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## SPORT NEWS

### Aggies Lost To Hawaii All-Star Team 14 to 9

#### Oregonians Outplay O. A. C. Eleven at Honolulu Christmas Day.

#### HONOLULU, (AP)—The Hawaiian all stars composed of members of the Honolulu football team and of national squad players,

created a surprise here Tuesday by defeating the football eleven of the Oregon Agricultural college 14 to 9. The local all-stars, however, were consistently outplayed the victors except in the kicking. The Aggies scored first, making a touch down in the second period. Oll carried the ball over. Price missed goal.

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### HASKELL INDIANS DEFEAT OLYMPIC CLUB 7 to SIX

LOS ANGELES, (AP)—The Haskell Indian eleven of Lawrence, Kan., Tuesday defeated the San Francisco Olympic club composed of college stars by a score of 7 to 6. It was the first Christmas football game played here in more than 70 years. The Haskell Indians outplayed their opponents but lacked the ability to score heavily.

### KID SARP WILL FIGHT HARRIS IN PENDLETON SOON

PENDLETON—The first boxing and wrestling card of the season in Pendleton will be staged Friday night, December 28, under the auspices of the newly organized Pendleton Athletic club in their quarters over the Pendleton Drug Co. The affair will be in the nature of a benefit and the proceeds will go toward improving the club quarters and providing needed equipment. The headline on the bill will be a six round go between Kid Harris, 128, of Pendleton and Kid Sarp, 125, of La Grande. These boys have been matched on three other occasions but for one reason or another the bouts were called off. In local boxing circles it is believed that all the cordiality in the world is not excessive between the two scrappers so a good bout should be assured.

### Empty Hotels Fill Munich.

MUNICH, (AP)—Munich hotel keepers are heavy hearted. They would like to close up, for their houses are virtually empty, but the law provides that if they do they cannot reopen for 15 years. One well-known hotel has 200 guests, and employs well over 100 men and women to keep the establishment going. Others are closing up during the day and count but a few guests for dinner in the evening.

### Schooner Reaches Port.

PORT ANGELES, Wash. (AP)—The schooner Thistle, which spread her sails when a line with which the steamer Jacob was towing her parted off Slip point, west of here, Monday night, arrived in Port Angeles harbor Tuesday.

### CHEERFUL WORDS

For Many a La Grande Household

To have the pains and aches of a bad back removed—to be entirely free from annoying, distressing urinary disorders, is enough to make any kidney sufferer grateful. The following advice of one who has suffered will prove helpful to hundreds of La Grande readers.

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### THURSDAY



## Government Cost High In Oregon

Of 24 states in the country where governmental costs have been tabulated, only one ranks above Oregon in the per centum of total administration.

Recently the treasury department announced its compilation of the figures for the state of Oregon. The government cost here is \$31.24 per capita in a year. The survey has now progressed to a point where comparisons with other states is possible, although the data has been completed in cover only half of each political subdivision in the country.

Nevertheless, the one state which shows a more expensive average than Oregon is conducting its business on the basis of an cost of \$33.99 for each individual per annum. Montana shows the smallest cost of \$12.02.

The cost throughout the country at large, the bureau points out, is rapidly approaching \$15 per capita, and unless expenditures are checked, it will reach \$16 within a few years. The present average cost, computed on the basis of the year of 1922, is \$42.87 in the 24 states.

According to the treasury department expenditures of the federal government for the fiscal year of 1923, which includes the last half of 1922 and the first half of the present year, were at the rate of \$20 per capita. Thus in 1922, state, local and federal government combined cost almost \$72 per capita. The cost of state and local government shows a startling increase over 1912; the department says, comparing its figures with the period of the last census.

In 1912, when the bureau made its last census study, only states with a population of more than 2500 were taken into account. Although on this account a straightaway comparison cannot be made, an increase is indicated in the ten-year period varying from 24 to 224 per cent. The average gain was 122.5 per cent.

In this regard Oregon does not show so bad a figure, because the gain over 1912 is computed at only 58 per cent. The table showing the per capita cost and the percentage of increase over 1912 follows:

Oregon	\$31.24	58%
Alabama	12.52	12%
California	59.56	77%
Arizona	51.70	261%
Colorado	52.42	101%
Delaware	21.69	29%
Georgia	44.39	98%
Idaho	15.62	39%
Indiana	45.65	127%

Nebraska	18.09	32%
Missouri	17.47	19%
Montgomery	14.21	11%
Missouri	28.00	32%
Montana	12.02	12%
Nebraska	18.02	19%
North Dakota	52.09	255%
New Mexico	31.52	224%
New Hampshire	42.18	192%
Rhode Island	32.97	223%
South Dakota	18.07	17%
Tennessee	14.83	15%
Utah	17.45	22%
Washington	14.50	12%
Wisconsin	17.85	15%

## ATHLETICS DON'T AFFECT CLASS WORK OF Y. MEN

By R. T. Hinkley, (U.S. Staff Correspondent) NEW HAVEN, Conn.—What is the effect of athletics on academic work? Not so fast at Yale, according to John G. Blomson, graduate director of athletics, in a statement to Yale Alumni Weekly. He found after the investigation that athletes did not in any way affect the marks of 143 men who took part in football, basketball, track, hockey and swimming. The yearly average of these men was 74, and "these figures, and others in preparation," Blomson said, "will show that the marks of the men participating in athletics are not affected during the playing season. In only one sport was there a falling off of marks during the playing season, and that of only one point in the general average, while on the other hand the average standard of these engaged in compulsory sports is better during the playing season as well as the rest of the year, than the average standard of undergraduate bodies as a whole."

Blomson also told Blomson to say, however, that "our belief is that they will pull their class room ratings average from mediocre up into the select 200 class when it belongs. The 1922 football team made a splendid record upon the grounds, an average record in the class room, in the opinion of the class itself."

"This is not particularly to the credit of this group, Yale feels that her athletes have been in the past and should continue to be above the average in all things—loyalty to Yale, willingness to serve, and in ability to excel both on the playing field and in the class room."

Blomson was led to this conclusion by the fact that "the athletic record this year is the best ever attained by Yale athletes during a single year."

That chap who says there are no good listeners in this era should watch a group of his fellows while they talk.

Population of Ireland. DUBLIN, (AP)—Official statistics show the estimated population of the Free State as 2,162,000 persons. Births, marriages and deaths for the last quarter all show decreases.

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