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Elgin Will Observe Fourth With Pomp

PARADE AND RACING TO JOIN WITH SCREAM OF EAGLE

ELGIN UNITED IN SUPPORT OF A CELEBRATION THAT WILL BE REMEMBERED LONG TIME

Smoker Card a Banner Affair

Gustavo and Noregard Headliners for Elgin's Evening of Athletic Festivities—Fast Boxers to Participate in the Program.

Under the direction of the Elgin boxing commission there will be a smoker extraordinary Monday evening in the big community pavilion.

But it will not be so big as wrestling for the little wizard from Enterprise, Jim Vasberner, who took at it as anything but a boxer, but in reality has caused more headaches in his boxing career than most people, is booked to take on "Foxy" Ghent, the speedy little Elgin scrapper.

A preliminary wrestling event that is drawing a great deal of attention is between Rocky Austin and Toby Christiansen, of Elgin. Still other preliminaries are being lined out and it should be an evening of real entertainment.

Parade—L. B. Tuttle, W. D. Butler, and E. F. Hug.

Field Sports—Guy I. Patten, L. B. Tuttle and S. A. Chappell.

Smoker—Elgin Boxing Commission.

Concessions—Clarence Bean and I. Hazen.

Races—James Elliot, Guy Patten, Jack Hallgarth, Jesse Crum.

Decorating—Paul Saddler, Lynn Hill and Cecil Fine.

Program—Prof. E. G. Bailey, Mrs. L. Denham, S. A. Lowell.

The hospitable latching of Elgin will be out during the big "doings." An information bureau will be established downtown and therefrom may be obtained sleeping quarter information. Families have opened their homes to guests who may desire to stay over night, so that there should be no shortage of rooms for the guests at any time. Ample food provisions have been made, so that at no time need anyone go hungry for want of a reasonably priced meal, nor need he wander about without a place to sleep. Anyone not wishing to take these chances may write to P. W. Keller in advance and reserve such rooms as desired.

PARADE IS AN EPISODE THAT DRAWS NOTICE

GODDESS OF LIBERTY FLOAT IS TO BE AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE ATTRACTION.

FRATERNAL COMMERCIAL LIFE TO BE PORTRAYED

Three Hustlers Have Charge of Important Event on Morning of the Fourth—Dokies Asked to Enter in Competition and to Give Prize Drill Later On.

Three gilt-edge hustlers have charge of the parade slated for 10 o'clock on Monday morning. These three are L. B. Tuttle, W. D. Butler and E. F. Hug. These gentlemen are offering substantial prizes for the best commercial and fraternal floats, and it appears now that there will be a splendid array of every division entered. The American Legion post will be a prominent participant for the parade.

Goddess of Liberty Provided.

The crowning float, however, will probably be that carrying the Goddess of Liberty. Upon whose shoulders this distinction will fall is at present undetermined, for there is a spirited contest on right now, and many of Elgin's beautiful young

THREE GOOD BALL GAMES SURE TO DRAW AUDIENCE

Three strenuous days for the Elgin ball team, and an equal number of exciting contests, will make up the baseball program for the Elgin celebration. On Sunday the Cove team and Elgin mix in a regular Intermountain League game.

Who will win? If you are an Elgin fan, Elgin will. If you hail from Cove, Cove will. If from neither of the two places, you will place your simoleons with care. If there is anything in this world that Manager Ivar Simonson and his trustees want to do, it is to clean up on Cove. On the other hand, don't think for a minute that Cove isn't anxious to clean up the season with but one defeat. Will it be a ball game? Probably!

On the Fourth Lostine will come out from Wallowa county with most of the scalps of that county bleeding from her belt, and the contest will become an inter-county affair. Fast game booked again!

On Tuesday the old-time rivalry between La Grande and Elgin will be fanned up to scorching heat in an exhibition contest. A big crowd of La Grander is expected to go down to holler for the visiting aggregation.

Hence the baseball program becomes one of high class.

Ladies are being advanced as likely candidates for the honor.

Fraternal floats will have representations from all the orders of Elgin, and an urgent invitation has been extended to Dokie patrol team of La Grande to appear both in the parade and in fancy drilling at the race track.

Decorated autos and business floats symbolic of the commercial strength of Elgin, are being prepared. It appears certain that Elgin's Fourth of July parade will be a wonder.

NEW VIM HAS GRIPPED THE ELGIN FOLKS

ED GETTINGS, AS MAYOR, HAS ESTABLISHED ENVIABLE RECORD IN OFFICE.

AD CLUB VIRILE AND POTENT CITY FACTOR

Staid Old Elgin Now Pulsates with New Community and Commercial Life—United Action Behind Everything that is Undertaken—Men Building Roads.

"Spuz" is a new production of the American word-mint. It is derived jointly from "speed" and "jazz" and "pop." It is the concentrated form of all three characteristics subjected into one highly sensitized word. When we say Ed Gettings, mayor of Elgin, is "spuzzing" Elgin, we are entirely dignified and well meaning. Good men and true have stood at the helm of Elgin's municipality in the past, yet always have there

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TOWNSFOLKS AND RURAL POPULATION RALLY TO SCHEME THAT HAS ASSUMED LARGE PROPORTIONS AND PROMISES TO BE GILT-EDGED.

Weeks of Preparation Should Result in Excellent Three-Day Program—Leading Citizens Head Committees That Have Various Details in Hand; an Each Report Splendid Progress Toward Extraordinarily Fine Program—List of Committees Published for Ready Reference.

