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LOCALS

A FASH

Took Fast Team Into Camp Score of 3 First Real

The citizens of Cottonwood and the visitors who were taking in the big free picnic of the farmers union at this place yesterday were treated to one of the best exhibitions of the national game that has been played on the local grounds, or the two prairies for that matter, in several seasons when they witnessed the local team win from the fast Ferdinand team after nine innings of as fast ball as one could care to see. The visitors came undefeated champions of the two prairies, having lost only one game this season and that to a team which they defeated last Sunday by an overwhelming score.

The game was called at 4 o'clock with Ferdinand at bat and for seven innings not a single batter succeeded in getting around the bases. Cottonwood had three men on bases with only one man out at different times during the first half of the game but young Adkison tightened up and succeeded in retiring the next two batters, thus getting out of a deep hole. In the seventh inning Cottonwood had a fine chance to score the first run of the game. Hussman got around to third, with one man out. The next batter hit to pitcher and the runner, being over anxious to score, was tagged out at home. The next batter hit one to second so hard it could not be handled, which would have been an easy score had Hussman remained on third.

As it was the game went into the eighth inning without a score having been made by either team and it looked as if extra innings would have to be played to decide the contest. In this inning John Fry was the first batter up and hit a fast one to the pitcher that could not be recovered in time and he was safe at first. Haener then connected with one of Rusty's slants for a three-bagger to deep left field, scoring Fry. Swartz then flew out to center and Haener scored on the throw-in. Ben Fry went out by the shortstop to first route. Adkison hit safe to short but Hayden was put out at first and retired the side. For Cottonwood, Fred Lange struck out. Rooke walked and stole second. Maugg hit safe to center, scoring Rooke. Maugg was caught napping at second. Bieren hit to left field for two bases and stole third. Hussman fanned.

In the ninth only four batters faced Rusty and but one of these succeeded in reaching first. For Cottonwood, Schober failed thrice to locate the ball. Rusty hit a safe drive to right field. Geo. Lange hit a safe on to right and Rusty took third. Kaasa drove a line drive into left field and Rusty scored, tying the score. F. was out on three strikes. Rooke then came to bat with a do or die expression on his face and smashed a wicked drive at the pitcher that could not be handled and Lange scored the run that won the game.

Probably 700 people witnessed the game and all expressed the opinion that it was one of the best seen on the prairie for many days. The Ferdinand team put up gilt edge ball from start to finish and showed that they are entitled to the victories won this season. Young Adkison is devel-

oping into a pitcher of real merit and, with the experienced catcher Fry to hold him down, will get better as the season progresses. He was credited with a total of fifteen strike-outs yesterday, which is some record for a boy of his age. Rusty was decidedly off color yesterday, his arm being very sore from the effects of last Sunday's game, and it was only good judgment and excellent backing that won him the game. Rooke caught him in fine shape and when both are in trim they will make a battery to be reckoned with.

The score by innings was as follows:

Ferdinand 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0—2
Cottonwood 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 2—3

The Ilo team will play at this place next Sunday and the Vollmer team the following Sunday. Ferdinand will play at Kamiah Sunday and it is more than probable that Ferdinand and Cottonwood will play again at Ferdinand during the celebration.

Farmers' Picnic Big Success

Several hundred persons from the surrounding country and near-by towns took in the big free picnic given here yesterday by the local farmers union and all expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the day's entertainment and hoped that the occasion might become an annual event. The Denver band was on the street early in the day to dispense sweet music to the crowd and was quite liberal with its selections. At ten o'clock the crowd went to the warehouse where the program was carried out, consisting of speeches, music and singing. At noon a big free basket picnic dinner was spread on tables arranged for the purpose, the union providing free steaming hot coffee to wash down the eatables. After dinner small sports held sway until near four o'clock when the crowd repaired to the ball park to witness the fast game between the Ferdinand and Cottonwood teams. In the evening a free play was given at the K. C. hall, after which dancing held sway until well into the morning hours. The big hall was crowded to overflowing both for the play and dance and twice the floor space could have been used to advantage. Many people who could not get away from their duties during the day motored over in the evening from Grangeville, Nezperce, Ilo-Vollmer and Ferdinand for the show and dance and the town was filled with cars and merry crowds of happy girls and boys out for a good time.

The big picnic was certainly a success in every sense of the word and the members of the union are to be congratulated in carrying out the affair so successfully. After such a brilliant start, the public will feel disappointed if the picnic is not made an annual affair.

Convict Escaped

One of the honor convicts at the road camp at White Bird made his get-away Sunday night and up to the present time has not been apprehended. He was a Mexican Indian sent up from the county around Spaulding and had but a short time to serve. His capture is but a matter of a short time as he is a man easily identified and his foolishness will result in several years more added to his sentence.—Free Press.

