CHAMPS WALLOP SPECIAL'S FIVE

Seated high upon their throne of purple, the Juniors hoop team, after due consideration and deliberation condescended to once more don the garb of the vaunted sweatshirt and descended to do battle with the confident "Specials" who sought vainly to unseat the Kings and hamstring their hard won place and tramp their laurels in the dust. But a champion is hard to dethrone and after a spirited back-burner battle, the Juniors returned to their seat of honor and the "specials" returned to their rightful possession of the short end of a score—the very short end in fact.

The first half ended only 15 to 4 in favor of the upper classmen. And the second half was just as one-sided. "Shorty" Reynolds, playing with the specials, was unable to pot anything over on the third year basket-ballers and neither was Moser Hesse, B. H. Christian, Cliff Horsman, Clarence Woodell or Baltimore Boys Dearden. Mighty men and hard to down, nevertheless this talented bunch of strugglers had nothing on the Juniors, in fact, hardly that much.

Owen Price, Joe Funk, George Stager, Williams, and "Huckleberry Finn" Stoddard nobly stood by their colors and handed out great wads of gall and wormwood, mixed with brimstone and hydrogen sulphide, to their competitors.

Pete Stoddard ably carried off the official crooked role and "Bud" Thelson, ye holder of ye cheating chronometer, came in for his share of the grapes.

LA GRANDE MAN DIES IN PORTLAND

Word has been received in La Grande of the passing on of Harry Brink, a former resident, who died in Portland on Saturday, December 16. Mr. Brink was a resident here for many years and went to Portland several months ago on account of an illness, that finally resulted in his demise.

Through the columns of the Oregonian the following account was given:

Brink—In this city, December 16, Harry Brink, aged 60 years, late of La Grande, Ore. Remains at McEntee & Ellers' parlors, 16th and Everett streets. Funeral notice later.

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We are still able to show a widely varied assortment of American unbreakable character dolls and imported kid bodied dolls. Prices range from 10c to $4.98

For Christmas Cheer—and all the Year SHOP HERE

SILK — **Parasols** — There are just twenty-five parasols in this showing. Pure silk, rain or shine parasols with newest handles and tip effects. $5.50 to $12.50

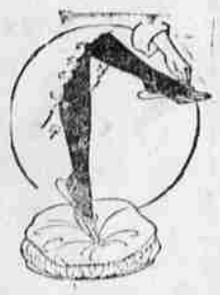
SILK JERSEY — **Petticoats** — Especially for gifts. Heavy silk jersey tops, taffeta and satin flounces, in a range of bright, attractive colors. They are priced at $3.98

BUDOIRE — **Caps** — Dainty creations of lace, satin, net and crochet effects, in many new styles and colors. They make most acceptable gifts. 25c to $1.98

NEW — **Blouses** — A gift sure to please may be selected from this display. New models in crepe de chine, georgette crepe and canton crepe. The colors are attractive and the trimmings most effective. $3.98 to $12.50

FRENCH — **Ivory** — In a showing of a variety of pieces. Either incomplete sets or single pieces, white ivory is most appreciated. Du Barry Ivory Pyralin included in this showing. 49c to $4.98

LADIES' — **Bath Robes** — Ladies' "Beacon Robe" bath robes in pleasing colors, satin and cord trimmed. Consider bath robes as a gift possility. $2.98 to $9.90

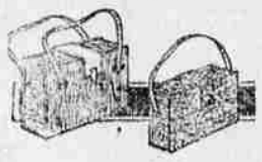


Silk Hosiery — For Women — Silk Hosiery—the gift that's sure to please. Our showing includes pure thread silk hose, clocked and plain styles, in Cordovan, Black, white, navy, champagne and nickel. $1.19 to $2.98

Ivory Manicure Sets — In Convenient Roll Cases

Ever welcome and useful gifts, sets range in size from eight to eighteen pieces. Handsome leather cases, with satin linings and artistic borders. $3.98 to $16.50

Leather Beauty Boxes — PURSE AND BAGS



In a variety of styles, leathers and colors that offers many possible Christmas gifts. There are scores to select from and all are most desirable.

MEN'S BOXED — **Ties** — 49c — Just ten dozen by this morning's express. Pure silk flowing end ties in a variety of beautiful patterns and colors.

HICKOK — **Belts--Buckles** — Belts of finest leathers, initial and plain buckles, separate or combined with the belts. Either a gift to please any man.

SILK — **Shirts** — Attractive patterns sure to please, in pure silk jersey, broadcloth and Jap silks. They are at very low prices. $4.98 to $6.50

GIFTS — **Hose** — A gift welcome to any man. Our display includes cassmere, silk and wool and pure silk, clocked and plain. 49c to $1.69

MEN'S — **Sweater Coats** — New arrivals makes this display most attractive. Plain and combined colors, in "Tom Wye" and "Octagon" makes. $4.98 to $8.50

MEN'S — **Dress Gloves** — "Allen Make" and "Raywell" Cape and mocha leather gloves in brown, tan and grey. All sizes in stock. 98c to $2.98

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VISITING PARENTS

Miss La Rue Hanks, who graduated in the Standard Oil company at Walla Walla, arrived in La Grande Saturday evening and is here for a few days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hanks.

RAGS Wanted at The Observer.

