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Lena Biggers Married. Word has been received from Portland to the effect that Mrs. Lena Biggers, formerly of this city, has been married to George Worley, a business man of Seattle. Mr. and Mrs. Worley will live at Seattle. Mrs. Biggers has many friends in La Grande who will join in offering best wishes to Mrs. Biggers and her husband.

GOV. ENDORSES CONVENTION

Thinks Representatives of Wheat Interests Should Accomplish Much.

Corvallis, Ore., Dec. 19.—(Special)—“Wheat growers of Oregon, Washington and Idaho are practically the only large producers in the country who can handle grain in bags rather than in bulk,” says Gov. James Withycombe in a letter to the governors of Washington and Idaho, inviting them to be present or send representatives to the annual grain growers convention. This convention will be held in Corvallis January 3, 4, and 5, during Farmers' week. Both governors have announced their intention to send personal representatives as well as two special delegates from their state representing the wheat interests.

“The advantage of adopting the bulk system,” continues Gov. Withycombe, “are patent to anyone who has given the subject painstaking consideration but to make any such far-reaching reform as would involve changing the system is of course extremely difficult. Not only has the natural prejudice born of long practice to be overcome, but also economic problems of considerable scope have to be met. The tidewater movement would have to be provided for the new method of handling grain, at considerable expense. The farmer's machinery for storage facilities, the railroads' facilities, the exporters' equipment, must all be changed to a considerable degree.

“In the past I think it can be said fairly that men of large interests and conservative vision have not always identified themselves with meetings to consider this matter. In this coming convention a program of very great worth has been prepared and perhaps for the first time in this convention representatives of every interest involved will participate.”

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Sports---

Imbler, Ore., Dec. 19.—(Special)—The basketball fever has hit this community, if we may judge from the last week which witnessed four games at the Bonto hall. Alico has encountered two local quintets and emerged with one victory and one defeat. Thursday night's game between the two high school teams was enlivened by the two student bodies who were present in full force and exceptionally strong-chested. The four contests were as follows:

Imbler High vs. Imbler Town Team.
Imbler High vs. Imbler Juniors.
Imbler Juniors vs. Alico High.
Imbler High vs. Alico High.

Each team won one game during the week's playing.

A program by all the rooms of the school will be rendered next Friday afternoon in the amusement hall at 1:30 o'clock. No admission will be charged. All patrons are invited. The pupils are drilling on their parts and the program, which will consist of songs, recitations, dialogues, pantomimes and tableaux, will be very interesting.

South American Sports Hum.

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 19.—All of Brazil's athletic sports except a peculiar form of rough-and-tumble boxing, are imported. Of these, football (soccer), horse racing and rowing are the most popular. Bull fighting, current belief in the United States to the contrary notwithstanding, is not a Brazilian pastime. It has not been tolerated since the days of the empire. “Pelota,” a Spanish version of handball played with a basketball racket on the player's hand, although prohibited on account of its gambling tendencies, has a large following. It is remarkable principally for the lightning rapidity with which it is played. An American handball artist would find himself fairly bewildered at the speed with which the pelota players handle the ball.

The Brazilian's love of horse flesh has built fine tracks in every city and town of the country. The Derby and Jockey clubs of Rio de Janeiro are famous all over this continent. Horses, costing huge sums, are imported from England, France, Argentina and the United States to run for worth-while stakes in this city and Sao Paulo.

There are in this city scores of athletic clubs with thousands of members.

The bay of Rio de Janeiro affords ideal facilities for the development of the art of scull and oar and the regattas here draw enormous crowds of enthusiastic supporters.

Should Brazil ever enter the Olympic games she would pin her faith to her tennis players to make a showing. Tennis is played with enthusiasm and skill in every city in the country, the climate making it enjoyable the year around.

WHAT RED CROSS SEALS DO.

Christmas Messenger Helps To Relieve and Prevent Disease.

Here are six ways in which the money you spend for Red Cross Seals may be used.

