

# HIGH VALLEY FIVE BEATEN

PACKED HOUSE AT COVE SATURDAY NIGHT.

"Lynx" Larsen Next High School Captain—Game This Evening.

La Grande	.....3	1	.750
Embler	.....3	3	.500
Union	.....2	3	.400
Cove	.....2	3	.400

High Valley, a team near Cove which has trimmed about everything it met thus far, latched for a game with the La Grande M. I. A., and got it Saturday night. The game was played at Cove before a packed house and the score was 76 to 36 in favor of the La Grande team.

This evening the strong Cove M. I. A. team meets the La Grande M. I. A. team at the L. D. S. amusement hall for one of the last games of the Union stake league which has resulted in some great games this winter, and close interest everywhere. The La Grande M. I. A. team in this league bars Larsen and Petersen, in an effort to hold each team to about a par. The contest tonight will draw a large attendance it is anticipated.

Peppery basketball with such speed that few mature teams could keep up with it, was played at the Y. M. C. A. Saturday evening between the Union M. I. A. Juniors and the La Grande all-Star Juniors. The Union team won. While a few of the players approach maturity all but a couple were midgets, and though young, have greater speed than most adults, and demonstrated youth can throw baskets from long angles as well as fullgrown can. Union pulled away in the second half and deserved to win for they have the better team. The Union squad included Fordice Warsang, Roy and Ray Scarborough, Eastman Metcalf and Norman Compton. The La Granders consisted of Clifford Horstman, Park Taylor, Joe Corbett, Fred Kivette, Junius Ferrin, "Judo" Ash, Grant Geddes, Snider and others.

**Larsen Basketball Chief.**  
The final ending of the high school basketball season came last Friday evening when the members of the team met and elected "Lynx" Larsen, captain for 1916-17. "Lynx" is a junior in school and one of the popular members of his class. He played forward on the team the first part of the season but later was switched to guard and filled both positions creditably. He is also a football and track man, and is rated as one of the best all around men in school. Prospects for a good team next year are bright, although Huff and Bean, two of the mainstays of this year's team will be lost by graduation. Besides Capt-elect Larsen, McDonald, Adcock, Reynolds, Millering, Rosenbaum, and Johnson will be on hand to uphold the blue and white.

### AUTOMOBILE NEWS.

Two officials of the O-W machine shops and roundhouse have purchased Maxwell fours and another employee there has entered the auto-owning class by purchasing a Dodge. J. M. Burley, general foreman of the locomotive department in the La Grande shops, and A. S. Duryea, foreman of the roundhouse, each looked over the automobile field and applied their mechanical knowledge to prospective buys. Agent Bob Leighton closed a deal with both of them. The two officials each bought a Maxwell four.

Australia is probably less affected in a business way by the great European war than any part of the British Empire, according to Robert J. Lewis, who arrived in San Francisco the other day on his way to Detroit. Mr. Lewis is head of a firm which handles an unusual combination of lines—automobiles, corsets and pianos. So far as his business is concerned, Mr. Lewis finds more to bewail in the Panama Canal slides than in the war. When the big avalanche of earth hit the Culebra Cut three ships, each with a large number of autos aboard consigned to Lewis' firm, were tied up for many weeks and the Australians were almost forced out of business through inability to make deliveries and meet the heavy demand for the American made car.

"The automobile business is handled in Australia very much as it is handled in the States" said Mr. Lewis. "Some of our firms sell cars on time, others demand cash; some make trades, others will not accept used cars as part payment on new ones. "American accessory firms, such as tire and battery manufacturers, are also beginning to see the advisability of having service stations in the Antipodes. Over in Australia we have half a dozen accessory houses far larger than anything of the kind in this country so it is natural that a full supply of American made goods must be always on hand to meet the demand. "The principal trouble with all American made goods right now is in getting them. The great scarcity of freight carrying vessels has handi-

REFEREE FOR THE \$2,333 A MINUTE FIGHT.



Charley White in Two Poses in the Ring.

These photographs show Charley White, referee for the Willard-Moran ten round bout, promoted by Tex Rickard, in action in the ring. One picture shows his usual attitude when watching the fighters and the other shows him counting out the man who has gone down. In his long career

White has counted out many, but he never before had an opportunity to count out a man who was fighting in a contest which cost the promoter \$2,333 a minute, as this one will. The men will battle 30 minutes—or less if one is knocked out—for \$70,000.

capped us materially, for there is plenty of market when we have the goods to deliver."

