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## FOOTBALL TEAMS ENTERTAINED

Blackfoot demonstrated a fine community feeling in the hospitality shown the Idaho Falls football team when they met on the gridiron last Friday. Although the result of the game stood 9 to 7 in favor of Blackfoot, the teams were evenly matched and until Mervin Thomas made a drop kick as a final play, the game had scored for Idaho Falls. There were several minor accidents, Tom Bucklin of Idaho Falls carrying home the most serious, a bad back. After dinner at the hotel the two High Schools were the guests of Miss Margaret Dubois at her home on South Main. Two hundred and fifty guests soon drew around the huge bonfire and the order of the day was "Yell." This they proceeded to do as only high school boys and girls know how. They were then invited to cool their parched throats at the punch bowls in the dining room and library. Mrs. Vincent, assisted by the Idaho Falls girls, and Mrs. P. Powers assisted by Blackfoot boys, presided. Cake, popcorn and apples disappeared like dew. Miss Barron at the piano furnished music for dancing and the fun and frolic lasted until train time, when the merry kindly feeling of fellowship ended in farewell yells.

## IDAHO FALLS LOSES GAME TO BLACKFOOT

The sun had set behind the distant mountains and lamplighters were busy lighting their lamps. A long shrill whistle was heard on the gridiron, a momentary silence from a great throng; faintly, in the far approaching darkness twenty-two dusky individuals could be seen to cease their struggles, they parted, eleven going to friends on one side of the field and eleven to friends on the other side. The whistle was sounding the knell of the end of the Idaho Falls-Blackfoot football game and the two teams of eleven making their way to friends were the victor and vanquished. Hardly were the echoes of that whistle stilled when 300 wearers of the red and white burst forth in a frenzy of joy. Their team had won. Defeated but not discouraged or down-hearted the great throng of Idaho Falls rooters rallied around their team and cheered them as loudly as if they had won. It was a remarkable exhibition of loyalty and such that even Blackfoot wondered at it. The orange and black had been defeated it was true, but out-played. It is a sad story to relate.

Hardly had the game started when Dame Fortune, viewing the contest from her throne on high, cast her fortunes with Blackfoot. Capt. Blomquist of Blackfoot won the toss and chose to defend the south goal with the advantage of having a blinding sun at his back. The kick off went to the goal line and Wackerli was down on his ten yard line. A mix up in signals and the ball was thrown behind the goal line. Big Stephens (Bacon) of Blackfoot spied it lying there and without waiting for orders pounced upon the ball as though it were a gold nugget. Slowly Idaho A touchdown and six points had been given to Blackfoot. The try at goal was missed.

Not discouraged by this bit of misfortune the local team came back fighting harder than ever. From the great crowd of rooters came the plea to fight to win, to beat Blackfoot. And the team did play hard to win for they knew that to score a touchdown and then to kick a goal would mean victory for them. But Blackfoot was equally determined not to let the Falls beat them and used every means to keep safe the margin they had received from the Idaho Falls team. But there was more misfortune in store for the orange and black. Out of the tangle of players came "Tommy" Bucklin, sturdy right end for Idaho Falls, horse-combat. Eddy went in for Bucklin. The teams see-sawed up and down and across the field and when the half was up the score was Blackfoot 6; Idaho Falls 0. During the halves the rival rooters

## UNOFFICIAL PARTIAL ELECTION RETURNS

that he had a majority of about 800. The largest vote cast in Bingham county since division gave Davis, the Republican candidate for governor a majority of about 160, and the Republican candidates and state ticket generally a majority of between 160 and 500. Wilson got a majority of about 200. Senator Thomas was re-elected by about 170 majority, and Representative Peter G. Johnson got a majority of about 140. Wilford N. Christensen, Republican, and W. C. Soltenberger, Democrat, for commissioner, were elected by good majorities, and the vote is so close between Jed Taylor and F. T. Halverson for commissioner that the winner will not be known until the official count, which is now progressing, shall have been completed. B. Harvey Allred, H. Andrew Benson and James Young, Democratic candidates for representative, assessor and surveyor, received majority votes. Grace Faulconer, Republican, for school superintendent, got a majority of about

