

BASEBALL MUDDLE IS GRADUALLY CLEARING

Ontario Leaves Oregon-Idaho League Without Regrets—Invited to Enter Alfalfa League—Boise, Caldwell, Nampa, Etc.

Ontario has a base ball team, and no one to play with—that is the situation as The Argus goes to press—though the situation will probably change before Sunday if negotiations now in progress mature as expected.

After the fiasco Sunday there was a meeting of the Oregon-Idaho League at Payette Monday evening and sufficient argument presented to justify the change of the official title to that of "The Protest League." Payette protested the Vale game, tho it won 10 to 6. Huntington protested the Parma game and Ontario and Weiser each protested their contest. It was a delightful meeting, according to the version The Argus received.

Anyway, to make a long story short, Ontario secured its \$150 and parted company with its protesting friends; which was what was wanted all round.

Then came an invitation from representatives of Caldwell and Nampa to join them in the Alfalfa Valley League and at a meeting at Nampa last night that was discussed. Caldwell which has not posted its forfeit in the league wants Ontario, as does Nampa, but Meridian and Boise are not so anxious. The men down there are arguing the matter and Ontario should know the result of their deliberations by Friday evening.

Ontario was represented at the Nampa meeting by Manager E. C. Probst, Treasurer Larnie Blackaby and Messrs. H. H. Tunny and Ross Jenkins.

Payette was represented at this meeting and signified its willingness to withdraw from the Oregon-Idaho Protest League to join with Ontario, Nampa and Caldwell in the other aggregation but where to add a sixth team proved a sticking point that must be ironed out.

FINANCIAL PROBLEM PUZZLES COUNCILMAN

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this could be done and cited the fact that this proposition was unanimously endorsed by the Commercial club.

That did not impress the council, however, for Councilmen Troxell and Laxon each declared that such motions and resolutions were easily passed at the Commercial club where many times only one side of a question was discussed and the men present voted on "snap judgment" without knowledge of all the facts.

When the vote was taken the proposition to have a special election prevailed with the Mayor voting in its favor. The date for calling the election was left to the discretion of City Attorney Gallagher and City Recorder Stearns.

Want Soft Pedal.

The Council also took cognizance of the fact that there was some gambling at the ball game last Sunday and that large crowds congregated up town afterward. Mayor Jones and several members of the Council expressed themselves as in no mood to tolerate a repetition of such performances and a warning was given that unless the pool hall men themselves put a top to these practices that the Council will arrange to close their places of business on Sunday.

Mayor Jones introduced Mr. Miller of Payette with whom he had discussed the painting of the water tank and tower. The Mayor explained that the paint is blistering and that the city will lose heavily unless it is painted. He said that he had searched for a long time to find a man who would undertake this work and Mr. Miller was the first man willing to do so. Since the offer to do the work amounted to more than \$500 the Council decided that it would be best to advertise for bids for this work. This was ordered done.

On the motion of H. B. Cockrum the Council decided to move the Council chamber to the large assembly room upstairs where it was originally intended that it should be located and to permit the County Agent and the County Club leader to use the present Council chamber for their offices.

A. L. Cockrum appeared before the Council to ask that the sidewalk on Nevada avenue ordered constructed last fall be built at once. The Council entered the formal notice. L. J. Aker asked that some of the gravel being hauled off the streets that are being paved be placed on King street. No definite action was taken but the matter was referred to the City Engineer.

Improve Cemetery.

The Council was informed that an effort has been started by H. L. Peterson thru the co-operation of the owners of lots in the City cemetery to improve the appearance of the property. The funds collected are being turned over to the City Recorder for separate funds to be expended when collected at the discretion of the Council. Nearly \$200 has already been secured. It is said.

Among those who attended the grand opera at Weiser Monday evening were Mr. and Mrs. E. C. VanPetten, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Brown, H. P. Lewis, S. M. Boucher, M. D. Thomas, Edith Pinney, Misses Rosina Clement, Edith Griffith, and Marie Wilson. J. M. Addington, postmaster at Brogan, is in Ontario today. Murray Morton of Olds Ferry came down to enjoy the gathering of Pythians here Wednesday.

Ellis for Senator—and put Harney County back on the map—Adv.

INTERESTING GAME IS SPOILED BY DISPUTE

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third, that was all however, for Connor ended the spasm by fanning wildly.

In its behalf Ontario started the scoring and found Webb for three hits. M. Chapman, first up, fanned; Kerwin delivered the first blow of the day, a beautiful two play away to center; Wells here inserted a Texas leaguer to center field but Kerwin stayed on second. With two on and one out Chet Lackey supplied the unch that sent Kerwin home when he dropped a hit over second base. Here Waters started a pretty double play when he grabbed Malloy's bounder, relayed to Mitchell, forcing Lackey and getting Malloy at first. Score Ontario 1; Weiser 0.

Then the trouble started. Seeing that the local batters were getting to Webb's offerings the visitors saw the game slipping and decided to escape defeat by kicking up a row. They were abetted by their umpire Klum, and that was enough to end the game.

