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CITY AND COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER.

Bible Thought For Today

KINGDOM IS WITHIN.—Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, there! for, behold, the Kingdom of God is within you.—Luke 17:21.

THE FARMERS' DAY.

Next Saturday is Union County's Farmers Day and at the city park in La Grande will be held a picnic and celebration with an appropriate program. A discussion of things pertaining to the farm life of today will be indulged in and some good ideas are bound to be put forth.

It is to be a meeting of the Farmers' Union, all Granges and other farmers' organizations of the county. A general invitation has been extended the public and merchants will join in the picnic at the park.

There are plenty of problems for the farmers to talk about. If there ever was a time in America when a farmer has a right to doubt almost everything from the Statue of Liberty to the Declaration of Independence it is now. If there ever was a time when the farmer realizes that nearly all other lines of business have been organizing for battle along business lines, while he has been using all of his time to produce something to eat, it is now. If there ever was a time when America must rehabilitate the farm and make the industry more attractive, it is now.

Whether this should be done by subsidization, by government control or by straight out supply and demand, we would like our statesmen in Washington to tell us. The thing we know is that something should be done—just how it should be done we do not know.

Attend the picnic at the city park Saturday and hear the leading farmers talk the matter over—maybe you can learn something about a question that is of vital importance to the world.

THE "CUT-OUT IDIOT"

Of all the bum idiots of the age, the cut-out idiot is the worst. This imbecile specimen of the human family may have bought or borrowed an automobile; he comes up town and for fear he will be overlooked he kicks open the cut-out and chugs down Adams avenue; before entering the intersection he plunges his No. 10 shoe on the accelerator and then he listens with pride to the shooting exhaust which resembles a China New Year celebration.

Later he brings his girl to the dance. After the ball is over he lifts his lady love into his bus and then he must make a noise, so open goes the cut-out and he rumbles around the city clanging and snapping away.

Hark—just a moment, read Section 14 of La Grande's traffic ordinance wherein it says:

"No motor vehicle shall be operated with offensive exhaust or muffler open."

Now, you cut-out birds, that's the law, and we have a bunch of policemen who have been kind to you, for they evidently knew you were weak along this line, but in the future look out. The Evening Observer is offering a box of cigars to the policeman who will enforce the muffler ordinance and the glaring headlight ordinance, getting a clean-cut conviction and collecting the fine from the driver.

There is a time when things have to come to a showdown. Now is that time for open-cutouts in the city limits and the glaring headlight as well.

Independence.

We celebrate our holidays lightly and gaily, as holidays should be celebrated. But it doesn't hurt us any, or detract from the fun, if we give an occasional minute or two to cross contemplation of the reason why the special day is marked with a red letter.

Fourth of July, signing of the Declaration. Giving England notice, so to speak. Yes, but what is "independence?"

A good many Americans live up to speak of themselves or others as being "independent" when they merit mean upbraid or inconsiderate of the other fellow's interests.

The nation as a whole is rather apt to consider itself "independent" if it is discourteous to its late allies. If it turns a stony shoulder and "can't go" to get itself tangled up in European messes, while it lets enemies fiddle its institutions from within without a care.

forward, move in human history. But let us not forget to think a little about the true causes of America's greatness and the true means of preserving it.

New Automobile Organization.

The National Motorists' Association, organized recently at Chicago, claims to represent half a million car owners and drivers. In behalf of the automobilists of the country, it seeks relief from excessive automobile taxes, relief from the growing traffic congestion of cities and better highways all over the country.



On the other hand, if we pay no attention to our neighbors in trouble who shall help us when our fires break out or our well runs dry? Independence does not rest out cooperation. It establishes it between friends.

THE OFFICE CAT



The best thing about fishing is you feel a satisfaction of controlling the line.

JUST LIKE THAT Her trusses gained her great renown At which no maid could scoff But when she took those trusses down She also took them off.

