

# DRESSES

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Ladies' Ready-to-Wear

# SPORT NEWS

Union High boys vs. La Grande High boys, and Union M. I. A. girls vs. the La Grande Y. M. C. A. girls, comprise the material for a double header at the high school gym next Saturday evening beginning at 8 o'clock.

The College of Idaho quint which has beaten the Y. M. C. A. there and trimmed Boise high, is scheduled to play the M. I. A. in La Grande January 31st.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—Star athletes will compete here tonight in an all-star track meet in celebration of the opening of the Illinois Athletic club's new gymnasium, said to be the largest in the country. Jo Loomis, Casey of Wisconsin, dash men and vaulters from Notre Dame, Michigan, Illinois, Purdue, Northwestern, Chicago, and the Missouri Athletic club of St. Louis, will compete.

Union, Ore., Jan. 19.—The North Powder Commercial Club basketball team, which defeated the local Athletic Club in North Powder some time ago will again meet the locals in a return game in this city Friday night. The game promises to be a fast one. Stanley Shaw, Ellis Hess and Oliver Turner who all three play on the North Powder 5 are all former Union high school players and have lived most of their life in this city, moving to North Powder a few years ago, and as most of the players on the Athletics are also graduates of the high school it will take much the form of a battle between alumni teams.

Alley in Former Saloon.  
Union, Ore., Jan. 19.—T. J. Coombes is remodeling the inside of the building formerly occupied by the Kentucky Liquor store, adjoining the Centennial hotel, and will install a bowling alley at once. The alley fixtures have already arrived and Mr. Coombes is in Portland this week purchasing additional supplies.

Missing Youth's Body Found.  
North Yakima, Wash., Jan. 19.—George Stewart, 21 years old, came to his death late Sunday night at the home of his father, Frank Stewart, of

the Outlook district, by being either asphyxiated or smothered. He was found buried beneath several tons of potatoes in a cellar. The young man had gone to light a fire in a stove to protect the potatoes from frost, and apparently had fallen asleep. From the conditions as found several hours later, it is believed that a spark from the fire ignited sacks near by, which, as they burned, released the potatoes piled high behind the barricade of sacked tubers. From the fact that there was no evidence of a struggle, it is thought possible that Stewart was overcome by smoke before the potatoes covered him and also quenched the fire.

Indian War Veteran Dead.  
Forest Grove, Or., Jan. 19.—William M. Stephens, aged 84 years and 6 months, died here yesterday. He was born in Hanover, Ind., in 1831, and later moved to Iowa. He crossed the plains in 1845 to Oregon. In Dallas, on August 22, 1861, he married Miss Ann Elizabeth De Lashmuth, and five years ago they celebrated their golden wedding. The couple moved from Polk county to Buxton in 1864, and lived there until 12 years ago, when they moved to this place. Mr. Stephens was an Indian war veteran, having served in company H, first regiment Oregon riflemen. Besides the widow, the following children survive: Mrs. Nettie Carstens and Charles Stephens, Banks; Edmond Stephens, Timber; Alfred Stephens, Buxton; Mrs. Ida Allen, Vernonia; Fred Stephens, Forest Grove. The funeral will be held tomorrow with interment in Forest View cemetery.

Salem Man Commits Suicide.  
Salem, Or., Jan. 19.—T. Lewis, a varnish peddler, committed suicide at the rear of the undertaking establishment of Webb & Clough last night by drinking poison. His body was found shortly after 11 o'clock by F. E. Priddy, an attendant at the establishment. He left a note addressed to his daughter, Mrs. M. H. Forbes of Kirkland, Wash., saying his effects would be found at a hotel here, but gave no reason for his act. He was about 60 years old and a member of the Eagles' order at Marshfield.

A thousand probabilities do not make one truth.  
Tell your friend a lie and if he keeps secret tell him the truth.

Pantomime Performances.  
Most pantomime characters were originally borrowed from the Italians. The first real English pantomime was produced at a theater in Lincoln's Inn Fields in 1720. It was called "Harlequin Executed," and its subtitle was "A New Italian Comic Scene Between a Scaramouche, a Harlequin, a Country Farmer, His Wife and Others." The performance was very successful. About the middle of the eighteenth century the character of pantomime performances was completely altered, chiefly because of the genius of the famous Grimaldi, who made the clown the first figure in the pantomime. Grimaldi first appeared at Sadler's Wells theater, where he played the part of a monkey. He was actively engaged on the stage for forty-nine years.

Odor of Iodoform.  
It is said that the odor of iodoform can be removed from the hands and utensils by mustard. While the hands are wet (moisten them with cold water) place a small quantity of dry mustard powder in the palm and rub it well over the hands and then wash off with soap and water. For utensils the mustard must be made like a paste and allowed to remain spread on them for several hours.

The Needless Needle.  
"Now, ma," said the young man who was showing his visiting mother the wonderful sights of the city, "would you like to go into the park and see Cleopatra's Needle?"  
"I didn't know that hussy ever used a needle. She didn't spend much time sewing from the scanty wardrobe she had in all the pictures of her that I ever saw."—Judge.

System All Right.  
"I used to think I would know just how to manage my wife when I got her."  
"Has your system proved to be a failure?"  
"No; the system is all right, so far as I know. She has never let me try it."—Stray Stories.

Four Counties Inn.  
In the Four Counties inn, in England, it is possible to eat in Leicestershire, sleep in Staffordshire, drink in Warwickshire and smoke in Derbyshire without leaving the building.

GOT A LETTER FROM JACK TODAY  
HE WROTE A LOT ABOUT THE GOOD LUCK HE'S HAVING AND HE ENDED UP "WITH MY VERY BEST WISHES". I CAN GUESS WHAT THAT MEANS. JACK'S BEST WISHES ARE JUST THE SAME AS MINE -



All the treasures of the earth would not bring back one lost moment.

Better three hours too soon than a minute too late.

### New York's Social Season.

New York, Dec. 15—New York's social season is in full swing; it opened in a blaze of glory with the swinging back of the Metropolitan's doors late in November. This first night, as el-

ways, drew the usual brilliant, opera-going audience, wonderfully gowned in the soft shades favored for formal evening wear this winter. The white throats, beautifully dressed hair, and gleaming jewels distracted the attention more than once of even the "died in the wool" music lovers, who are usually immune to clothes when Caruso is to be heard.

### The Favored Pale Tints.

Among the prevailing shades worn by the gorgeous "first nighters" were pink, blue, and white, with here and

there a stunning black frock, or one of vivid emerald green. This shade of green is an exception to the rule of white, or pastel shades now so modish there were several entire gowns in this shade at the opera and the most striking and artistic costume noticed at the Horse Show, some weeks earlier, was also of this green. It is wonderfully becoming to a woman with white hair and a youthful face. Black is favored for evening, too, and served as an attractive touch of contrast among the pale tones in the "golden horseshoe."

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