(1) Tuberculosis patients who are in need of food, clothing, sanatorium care or other necessities may be relieved.

(2) A visiting nurse may be engaged to go out to the homes of the poor and give instruction and advice on the treatment and prevention of tuberculosis. She is a most valuable educational and preventive agency.

(3) A special campaign for a city or county hospital may be carried on and the community be thereby induced to assume its share of the tuberculosis burden. Thus your money is multiplied manifold.

(4) A dispensary may be maintained where patients and their families may call for free advice and examination.

(5) Open air schools and fresh air classes may be started, where boys and girls who have tuberculosis or are threatened with it may be built up in body and mind.

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(6) Educational work will be done to show the entire community men, women and children that tuberculosis can be cured and prevented. Every Red Cross Seal is a bullet in the fight against tuberculosis.

Wine Cellars Of County Replenished

November Shipments Lively—Total Money Spent During “Dry” Year Computed on Averages.

After all the punning and poking of harpoons at the liquor and beer shipments for a year, approximately, bold figures show that all the money spent this year for liquor and beer would have brought less than \$1000 to each of the 25 saloons in Union county before the state went dry. November was a heavy month in shipments, affidavits filed with County Clerk Ed. Wright show, and observations at the express and freight office leads to the conclusion December will be even heavier, but as a basis of average shipments, Union county—not La Grande alone—has spent a trifle more than \$23,000 for beverages this year. Estimating the total for the year on such months as are shown, taking the highest and the lowest, and concluding therefrom an average for December, there will have been shipped into Union county 15,672 quarts of liquor and 35,064 quarts of beer since the state went dry last New Year's night up to January 1, 1917. This divided pro rata between the 20,000 people in the county gives less than a quart of beer and less than two quarts of liquor to each for the whole year. Much of the recent shipments are going into cellars for the bone-dry era that comes next month. The 1916 consumption therefore, is not as heavy as indicated.

The shipments for the month of November, affidavits for which have just come forward, are as follows:

Town	Beer Quarts	Whiskey Quarts
La Grande	1881	1746
Union	312	384
Hot Lake	6	6
Telocaset	24	14
North Powder**	48	389
Elgin	48	16
Alico	48	52
Imbler	96	44
Summerville	24	122
Cove	96	2
Union Junction	2	14
Perry	14	26
Hilgard	26	8
Kamela	8	8
Starkey	8	16
Glover	16	8
Island City	48	14
Miscellaneous*	2601	2910

* Total here for delivery to other towns in the county.
** No report.

New York Has Troubles.

New York, Dec. 19.—(United Press)—The promise has been made that New York is to be taken out of the trenches by summer. A long suffering community has finally arisen in a mild sort of a way, and asked that its interests be not eternally subjected to the accomplishment of subways. It is getting so now that only

Time Waits For No Man

THE PASSING OF 1916 PROMPTS US TO QUOTE BENJAMIN FRANKLIN WHEN HE SAID, “YOU MAY DELAY—BUT TIME WILL NOT.”

MANY INDIVIDUALS TODAY ARE DEPENDENT UPON CHARITY BECAUSE THEY DELAY TOO LONG IN MAKING PROVISION AGAINST THE FLIGHT OF TIME.

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the older inhabitants can remember when Broadway was a real unhampered highway of traffic. The subways must be built, but now the people are demanding that they must be completed so that the ways on the earth, as well as those below it, may be utilized for the ordinary affairs of life and business. Never has there been anywhere such a demoralization of the main artery of a great city as has taken place during recent years on Broadway, perhaps the most famous street in the world. It is hard to realize how work and play, for the street is typical of both, has succeeded on or near it during all the long time that it has been in a state of upheaval. The time has arrived when it must be put back into normal shape, and the officials in charge of the work have given a definite promise that it will be before the warm weather comes again. It is said to be a characteristic of New York that it is never entirely normal, but that is no reason why it should be permanently abnormal at its most important place.

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