300 over Bartlett, Democrat. Ralph Adair, for county attorney, was re-elected by a flattering majority, and James Good, for probate judge, was elected by a small majority. A. H. Simmons, Republican, got a majority of 215 over F. E. DeKay, his Democratic opponent. Since going to press with our four inside pages yesterday afternoon when Hughes was thought elected we published his picture as our next president. Later reports favor the re-election of President Wilson, who it is claimed has 212 of the 319 electoral votes. At 1 o'clock the commissioners had canvassed the county vote with the exceptions of Shelley, Rich and Basalt precincts, which had not yet arrived. From present indications Halverson has beaten Taylor for commissioner, which makes two Democratic solons. The Democrats have also elected a representative, the assessor and surveyor. Up to the time of going to press the election of Hughes was very dubious, as was also the election of the governor, but Davis this morning sent word

exchanged songs and yells. There was determination in every member of the Idaho Falls eleven as they took the field for the second half. Imagine the joy in the hearts of the orange and black rooters when Wackerli took one of Blackfoot's punts and ran for a touchdown. It was a wonderful run that "Wack" made, sixty-five yards, through the whole Blackfoot team. This tied the score and everyone held their breath while Payne set, the ball in Capt. Shuttleworth's hands for the try at goal. The angle was a difficult one to kick from, although the ball had been "kicked out for a better position to try for the goal. True as a die the ball sailed between the uprights. The Idaho Falls crowd run riot on the field, dancing, yelling and cheering. Score, Blackfoot 6; Idaho Falls 7. With this one point margin the local eleven played safe, but in the last quarter, quarter back Thomas of Blackfoot, dropped back on the twenty-five yard line and drop-kicked the ball over the goal for three points. This made the score Blackfoot 9; Idaho Falls 7. There was still a chance for the locals, they had not "opened up" any of their trick plays and with five minutes yet to play every member of the team put forth his best ef-

forts. In four downs the ball was carried to the Blackfoot twenty-five yard line. It was getting dark fast. Wackerli was called back for a try at goal from drop kick formation. It was a hard kick, the ball never rising from the ground. The last chance to defeat Blackfoot was gone. Time was called shortly after with Blackfoot in possession of the ball on their twenty yard line. During the last quarter of the second half "Percy" Finley was slightly injured and "Red" Randall took his place. The line up was as follows: Idaho Falls—Bucklin and Eddy right end; Shuttleworth (capt.) right tackle; Jeffrey, right guard; Thomas, center; left tackle; Payne, left end; Sauter, quarter back; Wackerli, full back; Hutchinson, left half back; Anderson, right half back. Blackfoot—Good, right end; Hoover, right tackle; King, right guard Ready, center; Faulconer, and Chubbuck, left guard; L. Stephens, left end; Thomas, quarter back; D. Stephens, full back; Blomquist and Clenenger, left half back; Jones right half back. Obermeyer, former Notre Dame star, refereed the game and gave splendid satisfaction. Idaho Falls Post.

## STAKE CONFERENCE

The regular quarterly conference of the Blackfoot Stake will be held in Blackfoot on Saturday and Sunday, November 18 and 19, 1916.

Saturday sessions will be held as follows: General conference at 10 a. m. in the First Ward Meeting House. Stake priesthood meeting in the same place at 2 p. m. This meeting will be addressed by the visiting brethren and it is hoped there will be a full attendance of the priesthood of the Stake. Commencing at 2 p. m. and in the north rooms of the First Ward Meeting House there will be a meeting under the direction of the Y. L. M. I. A. Commencing at the same hour and in the Second Ward Meeting House, separate meetings will be held under the direction of the Relief Society and the Primary Association. It is sincerely hoped that there will be a full attendance of the Sisters at all these meetings.

