

ELK, PROTECTED BY LAW, STAGE RAIDS ON HAY

SHERIDAN, Wyo., Dec. 17.—(United Press.) Two instincts are battling with each other as the last great herds of wild elk to roam the west forsake their mountain refuge.

Hunter is winning. The fear of the hunter's rifle is being subordinated during the winter's survival fight.

From every direction, out of the hills, they come, congregating in herds of from 300 to 400. At night they steal close to the ranches, tear down the fences, and lay waste the hay. At dawn they are fed; again the mountains hide them.

Elks stinks are out of season. The rancher's rifle hangs idly on the wall, while he reports to the game commission his loss. Helplessly he repairs the broken corrals and fences and saves the best of the trampled hay.

Even the rancher's back yard is not safe, if a stem of hay or other food is there. The elk "crashes" the fences, and their wild fellows make the children tremble.

Owen Hoge, manager of the Big Horn district said the elk raids had begun much earlier than usual. This foretold a shortage of food in the hills, and a hard winter for those animals which depend upon random bits of frozen foliage.

Elk in the past have destroyed as much as 75 tons of hay for one rancher.

Lawrence Fuller, one of the large ranch owners in this section, is reported to have laid the matter before the game commission, demanding either protection or redress.

Meanwhile the elk, unmolested upon recent charges of the hay-stack and holder after each trip from the mountains, prefers the same hay to wild grass, the rancher professes elk steal to loss of hay, and the game warden prefers not to decide whose preference shall be satisfied.

PORTLAND PUCKSTERS MUCH LIKE BEAVERS

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 17.—(AP)—The Portland Pucksters are still the scorching wonders of the Pacific Coast Hockey league. The goals which Bobby Rowe sent his men out after last night against the Vancouver Lions didn't materialize. Instead, the Lions got a goal of their own in the first period, protected it for two more periods, and emerged with their fifth straight win by a 1-0 score.

HARTNETT THROUGH ACCOUNT LAME ARM

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Operations and treatments have failed to improve the condition of Leo (Gabby) Hartnett's ailing arm, and the Chicago Cubs are looking about for another catcher.

Hartnett had had two tons of operations, and serious and light treatments have been used, but without results. Hartnett, however, has not yet given up hope and is continuing with powerful electric light treatments in an effort to bring his throwing arm back to life.

JAPANESE COURT ACE RENOUNCES TOURNEYS

TOKYO, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Tehiya Kikumaga, acclaimed the greatest tennis player Japan ever produced, has announced his retirement from tournament play, having reached the ripe old age—for tennis players—of 40. Henceforth he will confine his tennis interests to coaching promising young players and engaging in an occasional mild game for exercise and recreation.

Fights Last Night

(By the Associated Press.) SALT LAKE CITY—Eddie Herdtagnoie, 160, Rock Springs, Wyo., outpointed Iney Garfinkle, 160, Salt Lake City, (6); Art Palmer, Los Angeles, 234, outpointed Rocky Moore, Eugene, Ore., 145, (6).

Steel Shaft War

By Frank Getty. (United Press Sports Editor.) Approval of the steel-shafted clubs by the British rules of golf committee removes another difference of opinion existing between that body and the United States Golf association, leaving the ball question as the only major difference in the golf codes of the two nations.

The U. S. G. A. has ruled in effect on January 1, 1930, the larger and lighter ball, but as yet the Royal and Ancient organization of Britain has shown no disposition to follow suit.

Approval of steel shafts by the British committee ended a long controversy, British golfers being divided into two camps over the question. The steel shafts have been legal in America for five years, but American golfers were forced to use wooden shafted clubs when competing in British tournaments.

Many American amateurs and professionals use steel shafted clubs and were handicapped when competing in English events. Horton Smith, outstanding golfer of the 1928-29 winter season, enjoyed sensational success with steel-shafted clubs in American tournaments but could not adapt himself to the change in shafts when he invaded England last spring, and met with little success in the Ryder Cup matches and the British open tournament.

The war against steel shafts was led by the professional club makers, who advanced the argument that the change would interfere with business.

Approval of steel shafts will not mean elimination of hickory shafted clubs as many players dislike the metal shafts. The majority of American professionals who use steel-shafted woods have not been converted to the metal shafts for their irons and continue to demand the best white hickory for these clubs.

GROH WOULD MANAGE THREE 'I' AGGREGATION

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Heinie Groh, former New York Giant infielder, has offered his name for consideration as manager of the Springfield club of the Three-I league next year.

GIANT CATCHER GETS FIRST 1930 CONTRACT

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(AP) To J. Francis Hogan goes the honor of being the first New York Giant to sign a contract for 1930. The big catcher affixed his signature on the dotted line yesterday.

BUTTE FALLS CAGERS DEFEAT ROGUE RIVER

BUTTE FALLS, Ore., Dec. 17.—(Special.) The Butte Falls boys' team played Rogue River Friday night. Both Butte Falls teams were victorious. A large crowd from here attended.

TURKEY SHOOT NEAR EAGLE POINT DEC. 22

EAGLE POINT, Ore., Dec. 17.—(Special.) There will be a turkey shoot December 22nd on the Louis Bluess ranch, 2 1/2 miles east of Eagle Point on the Brownsboro road. All are invited to come early and stay all day.

