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OUR PROGRAM

1. Incorporate the town.
2. Create a water district.
3. Create a fire district.
4. Re-organize a chamber of commerce.
5. Install street lights.
6. Lay down side walks.
7. Develop poultry, nut and fruit industry.

BASEBALL

With the approach of that period when baseball clubs will begin to prepare for the spring training season, the baseball bugs in the Bonneville Dam area will start buzzing. Already the murmur of the bugs is heard as they toast their shins around a red hot stove. They are talking baseball.

In the district are four towns, all capable of supporting teams. Nearby are other towns which could be incorporated in a league. Bonneville, North Bonneville, Stevenson and Cascade Locks should form the nucleus of the league. Camas, Gresham, White Salmon, Hood River might be induced to join the league. The expenses would be low, the teams could travel in cars, games would be assured.

The team in Cascade Locks broke up last summer. It will of necessity have to be reorganized. The team developed at the dam by the Guy P. Atkinson company disbanded too after the season and must be reorganized.

In Cascade Locks steps should be taken right after the first of the year to form a team and develop a park. The diamond on the government reservation at the locks is not satisfactory, has never been satisfactory, will never be satisfactory. The new field must be of sufficient size to accommodate the teams; it must be fenced with canvas; it must be under the di-

rect control of the club.

A team in any community must be self supporting. If it cannot it is a failure. Moneys with which to hire high class batteries must be obtained from gate receipts and from the sale of beer, ice cream cones, hot dogs and peanuts on the grounds. This concession should be run in the interest of, and controlled by the ball club.

Interest in baseball will blossom forth when the pussy willows appear after the January storms. This interest should be harnessed. It has been proposed that a play or a minstrel show be put on for the purpose of raising funds. We believe this is a smart move. But should not stop there. Suitable grounds should be found this winter; the bleachers should be made ready for the first game. Some people may say it is impractical to procure the canvas, due to the expense, but it is our observation that much canvas can be purchased in scraps. Other canvas would be donated. It would be necessary to sew this canvas into long strips, but there would be many willing hands and the task would be a light one.

Under any circumstances, let us have baseball. And let us prepare for it before the violets bloom. Winter is at hand, but March is just over the hills.

SPORTS AT THE DAM

Smokers with strong boxing cards are in early prospect at the dam, now that the theater is operating only three nights a week.

Chief drawback to smokers heretofore has been lack of quarters in which to handle the crowds. This drawback has been overcome and everything appears to be in shape for the first fights, which should come right after New Year's.

Chet and Norman at the Bonneville Men's store are active fight fans and they are devoting considerable time to the rounding up of talent. Any fellow wanting to put on the leather, or wishing to wrestle, are invited to turn their names in at the store.

Getting the athletic activities under way at the dam has not progressed as rapidly as some would wish, due largely to the fact that the contractors have had to take time in which to set up their organizations. These organizations have been created, a recreation council has been formed and the bars are down. Hereafter the fellows can have just as much fun as they wish if they will take hold and make their wants known.

Captain J. S. Gorlinski, the contractors and the fight promoters in Portland are willing to do their share. The columns of The Chron-

LITTLE BROWN THOUGHTS

The little brown arms that circled my neck;
The little brown head at my knees;
The small sunny body that snuggled so close . . .
It is these I miss. It is these.

And the whisper of little brown feet on the floor;
And the tugging of hands on my skirt;
And the cry in the night; and the confidence
That brought me each little hurt.

O, to tuck in my shoulder the little brown head,
As I used to love to do;
And to kiss the little brown hands and the feet
That strayed to the stranger and the new.

O, to stand at the window and watch her at play,
Like a little brown bird on the wing . . .
But all that I have are little brown thoughts.

Like beads on a broken string.
FLORENCE HYNES WILLETTE.
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icle are open and this newspaper will be happy to support athletic activities of every character. But that is not enough. The fellows themselves must take hold. Development of sports is up to them.

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