

## COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL WINNER OF DEBATE

### VICTORIOUS OVER PENDLETON ON R. R. OWNERSHIP QUESTION

Team Chosen From Eleven Students Given Decision Over Team Picked From 160 -Honors For Wallowa.

Strawberry shortcake,  
Huckleberry pie,  
V-I-C-T-O-R-Y  
Are we in it?  
Well I should smile,  
And we've been in it  
For quite awhile.

That is the yell of victory shouted in enthusiastic chorus by the Wallowa county high school students in the opera house Saturday night, when Mayor Boyd made his clever, dramatic announcement of the decision of the judges. The students were seated in a body at the west end of the balcony and punctuated the debate with Pendleton by their school yells. They did yeoman service under the inspiring direction of Jakey Bauer who wielded the director's baton.

It was a great debate, a magnificent audience and a good program all through. And it was a great night for Wallowa county's new high school.

An audience of fully 600 people cheered in admiration of the beautiful, artistic stage setting, cleverly made more striking by red lights, as the curtain went up and the two teams and Mayor Daniel Boyd, who was chairman, marched in while the Entente orchestra played a lively air. Over the east half of the stage were streamers and spirals of the local school's colors, garnet and gray, with a similar arrangement on the other side of Pendleton's colors, green and orange. The teams sat at tables decorated with colored ribbons. At the rear, under silver lettering, "Froflies For the Victor" were the pennants from each school. On the proscenium arch at the Wallowa County side was draped Old Glory; at the other side a flag of black and white stripes with dollar signs in the union.

No time was wasted in preliminaries. Chairman Boyd briefly stated the plan of the debates and the rules, and introduced the first speaker, Fred Holmes of Wallowa county high, who upheld the affirmative side of the question,

"Resolved, That the Government Should Own and Operate the Railroad of the United States."

Mr. Holmes put up a strong argument and drove each point home in a cool, matter-of-fact way that told heavily for his side. He stated the three propositions his side would prove, and rapidly but clearly showed the menace to the country by the great power held by seven men who own or control three-fourths of the railroads of the United States.

Orville Reeves, leader for Pendleton, was evidently not at his best, for his argument was weakened by his delivery. He gave the cue of the negative as government control.

The stress that would be laid by Pendleton on regulations had been cleverly anticipated as shown by Miss Eula Forsythe's speech in which that issue was met at every point, and its fallacy shown up. Miss Forsythe handled a mighty bunch of figures without a skip or a halt, and sustained this hardest part of a debate in splendid fashion.

Arthur Means had a lot of good, solid argument to unload, a large part of it read from books, and everyone knows it is high praise when it is said his delivery and diction were so good that he held the closest attention of the audience even while reading.

Miss Amy Olmsted recapitulated the many points made by her associates, introduced new matter and by her clear, pleasant voice and rounded periods made a splendid impression.

Harold Warner had the easiest, most effective delivery of any of the debaters. He has the manner and fire of a natural orator and it is only fair to say his effort brought whatever doubt there was as to the decision.

Mr. Reeves in rebuttal tried to compass too much in the five minutes allotted, and the time bell cut his remarks in two. Fred Holmes to all appearances killed a lot of time gathering up the books, magazines and other authorities quoted by his opponent. Finally he turned coolly to the audience and showed his armload—"magazines and yellow journalism," he said was quoted by the other side, while the affirmative confined itself to the

figures of latest Inter-State Commerce report. A great shout of applause testified to the popular hit he had made.

The judges were Hon. T. H. Crawford, J. W. Knowles and W. R. Hanna, all of La Grande. Each wrote "affirmative" or "negative" on a slip of paper and sent the same in a sealed envelope to the chairman. Mr. Boyd was tantalizingly long in opening the envelopes, the first two leaving the result a tie. When the third told of Wallowa's victory, a tremendous cheer went up.

After a few minutes recess came the

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### Sells 30 Acres For Even \$25,000

William Reavis of Hood River, son of D. B. Reavis of Enterprise, recently sold his 30 acre tract for \$25,000. There are 22 acres of the place set to commercial apples, says the Hood River News-Letter in speaking of the deal, and further states that Mr. Reavis had one of the finest places in that district, he thoroughly understanding the science of farming. It seems Mrs. Reavis listed the property with a Portland agency unknown to her husband, more as an experiment than anything else. But in a few days a Portland woman was down to look at the place and insisted he put a price on the entire 30 acres, though he had intended selling only half of it. He said \$25,000 thinking the amount prohibitive but she closed without further question. Mr. Reavis will remain on the farm until next November. He purposes to find himself another location somewhere in the valley.

### West Sentenced for Life.

Ben West, who murdered Millard Donnelly of Joseph at Cornucopia on November 17 last, was sentenced at Baker City, Thursday, to the penitentiary for life.

### Mrs. Clark Granted Divorce.

The special term of the circuit court adjourned Saturday. In the case of Mullin et al vs Bowman et al the defendants were granted a non-suit. On motion the plaintiffs were allowed to amend the complaint making the Silver Creek Mining company a defendant.

