 3.—In one of the hottest basketball contests staged on the local court for the past few seasons the Union Athletic club were victors over the La Grande M. I. A. here Saturday evening by a margin of one point the final score being 37 to 36. The game was a fight from start to finish with neither team ever leading the other by a margin of more than four points. The locals started with a rush, registering two field baskets in short order but the visitors immediately took a lunge and evened things up by scoring two in quick succession from then on it was first

one team and then the other in the lead. The first half ended in a score of 24 to 20 in favor of the locals. In the second half the visitors took the lead and maintained it during the most of that period until the last few minutes of play when the locals scored two field baskets leaving them in the lead by a margin of one point. The game was rough at times owing to the intense rivalry existing between the two teams. It was conceded by all the spectators to have been the best contest ever staged between the two teams. Stoddard and Larsen played a fine game for the visitors and Farley and McCann registered the most points for the locals. The La Grande quintet had a little the best of it in team work but lacked the accuracy in shooting baskets which the home boys possess.

"We threw more field baskets than Union but they outdid us on the free throwing end of it" Manager Larsen said on return of the team from Union. "Stoddard threw four baskets, Peterson five, Ferrin three and myself two and I threw eight fouls. Goodbrod threw three for Union Far-

1915 REVIEW OF THE WAR

By Alice Rohe.

United Press Staff Correspondent. Rome, Jan. 3.—When the orchestral guns have boomed their last salvo and the big asbestos curtain of peace props on Europe's war-torn stage, doubtless the world will begin to appreciate the role played by King Victor in the greatest tragedy of history.

Act II was well under way before Italy joined the players and King Victor with his tuft of rooster feathers appeared from the wings. He had frequently been mentioned in the lines, and no sooner had he strode upon the stage than he and the veteran actor Franz Josef came to blows.

"Verona will fall before Gorizia," shouted the Austrian.

"Gorizia first," retorted Victor—and the play went on.

It was not until May of this year that Italy declared war on Austria. Immediately the Italian General Staff outlined the following land program:

1. An aggressive, systematic operation on the mountainous northern frontier, Trentino and the Carnic Alps—long fortified by Austria, designedly to make an Austrian invasion of Italy easy while standing impregnable against Italian invasion.

2. An offensive on a large scale against the valley of the Isonzo which barred Italy's way toward the Julian Alps on the East and the Istrian peninsula to the South.

The naval program was this: Destruction of Austrian commerce on the Adriatic and adjacent waters and the bottling up or destruction of the Austrian fleet.

On land today Italy faces the New Year as the only one of the Allied Powers whose main army is firmly entrenched on the soil of an enemy. On water the Duke of Abruzzi's fleet is supreme. The Austrian main fleet, refuged in Pola harbor, refused the Italian challenge just as the German fleet defies the British—in the Kiel canal. Like Germany, Austria is unable to give safe convoy to her own commerce.

With an army of more than 2,250,000 men in uniform; with reserves of 1,750,000 men between 18 and 38 yet to be called to the colors; with abundant equipment, especially heavy artillery; backed by a splendid industrial mobilization capable of feeding munitions for any emergency, Italy looks to the future with the utmost confidence.

This feeling was vividly reflected in the recent utterances of Baron Sonnino, Minister for Foreign Affairs, in the chamber, in which he announced not only Italy's agreement with the Allies not to conclude a separate peace, but her purpose to extend the campaign across the Adriatic in support of stricken Serbia.

In answer to the latter pledge, 50,000 Italian troops have already landed in Albania where pioneers are busy at road-building and other means of transport through the pathless mountains. Food and clothing by the shipload are being sent by the Italians for the Serbian refugees.

Seven months of fighting along the lines of the General Staff's plan of campaign have produced far greater results than the daily communiques have indicated. On the Isonzo front the offensive has reached the stage where an Italian occupation of the entire Istrian peninsula, as well as effective thrusts Northward and Eastward, is believed to be possible early in 1916.

The Northern campaign, in the Trentino and Carnic regions, has closed with the object attained. After months of the severest and most difficult mountain warfare, heroic struggles on precipitous battlegrounds, the Alpine troops, Bersaglieri and infantry with heavy artillery, somewhat drawn up the mountainsides with ropes, have battled their way into dust, stormed and captured the impregnable Austrian fortress, and consolidated the conquered crags and valleys against a successful counteroffensive.

The floodgates of invasion for which Austria had been preparing since 1866 and which she has boasted would give her the city of Verona before Italy could reach Gorizia, are now closed against her with double bar and lock.

Weeks of desperate fighting against terrific odds were sometimes required by the Italians to take a single fortress or position in this phase of the campaign.

While this war going on, the second part of the General Staff plan was being executed in the Isonzo valley. On June 2 King Victor's armies crossed the Isonzo. On June 9, Monfalcone fell to Gen. Cadorna. Two days later a radica had succumbed and the Austrians retreated to Gorizia. On July 7, the bridgehead at Gorizia was reached by the Italians, where for five months the ebb and flow of battle had soiled the soil with Italian and Austrian blood. A general advance over the entire front from Tolmino to Monfalcone July 22 still found Cadorna's troops before Gorizia locked in the death struggle.

Gorizia's loss would mean a severe blow to Austria and all means are employed to defend it. Reinforcements were brought from Galicia, and it was only the timely arrival of German regiments on the occasion that saved the Austrians from disastrous rout in the sector north of Plava.

During the latter days of November, the Austrian resistance at Gorizia began to weaken. December 1 found the city invested from three sides, the surrounding fortresses pounded to fragments by Italian howitzers and the town defended by only a single line of trenches. Italian shells of heavy calibre were plouing the streets.

The fall of Gorizia would give General Cadorna's troops access to all the roads leading toward Villach to the North, Laibach to the East, and Trieste to the South.

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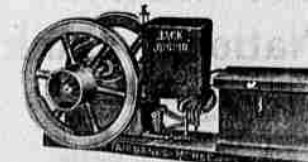
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