Mrs. Elvira Polson has at last got her divorce. Her husband ran away with the snake charmer in Robinson's circus in the summer of 1917, and this year his wife decided he might not come back—Norristown (Ivy) McClure.

SERIOUS "What's the charge, officer?" "Vandalism, your honor. He was fouling around a street corner."

That amiable look a man wears by a photograph is the result of his effort to look distinguished.

"Seems to me this is a very dangerous place," said the visitor. "They ought to have a warning sign here or people won't drive off into the ditch."

"Well, they did have a sign here for two years," said the native, "but nobody ever drove off, so they decided it wasn't needed and took it down."

POEM Here lies who's left Of William Tell. He told his wife To go to h—

What Has Been Has Been "Do you think the women will go back to long skirts?" "I don't know. Anyhow, why worry about it? We've seen 'em all in the short ones."

TIME "I haven't seen you for a month, what have you been doing?" "Tidily days."

One of the disappointments of this life is to receive a letter addressed to a skimming machine and find that it contains a bill from the plumber.

IT'S EFFICIENCY "Rube is the liquor in this region nowadays," implied a tourist. "Well, I'll tell you," replied Gap Johnson of Rainier State. "When you drink your drinks in it they generally stay dropped."

PUZZLE: FIND TOP A gentleman having business with a back-country farmer inquired of the farmer's boy where the old man was to be found. "He's out in the big pen doctoring the sick sheep," replied the boy and added as an illuminating afterthought, "Pop's the one with a hot one."

HEAD GENIUS The man who can make a mountain out of a mole hill and then set it as sand is a genius.

By all means fall in love with her. It will give you a rest of us. For love makes saints of the worst of us and damnfools of the best of us.

Jack—"G'wan! I can run lots faster" you can. Look't the way I can run down when I can't run up and around you."

Jim—"That thing didn't count unless I knew what you wanted."

LOCAL BOYS IN CLOSE WIN AT HAINES SUNDAY

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pitcher to death when he smashed a homer, scoring Hickey, far over the fielders' heads. McGee singled, Pirates catcher, scored. Rosenbaum crosses field out to Geddes, Rosenbaum singled and Workman, also Hickey. With the bases full Theison sacrificed McGee and Melnis hit a fast single, scoring the other two men. Garrity struck out, and Hickey wrote his name in the baseball hall of fame by knocking out a triple, cleaning the bases. Johnson, up for the second time, got a two banger and brought in Hickey. McGee singled and Crews flied out to third. Just eight runs in one inning.

Neither Haines nor La Grande scored again until the fourth inning. Melnis started the ball rolling with a single, Garrity went out, Hickey got to first on an error, and Johnson, for the second time, homered over the fielders' heads, scoring Hickey. Melnis went out trying to steal second and in the frame. Then Haines, by some heady work at the batting box, scored one run. The score then stood 12 to 2 for the Pirates.

The fifth inning went through without further demolishing the scorekeeper's records, but in the sixth La Grande went wild again. Fourteen men faced Waldon in that canto and nine runs crossed the plate. Hickey got La Grande's third homer of the day with Garrity, Melnis and Theison on bases. Waldon, the luckless Haines twirler, gave way to Wells before the inning was finished.

With the score 21 to 2, Haines rallied and brought in three runs on three hits in the last of the sixth. Then La Grande pulled what came near being a fatal "bomer." Desiring to be militant and otherwise generous, Rosenbaum was sent to the mound, and Haines went wild. In the seventh inning the Cowboys got six hits, 10 runs, and ruined the scorekeeper's book, forgot they were a cellar team, and scored the Pirates so badly that during the next three innings they played like a "Class B team in a Class AA league."

Despite the fact that Melnis went to the plate before the seventh was over the Cowboys could not be stopped. In the eighth they scored twice and counted four times in the ninth, making the score 21 all, at the end of the ninth.

But in the tenth La Grande suddenly remembered that they could play like champs and scored six runs and allowed the ambitious home team not a tally.