The wife of George B. Clark was granted a divorce. She retains her own land and he is to pay her \$1100. He was given the custody of the oldest boy, and the two girls and the youngest boy remain with the mother. The cases of Patterson vs Akin et al, and W. K. Stubblefield vs Angus Stubblefield were put at issue. A referee will take testimony and report by March 1.

### Filing on Homesteads.

Robert Finley, Ora T. Palmer, Geo. N. Ames, A. H. Ames, Wm. Lydall and B. Lydall were the first to make filings of their homesteads in t 5 n, 42, at La Grande, Monday. There is no conflict of any kind and the claimants have lived on their tracts for periods ranging from five to 14 years. Wm. Daisley and Roy Hartley made final proof on their homesteads a few miles northwest of Enterprise, before U. S. Commissioner D. W. Sheahan, Tuesday. F. C. Gowing made final proof last week on his place east of Joseph.

### Baby State Leads Reform.

Oklahoma has taken the lead in real banking reform. It has a deposit guarantee law for the state banks, the latter paying all the expenses but being allowed to advertise the guaranty by the state. The consequence is that the state banks are getting all the business and national banks have petitioned to be included. Kansas and Missouri banks that formerly carried large Oklahoma and Indian Territory accounts, have lost the same, and are asking for guarantee laws in their own states.

### Oregon Leaders for Bryan.

At the conference of Democratic state committeemen in Portland, Saturday, Bryan was endorsed for president, allegiance to the principles of the direct primary proclaimed, and the state convention set for June 16. S. F. Pace, Wallowa committeeman, could not attend on account of court business.

### Will Remain Dry.

L. Couch of Wallowa told the Elgin Recorder man last week that there was but little doubt a large majority of voters favored prohibition and would vote to retain it. Men who voted against local option two years ago are now ardent supporters of it, says Mr. Couch.

### Rules Of Contest In Declamation

Prof. W. E. Moore, principal of the county high school, and the high school board are deeply interested in the proposed declamatory contest, and it is a matter that should be of interest to the county at large. "It will be the means of bringing about a unity in educational spirit," says Mr. Moore, "bringing the different schools in closer touch, and affording an opportunity for development of oratorical talents."

The county high school will not have a representative this year, but the public school of Enterprise will have a contestant.

Alfred H. Holmes, teacher of Arko school, is heartily in favor of a contest. In his old home, Dade county, Mo., a contest is an annual event and is very successful. For the information of teachers, pupils and others interested he sent for the rules governing the contest there. The rural schools in Dade county contest among themselves until the best is selected to pit against the town schools. Following are the

### Rules For The Contest.

Rule 1—Contestants—Each township shall be entitled to send one contestant to a county contest.

Rule 2—Eligibility—The contest will be open to rural school pupils of the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades, excepting those who have previously won county honors.

Rule 3—County contest—The county contest shall be held in Greenfield, at such building as may be recommended by contest committee, on February 22nd, of each year.

Rule 4—Judges—The best boy in the contest shall be decided by a set of three disinterested judges. The best girl in the contest shall be decided by same set of three disinterested judges.

Rule 5—Judges to be chosen by contest committee.

Rule 6—The teachers of each township shall constitute a committee to arrange for the selection of a contestant from the township. If only one district in a township desires to send contestants, the teacher of that district may arrange for the selection of the contestant.

Rule 7—Prizes—The best boy and the best girl in the county contest shall be given a gold medal, the prizes to be awarded to one young man and one young lady showing the highest degree

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of excellence on the following points:

1. Interpretation of selection.
2. Articulation.
3. Expression by voice, modulation, quality, etc.
4. Action, gesture.
5. Platform deportment, manner, bearing, etc.

Rule 8—The management of the contest shall be in the hands of a committee of three, called the contest committee. This committee shall see that judges are selected, arrange the program, buy the medals and make all other necessary arrangements for the contest.

Rule 9—Each township or district having a contestant, shall notify the chairman of the contest committee at least one week before the contest and shall give the name of the contestant.

Orders Sent to The Ten Winners—Miss Corkins Tells of Her Experience.

### GRAND PRIZE.

Lucile Corkins - Lot 7, block 4, in Alder View Addition to Enterprise. First Prizes.

Lida Flowers  
Improved Victor Talking Machine  
Alfred Allen - Sewing Machine  
Lenore Goodman - Rambler Bicycle

## WINNER OF GRAND PRIZE IN NEWS RECORD \$405 CONTEST.



Miss Lucile Corkins Who at Age of 15 Becomes Owner of City Lot Earned By Her Own Efforts.

the title of selection, the number of school district and the name of township.

Rule 10—The selections shall not exceed ten minutes in length.

### Marriage Licenses

Jan. 22—John H. Halsey and Elsie Makin.

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  - G. C. Bolding.....Single Breast Harness
  - Jeppha Wolfe.....Gentleman's Watch
- Third Prizes.
- Roy Scott.....International Dictionary
  - Ernest Allen.....
  - .....Glass Tea, Fruit and Water Set
  - Nellie Davis.....
  - .....Satin Covered Box and other articles
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