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TRAP SHOOTING MAY BE REVIVED

There is a strong probability that trap shooting as a sport will be revived in Pendleton and that this city will maintain a club in a league which will include all of the principal cities in Oregon and two in Washington. For the purpose of arousing interest in the sport and organizing if possible a club, Gus Peret, famous Oregon boy who has made a reputation as one of the best marksmen in the world with revolver rifle or shotgun, is here today and will spend the balance of the week. The idea of a state league was conceived by Peret and so eagerly has it been received that a club has been organized in every one of the twelve cities except Pendleton at this time. Under the plan of the league, each club team will meet every other one and without paying a cent for rail-

road fare, a feature responsible in a large degree for the enthusiasm with which the proposal has been received. As outlined by Peret, the plan is simple. The clubs will be paired each week and a day assigned for the match. On that day each club will shoot at its own grounds under the supervision of an appointed judge and every man in the club will be eligible to compete. However, only the five high scores will count in the match. These scores will be sent in to the league headquarters and compared. The season will commence during the middle or latter part of February and will continue for eleven weeks so that each team can shoot against every other team. The winner of the largest number of matches will win the trophy which will be put up.

The cities proposed for the league are Pendleton, La Grande and Baker in eastern Oregon; Portland, Salem, Albany and Eugene in the Willamette valley; Roseburg, Medford and Ashland in southern Oregon, and Vancouver and Camas in Washington.

Peret has just come from La Grande where his proposal was at once accepted. Likewise all of the other cities have fallen in line without hesitation. Peret states that, despite the fact that at present there is no trap shooting organization here he finds the sentiment for one very good and contemplates calling a meeting of sportsmen during the latter part of the week.

Some years ago Pendleton was on the map of the trap shooting world in large letters. In those days, some of the best marksmen in the state lived here and one of them, Jim Spence, whose reputation was known all over the northwest, is still here. There are a number of others here also who have had experience in "busting" clay pigeons, enough to form a nucleus for a club.



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Newsy Notes of Pendleton

Administrator Appointed.

C. C. Gelsa has been appointed by Judge Maloney as administrator of the estate of Espy Ann Gelsa, deceased.

Third Bowling Dance.

The Pendleton Bowling association will give the third of its series of dances at Eagle-Woodman hall Wednesday evening. The Pendleton United orchestra will furnish the music, going to the party at the close of the programme at the chicken show.

Snow Thawing Today.

All day the snow which has covered the county for more than a week has been thawing and vanishing into water much of which is soaking into the ground to the great satisfaction of the farmer. True to the predictions of the weather man, the weather last evening and today has been much warmer.

Seeking for Old Timer.

Does anyone know whether Travis Maddox is dead or alive and if the latter where he is at present? This information is sought by Mrs. H. T. Elder of Rich Hill, Mo., a niece of the sought man, who declares he lived in this city a number of years ago and should be known by old settlers.

Old Food Racer, Jailed.

"Farmer Brown," who, in the nineties, was one of the fastest men doing professional footracing and who a number of years ago was injured in a tunnel explosion while working for the railroad, was the only man to fall by the way last evening and to be rescued by the police. He had indulged too freely in the cup that cheers.

Snow Blockade Still Exists.

Despite the strenuous efforts of the O. W. R. & N Co. to open up its road between this city and Walla Walla, as yet the snow blockade has not been removed. The big drifts near Athena and Weston are obstacles of a formidable nature, testified to by the fact that the snow plow sent there yesterday was thrown off the track in trying to break them. All trains are being routed by way of Umatilla and Wallula and all are running several hours late.

Caught by Blockade; Uses Sleigh.

Unable to get back to Pendleton by train because of the snow blockade, Miss Carrie Sharp, a teacher in the local schools, was forced to make the trip from Athena to Pendleton overland by sleigh yesterday afternoon. She had been spending Sunday at the home of her parents in Athena and waited vainly all morning yesterday for a train to make its way through the snow blockade. Despairing of this means of transportation, she secured a sleigh and was whisked over the snow to this city in fast time.

Good Roads Meeting Tonight.

