# ILL-WILL CAUSE OF CANCELED GAMES

## Ty Cobb Calls Off Two-Day Series With Giants.

## JENNINGS HELD REASON

**Promised Exhibitions Aroused Much Interest Because of Known Hostility of Managers.**

BY LAWRENCE PERRY.

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NEW YORK, March 12.—(Special.)—The very thing which made baseball fans throughout the country look forward with deep interest to the projected two-game series between the New York Giants and the Detroit Tigers at San Antonio, namely, a supposed lack of cordiality between Ty Cobb, manager of Detroit, and Hughey Jennings, former manager of that outfit, has arisen to prevent the series.

According to arrangements, which, by the way, were never definite, the first game was to have been played today and the second tomorrow. Everyone was all het up about the two contests and it looked as though nothing would occur to prevent them. Those, however, who know Ty Cobb and had marked his silence about the proposed battles were not at all surprised yesterday when the Georgia Peach announced he had been hired to manage a baseball club and not to run exhibition games. The real reason is said to be Jennings. Cobb showed no great desire to play baseball under his leadership and now evidently he doesn't wish to play against a club which Hughey leads.

**Jennings Not Drawn to Cobb.**

As for Jennings, he himself has no great reason for loving Cobb and there are other Detroit veterans to whom Hugh owes nothing at all. There is no use going into this matter now; suffice it to say there is a general belief among baseball experts that it was not Jennings' fault that the Tigers in recent years have not won pennants, or at least finished higher up on the ladder. Jennings hasn't forgotten this—and there are other things he hasn't forgotten. Just the same, this did not make him the less anxious to go into action as mentor of the Giants against his old team. In fact he looked forward to the encounter.

For it was McGraw's intention to start Jennings at once as field manager, letting him learn the ropes of the team. However, the former Detroiter will have his opportunity later, as there now is no doubt that McGraw intends to sit among the magnates as soon as possible, leaving Jennings to conduct the team on the field.

**Players Become Independent.**

Aside from actual baseball, an interesting phase of the southern training season is the development of the fact that the big league ballplayers in ever-increasing numbers are becoming independent of their profession as a means of livelihood. This, more than anything, is the cause of the unusual number of holdouts, if not actual desertions, from the baseball ranks, which have marked the late winter weeks. Players have found either that they are in a position to capitalize the reputations they have made on the diamond or else they have made good in trade or farming or something through their own hard work and enterprise.

J. Franklin Baker really doesn't have to play ball. He has three farms in Trappe, on the eastern shore of Maryland, and has made a lot of money out of his products. As a consequence he returned to the game simply because of his love of the sport and only when he had made certain that his agricultural interests would not suffer.