After the game there was all kinds of conversation up town around the pool halls about a fight but that did not materialize and the money that was bet on the game was returned to Weiser men by the stake holders.

ONTARIO BOYS START POLAND CHINA CLUB

Girls Planning Cookery Club But Have No Leader, as Yet—S. M. Boucher to Direct Pig Club—Six Members Listed—Hanks Help.

Not to be outdone by the boys of the other communities of the county a number of Ontario youths have formed a Poland China pig club and are arranging to get their stock at once. To assist the boys each of the Ontario banks have offered the members financial assistance on the original purchases at a low rate of interest to encourage them in the work. The boys enlisted in the club organized as the result of the work of Miss Mazie Wilson, county club leader.

Beside getting the boys started Miss Wilson has organized a cookery club among a number of the girls but as yet has not found a leader to look after their work this summer.

S. M. Boucher is to be the club leader for the boys and the following boys have agreed to carry on the work: Orval Seaward, Leo Thompson, Orlin Miller, Ordille Kime, August Comegys, Francis Griffin, and Gentry Crowley. A number of other boys have also expressed interest in the work and will probably enroll.

Jordan Valley Busy
Down in Jordan Valley a pig club has been started thru the activity of D. D. Joslyn, who is taking an interest in getting the young folks of that section into touch with the work in other portions of the county.

RESTRICTION OF CREDITS RETARDS SALE OF WOOL

Because credits are being restricted the wool buyers who annually visit this section, are not having much luck this spring. This is their side of the story. They can not pay the prices the wool growers are asking and are sitting tight waiting for some thing to happen. Either money will have to get easier or the prices will have to drop before an influx of cash will start this way, say the buyers. The growers, however, are apparently willing to wait for the price they want and are naming that figure at 75 cents for fine wool. How long the Alphonso and Gaston act will continue no one seems to know, but with the shearing practically finished the growers expect something to happen soon.

Be fair to Harney county—Vote for Ellis—Adv.

Honoring Miss Alice Mallett, who is now in charge of Y. W. C. A. work in an Eastern city, Mrs. E. A. Fraser was the hostess for a prettily appointed luncheon at her home on First street, S. W., yesterday afternoon.

Covers were laid for fourteen, the hostess and her honored guest, and the following friends of years standing:

Messdames G. A. Pogue, H. W. Clement, J. A. Lackey, L. Adam, David Dunbar, A. A. Brown, E. H. Test, J. D. Billingsley, W. A. Mallett, C. R. Emlson, C. W. Mallett and Mrs. C. F. Trow.

Vote for Ellis and give Harney County its first Senator in twenty years.—Adv.

COLUMBIA DAIRY PRODUCTS COMPANY TO OPERATE CREAM ROUTE

Commencing at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, May 12th, the Columbia Dairy Products Co. will operate a cream route from its Ontario station. All farmers and dairymen interested in having their cream picked up at their door and checks for same mailed to them the following day should watch for the truck or call phone 182-w at the Ontario station.

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Adv. 244-23-1t

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WARMSPRINGS DAM IS WONDERFUL STRUCTURE

W. P. Davidson of St. Paul Views Gigantic Masonry Which Impounds Waters of Malheur River for Reservoir.

W. P. Davidson, president of the Oregon Western Colonization company arrived in Ontario yesterday from Prineville, having driven over with the company's representative in Crook county, B. F. Johnson.

On the way to Ontario they stopped to view the reservoir of the Warm Springs Irrigation district and that was the thing that impressed them most on the trip.

"The grandest sight in Eastern Oregon today is the big masonry wall that holds back the water that will grow the crops of the lower Malheur valley," said Mr. Davidson. "There is now behind that big dam 50,000 acre feet of water, so they told us, and more is coming in all the time. To the north the hills are covered with snow yet to melt and add its contents to the reservoir's supply."

"There will be sufficient water to insure the cultivation of all land developed under the system this year. The people of the Warm Springs district certainly can congratulate themselves that they have secured so great a supply of water for all time to come."

"There has been no let up in the demand for range land, and where our company had more than a million acres at one time now we have only 50 contracted for. On this trip we contracted for the sale of several thousand acres to stock men who have seen the open range as something that is past."

According to Mr. Davidson's observations the country just now is facing a serious crisis in the labor situation on the farms. "In Minnesota, and North Dakota the ranchers will not be able to produce much more than half a crop because they cannot secure men to work on the farms. The result is apparent: continued high prices for farm products and good returns for men in this region where one acre of ground properly cultivated will yield so heavily."

"The people of this section, it seems to me, should be anxious to put more land under water, for the returns will justify it."

Mr. Davidson will leave tomorrow on his return to Prineville and Portland for a short trip and be back in Ontario about May 20 so that he can go from here with the special to attend the Stockmen's convention at Burns.

Fair play. Harney wants a Senator. Vote for Ellis.—Adv.

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