

"Then Santa Claus mounts to the roof like a bird,
And glides to his seat in the sleigh,
Not the sound of a bugle or drum is heard
As he noiselessly gallops away."

SANTA CLAUS. That jolly, happy old elf, that we know now, belongs to every nation. The legends of many countries tell the story of a spirit of gift-giving. Sometimes he is in the guise of a child. Sometimes he is a young man, more often he is white-haired and hoary and jolly.

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SPORT NEWS

Union Hi Basketball Schedule Prepared

Maroon and White Five Expecting to Be Winner This Season

UNION (Special) — With several veterans in school this year, Union high school is expecting to put a winning basketball team on the floor. Fourteen games are already arranged on the schedule which will begin December 21, Friday evening, with Muddy Creek at Union. Other games arranged are as follows: Union vs. La Grande, at Union, Union vs. Habers at Habers (these and girls teams), January 4 and 5; Union vs. Enterprise, at Enterprise, January 10; Union vs. Joseph at Joseph, January 11; Union vs. Wallawa at Wallawa, January 12; Union vs. Wallawa at Union, January 24; Union vs. Elgin at Elgin, January 25; Elgin vs. Union at Union, February 12; Union vs. Baker, at Baker, February 13; Union vs. Muddy Creek at Muddy Creek, February 21; Union vs. Baker at Union, February 15; Union vs. Enterprise at Union, February 16; Union vs. Habers at Habers, at Union (girls and boys), February 22; Union vs. Double (girls and boys) at Union, February 23.

2 Union County Boys On O.A.C. Hoop Squad

Pete Stoddard and Geo. Brown to Go on Barnstorming Tour.

CORVALLIS (Special) — The varsity basketball team of eight men, headed by Coach R. H. Hager, will leave Corvallis December 25 on the coast limited for a series of basketball games in California. The team will arrive in Oakland at 11 o'clock the morning of December 26 and will play the first game with the Knights of Columbus at Oakland that night. The eight men selected by Coach Hager to make the trip are Captain "Babe" Stoddard, forwards, "Doc" Higgins and George Brown, centers, and Carlos Steele, John "Hop" Erickson, and John R. Robinson, guards.

The complete schedule for the team on the barnstorming trip is as follows: Knights of Columbus at Oakland December 26; Young Men's Institute December 27, and 28; Ignatius college December 29; The Orange athletic club at Orange January 2; The Alhambra athletic club at Alhambra January 3; Fresno college at Fresno January 4; and the Stockton athletic club at Stockton January 5. The team will return immediately after the schedule is completed.

Waldo "Babe" Stoddard forward is a La Grande high school player and George Brown, center, half from Union high school where he played in that position on a team that won nine out of ten games played. Stoddard is expected to be one of the Pacific Coast conference stars this year.

SCOTT HIGH TO PLAY COLUMBIA U. AT PORTLAND

PORTLAND — Scott high school of Toledo, O., intercollegiate football champions of the United States, which means the north, will play Columbia university at Portland on Multnomah field New Year's day. Negotiations between the two schools ended when Scott accepted by telegraph Columbia's offer for an east versus west game here.

WILSON WINS BY TECK KNOCKOUT

NEW YORK (AP) — Johnny Wilson, former middleweight champion, scored a technical knockout over Pat McCarthy of Roxbury in the third of a scheduled ten-round bout.

Oregon Aggies to Play Nebraska On Thanksgiving Day

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — The Oregon Agricultural college football team will appear in Lincoln against the University of Nebraska eleven noon Thanksgiving, athletic officials announced Wednesday night. The Oregon Aggies were asked Wednesday to come here after the University of Southern California had declined to make the trip, due to a heavy schedule away from home. Nebraska played the Oregon team at Portland in 1916.

Nebraska-U. S. C. Grid Game Is Off

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Because it would interfere with study, University of Southern California officials have cancelled a scheduled football game with Nebraska at Lincoln next Thanksgiving day. Plans for a game in 1925 or 1926 are under way.

Physician Sued by Girl Dope Victim

ATLANTA, Ga. (INS) — Charging that he made her a dope addict and that, as a result, she lost her position, the "respect and esteem of her friends" and has suffered "untold misery" and pain of body and agony of soul, Kathryn Twy, twenty-six-year stenographer, of this city, has filed a suit for \$100,000 damages

against Dr. William D. Roper, a practicing physician, of Atlanta. "I was under the care of Dr. George C. Mott when I took a prescription in Dr. Roper," Miss Twy alleged in her filed statement, "and Dr. Roper gave me morphine, a habit forming drug, without my knowledge or consent."