### Gasoline From Shale

In view of the ever-increasing demand for gasoline and the increase in price of crude oil, from which it is obtained, it is important to know that an almost inexhaustible supply of oil may be obtained from the shale of northwestern Colorado, northeastern Utah, and southwestern Wyoming. This shale contains materials which when heated, may be converted into crude oil, gas, and ammonia. The high cost of distilling oil from shale as compared to the cost of producing oil from wells has thus far prevented the development in this country of such an industry and may continue to prevent it for some time, but sooner or later this great source of supply will be utilized to supplement the decreasing production from the regular oil fields.

The oil fields derived from the shale is similar to that which is being produced from wells in the United States at the rate of more than 250,000,000 barrels a year. When refined ordinary methods the shale oil yields an average of about 10 per cent gasoline, 35 per cent kerosene, and a large amount of paraffin. The yield of gasoline from the shale may probably be largely increased by the use of refining methods especially designed for that purpose. The gas, which is a very good illuminating gas, will perhaps be sufficient to furnish all the heat required to distill the crude oil from the shale.

The ammonia is a most valuable by-product of the distillation and may be utilized in the manufacture of commercial fertilizer or other nitrogen compounds, as the market demands. The United States Geological Survey has examined large areas of the shale in Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming and has made many distillation tests. Some beds of shale that are several feet thick will yield more than a barrel of oil to the ton of shale, and one bed 6 inches thick will yield more than two barrels of crude oil to the ton of shale. One ton of this shale should therefore present nearly 10 gallons of gasoline by the present commercial methods of gasoline extraction, and larger yields may be made possible by new methods.

Little attention has been paid to this shale because the quantity of petroleum produced from wells in the United States has been sufficient to satisfy all demands, but for more than 50 years the oil shale industry of Scotland has been a very important one. In a recent year more than 8,000 men were employed in the industry in that country, yet the average yield of oil per ton of shale was much less than that which appears possible from the shale of Colorado and Utah. It is estimated that in Colorado alone there is sufficient shale, in beds 3 feet or more thick and richer than the shale being mined in Scotland, to yield twenty billion barrels of crude oil, from which at least two billion barrels of gasoline may be extracted by ordin-

ary refining processes.

As was stated in the recent reply of Secretary Lane to a Senate resolution on the subject of gasoline: "The development of this enormous reserve simply awaits the time when the price of gasoline or the demand for other distillation products warrants the utilization of this substitute source. This may happen in the future. At all events these shales are likely to be drawn upon long before the exhaustion of the petroleum fields."

## "L" CLUB IS CREATED

JESS ANDREWS PRESIDENT OF NEW INSTITUTION.

Men Who Have Made Athletic History Are Charter Members.

An organization consisting of athletes who have played on the various teams has been perfected by the local high schoolers. The object of the club is for the promotion of athletics and to give aid to the athletic association. The membership consists of men who have played at least one-half in football or basketball, and earned a point in the annual eastern Oregon track meet. The "L" club is the name chosen by the members, and at an election held last week the following were chosen for this year's officers. Jess Andrews, president; "Hay" Moon, vice president; Glenn Conkey, secretary-treasurer. The charter members of the "L" are Andrews, Moon, Conkey, Huff, Larson, Rosenbaum, McDonald, Chemult, Bean, Millering, Reynolds, Adcock, Forbes and Holmes.

### WANT QUARANTINE RAISED

Illinois Livestock Interests Ask Restrictions Removed.

Salem, Ore., March 10.—The authorities of Illinois have petitioned the state livestock sanitary board to lift a quarantine imposed against the shipment of stock from that state to Oregon because of the foot and mouth disease, and the board will consider it at a meeting to be held in Medford on March 11.

Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian, and secretary of the board, said today that the quarantine had been lifted as to all other states, and that he believed the board would take favorable action on the Illinois petition. However, all states east of the Mississippi and north of the North Carolina and Tennessee boundary line, must still obtain permission to make shipments into Oregon, and this rule will also be made to apply to Illinois.

