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SELF KNOWLEDGE—For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. —Romans 12:3.

As usual, summer hits the Grande Ronde valley with a bang! We don't know how hot it was yesterday, but it was a glorious summer day.

Oregon has a reputation for originality in politics. Perhaps the election of a disbarred attorney to the governor's chair will help maintain that reputation.

The road between La Grande and Pendleton—at least the mountainous part—is nothing to brag about. It is all under construction, being straightened, widened, generally improved. It is not comfortable to drive now but when finished will be a highway that will compare with any in the state for excellence. That's the ever-present compensation. In order to have better roads, we must rebuild them; and they are inclined to be rough during the process.

Whether or not Mr. Joseph is guilty and deserving of the disbarment by the supreme court, the decision at least demonstrates the courage of that body. Its justices could not be intimidated by the fact that Joseph is the republican nominee for governor. In the face of much popular sympathy for Joseph (ill informed as it may or may not be), the court accepted the decision of its duly authorized referees and completed the disbarment. In the light of previous circumstance, it could not well do otherwise. As a result, the court will gain in prestige—but so will Joseph—in all probability. People love a martyr and George Joseph is a past master at any pose that will advance his political fortune. Instead of this decision hurting him, it will probably make votes.

Many persons have, for several years, missed something from the congressional picture and were at a loss to account for it until the news spread that "Tom" Blanton, picturesque and vitriolic Texan, had won his fight to end his forced vacation from the lower branch of congress. Members of the house and others heard the news with mingled feelings, for the fiery westerner had and still has his political adversaries. While the Texan was a useful treasury watch dog while in congress before, he is better known to the newspaper public as a good scrapper. He figured in many noisy scenes and some near fights on the floor of the house and once had to submit to formal reprimand by the speaker of the house for putting improper matter into the record. His theory was that a congressman who wouldn't fight never got very far, but perhaps absence from Washington has chastened him.

### WILL NORBLAD REVERSE HIMSELF?

The rumor that Judge Robert W. Sawyer, of Bend, is to be removed from the state highway commission by Governor Norblad is hard to believe. The governor has not denied or confirmed it, but it is obvious that such action is being considered. Aside from the fact that Judge Sawyer is an extremely competent commissioner and one who has won the complete confidence and respect of all Eastern Oregon, for Governor Norblad to displace him at this time would arouse immediate suspicion of his motives. Everyone would remember the reported "political deal" between Norblad and Brady, black-top paving executive, during the primaries. Although the deal was vigorously denied by Norblad at the time and he definitely stated he would not fire Sawyer and Van Duzer, the present rumor makes you wonder how sincere the governor was in that denial. If he removes Sawyer, it will be generally believed that there was a deal between Norblad and the paving interests. And the governor's political future will become a political past. If he keeps Sawyer and continues the fine policies of the highway commission as popularized in the Pierce and Patterson administrations, he will retire from office with credit and will be in a strong position for a return to public favor at some future time. The people of Oregon are extremely jealous of their fine highways. They are determined to keep highways out of politics and shy at any suggestion of political manipulation or graft. They are especially afraid of any tie-up with the paving interests that held power for so long in the state. It is only natural, therefore, that Norblad's attitude toward the present commission and its policies should be watched with utmost care. Sawyer's removal would be a bombshell. It has made good and should be retained.

### THE GAME



### Health Talks

#### THYROID

Of the many so-called glands of internal secretion which are to be found in the body, the thyroid is probably the best known. The thyroid is that double, flattened pear-shaped structure which hangs the windpipe at a little below the point commonly known as the "Adam's Apple." This gland of internal secretion, so termed because what it produces (secretes) is poured back into the body (internal) instead of out, as in the case say, of the saliva secreted by the salivary gland, exercises a most remarkable effect upon the structure, growth and working of the human body. The thyroid weighs on an average of about one ounce, and each of its lobes measures approximately two inches in height and an inch and one-half in width. Yet, despite its smallness, life is impossible without the thyroid, and when it over-produces or under-produces its special secretion, startling conditions result. It has been fittingly said that the thyroid is to the body what draught is to the fire. Too much thyroid secretion causes the too rapid

burning up of the body's fuel, and results in protruding "sweated" eyes, nervousness, a rapid pulse, high blood pressure, and a tendency to irregular, unsteady, jumpy movements of hands and body. Too little thyroid secretion on the other hand dampens the fires of life, resulting when affecting children, in stunting their growth both physically and mentally, and in older persons, in bringing about a waxy, mask-like appearance, slow and dull memory, and a general picture of physical and mental dullness.