**Demands Are Numerous.**

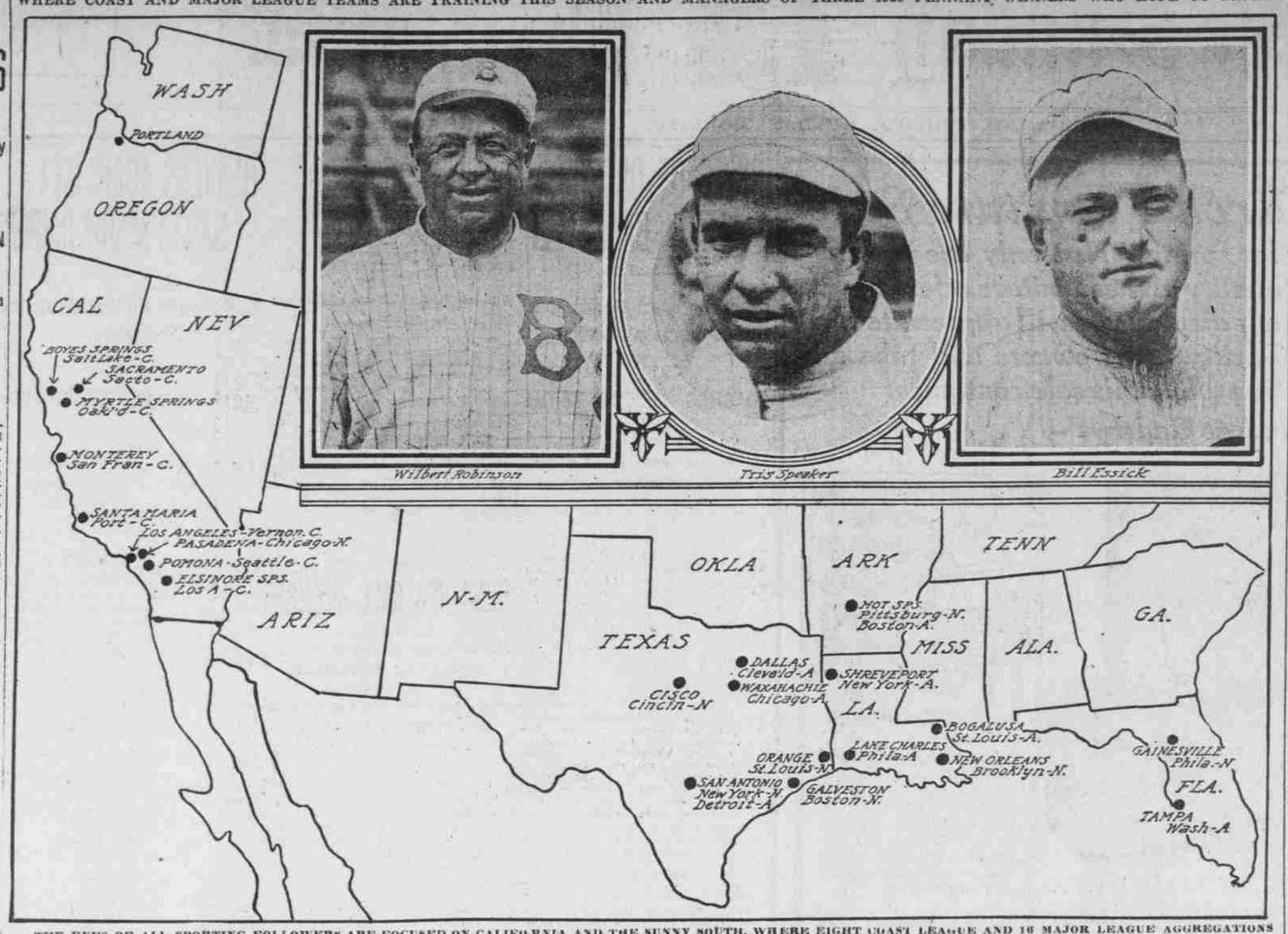
Zach Wheat, captain of the Brooklyn club, has a profitable farm and says he had just as lief stay on the land as not. In fact, he adds that he will stay there unless Colonel Ebbetts comes through with a nice, fat increase in salary. Larry Kopf of the Cincinnati club came through with a demand for $9000 a year, although he is getting $8000 now. Garry Herrmann, when he heard this, leaned back in his swivel, thrust his thumbs in the armholes of his vest and smiled his well-known smile.

"All right," he said, "let Larry hold out and we will put Sammie Crane 'n his place."

He had hardly made the Napoleonic remark when in comes a letter from Crane saying that the poolroom he is running is making so much money that he can't afford to play baseball and wants to go on the retired list.

George Sisler is playing ball because he loves it. He started a printing business two years ago and it has grown to such proportions that he had to wait ten days before joining his team in the south in order to make arrangements for his departure. Rube Oldring has a money-making farm in New Jersey and is playing baseball in California this spring just for the fun of it. Roger Hornsby is so filled up with profitable oil investments that for some time he was undecided whether to devote all his time to the elusive oil well or go to playing ball again. He finally determined to play ball—on the side. Brick Eldred, a coast league player, has a good permanent job with the Sacramento playground commission and probably won't sign with Seattle. Finally, Wilbur Cooper, the Pittsburg pitcher, has sent a jovial message to Barney Dreyfuss that he can make so much money out of his poolroom that nothing but a round, fat figure will tempt him to hurl for the Pirates this season.

WHERE COAST AND MAJOR LEAGUE TEAMS ARE TRAINING THIS SEASON AND MANAGERS OF THREE 1920 PENNANT WINNERS WHO HOPE TO REPEAT.




THE EYES OF ALL SPORTING FOLLOWERS ARE FOCUSED ON CALIFORNIA AND THE SUNNY SOUTH, WHERE EIGHT COAST LEAGUE AND 16 MAJOR LEAGUE AGGREGATIONS ARE WHIPPING THEMSELVES INTO SHAPE FOR THE 1921 SEASON, IN SEVERAL INSTANCES TWO MAJOR-LEAGUE CLUBS ARE TRAINING IN THE SAME CITY.

