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## SPORTSMEN HAVE A BIG FISH FEED

WING, FIN AND FLEETFOOT CLUB HOLDS ITS JULY MEETING

### SIXTY-EIGHT POUNDS IS BIGGEST CATCH

Rainbow is the Trout For Streams and Eastern Brook Abounds in the Lakes. In Opinion Expressed—Morgan Lake Swarming With Bass and Perch Says John Walden

The annual fish feed of the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot club was held last evening in the Foley hotel, 141 of the 183 members attending. The feed this year was one of the biggest successes of similar affairs in the club's history and the fish supplied by those members who went fishing over the week-end were more than enough to give all attending, those staying at home as well as the others, their fill of fish. The biggest fish were sent to the hospital this morning, the smaller ones being sufficient to supply those attending.

The meeting was presided over by H. E. Coolidge, president of the club for the past two years. Mr. Coolidge read a letter from the game commission in which it was suggested that Ladd creek be closed July 1 next year and which also called attention to the many thousands of fish placed in the streams of Union and Walla Walla counties.

Conley Wins First  
Immediately following the feed Chairman Coolidge announced the winners of the prizes. J. Conley won first in the rainbow class, his biggest fish being 18 3/4 inches in length. Oscar Berger took second in this class with a beauty 16 1/4 inches in length. Third went to C. S. Dunn and Ed Boylen whose biggest rainbows were 15 1/2 inches long.

Robert Newlin won first in the bull trout competition. His prize winner was 15 inches in length, and Oscar Poirch and D. B. Stoddard tied for second place, each having a bull trout 13 1/2 inches long.

Although after the awarding of the prizes it developed during the discussion that few anglers present have caught eastern brook trout, B. C. Hamilton took first prize for an eastern brook trout 18 inches long and Frank Harris won second with an eastern brook 14 1/2 inches long. Art Van Fleet took first prize with a bass eight and three quarters inches in length. First for perch went to Rube Zweifel, he having caught 25 perch. A 29-inch white fish took first prize in that class. H. W. Hewitt caught the fish.

Big Ray Catch  
The best party catch was reported by Nate Zweifel, Charles Muchison, Ed Boylen and Ed Taylor. This party brought home 68 pounds. Second prize for the party catch went to a party composed of W. O. Kelly, Pete Hagerman, Bob Baker and A. Kelly. They caught 32 pounds of fish. Third prize for party catches was taken by an 11 pound catch brought in by William Miller, A. V. Andrews and R. Newlin.

A booby prize was awarded to L. M. Hoyt, after much deliberation, a number of anglers being very close to Hoyt with their catch. The catch was not announced.

Putman President  
Election of officers resulted in the following men being placed in office for the coming year: C. D. Putman, president; Nate Zweifel, vice-president; A. V. Andrews, secretary-treasurer; L. W. Wright of Union, Ed Tuttle of Elgin, William Kelly of La Grande, E. Walsinger of Alford, Charles Cleaver of Imbler, A. Becker of Cove, directors.

After the disposition of the business matters coming before the meeting, which was the annual meeting of the club, discussion of various matters of interest to sportsmen and talks by a number of members followed.

John Walden, game and fish warden for this district, gave an optimistic talk on the fishing of Walla Walla and Union counties and after hearing what Mr. Walden had to say those who had failed to catch the limit could not but have felt that they at least did better than they could have done anywhere else in the state.

Lakes Abound in Fish  
There are lots more fish in all the lakes.

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## Governor Small Is Liable To Arrest

State Executive Is Not Immune from Arrest and Cannot Call on State Troops for Protection.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., July 26.—Circuit Judge Smith, in ruling on the question of the arrest of Governor Small on the charge of embezzlement while he was state treasurer, held that the warrants should be served on the Governor, but that the executive should be permitted to appear at his convenience. The judge held that there is no such thing in Illinois as the divine right of kings and that the Governor cannot call state troops to shield him from arrest, and is subject to arrest and prosecution for illegal acts while state treasurer.

FATHER WAUN RETURNS  
NORTH POWDER, July 26.—Father Waun, who for several years was pastor of the Catholic church in this city, has returned from Germany where he spent several years visiting his mother and other relatives across the sea. He comes from quite a remarkable family. Of the ten children, of which he is one, six of them are priests and two are nuns. While doing missionary work Father Waun froze one of his limbs and is now trying to nurse himself back to health. It is reported.

## SOME WITHDRAW FROM PETITIONS

BELIEVE EXPENSE IS MUCH TOO HEAVY AT PRESENT TIME

Street Lights are Still Much Mooted Question; Will Not Impede Action of Others.

Remonstrances were in circulation yesterday afternoon and today to the plan of changing La Grande's street lighting system at the present time. Many property owners signed the request that conditions remain as they are for the present and urge that the city refrain from taking any new innovations or inaugurate any great changes with business conditions still limp and uncertain.