Every person in Umatilla county who desires to see the public highways improved is urged to be present at the meeting which will be held in the Commercial clubrooms commencing at 7:30 this evening and at which the old good roads association and the newer general county committee will lose their individual identities and merge with each other in a larger, broader and more active organization. The meeting was decided upon at the session of the general committee held last Tuesday evening. Some interesting developments are promised by those who are most active in the new movement and a big attendance is desired.

Birdsell Will Be Filed.

The last will and testament of Daniel Birdsell, who died in the east end of the county on the last day of the year, was admitted to probate today. By its terms his wife and youngest son, Frank, are given practically the whole of the estate, consisting of about \$1600 worth of land and \$2560 in personal property, for their lifetime. Two other sons, William H. and S. L. Birdsell, are named as administrators and trustees. These sons and three daughters of the deceased, Cynthia Crooks, Nina Norman and Grace Birdsell, were left only one dollar each. H. L. Frazier, R. F. Vancil and W. A. Clark have been appointed appraisers of the estate. James P. Neal presented the will for probate.

A Complicated Law Suit.

Involving more questions of law probably than any suit which has been tried in the local court for several years, the case of T. F. Kendall vs. the First National Bank of Milton is still being fought before Judge Parker of Condon, sitting for Judge Phelps, who is ill. The case began Saturday, but owing to the snow blockade which prevented jurymen plaintiff, defendant and witnesses from reaching the city until late yesterday, it was not resumed again until this morning. As yet the plaintiff has been the only witness on the stand and there are eight others to follow. The suit involves a note given to Kendall when he sold his hardware store and which he claims the bank did not protest when it became due. Later the mortgage was foreclosed but the amount realized left the plaintiff in arrears about \$1200, which amount he claims the bank should pay because of negligence. The bank contends it was not holding the note as collateral but merely as an accommodation for the plaintiff. The case is a complicated one and it is predicted will be appealed which ever way the jury decides. Col. James H. Raley is representing the plaintiff and James A. Fee and S. D. Peterson the defendant.

LATE CHRISTOPHER BOLIN LAID TO REST

Christopher Bolin, who died Saturday in this city, was born April 27, 1826, in Indiana. He came to Oregon

in 1872 and had lived in Umatilla county for 32 years, having been engaged in stock raising most of that time. In 1846 he was married to Miss Margaret Dow and nine children were born to them.

Five of the children living are: C. H. Bolin of Linn county; J. B. Bolin of California; Mrs. Frank Thompson of Florida; Mrs. Charles Vinson of this county and Mrs. T. F. Gilliland. Mr. Bolin died at the home of his niece Mrs. Sadie Pierson with whom he had made his home the past 22 months. He was 86 years old at the time of death.

The funeral was held Sunday, with burial in the local cemetery. Rev. Weaver of the Christian church officiated. Mr. Bolin had been a member of the Christian church for many years.

DOOR OF NASSAU SHUT TO WILSON

Princeton, N. J., Jan. 21.—Admission to Nassau Hall was refused to President-elect Wilson, who, as governor of New Jersey, is ex-officio chairman of the board of trustees of Princeton University, because he had no permit to visit the building. Afterward he tried the door, but it was locked and he turned away in disgust, with the remark, "There's an ignoramus over there and a locked door here."

The governor was taking a regular Sunday morning walk and this time was accompanied by Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Toy, who is a visitor at the Wilson home. They directed their course to the university campus, the governor pointing out special features of the various buildings. Arriving at the ancient pile, the President-elect excused himself and ducked into the basement and asked Samuel Davidson, official janitor of the gymnasium, to be permitted to visit Nassau Hall.

The janitor replied that he must have a permit. The president-elect, not to be deterred by the refusal, tried the door anyway, without success.

LONDON LAND AT RATE OF \$5,500,000 AN ACRE

New York, Jan. 21.—A high record price for real estate in London, set by the sale of ground near the new Mall Archway at Charing Cross at \$127 a square foot, or about \$5,500,000 an acre, was reported in real estate circles.

As compared with the New York record, this new mark falls short. A plot on the southeast corner of Broadway and Wall street was sold some time ago for \$58.65 a square foot or \$24,334,834 an acre.

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