



## Worthless

How many investments have you made in securities that are now worthless?

Who of us has not at some time or other bought some stock or other security that now carries no value?

There will always be money lost in worthless speculation, but we can at least try to bring these costly adventures to a minimum.

The best way is to consult your banker before purchasing unproven securities.



**First National Bank**  
Heppner Ore.

R. E. Alstott, sr., was in from his Rhea creek ranch Saturday sizing up the ways of town folks and congratulating himself about the weather. Mr. Alstott, besides being one of the best farmers in the county, is somewhat of a philosopher to boot and refuses to waste his time worrying about things he can't help. He doesn't look at his fruit buds every time the frost goes out of the ground to see if they are swelling and getting ready to get killed next time freezes—he just waits till mid-summer and if he has no fruit he can decide that maybe the freezing got the buds, but he hasn't lost the joy out of life for several months worrying about it.

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#### BALZAC UNKNOWN, SO STORY WAS REFUSED

Rex Ingram Planned to Film "The Conquering Power" 5 Years Ago. It was nearly five years ago that Rex Ingram, then an extremely youthful director, first suggested filming the story now produced by Metro as "The Conquering Power," with Alice Terry and Rodolph Valentino in leading roles, at the Star theatre, Saturday, January 6.

"And who is this wonderful story by?" asked the studio manager of the concern by whom Ingram was employed.

"Balzac," was the reply. "H'm," mused the studio manager. "Has this Balzac had much story experience?"

"He's pretty favorably known," replied Ingram. "And how much does he want for the story?"

"It costs us nothing," said Ingram. "You see—"

"That's enough," interrupted the studio manager. "I've heard of these 'for nothing' stories before. We don't take it. You never get nothing for nothing, young man."

Which is one reason the most powerful story from the pen of the master of fiction has waited until today to be translated into the language of the camera.

But Mr. Ingram was not to be turned from his desire to translate the famed story of money and love to the screen and when he had completed his sensational successful version of "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," he desired to start work upon "Eugene Grandet," which was given the title of "The Conquering Power."

Those same artistic ideas which he had applied with such telling effect in making "The Four Horsemen" he used in working out his unusual version of Balzac's novel.

#### NORTHWEST LEADS IN VETERAN RELIEF WORK

With 1154 injured World War veterans of this district rehabilitated, the Pacific Northwest section of the United States Veterans' bureau leads all other districts of the country in the number of vocationally rebuilt former service people as compared with the number entering training. This announcement was made by L. C. Jesseph, northwest district manager of the bureau, who stated that there are 2767 others in training at the expense of the government now. Only veterans who received disabilities in war service which prevented them from resuming their pre-war

vocations were awarded training. This district which includes Washington, Oregon Idaho is also one of the two leaders in the United States in expeditions adjudication of compensation claims, Mr. Jesseph stated. Only 476 such claims out of a total of 14,347 filed by veterans in the district are pending action at the present time. This is three per cent plus of the total number. With less than one per cent of its mail unanswered, the northwest district of the bureau leads all others in the matter of prompt answering of correspondence when this work was checked throughout the country recently. There are 762 disabled war veterans hospitalized in this district at the present time, a slight decrease under the number in hospitals in October. The peak of hospitalization was reached early in the spring of this year. Mental, nervous tuberculosis cases are still increasing, it was stated.

W. E. Crocker, winner of the Canadian tennis title, was praised by racket stars of the United States who returned from Montreal, where they participated in the tournament.

The Kansas City baseball club of the American association will open the 1923 season in a new park, according to George Muhlbach, president of the club. The new park will cost \$250,000.

#### Freakiest Freak Play.

Here is the freakiest of freak plays that, it is said, took place in the Blue Ridge league. It is alleged to be a triple play in which not one member of the defending side touched the ball. While it apparently violates a flock of baseball rules, nevertheless it is worth printing.

One team had runners on first and second with nobody out. The batsman hit an infield fly, and the umpire called him out under the rules. The infield fly in descending hit the head of the runner on second, and he was declared out by the umpire.

The ball rolled toward first base, and the base runner, who was there, in disgust, picked it up and threw it to the outfield. He was declared out for interference, making three outs without a player in the field touching the ball.

It is said that the decision of the ump went, although it is a question whether it could be called a continuous play. Neither is it certain that an umpire would declare a base runner out for being hit by an infield fly after he had called "infield fly."

Yet a ball is not necessarily out of play on an infield fly, for the rule says that any runner trying to advance on an infield fly does so at his own risk.

#### New Game for Girls



Basket ball games on roller skates is the latest innovation introduced to make the court game more risky. The girls who are all accomplished roller skaters and among the very best basket ball players in the Windy city, believe that this game will eventually replace the game on foot. Photograph shows the Chicago "Y" girls, taking the toss ready for the scramble.

#### PRACTICES IN BUSH LEAGUES

Manager More Bent on Winning Games by Trickery Than Developing Young Players.

The minor leagues produced few good ball players the last summer—few good ones that the big leagues wanted. A critic points out that in many of the minors the former big leaguers who act as managers are more interested in winning games by anything they can get away with than in polishing up some diamond in the rough who would make good in the majors. For instance, pitchers in the smaller minors adopt certain illegal motions and get away with them. These same men in the big leagues are required to pitch legally, which is one reason they do not show with the same éclat as when they were in the bushes.

Starts Thirteenth Year. Track Coach Jimmy Curran is starting his thirteenth year at Metcalsburg academy.

**FEDERATED CHURCH**  
J. R. L. Haslam, Pastor.  
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.  
Sermon 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.  
Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m.  
With the many blessings God has given us in the past year as a church we feel better fitted for the task of 1923. Again on Sunday night God blessed us with precious souls which adds to our responsibility as a church.

Never a year offered such opportunities as this year of 1923, and with our loyal young people who are doing so remarkable in God's service, we feel many of these opportunities will be grasped and great things accomplished in the name of Christ for His honor and glory.

Why the stir in the church and so many accepting Christ? Because of the many who are busy, finding time for prayer. Attend our Tuesday or Thursday night prayer meetings and you will see why it is.

We are having good evangelistic services every Sunday night. Special music, lively singing, and best of all, the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Next Sunday night the Men's Gospel Team will be organized. God has great things in store for these Christian men and young men.

Start in the new year right by being present at church next Sunday.

H. F. Launtz, who handles the engine on the Heppner flyer when he is working, was strolling around the streets Saturday afternoon enjoying a layoff. Mr. Launtz takes a layoff once in awhile to give some other engineer a chance to work awhile and while loafing talks a little politics just to keep from getting rusty.

Turkeys have proved a profitable side line in a number of localities in Oregon particularly where free range is available. Not much in the way of shelter is needed and a good share of their feed is secured out on the range.—O. A. C. Experiment Station.

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