Mrs. W. B. Hussman was a Ferdinand visitor Wednesday.

P. J. Miller, cashier of the Ilo bank, and Mr. Wunder were visitors in the city yesterday.

The Game.

When the game seems lost, and you want to quit,
And you're sticking just by your nerve and grit,
And you can't see an earthly chance to win,
And you're weary and jaded and near "all in,"
Don't ever quit as you want to do,
But keep your heart till the game is through,
Till the last hard minute is passed and gone—
Fight—on!

The chaps who win are the boys with pluck,
Who never will quit till the gong is struck,
And many and many a game they play
Is won at the end of a losing day—
Won by sticking the struggle out—
Won by going the whole long route,
While they, though weary in brain and brawn—
Fight—on!

So though you're staggering, weak and blind,
Battered in body and dazed in mind,
You can't be sure that the other side—
In spite of its front of strength and pride—
May not be tired and jaded too,
And fully as near "all in" as you!
You brace and rally, their triumph's gone—
Fight—on!

—Selected.

CONVICTS HOLD UP FARMER

Escaped Criminals Visited the Pierce Ranch Yesterday and Held Up Owner With Guns—Officers Now In Pursuit.

This town was treated to quite a bit of excitement yesterday

aside from the picnic features and ball game when word was phoned into town during the afternoon that the two convicts who escaped the first of the week from the honor camp near Whitebird had held up M. A. Pierce and hired man at the Pierce farm northwest of town. Davis and Smead, the escapes, were seen near the MacMaster farm north of town shortly after noon and word was at once sent to Grangeville to the sheriff. The officer and a deputy soon arrived by auto and swore in several extra men as deputies at this place and the posse left in autos to try to locate the convicts. They ran out north into the Ferdinand section without getting any trace of the men, then swung east into the Greencreek district and back again to this place. Before they returned to town word had been phoned into town by Mr. Pierce that the men had been at his place and another posse was formed and started out to locate the escapes.

The convicts appeared at the Pierce ranch about one o'clock and proceeded to ransack the house while the owner was in the field. Mrs. Pierce and little son having gone to the Eckert farm to spend the day. When Mr. Pierce and his hired man, Joe Seyler, came to the house the convicts held them up at the point of guns and forced them to good dinner for them. During meal time the phone rang and the convicts answered it and tried to palm themselves off as the owner but failed. They then allowed Mr. Pierce to answer the phone but one held the receiver while the other held a gun against Mr. Pierce's back until the conversation was completed. After dinner Mr. Pierce was required to put up food enough to last the men two or three days, after which they decided to get some sleep, one man guarding while the other slept. Mr. Pierce talked with them coolly and said he had

lots of work to do and did not care to be held idle in the house. He was finally allowed to go to his work near, Seyler being kept at the house, and the convict on guard watching both men. Mr. Pierce was clearing up some brush from a creek and hauling it out onto higher ground. He gradually worked down with his team into the creek bottom until out of sight of the house, when he dropped the lines and ran down the gulch to the Puthoff farm and phoned into town for help.

As soon as the convict on guard learned that Pierce had got away he aroused his companion and, taking their food supply, a couple boxes of cartridges and a suit belonging to Mr. Pierce, they disappeared into the timber. In the meantime the posse had gone out from this place and the sheriff and his men soon returned to town and were put on the right trail and the man-hunt continued throughout the night but up to the time of going to press the men had not been located.

While at the Pierce farm the convicts admitted their identity but said they would never be taken back to Boise. They said they were desperate and would kill anyone who tried to take them. They were well armed with rifles taken from a store at Whitebird, had several boxes of shells, and with the extra shells secured at the Pierce place, will be able to put up a hard battle if surrounded.

Deputy Sheriff Bill Eller, who so successfully rounded up a bad man in the Salmon river country some weeks ago, came over from Grangeville this morning and is now on the trail of the fugitives. It is thought the men escaped down the river from Whitebird by boat and landed near the mouth of Deep creek and were trying to make their way across into the Bitter Root mountains and later into Montana. On being discovered north of town they probably changed their plans and will no doubt remain in the timbered country until captured or they succeed in making good their escape.

A. O. Martin and family visited with relatives at Ferdinand last Sunday.

Riley Rice left the first of the week for Seattle to attend the meeting of the board of directors of the Tri-State Terminal Warehouse Co.

NEWS AROUND THE STATE

Items From Various Places Reproduced for the Benefit of our Readers—Stories Refreshed from Exchanges.

