

PORTLAND COLTS OFFERED FOR SALE

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NICK WILLIAMS MAY BUY

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BY JAMES H. CARSELL. The Portland Baseball Club of the Northwestern League is for sale.

Believing that the best interests of baseball in the Northwest demand that the Coast League and Northwestern League clubs in Portland be in different hands, W. W. McCredie, president and owner of the Colts, announced yesterday afternoon that he is more than willing to turn the Northwestern League franchise over to reputable parties.

"The 'for sale' sign is not hung out in the sense that the right price will transfer the franchise to any man who offers practically any club in organized baseball, but McCredie is really anxious to dispose of his Northwestern League holdings. He would entertain no bids for franchise for consideration of not more than \$1 and exact only a modest sum for the many ballplayers under reserve to the club.

No sooner had McCredie intimated a desire to place the Colts in another stall than Nick Williams, playing manager of the Colts and owner of the team, started to talk about the possibility of purchasing the franchise. Williams will make an effort to interest moneyed friends in the proposition and hopes to represent the club on the Northwestern League board of directors ere long.

"I believe, and have believed for a year or more, that the Northwestern League would have a more successful team in Portland under a control entirely independent of us," said Mr. McCredie, speaking for himself and W. H. McCredie, Beaver manager and partner.

"I don't intend to jump from under, and leave the Northwestern League people in the lurch, but if I can find the right man, with a knowledge of baseball and sufficient financial backing to insure the presence of the club on the league roll, I would be glad to turn my attention exclusively to the 'Beavers,'" explained McCredie.

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"I would like to see Seattle assist Victoria and Tacoma, for Seattle's success depends upon the Portland club, but I would also like to see Vancouver help a little," says President McCredie.

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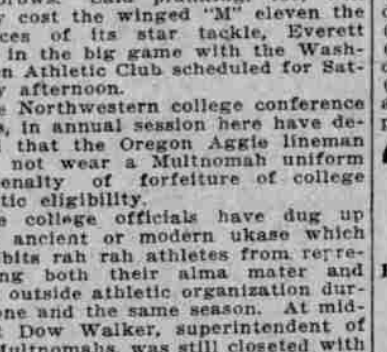
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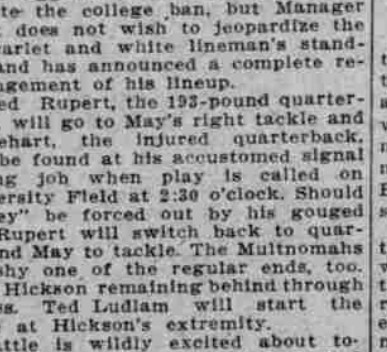
Wendell Phillips, Left to Right—Coach Reiley, Captain Cummings, Crist, Student Manager Hair, Blatchford, Peck, Pettibright, Koehler, Clark, Albert, Senek, Essie, Davis, McCarthy, Purrett, Heyman, Jones, Lederer, and Greenan.



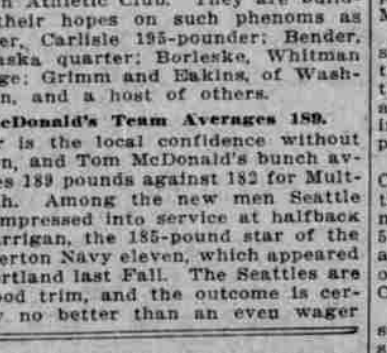
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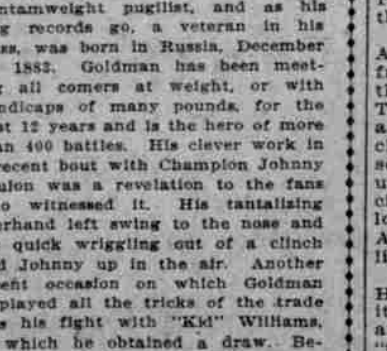
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PREP MEN IN DARK

RUMOR THAT TRACK TEAM WILL GO TO CALIFORNIA DENIED. Superintendent Riger Says School Board 'Stands Pat' on Rule to Thwart Long Trips.

As far as any action on the part of the Portland School Board is concerned, the track athletes of the 'prep' schools are as far from attending the University of California as the Coast track team next Spring as they were six months ago.

"The matter has never been discussed at the meeting of the School Board, and I do not know where any person saying that the rule may be relaxed got their information," said Mr. Riger yesterday.

"Personally I am not in favor of the students taking long trips. It is not the students' fault that they are hindered in their standing in school, but the preparation for the trip and the recovering from its effects after it has taken place."

"The last meet of the University of California has not been forgotten by those who attended it, and the next season will be held April 4 and 5, is receiving more attention than the annual track meets of the University of Oregon and the Oregon Agricultural College.

Several of the track men of the high schools are determined to attend and say they will leave despite the action of the school authorities.

MANY AFTER ZEDNICK'S JOB

Brous Beck, of Yale, Among Those Seeking Seattle Post.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Seattle, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Five candidates have entered the field for Graduate Manager's Job at the University. Besides Victor Zednick, the incumbent for the past four years, Brous Beck, a graduate of Yale and an old crew and football man; Fritz Beltz, a law student, and a senior member of the board of control; Fred Hamilton, editor of last year's Year, and Fred Angvine, a senior law student, have signified their willingness to take charge next year.

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