A number who signed the Al Andrews petition to have the poles changed and the standards erected, after investigation as to cost, not only to the taxpayers as a whole but to every business house individually, decided in the negative and asked to have their names recorded on the protest.

By taking this action those who protest do not intend to be impediments to progress, nor do they intend to throw any monkey wrenches in the city machinery, but they express themselves as being opposed to anything at the present time that will increase the tax burden or add to the public expense.

"This particular period is unlike anything we have ever had," remarked a man who has battled the business world in La Grande for many seasons, "and we don't know which way to turn. Everybody has a pride in the city and I think would like to see any improvement that will make our town show in the front rank, but there is a limit to people's ability to pay at present, and I know the same thing to do is to stay close to shore."

## MILL MAN IS INJURED.

BAKER, July 26.—Jack Leishman, of Baker, superintendent of the Eccles Lumber company near Austin, was seriously injured Saturday evening.

He was unloading a number of logs from a truck at the camp in company with a crew of men, when in some manner one got away from the men, falling upon Mr. Leishman. One leg was mangled and he sustained bruises about his leg and knee.

## DENBY NOT SURE

WASHINGTON, July 6.—Secretary of the Navy Denby stated Monday afternoon he had made no plans for a trip to the western coast to review the Pacific fleet.

## Three-Fourths Losses

ATHENS, July 26.—The Greek official agency has announced that the Turkish losses amounted to seventy-five per cent of the entire fighting strength.

## Abolished Council to Meet

LONDON, July 26.—It has been officially announced that the allied supreme council will meet in Paris on August 4. In a brief session for the discussion of the Silesian question.

## Capital Move Forced

LONDON, July 26.—The Turkish nationalists have been compelled by the Greek advances to move their capital from Angora to Sivas.

## PRESIDENT REQUESTS LEGISLATION

WOULD AUTHORIZE WAR FINANCE CORPORATION TO HANDLE RAILROAD DEBT

### AGRICULTURAL WORK TO BE SEPARATE

Senator Kellogg Introduced Bill Drafted by Hoover and Chairman Meyer, Extending the Powers of the Corporation to the Agricultural Export Financing

WASHINGTON, July 26.—President Harding sent a message to congress today asking for legislation authorizing the war finance corporation handling the funding of railroad indebtedness and the increase of credit for the financing of agricultural exports. He stated that there were moral obligations upon the government, to aid in both respects and prompt action was requested. The Republican leaders adopted the plan of dealing with the railroads and the agricultural questions separately.

Senator Kellogg introduced the bill drafted by Hoover and Chairman Meyer of the war finance corporation, extending the powers of the corporation to the agricultural export financing. It would increase the corporation's revolving credit from \$500,000,000 to \$1,000,000,000. The Kellogg bill is a substitute for the Norris measure to create a new government export financing corporation. The provisions dealing with the railroad funding were stricken from the Hoover-Meyer draft.

In explaining the request, the President said that no added investment was required, no added liability, or no added tax burden, but merely a grant of authority.

### AMERICAN LEGION MEN ARE TO SCALE MT. HOOD

The camp to be established by Hood River post, American Legion at the northeast base of Mount Hood on July 30, when Hood River ex-service men with Legion members and their families from all parts of the state will journey to the timber line for an ascent of the peak the next day, will be laid out with military precision. The new outfit of the old Hood River company, called to the colors in 1917, will be in charge of the kitchen detail, and Harry Sinen, who had the reputation of being one of the best cooks in the service and who fed the boys in France, will be the chef.

### WEATHER FORECAST.

Tonight and Wednesday, fair. Moderate northwest winds.

## Livestock In The Valley Is Excellent

Dr. P. A. Charlton, Resident Veterinarian for Many Years, Has Never Seen Things Better.

Condition of livestock in the Grande Ronde valley is excellent, according to Dr. P. A. Charlton, who has been a resident veterinarian here for many years.

"I have never seen things in better shape," remarked Dr. Charlton to a reporter for the Observer. "Livestock is free from contagion. It is fat and sleek with plenty of feed both in the valley and in the hills. The Grande Ronde horse, famed far and wide, is still in demand and during the past week I have received inquiries from several sources wanting to know if several carloads could be purchased here this fall. Also have had orders for several perfectly matched teams. The trend is to heavy horses and the raiser of such stock is not going to be very far wrong when the general adjustment comes and we settle to good old fashioned living again, where in the horse played a decided part in the civilization and pursuits of mankind."

## NORTHERN ROAD IS AFTER LOAN

WASHINGTON, July 26.—The application for a government loan of \$15,000,000 was made today through the Interstate Commerce Commission by the Great Northern, on the assumption that the plans were shaping for the railroad refunding operations. The money would be used to repay a similar loan obtained for the government at the close of the federal control.