The J. P. Vollmer interests purchased the State Bank of Clarkston last week.

The eighth annual Idaho state tennis tournament will be held in Lewiston on June 21st.

The Lapwai Indian ball team lost its first game of the season Sunday at Kamiah by a score of 6 to 3.

The big mill of the Craig Mountain Lumber company at Winchester shipped 138 carloads of lumber during the month of May.

The seventh annual horse show will be held in Genesee on June 15, 16 and 17 and promises to be the greatest show ever staged there, weather permitting.

The Oregon Packing company intends opening its fruit packing and canning plant at Lewiston about June 10th and will give employment during the season to more than 200 people.

Nezperce's annual stock show and fair will be held this year on June 22 and 23, the opening days of the chautauqua to be held in that city. Prizes to the value of \$750 have been placed in the livestock classes and several hundred dollars will be awarded as prizes in the women's fancy work department.

Mayor J. W. Robinson and Councilman E. V. Eichelberger were recalled at Boise late last week, the former being defeated by 136 and the latter by 285 votes. Charges of incompetent police administration, resulting in raids on private homes, were largely responsible for the recall. The vote cast was a very heavy one.

A Great Northern locomotive was derailed by a rock slide and went into the Kootenai river near Katka, Idaho, Saturday. Engineer H. A. McGinn and Fireman Edward Dempsey went down with the engine and were drowned. The river was at flood stage and the engine was entirely submerged. The bodies of the drowned men have not yet been recovered.

Commencing on July second and lasting for eight days, the Nez Perce Indians who are not affiliated with any church will hold their annual celebration at Spaulding. War dancing, Indian games and horse racing will be the amusement features and large numbers of Indians will attend the celebration from the Umatilla, Coeur d'Alene and Nespehlum reservations and from Pendleton and points in Montana.

To The Public

This is to certify that I, Peter Aschenbrenner, of Ferdinand, Idaho, never made any statement to anybody against the Case automobile and think the construction and material is of the best. I am well satisfied with the car and know that I have the best car in the community.
Peter Aschenbrenner.

Dr. E. L. Burke of Vollmer was a business visitor in our city Wednesday.

Henry Meyer, of Fenn, left late last week for Chicago to witness the proceedings of the Republican national convention in that city.

Farmers Order Mill Machinery

The Farmers Union Warehouse company recently placed an order for the machinery for their new flour mill and now have a crew of men at work tearing down the warehouse building on the west end of their elevator and will soon start construction on the foundation for the new mill. The foundation and basement for the new mill will be made of concrete and the building to be erected will be large enough to handle any needed machinery to increase the capacity of the mill from time to time as increased business demands. The mill will be of fifty barrels daily capacity and it is the intention to have it ready for operation early in September.

Manager Downer is having the old warehouse building, which was recently moved across the street, remodeled and will use it for offices and a warehouse for supplies carried in stock. The building will be covered with lap siding and painted and will then present quite an attractive appearance. The change will give them ample office room and will remove the offices and supplies from the grain warehouse and mill.

Nezperce Boosters Visit Us

Sixteen autos loaded with the Nezperce band and loyal boosters of that town, some seventy persons strong, invaded our city Tuesday afternoon in the interests of the Nezperce chautauqua and stock show which opens on June 22nd. The visitors were making the rounds of the towns in the vicinity of the Lewis county seat and completed their trip at this point after having visited Vollmer, Ilo, Winchester, Westlake and Ferdinand. They treated us to several nice musical numbers, scattered printed matter for both stock show and chautauqua, disposed of a few season tickets to the latter attraction and, after shaking hands all around, departed again for home. Nezperce is to be congratulated on her fine bunch of boosters and our only regret is that other towns in this part of the state are not equally as well equipped in this line.

Enlarge Meridian

Cheese Factory

The contract was let Thursday afternoon to Busby & Howry of this place for the erection of another substantial addition to the Meridian cheese factory. The addition will join the present building on the west and will be of brick and there will be an eight-foot concrete basement.

The new room will provide additional storage quarters of which the local factory, owing to a large increase in output, has been in serious need for some time passed. Later a whey separator may also be installed in part of the space. Work on the building will start Monday.—Gem State Rural.

John Hoene this week sold new Buick cars to Dr. Stockton, of Grangeville and John Schnider, of this place.

Among the chautauqua boosters from Nezperce who were callers at this office were County Superintendent Miss Retta F. Martin, Probate Judge T. M. Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hunter.

Miss E. Marguerite Riley departed Tuesday for a weeks' visit at Spokane. From there she will go to Denver and Chicago where she will visit a short time before returning to her home in Wisconsin where she will spend the summer.