The board will also consider a draft of a tentative ordinance prepared for cities on the subject of rabies. More or less trouble has been experienced by cities in passing ordinances sufficiently broad on the subject.

# Announcement

Since buying the store formerly owned by Fred Geibel I have interested with me U. T. Hill and Virgil Bolton who need no introduction to the people of La Grande and in the future this store will be known as HILL'S DEPT. STORE.

It is certainly gratifying to know the almost universal interest which is being shown in the opening of this store and in making this announcement we want to say that THIS STORE is YOUR STORE. Its policy is dictated and directed by YOUR DEMANDS. It will grow only by pleasing you and we intend to see that every dollar spent here weighs a full one hundred cents of value. New Goods are rapidly arriving. They were never before so lovely, so full of novelty, so interesting. We want you to see these goods whether you have a thought of purchase or not. For Spring dress the new fabrics make varied and beautiful decorative effects and the suits, wraps and millinery give vivid portrayal of the styles for Spring.

We expect to have some store news in this paper every day this year. Every article mentioned we want you to learn to know will be as it is represented and every price a money saver.

We expect to make QUALITY and PRICE the foundation of our business—That HONEST QUALITY that comes with IT the assurance of lasting satisfaction. One word more—WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS.

## Hill's Department Store

W. S. PARKER, Manager.

## GREAT INSTITUTION CITED

CHRISTIAN CHURCH PASTOR EXPOUNDS SCRIPTURE.

"Greatest Institution in the World" Theme for Morning Service.

Mr. H. L. Ford, pastor of the Christian church, preached to a large audience Sunday morning upon the subject, "The Greatest Institution in the World." The sermon dealt with the proposition that Jesus made to Peter as found in Mathew's gospel, in which He said He would Build His Church, and the speaker expounded the following points:

The church was built on "Apostles and prophets," not on a single individual for Jesus claimed a plurality of stones for the foundations Himself occupying the chief place.

Also the church was not founded until after the ascension of the founder.

The church was divinely named and hence was free from modern titles.

Churches of God and Christ were the original names given to the congregations.

Terms of admission into the church were Faith, Repentance, Confession, and Baptism.

The Elders were the ruling power in the church.

No Conference or Convention could exercise control over the local church.

### A Tribute to Grass.

The following classic by the late Senator John J. Ingalls, of Kansas, has been published many times, and is always new and fresh like the grass that comes with the spring.

"Lying in the sunshine among the buttercups and dandelions of May, scarcely higher in intelligence than the minute tenants of that mimic wilderness, our earliest recollections are of grass; and when the fitful fever is ended and the foolish wrangle of the market and forum is closed, brass heels over the scar which our descent into the bosom of the earth has made, and the carpet of the infant becomes the blanket of the dead. Grass is the forgiveness of nature—her constant benediction. Fields trampled with battle, saturated with blood, torn with the ruts of cannon, grow green again with grass, and carnage is forgotten. Streets abandoned by traffic become grass-grown, like rural lanes and are obliterated. Forests decay, harvests perish, flowers vanish, but grass is immortal. Be languished by the sullen hosts of winter, it withdraws into the impregnable fortress of its subterranean vitality and emerges upon the first solicitation of spring. Sown by the winds, by the wandering birds, propagated by the subtle agriculture of the elements which are its ministers and servants, it softens the rude outline of the world. It bears no blazonry of bloom to charm the senses with fragrance or splendor, but its homely hue is more enchanting than the lily or the rose. It yields no fruit in earth or air, and yet, should its harvest fail for a single year, famine would depopulate the world."

### JOHN DAY ROAD PLANNED.

Grant County Senator Wants Road From Columbia Highway to Ontario.

Salem, March 11.—A through road from the Columbia River highway up John Day river to the Idaho line near Ontario, is the plan of Senator L. V. Stewart of Grant county.

He has written State Engineer Lewis to ascertain the cost to the various counties for making a continuous survey by the state department, following state standards. The same information was asked by C. Douglas Taylor, secretary of the John Day Good Roads association and by W. W. Wood of Ontario.

H. K. Donnelly, connected with the irrigation work of the state engineer's department has left to take up work on Burnt river and was directed to go by way of this proposed route and report upon the length of proposed road in each county, its present condition and how much new road is required. Interested parties were informed that an estimate would be furnished immediately upon receipt of this report. This will result in a considerable saving to the road department, according to Mr. Lewis, as the additional expenses of Mr. Donnelly going by this route will be small compared with sending an employe from the highway department for this work alone.