### The Charter Election

A discussion of the different amendments to be voted on August 9th.

### Amendment No. 2—(Raising Rate of Interest)

As explained by the Observer in a previous issue, the first and second amendments pertain particularly to the water project. Whereas the voters can emphatically not get a new water system within the present or even the next several years without adopting the first amendment, this second one is not quite so vital. Everyone knows that five per cent bonds are not salable, but in the event that this amendment should be defeated, the commission would still have the power to sell its bonds below par to make them net six per cent to the purchaser. That there may be authority in the hands of the commission to offer six per cent if necessary, this amendment is provided. This does not require the commission to do so if better interest rates can be obtained in the future. This act would amend the present charter to read 5 instead of 6 per cent, but it provides for no other change in a long amendment, the verbatim report of which would require too much space.

### ABOUT THIS TIME O' YEAR



## BERGDOLL CASE ENDS PEACEFULLY

GOLD WHICH IS DECLARED HIDDEN IS STILL MUCH OF A MYSTERY.

### STATUS OF CAMPBELL IS NOT DECIDED

Solon Demands Alien Property Custodian Hunt For the Missing Fortune Which is Alleged to Be Buried in a Tub; Insists Gold Was Taken From Government Vaults.

WASHINGTON, July 26.—The Bergdoll investigation ended finally Monday—and ended peacefully. There was no statement from the committee, directed to fix responsibility for the escape of Grover Bergdoll, draft dodger, while hunting last year for a buried tub of gold, as to the disposition of the case of Maj. Bruce R. Campbell, an army officer, accused by Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll of accepting \$5000 to help get her son out of the clutches of the law.

An unexpected turn at the last moment was a demand by Representative Lohring, of Indiana, Republican member, that the alien property custodian be ordered to recover \$105,000 in gold taken from the treasury a year or more ago, and alleged to have been buried. He insisted that the evidence developed indicated that the gold was obtained from government vaults for bribery purposes, and that if still buried, as the woman asserts, it ought to be dug up and put back in government hands.

### Report in Ten Days.

The committee deferred action on the gold question until its report is presented to the house in about 10 days.

Members of the committee refused to say whether they would recommend that the Campbell charges be dismissed or turned over to the war department for such investigation as the inspector general might suggest.

In view of the clash Saturday between Representative Johnson, Democrat, Kentucky, and Charles A. Braun, brother of Grover Bergdoll, a big crowd gathered Monday, most of the spectators being women.

Major Campbell's 70-year-old father, William R. Campbell, of Lexington, Ky., corroborated the son's statement that a \$500 fund placed with the late Milton Young of Lexington, in 1915 grew in two years to \$6,000, and that the money, without a word of explanation was turned over to the officer. Major Campbell reiterated that this same money, some of which was in \$1,000 bills, was deposited with a Wall street firm last year about the time Mrs. Bergdoll swore she had given him \$5,000.

## Trout Weighs 22 1-2 Pounds After Caught

California Angler Makes Record Catch in Pelican Bay Near Klamath Lake

Bigger than any story or fish that could be produced at the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot Club fish dinner last evening is the story which came over the wires today from Klamath Falls, and reading as follows:

All records were broken Saturday when Dr. A. E. Sykes of Oakland, Cal., landed a 23 1/2 pound rainbow trout near Crystal creek, in Pelican bay, at the head of upper Klamath lake. The nearest approaches in size were a 22 1/2 lb. rainbow taken by Mrs. McKay in 1909 and a 22-pounder taken by William Baldwin, of Oroville, in 1914.

Dr. Sykes' catch was 36 inches long and 24 inches in girth. He will take it to San Francisco for mounting and exhibition.

### Money Refused On Warrants

BANKS OVERLOADED WITH UNION COUNTY PAPER.

Failure of Bond Issue to Be Sold and Long Wait for Money by Taxation Is Reason Given.

Union county warrants are no longer being cashed by the local banks. At both banks it was stated this morning that the reason for refusing to cash warrants is because they were loaded up with this class of paper to such an extent that it is not advisable to carry any more. It is understood that the La Grande National bank is carrying about \$45,000 in county warrants and the United States National bank about \$42,000.

In discussing the decision to stop paying county warrants, T. J. Scroggins, cashier of the United States National Bank, declared that had the \$400,000 bond issue been sold the county could have taken up the warrants now held by the bank, but as this issue could not be marketed at satisfactory terms the only recourse is to wait for provisions for taking up the warrants by taxation. This cannot be done this year as no provisions have been made by the county for applying taxation money for this purpose.

H. E. Coolidge, assistant cashier of the La Grande National Bank, stated that the banks here are unable to carry more warrants than they are carrying now because of the failure of the \$400,000 bond issue to be bid on at a price satisfactory to the county court and hope for relief is remote. Banks here, as elsewhere, cannot be back to a normal basis for several years. Mr. Coolidge declared. Mr. Coolidge, as well as Mr. Scroggins, believes that after harvest there will be some noticeable relief in the financial situation but does not see hope for relief from the present situation through this change in conditions as the warrants now held by the banks must be carried by them until the county provides tax money to take them up.