# STATE WOULD PUT OFF TRIAL OF SOX

## Indicted Players Opposed to Postponement.

## SUSPECTS OUT OF GAME

**Judge Landis Holds Accused Men Cannot Play in Organized Ball Pending Trial.**

CHICAGO, Ill., March 12.—(By the Associated Press.) — Announcement today by the state that a six-months' postponement would be sought in the trial of the indicted Chicago White Sox players brought charges from defense attorneys that an attempt was being made to shelve the case and leave the indicted players permanently under a cloud of suspicion. The trial is scheduled to start Monday.

The prosecution, however, declared the delay would be sought "to make certain that the men back of the series scandal were driven out of baseball and into the penitentiary."

Judge G. F. Barrett, American league attorney, said the prosecution had found its evidence was not ready. New evidence being gathered would give the state an impregnable case, he said, and might result in a further grand jury investigation.

He said known reluctance of some grand jury witnesses to stand by their testimony had made new evidence necessary. Judge Barrett scoffed at rumors that the case was being pigeonholed. To proceed now might make a farce of the case and result in guilty men escaping punishment, he declared.

**Delay Will Be Fought.**

T. D. Nash, attorney for Buck Weaver, Swede Risberg, Oscar Felsch and Fred McMullin, and Benedict Short, attorney for Claude Williams, Joe Jackson and allied with D. F. Cassidy in the defense of Eddie Cicotte, said they would fight any attempt to procure a long delay. Two weeks or 30 days would be granted as a matter of courtesy, they said. Jackson and Weaver said they opposed even a short postponement. Judge Landis, baseball commissioner, placed all the indicted players on the ineligible list when he heard of the proposed postponement and said they would remain there pending the trial. This bars them from playing organized baseball.

Concerning the possibility of grand jury evidence not being sufficient to obtain conviction, Judge C. A. McDonald, who started the grand jury quiz, said that if witnesses repudiated their statements there might be some difficulty.

Concerning the possibility of the indicted players returning to baseball, Harry Grabiner, secretary of the Chicago American league club, said:

"Judge Landis now is the ruler of baseball and his rulings will be accepted."

**State Declared in Bad Position.**

Attorney Nash said "public opinion was swinging toward the indicted men and the state, knowing it was fighting a losing game, was seeking the easiest way out."

"We have petitions signed by 10,000 Chicago fans asking reinstatement of Buck Weaver," he said.

"This plea of the state's is just bunk. They are trying to leave these men with their characters permanently besmirched."

Judge Barrett said that he and the state's attorneys were in accord concerning the trial and the delay was not the fault of the state attorney's office.

"We are fighting for baseball and for the public and we are not going to run the risk of a trial that might prove to be improperly handled. We will have a solid case to present to the jury," he declared.

"A trial improperly handled would kill baseball. We are not going to let that happen. A proper trial is much more important than an immediate trial."

## "INDIANS" TO HOLD POW-WOW

**Second Annual Carnival of Sportsmen Is Announced.**

DEL MONTE, Cal., March 12.—California Indians, an organization of sportsmen, will hold their second annual carnival of sports and "pow-wow" here May 9-15, it was announced recently. The chiefs will compete at the traps, on the golf links and tennis courts, in the swimming tanks and on the fishing grounds.

Officers of the Indians, with their tribal names given them by the organization, are: Henry Garrison, (chief good fellow), Modesto, high chief; L. R. Mellus (chief good canvas), Los Angeles, and D. C. Davidson (chief jeweler), Modesto, vice-presidents; Fred A. Purner (chief good scribe), Del Monte, secretary-treasurer, and George H. Anderson (chief fruit grower), San Jose,; Paul M. Burns (chief redwood), San Francisco; Ed Garratt (chief sea sailor), Alameda; C. W. Berry (chief hotel), Visalia; J. W. Kinnear (chief Stockton), Stockton, and Earl Burnham (chief music box), Los Angeles, directors.

# BABES MAY GO SOUTH

## UNIVERSITY WOULD SEND FROSH CREW TO ROW.

**Thousand-Dollar Fund Is Being Raised to Finance Trip to California Regatta.**

SEATTLE, Wash., March 12.—Will a University of Washington freshman crew row against the California Babes in the Oakland estuary, April 9, the same day as the annual California-Washington crew race?