Thrilling with new community spirit, determined to do something that will go down in history as an episode in her career that shall preponderantly stand out as the best of her life, Elgin is arranging for a three-day Fourth of July celebration. Practically every business man and professional man in Elgin, and many of the farmers in the immediate vicinity, have thrown their shoulders to the wheel in a mighty effort to give a celebration that will please the people who come. For weeks ahead there has been a fervent scene of preparation in the little apple town. It is the sole topic of discussion, and if she doesn't draw a crowd, and please them when they get there, it will not be because Elgin didn't try to do her part well. The following committees are

handling the Fourth of July celebration this year: General Committee—Clarence Bean, Jesse Crum and Mr. Southard. Finance Committee—Frank Keller, Clarence Bean and R. L. Shoemaker.

TO DANCE THE LIGHT FANTASTIC IS ALWAYS A DIVERSION

Monday and Tuesday Afternoons and Evenings the

Elgin Dance Pavilion

WILL BE DEDICATED WITH FIRST CLASS MUSIC AND A BIG CROWD

Excellent Floor

EACH DANCE REASONABLY PRICED

Join the Gang

Dance to Your Heart's Content

Fast-Foot Races And of Varied Nature Prepared

A splendid medley of races will be presented at the race track grand stand on the morning of Tuesday the 5th. It will include all the category of celebration events and some chubby sums in the way of cash prizes have been apportioned this department.

It was at first planned to hold them in the streets but this plan was found unsatisfactory and they have now been transferred to the race track where close to 2000 people can see the events in comfort. Guy I. Patten, L. B. Tuttle and S. A. Chappell are the committeemen in charge of this phase of the celebration. This committee announces the following list of events, and prizes:

Boys race, under 12—First \$1; 2nd 50 cents. Girls' race, under 12—First \$1; 2nd 50 cents.

Boys' race, under 16—First \$2; 2nd \$1. Girls' race, under 16—First \$2; 2nd \$1. 100 yard dash, free for all—First \$5; 2nd \$2.50. 50-yard dash, fat man's race (over 100 lbs.)—\$2 and \$1. Tug of war, Imbler vs. Elgin (10-man team)—\$10.00. Sack race, free for all—First \$2 2nd \$1. Three-legged race—First \$2; 2nd \$1. Mile relay (six men)—\$15 and \$7.50. Pie eating contest, boys under 12—50 cents and 25 cents. Running broad jump, free for all—\$2 and \$1. Water melon eating contest, boys under 12—50 cents and 25 cents.

Many And Fleet Strings of Horses Promised Fans

CELEBRATION PROGRAM IN DETAIL

Sunday, July 3. 11:00 A. M.—Ball Game—Cove vs. Elgin, for championship of Intermountain League. Race track. 2:30 P. M.—Horse races, Roman race, ladies' relay race, chariot race, gent's relay race, bucking horse. Race track.

Monday, July 4. 4:30 A. M.—Sunrise guns. 9:00 A. M.—Music in the streets. 10:00 A. M.—Grand parade in streets, floats, decorated autos, riding and driving horses. 11:00 A. M.—Patriotic exercises and address by Hon. Walter Pierce; singing, readings, etc. City Park. 12:00 P. M.—Picnic dinners City park. Free lemonade. 1:00 P. M.—Ball game, Lostine vs. Elgin. Intermountain championship. Race track.

2:30 P. M.—Horse races, ladies' relay, Roman race, gent's relay, chariot race, girls' saddle race, cowboy race, bucking horse, etc. Race track. Afternoon dances—City park pavilion.

5:00 P. M.—Evening salute. 7:00 P. M.—Band concert on street. 8:00 P. M.—Boxing and wrestling at opera house. Main bout, Noregard vs. Gustavo. Many other last boxing and wrestling bouts. 9:20 P. M.—Grand display of fireworks.

Tuesday, July 5. 9:00 A. M.—Music in the streets. 10:00 A. M.—Field sports at race track. 11:30 A. M.—Water fight between fire departments. 1:00 P. M.—Baseball game, Elgin vs. La Grande. Championship of Intermountain League and Wallowa county. 2:30 P. M.—Horse races, Local saddle horse race, Finals of ladies' and gent's relay, Roman race, Bucking horse.

Afternoon dances—City park pavilion. 8:00 P. M.—Dancing in City park. 10:00 P. M.—March Gray to streets and park.

People who haven't seen the Elgin race track and grand stand since Jim Elliot got through sinking \$25,000 in the plant, wouldn't realize what a splendid facility there exists in Elgin for horse racing. The grand stand itself costs \$10,000. It is well fenced and the track, half mile in size, is good. The stable is clean and convenient. Auto parking space is sufficient to handle a great number of cars.

In charge of the race meets to be held in connection with the Natal day celebration, are Mr. Elliot, Guy Patten, Jesse Crum and Jack Hallgarth. The management is succeeding in getting the string of horses that ran at Union to participate for the \$1500 in prize money that has been posted, and in addition got some of the fast relay and bucking strings from Wallowa county.

About the classiest array of running stuff, chariot and Roman race "horses" in this section of the country will be on hand when the pong rings each of the three days. Any horseman interested can get full details about prizes and entries by writing Mr. James Elliott.

PRACTICALLY ALL THE RACE HORSES PARTICIPATING IN

Union Stock Show

AND MANY OTHERS, WILL BE SEEN IN THE

ELGIN RACE MEET

July 3, 4 and 5

A Plant that Cost \$25,000

OF WHICH \$10,000

WENT INTO THE GRAND STAND WILL BE USED IN THIS STELLAR ATTRACTION

IF YOU ARE A LOVER OF RACING OF ALL KINDS YOU WILL CERTAINLY GET SATISFACTION

FOR PARTICULARS AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE

\$1500 in Prizes

WRITE JAMES ELLIOTT, ELGIN, OREGON