

RETURNS FROM BAKER CITY

INLAND EMPIRE B. B. LEAGUE IS ON
THE VERGE OF DISSOLUTION
BECAUSE OF CARRYING
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SMALL PATRON-
AGE.

So Says Fred Bluth, Who Went Up From
Ogden With Some of the Other Og-
den Players to Put New Life Into
That League.

Godfrey J. Bluth, familiarly known
as Fred in Ogden, has returned from
Baker City, Oregon, where he has been
playing ball with the Baker City team
in the Inland Empire league. Fred
states that the league is about on the
point of dissolution. The teams have
been carrying too many men for the
size of the cities forming the combina-
tion and in proportion to the patronage
extended.

Charles Hoiser, formerly well-known
in Ogden, is managing the Baker City
team, which is carrying fourteen men,
a number not warranted by the receipts.
As a result an attempt was made to
cut down the salaries. Bluth refused
to stand for his cut and returned home.
"Maudie" Plake who is also with the
team, will finish a series with Walla
Walla and then will quit and come to
Ogden where he expects to take a posi-
tion as night clerk at the Healy
House. Thomas will quit in a few days
and go to his home at Oakland. Bre-
sino, formerly with the Lagoon team,
also played with the Baker City team.

Ferris, who went to Baker City with
Bluth and Thomas, jumped to Spokane
in the northwest league some time ago.

Bluth states that the great stunt in
the game in the Inland Empire league
is a home run, a player getting \$1 each
time he scores one. In a game at Bak-
er City six home runs were made, and
in one of the games at Walla Walla
five home runs were made.