Let it be said, however, that the Haines team, as a whole and individually, despite the fact that they head the percentage column backwards, are real ball players and who they have lost as many games as they have in a matter of management. And good clean sports are so numerous on the Cowboy nine that the Pirates had to hand it to them, not only for ball playing that deserves special merit, but for all around gentlemanly conduct that would better the league considerably if some of the other team would practice the same conduct.

Columns and columns could be written about the conflict yesterday, but enough has been said. While La Grande was winning from Haines, Baker trounced Elgin 15 to 2 and Cove walloped the Federals 22 to 8.

Score by Innings. Haines—1 0 0 1 0 3 10 2 4 0—21. La Grande—2 8 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 6—27.

R H E La Grande.....27 20 7. Haines.....21 23 7.

Summary. Errors: Workman (2), Theison, Melnis, Garrity, McGee (2), Fain, Waldon, Coone (2), Green. Haves runs: Johnson (2), Hickey. Three base hits: Hickey (2), Crews, McCully. Two base hits: Crews (2), Rosenbaum, Workman (3), Garrity, Johnson, McCully, Romanke, Geddes. Sacrifice hits: Theison, Johnson, Stal, an bases: Rosenbaum (2), Theison (2), Melnis (1), McGee, Fain (2), Romanke, Geddes, Waldon, Kipping. Innings pitched: McGee, 6:1-4; Rosenbaum, 1:2; Melnis, 3:1-4; Waldon 3; Wells, 4; Earned runs-off: McGee 4, Rosenbaum 4, Melnis 6, Waldon 18, Wells 6. Credit defeat to Waldon, victory to McGee. Time of game, 3 hours, 29 minutes. Umpire Young of Haines.

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PROTESTED GAME IS NOT DECIDED

At the meeting held in Judge T. H. Crawford's office Saturday evening to decide on the protested La Grande-Union game which Union, reinforced by two Cove players, won 5 to 3, found four teams in the league represented. Fred McVee, of Union; Lloyd Carter, of Cove; Hector Melnis, of La Grande, and Mr. Chandler Elgin, were all present. Guy Patten, secretary of the league, and Judge Crawford, president, completed the official attendance. Umpire Ralph Paddock, who umpired the disputed game, was not present but announced in a letter that the game was officially played under protest and that any further help that he could render would find him ready to comply. Mr. Hunt, of Baker, sent a letter to Judge Crawford stating that he did not consider the Intermountain League an official league and would not be bound by any action on the part of Judge Crawford. This letter was unanimously overruled by those present.

The matter of the protest was not settled but much discussion of the matter was held. Nothing in the constitution permits the president of the league to forfeit a game, the only action that can be taken is to throw the game out of the official records. Indications are that this will be the course taken. The matter will be definitely decided at Elgin, July 4, when Judge Crawford and Mr. Patten will appoint a third member to the commission and will meet and decide the question.

After the Haines team had forfeited their game to Cove, the Farmer, telephoned to Union asking them if they wanted some men to beat La Grande. The result was that Cove yielded some of their players to Union and after the game Union released the men back. Whether this is legal is the question. Attempts were made to protest the Elgin-La Grande game but inasmuch as it is necessary to file a protest within 24 hours after the playing of the game nothing was done in the matter.

LA GRANDE CAR ENTERED.

At the Baker races tomorrow La Grande will have an automobile entered that is said to be a whizz for speed. It is the product of the joint efforts of "Red" Williams, a practical race driver, and J. Zolnerman, whose knowledge of automotive vehicles is wide, for he has taken a deep interest in speed machines for many years.

The "improvements" of this racing machine have not been given out but it is known that it carries a Leaning ton motor, a portion of the Nash.

THE SAME EVERYWHERE. The editor of Punjab Akbar, a native newspaper of Lahore, India, says: "I have used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy many times among my children and servants, for colic and diarrhoea and always found it effective."—A. J. W.

chassis and features selected from other cars that seem to tune up to the necessary harmony of high speed so essential to the machines that enter present day automobile races.

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