SHERRY'S

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FIGHTING GOES ON IN ITALY

TURIN, Italy, Dec. 19.—Renewed conflicts between the Fascisti and Communists have resulted in the killing of a number of persons, including ten Fascisti.

IMBLER BASKETBALL TEAM WILL PLAY HERE

The basketball season for the Y. M. C. A. will be ushered in tomorrow evening when a team of hoopers from Imbler, will play a team picked from La Grande basketball men. The personnel of the local team is not yet known but a fast game is promised.

F or Sale

A bargain, 11-room house on Spring avenue just off Fourth St. Plastered large steel rooms, bath and toilet on both floors. Large dining room and kitchen and just off the kitchen is a large cold storage room with cement floor. House in good condition; an inspection will convince you that this is a real income property.

New modern 5-room house with garage on N avenue, near high school, for sale. Owner would consider a Ford car and a few hundred dollars as initial payment.

On account of building costs advancing and it is known that building will cost more next spring than it did this last fall. Come in and let me show you what I have listed for sale. At the present time I have several good buys including two of the best homes ever built in this city. If you are planning to build in the spring play fair to yourself and let me show you where you can save money by buying.

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FIRES CAUSED BY HOT ASHES

"Carelessness is the biggest factor in the swelling of the total list of fires," states Fire Chief Murchison today. "Especially is the careless dumping of hot ashes the cause of many blazes, some more erious than others."

Five fire alarms have been turned in to the fire department during the past week and three were small fires, quickly extinguished, due to dumping hot ashes in wooden boxes or near buildings. One was a false alarm and the other was the burning of Carr's Furniture company.

"On an average three out of four fires are due to hot ashes being dumped in wooden boxes, in chicken houses, near woodsheds and in other manners that generally result in a fire being started," Murchison continued.

One case was reported where a resident of the city has dumped the ashes in his chicken house among hay where a blaze was bound to start.

YULETIDE AT ISLAND CITY

Island City will observe Christmas this year with a community Christmas tree and a program held Friday evening, Dec. 22, at 7:30 o'clock in the church.

The program is as follows: "Joy to the World," hymn, by the congregation; prayer by Rev. Waller; an Anthem by the choir; the Christmas story from Luke, by Joseph Sayre; "No Room in the Inn," seventh and sixth grades; Exercise to Harold and Margaret Zurbrick; a solo by Genevieve Auker; Christmas for Mother Goose and Her Children song by the Primary Department of the Sunday School; a Recitation by Mary Jane Chadwick; an Exercise by six children; "Luther's Candle Hymn," by the Primary Grades of the Public School; a recitation; "Silent Night," Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grades; Recitation; Solo, by G. L. Dutton; Exercise, "The Pilgrims;" an Anthem, by the Choir, offering for suffering children of the world and the closing song, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," by the congregation.

ASTORIA BANKS ARE NOW OPEN

Police and Civilians Are Guarding the City, Releasing Sailors from Duty

ASTORIA, Dec. 19.—Police and civilian guards today took over the protection of the city, sailors from the destroyer Yarborough returning to their vessel with a scheduled leave today.

All banks opened today in temporary quarters. They will not cash checks on pre-fire accounts until their vaults are opened. Special police have been hired by the banks to guard the vaults.

Bootleggers are being guarded against by police and federal officers. Every automobile is searched before reaching the city.

IMBLER LEGION PLANS PROGRAM

Imbler will have a Christmas that will not be soon forgotten, especially by the kiddies. The Imbler American Legion post announces that a Christmas program and a community tree will be the features of a celebration of the arrival of the Yuletide, to be held on Saturday eve, under their auspices.

Gifts for the kiddies, a program that will delight both young and old, and an exceptional evening's celebration is being planned. The proceeds of Apple Jack Gulch, which was given in Imbler a few months ago by the Imbler Legionaires, will go towards defraying the expenses of the gifts that Santa Claus will bring to Imbler.

The first state monument erected to American war dead in France—that of the State of Missouri—was designed by a woman sculptor, Miss Nancy Coonsman Hahn, who resides in St. Louis.

Tons of Christmas Foods

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FRESH CHRISTMAS CANDIES, 5-lb.	85c
CHOICE NEW CROP NUTS, 5 lb.	93c
CELERY, 2 bunches	25c
HEAD LETTUCE, 2 heads	25c
LIBBY'S MINCE MEAT, lb.	28c
LIBBY'S QUEEN OLIVES, large	29c
FRESH CREAMERY BUTTER, 2 lb.	$1.05
CARNATION MILK, large can	11c
FANCY COMB HONEY, 2 for	35c
NEW NAVEL ORANGES, doz.	33c, 39c, 63c, 98c
Per Case, any size	$5.85
NEW NAVE LORANGES, doz.	33c, 39c, 63c, 98c
FANCY CLUSTER RAISINS, pkg.	25c
SUNMAID SEEDLESS RAISINS, pkg.	15c
FRESH SALTED PEANUTS, 2 lb.	35c
LARGE COCOANUTS, each	18c
FLORIDA GRAPE FRUIT, large	15c
SEAPORT OYSTERS, can	18c
PREFERRED STOCK OYSTERS, can	38c
LIBBY'S PINEAPPLE, No. 2 1-2 tin	33c

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