Daily Meteorological Report

December 17, 1929
Forecast: Medford and vicinity: Fair tonight and Wednesday with morning valley fog; not much change in temperature.
Oregon: Fair tonight and Wednesday with morning valley fogs in west portion; rain on coast Wednesday. Not much change in temperature.

Table with columns: Local Data, 5 P. M., 8 P. M., 9 A. M., 5 P. M., 8 P. M., 9 A. M. Rows: Temperature (Durs.), Highest (Last 12 hrs.), Lowest (Last 12 hrs.), Rel. humidity (Pct.), Precipitation (In.), State of weather, Cloudy, Lowest temperature this morning, 35 degrees, Total precipitation since Sept. 1, 1929, 6.67 inches, Temperatures a year ago today, Highest, 29; lowest, 21.

Table with columns: CITY, High Temp., Low Temp., Wind, Weather. Rows: Baker City, 44, 24, Clear; Blismorek, 42, 24, Cloudy; Boise, 48, 30, Clear; Denver, 42, 28, Clear; Des Moines, 34, 32, Rain; Fresno, 64, 50, Cloudy; Helena, 10, 4, Snow; Los Angeles, 66, 34, Clear; Marshfield, 54, 36, Cloudy; Phoenix, 70, 44, Clear; Portland, 62, 38, Foggy; Red Bluff, 56, 48, Rain; Roseburg, 54, 40, Cloudy; Salt Lake City, 54, 34, P. City; San Francisco, 68, 54, Cloudy; Santa Fe, 52, 34, Cloudy; Seattle, 46, 38, Cloudy; Spokane, 48, 34, Cloudy; Walla Walla, 48, 36, Clear; Winnipeg, 40, 24, P. City.

W. J. HUTCHISON, Meteorologist.

GLOVES WILL FLY IN ARMORY BOUTS FRIDAY SAYS TEX

From the first bout to the main event, nothing is expected to mar the big boxing card at the armory next Friday night, presenting Ray Pelkey of Oakland, Calif., against Willie Feldman of New York in the top spot. This will be the last card this year and none will probably be given for a month, according to Promoter Tex Bickerstaff.

"Friday's card is filled with boys who give the cash customers a run for their money, starting off with the four-year-old curtain raiser," said the promoter this forenoon. "Al McCumber, brother of Kayo, and Claude Hines, the black cloud from Ashland, will open the show. Both boys tip the beams at 165 pounds and it is bound to end in a knockout as both boys know how to throw gloves.

"The second bout," he continued, "will present Ralph Burkel of Medford with Harry Jerry, the game little redskin from Chillicothe. The Indian is young and last week at Klamath Falls he put Slide Campbell on the canvas for the full count. These boys will weigh in around 140 pounds. A special event of six rounds will present Lee Hall of the Pelican Bay Lumber company and the veteran Indian boxer, Billy Huff, of Chillicothe. And if they duplicate the fight they had at Klamath when they had the fans on their feet all the time, Medford fans will see one of the best fights here in a long time. They fought so hard last week, I immediately re-matched them for the Medford bout. They will fight six rounds here instead of the four they went in Klamath.

"Now speaking of the semi-windup," said Tex, "I am putting on two heavyweights who may cause the floor boards of the ring to be strengthened. Dick Reed, 210 pounds, former University of Oregon football star, and K. O. McCumber, who has won most of his battles by the knockout route, and seems to be slated for the southern Oregon championship.

"Two of the coast's best fighters will mix it for ten rounds in the main event," continued Tex, "with Ray Pelkey, who defeated Gene O'Grady, meeting Willie Feldman of New York City. Although neither of the fighters has ever appeared in Medford, both are fairly well known in southern Oregon. Pelkey, experienced for 14 years in the ring business and still boxing in all the big coast cities, is not afraid to meet the best. He always forces the fight and plans on taking this chummy Jewish boxer, who has adopted Ashland as his home.

Willie is a great favorite over in Klamath Falls," said the promoter in conclusion, "and he has won all of his fights since coming to southern Oregon. It was only a short time ago that he defeated Turry O'Dowd, who had won eight straight fights before he met Willie at Klamath."

Feldman, 21 years old and has aspirations of meeting Mickey Walker for the middleweight crown. He is now a stable mate of Gene O'Grady and is anxious to meet Pelkey to avenge Gene's defeat, suffered two weeks ago at Portland.

There is also a change in prices, the first four rows of ring-sides selling at \$2.50 each, with the remainder of the boxes, upstairs and down, \$1.50. Children will be 50c. Fred Erickson will be the third man in the ring.

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Ronald Colman in Craterian Talkie

Ronald Colman came into his own last night as the hero of a dashing comedy melodrama at the Craterian theater, in a breezy, spine-curling petrification of the famous "Bullfinch Drummhead." The handsome star whose serious love-making has made him a national figure, has lost nothing of his genius of romantic appeal but to it he has added a genuine feeling for comedy which results in these be-

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There is plenty of hand-to-hand fighting and gun-play, but it is by outwitting his antagonists that Drummond finally breaks up the criminals' nest in the fake sanitarium and wins the girl.

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