Is 35 Years Making Piece of Furniture

BIPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — The inspiration of every craftsman to produce a masterpiece, something that will live after him as a tribute to his genius, and Robert Prochman, a cabinet-maker of this city, is no exception to the rule. He just completed a piece of furniture, the making of which has extended over a period of nearly 35 years.

More than 20 years ago, Mr. Prochman conceived the idea of bringing his woodworking skill into play on some article of furniture that would be a lasting memento to his skill with the tools. He began the collection of materials without an idea of what special piece of furniture he was going to construct. On some of these there is a large ledge or lip and within this is beautiful, finely grained and evenly-grained wood. From this material, Mr. Prochman obtained his materials. Practically all of the wood came from places on Puget Sound.

A period of 20 years passed in the gathering of materials and Mr. Prochman began construction of a dressing table and bench to match. For three years he devoted all of his time during evenings working on it, until it was completed. "I built on the mission style, the table has not a nail or screw in it, with the exception of the mounting for the mirrors. Every part is fastened with dove-tail joints. The grain of the top and cross-

grain, in various shades of brown are matched on different sides so the coloring and grain has a uniformity. The veneering is hand polished in the natural colors, no varnish having been used in the finishing. A value of approximately \$2000 was placed on the piece of furniture by Prochman, who claimed that there is not another article like it in the world.

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NAVY PLANNING WINTER TRIPS

American Warships Arranging for Extensive Maneuvers This Season.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Manoeuvres of such magnitude as to constitute a battle war, rather than a sham battle, will test existing conditions of defense along the Panama Canal when the United States fleet begins its operations for 1924 at midnight on January 2, according to naval officers here.

Prominent among the new phases of combat expected to enter into the "war" are possession of the canal, the importance of the air, the use of submarines, and the use of the new auxiliary craft and auxiliary vessels at sea. The operations are being planned to include the use of the new auxiliary craft, the use of the new auxiliary vessels, and the use of the new auxiliary vessels.

RAILROADS SET HIGH RECORD IN CARRYING FRUIT

Interesting facts concerning the transportation of Pacific Coast fruits to markets in eastern states were brought out at a hearing held yesterday before Examiner E. M. Roper of the Interstate Commerce Commission at San Francisco. The hearing, regarding the fruit rates developed the following:

Train charts showed that on the basis of 100 net ton miles, the cost for wages to crews, or fruit train service was 96 per cent in excess of that for local freight trains.

One Southern Pacific tabulation revealed that deciduous fruits were transported from Roseville, California to Oregon on a 35 hour schedule which was 25 per cent faster than the 49 hour and 25 minute schedule for manifest freight.

A total of 14.5 net tons of fruit were handled per gallon of fuel oil consumed by the locomotives, while for manifest freight the tonnage was 22.3 per gallon of fuel oil.

The average cost of storing refrigerator cars by the Southern Pacific preparatory to the rush period for carrying fruits East was shown at \$4.30 a car.

During the peak of the fruit season this year the percentage of refrigerator cars sent west empty through Ogden ranged as high as 57.5 per cent in order to keep pace with demands for cars to move crops east.

California grapes are hauled an average of 2902 miles to market and other deciduous fruits an average of 2740 miles. This would place the bulk of the fruits in the states of New York and Pennsylvania.

The eighteen large western railroads this year are earning a return of only 3.75 per cent on the value of their property held for and used in transportation service.

A net operating income of \$745,212,000 would be necessary if the railroads of this country earned this year the 5.54 per cent permitted under the Transportation Act. Notwithstanding increased traffic, they will fall short of this income by about \$200,000,000.

One exhibit detailed the number of employees, hours worked and compensation for the year 1916 and the year 1922. This compilation showed an increase of 123 per cent in rate of wages of all employees in 1922, as compared with 1916.

The total tax assessed against twenty-three leading railroads in 1919 was \$20,401,100 and in 1922 the tax had increased to \$41,152,552, or more than 217 per cent.

WOUNDED MEN TO RECOVER, REPORT

HELENSTON, Ore. (Special) — Harry Zetraphas and Pete Gunn, who were injured early Monday by a collision with a passenger train, will recover, according to their physician. The men declare their wounds were inflicted as a result of an accident and have refused to the information against the negro.

REXALL DOLL CONTEST

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