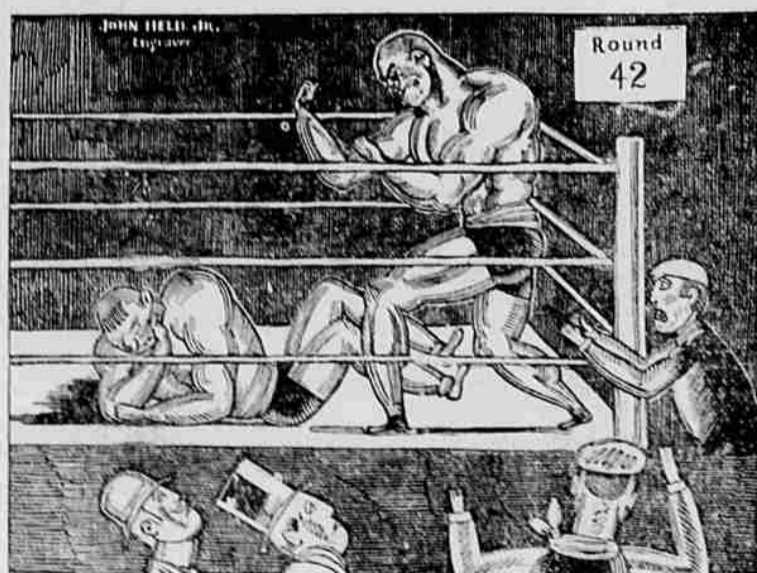
#### Swiftly Moving Plot and Thrills In "The Viking"

Romantic thrills and the heroic kind that come from brave and, at times, bloody battle, are to be had in plenty at the State Theater, where Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's Technicolor production, "The Viking," opened today. The plot is a fast-moving one. The scenes absorb one's interest from the first reel to the last. The romance grips one's heart. The theme, built around one of the most glorious and intriguing

albeit somewhat legendary, episodes in history—the Norsemen's discovery of America a thousand years before Columbus—fascinate with its brave glamour. Here is a picture to please and entertain every member of the family.

"The Viking" has still another claim to distinction, and that is the lovely and perfect color process with which it has been photographed. The colors are applied with an artistry that is true to nature. They are not garish and obtrusive as has been the case with previous color photography in the movies. They are so natural, so true to life that they impart a realistic charm to the production hitherto unattained by the screen.

LIFTON YACHT DEFEATED BYIDE, England, May 28 (AP)—Sir Thomas Lifton's Shamrock V suffered her first defeat today in a race over 34 sea miles, the Lutworth finishing 26 seconds ahead of the America cup challenger. This was the first race in which the Shamrock had started against bigger boats without the advantage of a time allowance.



### "TAKE THAT AND THAT, YOU DOG!" denounced CRUSHER KAZOULIAN

"Even a cauliflower ear can stand just so much—the dreary din of your fog-horn voice goads me to violence."  
"Blow the boloney, bozo," rasped Wire-nail Welch, his opponent. "Do I get a return match?"  
"What good is any kind of a match to you, you blighter? Unless you let the honey-smooth heart-leaf tobacco one-two that yowl and K. O. that cracked yelp, by the pearl buttons on the left spat of Bill Bendigo, your ring career is over. The next match you get, Palooka, use it to light up an OLD GOLD. There's not a squawk in a stackful!"

## OLD GOLD

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Mrs. Snapp—I told you to come after dinner.  
Mr. Peters—Yes, that's what I came after.

A new explanation of that skeleton found with its legs around its neck is that he was the first man to try dressing in an upper berth.

Rose—My boy friend is very religious. In fact he's an apostle!  
Stella—What do you mean?  
Rose—Well, he's apostle post man.

Orphan Annie—I haven't a thing left in the world.  
Reporter—Wait a minute, you have your dress, haven't you?  
Orphan Annie—Well, that's next to nothing.

If a woman's past has been nothing to speak of, it is a pretty good sign that everybody will have something to say about it.

Bill—Hear about poor old Slyce? Why did he do it? He's stood up under all sorts of hard luck.  
Moe—I know it. Fire, shipwreck, panics, divorces, we figured he was case-hardened, and now he's gone.

Bill—Jumped off that cliff by the third tree, didn't he?  
Moe—Yes, just scrawled a note and left it with his clubs.  
Bill—What'd it say?  
Moe—It said, "This is too much! Have just made a hole in one, without a single witness. Good-bye."

Father (who served in the big scrap)—And that, my son, is the story of my experience in the World War.  
Son—But, Papa, what was the rest of the army used for?

Hotel guest (handing umbrella upon arrival)—What is this, a present?  
Proprietress—No, sir, we only lend it to you in case it should rain when you're in bed.

There are a number of X-presidential candidates in Mexico. The X marks the spot where they fell.

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#### RAISING OF POLO PONIES NEW SOUTH DAKOTA PLAN

PIERRE, S. D. (AP)—A movement is on foot among South Dakota farmers to raise polo ponies. By making use of United States army stallions which are available cheaply, excellent colts may be raised for a nominal sum. President H. L. Lawrence, of the state horse breeders' association, says the colts would have an excellent chance to top the market for polo ponies.

#### Flowers for co-eds have been banned at the junior prom of the Utah State Agricultural college. Expense to collegians and the wear and tear on silk adorned with a corsage was the reason.

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