### WANT A FIRE TRUCK.

Enterprise Feels Need of Better Means of Protection.

Seeking to give Enterprise better fire protection, the council Monday evening discussed a plan for buying and operating a light auto truck for the hose, chemical tank and ladder. A move also was made for establishing a small fire department, says the Enterprise Chieftain.

The plan for the auto truck contemplates the purchase of a light car and the construction of a box or bed at the back. On this the hose could be carried, folded, as is the practice in the hose trucks now in use in the cities. A second hand Ford car has been offered for \$250. The truck box could be constructed for around \$100. Thus the investment would be only about a third of what the fire appliance manufacturers ask for a Ford car specially converted into a hose and ladder truck.

This fire truck, it was proposed, should be kept in one of the garages. The garage would see that the machinery was kept in running order, giving it a brief workout every day or two. The garage also would furnish the driver.

By this arrangement the objections raised against former suggestions of similar kind would be met and overcome. There would be no uncertainty about the auto being in working order when needed. It would be somebody's business to see that it was kept in perfect order. There would be no bungling, in case of fire, by some inexperienced person trying to start and operate the car, as the garage would furnish the driver, and he would know how.

**Sign of Good Digestion.**  
When you see a cheerful and happy old lady you may know that she has good digestion. If your digestion is impaired or if you do not relish your meals take a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. They strengthen the stomach, improve the digestion and cause a gentle movement of the bowels. Obtainable everywhere.

## Help for Bronchial Trouble and Cough

"Foley's Honey and Tar Compound acts more like a food than a medicine." Mr. Will G. Richmond, Ingleswood, Calif., says:—"I wish to recommend Foley's Honey and Tar Compound as it has greatly benefited me for bronchial trouble and cough. It acts so well in harmony with nature that it is more like a food than a medicine." Foley's Honey and Tar Compound has a wonderfully quick way of soothing and healing the raw, tickling surface of the throat and bronchial tubes. It eases the tightness over the chest, raises the phlegm easily, and helps the stubborn racking cough that is so exhausting and weakening. It is the best medicine you can buy, and better than anything you can make for coughs, colds, spasmodic, whooping cough, la grippe and bronchial coughs, hoarseness, tickling throat and stuffy, wheezy breathing. It contains no opiates, and is acceptable to the most sensitive stomach. **\*\*\* Every one should have it. \*\*\***

## British and Foreign Marine Insurance Co., Ltd.

of Liverpool, England, on the 31st day of December, 1915, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Capital	.....	2,000,000.00
Amount of capital paid up, statutory deposit	.....	2,000,000.00
Income	.....	
Net premiums received during the year	.....	\$1,275,887.59
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	.....	46,132.32
Income from other sources received during the year	.....	917,592.41
Total income	.....	\$2,239,612.32
Disbursements	.....	
Net losses paid during the year	.....	\$18,721.72
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	.....	178,730.54
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	.....	35,294.24
Amount of all other expenditures	.....	1,071,417.28
Total expenditures	.....	\$1,304,223.78
Assets	.....	
Value of real estate owned	.....	
Value of stocks and bonds owned	.....	
Value of other securities owned	.....	1,019,129.09
Due from other companies for reinsurance on losses already paid	.....	72,595.54
Cash in banks and on hand	.....	277,767.31
Premiums in course of collection	.....	327,726.72
Interest and rents due and accrued	.....	15,337.49
Total assets	.....	\$1,712,553.35
Total assets admitted in Oregon	.....	1,712,553.35
Liabilities	.....	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	.....	\$297,730.26
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	.....	193,742.39
All other liabilities	.....	35,454.67
Surplus	.....	967,586.23
Total liabilities, including surplus, exclusive of deposit of \$200,000	.....	\$1,512,553.35
Total premiums in force December 31, 1915	.....	\$16,429.81
Total insurance written during the year	.....	7,138,071.00
Gross premiums received during the year	.....	48,104.26
Losses paid during the year	.....	125.50
Losses incurred during the year	.....	9,630.82
Total amount of insurance outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1915	.....	487,466.09

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