Sunday sessions will be held as follows: General conference at 10:30 a. m. and 2 p. m., while in the evening and commencing at 7:30 p. m. there will be a meeting under the direction of the conjoint M. I. A. All these meetings will be held in the First Ward Meeting House. Arrangements have been made also so that if necessary, overflow meetings may be held on Sunday in the Second Ward Meeting House so there will be room for all who may come. It is sincerely hoped that there will be a rousing attendance of the members of the church at every session, and the general public is cordially invited. JAMES DUCKWORTH, HEBER C. C. RICH, NOFEAR DAVIS, Stake Presidency

## YORK CAE CAPSIZES

Last Sunday afternoon the Breece York family met with a most terrifying experience, yet all escaped without injury. A party of six, three grown persons and three children were on their way from Blackfoot to their ranch here. The roads were a little slippery and in making the turn to go onto the bridge over the big canal near Alex Vaughn's, struck a little high, then swung back and went over the lowside of the bridge with all its passengers. Fortunately there was only about a foot of water in the canal and as the car lay peacefully on its side all were able to wade to safety. That particular bridge has been a menace to every motorist in this locality, being a long span and a bad angle, and some day some one is going over it for the last time, that is, over the south edge of it.

## BAZAAR

On the Saturday of stake conference a scrap bag bazaar will be conducted by the stake board members of the Y. L. M. I. A. in the north rooms of the Blackfoot First Ward Meeting House from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. There will be no sales during the time of meetings. Notions, gifts, useful household articles and clothing will be down to zero in price. We earnestly solicit your patronage. SERENA B. VANCE, MARY A. FYANS, SARA G. HOGGE.

## TEACHERS' EXAMINATION

Notice is hereby given that a regular Teachers' Examination will be held November the 16th, 17, and 18th. LULAH E. SMITH, County Superintendent.

## BLACKFOOT WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

In the closest kind of a game the Blackfoot High School won the championship of Southeastern Idaho on Friday afternoon at the Fair Grounds. The game was replete with thrills and exciting incidents. Blackfoot scored first by intercepting a fumble from the Idaho Falls full back. Capt. Stephens with his usual faculty of being in the right place scooped up the ball and ran through a broken field for the first score. Thomas missed the goal. It looked like the 6 to 0 would stand as the final score, but luck took a turn and the Idaho Falls player received a punt and ran 50 yards for a touchdown. Wakerli kicked the goal, making the score 6 to 7 against the home team. Time was drawing near to a close and desperate offensive work on the part of Blackfoot characterized the remainder of the play, while defensive work of no less desperation was the order of the Idaho Falls captain. The ball see-sawed back and forth for several minutes, often Blackfoot would almost reach the coveted goal, only to be held for downs. Just before the crowd began to move away with a dejected feeling, the ball was worked down to the Idaho Falls thirty yard line and Thomas fell back for a drop kick. It was a last effort and the game depended upon it. True as an arrow the ball sailed over the bar for the count of three and the game was won. Idaho Falls had fought a game battle, but could not overcome the lead in the few moments left. Thomas, Louis Stephens and Taylor played star games for Blackfoot while Wakerli was half the Idaho Falls team both on offensive and defense. Obermeyer and Marlowe officiated in fine shape. Blackfoot now has the chance to play Twin Falls for the championship of Southern Idaho. This game will be Nov. 17th, at Twin Falls.

## LETTER OF THANKS

In this way I wish to thank my friends for the able and hearty support they so freely gave me in the recent political campaign and to assure them that I greatly appreciate their loyalty. Mr. Benson deserves the high compliment the people of this county gave him. L. G. WELLS.

## DEPARTMENT BAZAAR

The ladies of the Methodist church will hold a Department Bazaar and Cafeteria Dinner on the afternoon and evening of Saturday, Nov. 4th, at the V. I. S. room. Christmas presents of all kinds and prices. Come early and avoid the rush.

## PRESTO

Mrs. Annie Hughes entertained the sewing ladies last Thursday afternoon and a large number were present. Harry Pratt, who has been in very poor health for several months, expects to go to California immediately with the hope of being benefited. Miss Dollie Bible of Blackfoot visited Mr. and Mrs. Shirliff Christensen the first of the week. R. E. Reid has been confined to his bed for several days with a case of measles. Miss Clarice Just went to Jameston Sunday, where she will teach this winter. Tom Vaughn was up from Blackfoot Friday on business.

## Pacific Coast Excursions

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## SLAUGHTER

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