County Judge U. G. Couch said this afternoon that all warrants of the county are included and that the county is confronting a serious situation. Salary warrants are included along with others. Work on the Catherine Creek road and other roads under contract will probably have to cease unless arrangements can be made to have the contractors carry the warrants.

Judge Couch stated that the only relief that appears possible now is that the banks dispose of sufficient paper of the county to make possible payment of more, but there is very little likelihood of this, he declared.

### BAKER GIRL TRIES TO END LIFE WITH TURPENTINE DRINK

BAKER, July 26.—Mabel Mattox, aged 17, lies in the St. Elizabeth hospital as the result of drinking turpentine with suicidal intent. The girl is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Mattox. Miss Mattox was paroled from the Louisiana home in Portland to her parents July 3, which is said to have been the cause of her attempt at suicide.

### SUBCHASER WILL BE SENT TO BANDON FOR CELEBRATION

WASHINGTON, July 26.—The national department has informed Senator McNary that Subchaser 295 will be ordered to Bandon for the Pythian celebration beginning there on July 28.

## COVE CASHING IN ON FRUIT OF HER LAND

FEVERISH HASTE TO GET ORCHARD PRODUCTS TO MARKET IN GOOD SHAPE.

### BIGGEST DEMAND IN HISTORY; CROP SOLD

From Pickers to Packers and Shippers the Rush is On, and Fruit of the Tree Takes Shape in the Dollar—One Hundred and Twenty-Nine Thousand, Prospect for Cove.

Cove is skimming the annual cream. The month, the week and the day of her great cherry harvest has come and as fast as human hands can pluck the fruit and teams, gasoline and steam can haul the luscious cherry to the market, the product of the tree is undergoing the transmigration from fruit to gold—or that which represents gold. But another fourth of the total crop remains unharvested and when that is complete, Cove will settle down to preparation for next year's golden harvest.

### Buyers Flock to Cove.

The present week has seen one of the greatest flurries in cherries of recent years. The markets are crying for the Cove product to such an extent that 200 carloads more than the crop are being cried out for by buyers. But the crops were contracted at stipulated price, the growers preferring to play safe, uncertain as to what the harvest time would bring forth. The unprecedented demand available little. There is nothing to sell.

From pickers, about 250 of them, to the packing sheds, and then to the express cars—all is rush and haste, but not without accuracy. Every packed box must be just so, but always there is the rush! It may rain and crack the cherries. A certain express train may slip through Union Junction without picking up a valuable car of fruit because it didn't get loaded on time—a dozen, yes, a score of serious delays might befall to serious detriment. Therefore it is rush all ways, but also careful must they be, from picking to crating. It is a period of feverish haste, for delay is costly, errors disastrous.

### Orchard Yields Profitable.

The elements have been unusually kind to the growers this month. One rain alone has retarded the picking and that but for a half day and without bad results.

The crop is not extremely large, at all, but of good quality and the price is certain.

Here is the orchard crop of the little town of Cove expressed in carloads and dollars:

White cherries—4) carloads of an average of 30,000 lbs. each.

Black cherries, such as Bing and Lamberts—12 carloads gone and five more to go with a minimum express car capacity of 20,000 pounds.

Roughly, this means \$40,000 to Cove growers from the cherry crop. But that is far from all.

While cherries are demanding immediate attention, berries of various sorts amounting to 50,000 crates have been harvested at a return of \$10,000.

### Prunes Big Item.

From berries and cherries the growers will swing into their plum orchards in due time and pick the magnificent gross of eight carloads at a total of better than \$9,000. Then will come the Italian prunes—early in September—and there is an item that Union county people often forget about. Cove will contribute 50 carloads to the prune total, bringing another \$50,000 into Cove from orchard sources; Union 30 carloads and La Grande, and scattering, 5 carloads, making a total of 85 carloads of prunes alone the fruit belts of this part of the valley will put on the markets this year. Of course, there is yet an element of gamble with the prunes, for the harvest time is some time off and disaster might overtake the growers. But that is improbable.

### Gross Income \$129,000.00.

There is, then, reason for a cheerful face and prospects of fat pockets in the Cove section this fall. All in all, the berries, cherries, prunes and plums are going to net Cove people about \$109,000.00 and then will come the apple harvest, which is not so big an item, but a good topper for a good summer. Cove will have 20 carloads of 750 boxes each and apples will add a tidy little sum of \$20,000 to the orchard product, or a grand total of commercial product of \$129,000.00, all out of the little 10 and 20 acre tracts that cradle themselves into the draws and canyons of the Cove hillsides.