That question has been put up to the Washington student body by the class of 1924, which is seeking to raise $1000 to send the frosh crew south. They are doing it chiefly by the sale of little green paddles, under a campaign entitled "Paddle 'em south."

Last year the Sun Dodger yearlings romped in six boat lengths ahead of the Bruin Babes in the race over the two-mile course on Lake Washington. The time was given at 10:54 for the course.

This year's tentative line-up has rowed over the same course in 10:30, giving promise of an eight fully as good as the 1920 outfit. They have a little over a month yet in which to train and cut that time down. The best time made by last year's crew was 10:05. As they were not pressed in the race, they took a good deal longer.

Fred S. Hendrickson is stroking the tentative crew. In order behind him, with their approximate weights, are: Denzil Abel, 172, seven; Virgil Murphy, 178, six; Fred Spuhn, 179, five; Lloyd Mason, 174, four; Pete Otis, 172, three; Jim Esser, 162, two; and Carter Edinger, 152, bow. Hendricksen weighs about 167 pounds. Starr Calvert and Herb Morcum have the call on the coxswain's seat. Although this crew is not characterized by the heavy men in the middle of the boat, a part of the Washington system, it is more evenly balanced and weighs an average of five pounds heavier than last year's freshmen, 169 pounds—in fact, the same as the 1920 California varsity.

Coach Ed Leader tried using a lighter combination in the boat for a few days last week, in an effort to keep the bow from being "soused" on each stroke. In that combination, "Chuck" Dunn rowed at No. 5, with Al Baker at No. 4, Clarence Magnuson, No. 3, Herman Luft No. 2 and Louis Nederlee bow. He has decided to change back to the heavier combination, however, with Mike Murphy at stroke; Captain Logan, 7; Wright Parkins, 6; Bob Ingram, 5; Ed Cushman, 4; Magnuson, 3; Baker, 2, and Nederlee, bow. Nagler is coxing again.

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# CANADIANS SEEK GAME

## AGGIES ASKED TO CROSS BATS WITH REGINA PROS.

**Schedule Already Arranged Calls for 22 Contests, 12 With Conference Teams.**

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, March 12.—(Special).—The Regina, Canada, professional baseball team has asked for a game with the Oregon Aggies to be played at Corvallis either April 18 or 19. As the Portland Beavers will play the local aggregation on the 19th, it will not be possible to play the Regina team then. Jimmy Richardson, general manager of student affairs, is trying, however, to arrange some date satisfactory to both teams.

The Aggies' schedule now calls for 22 games, 12 of which are with conference teams. At least two games will be played in Portland. According to the present arrangements, the Aggies will play the North Pacific Dental college in Portland on March 25 and 26. It is possible that games may also be arranged with Multnomah club.

The baseball squad has been cut down to 20 men but in addition to the first selection more than 40 men are on the second and third string. Coach Richardson has expressed himself as entirely satisfied with the showing being made by the team this year.

Richardson is exceptionally well provided with moundsmen, Bert Babb, Joseph M. Kasberger, Roy Keene, Robert Hughes and Cecil Miller of last year's squad are all showing up in good form. Keene may be switched from pitcher to first base. Kasberger played third last year.

The strongest competition among the new men is for the short-stop position. "Cack" Hubbard and "Bill" Heiss, who held down the position last year, have been switched to second base. Hugh McKenne of last year's freshman squad, and Val E. Noonan of Los Angeles are the most promising candidates for this position.

The field is being gotten into shape for the first game which will be played on the local campus on April 2 when the varsity will play the alumni team. A special preparation has been placed over the diamond which has improved its condition considerably.

Richardson is making arrangements to provide additional seating capacity as it has only been possible to accommodate about half the crowd in previous years.

## GROUNDS READY FOR MEET

**Vale Students Work to Put Field in Apple-Pie Order.**

VALE, Or., March 12.—(Special.)—Preparations of the school grounds and the Vale baseball field for track event practice, and possible use as the field for the 1921 track meet of the Malheur Athletic association, are being pushed to completion by the student body of the Vale schools. The track meet will be held May 6, and, while the place has not definitely been fixed by the executive committee of the association, Vale is after it strong, and the student body has assured the committee it will have a track field second to none in eastern Oregon ready for the event, and will take charge of the field meet and stage it from start to finish.

The Malheur Athletic association consists of the students of the schools of Vale, Ontario, Nyssa, Jordan Valley, Juntura and other towns in the county.

**Bay Cities to See Swimmers.**

SAN FRANCISCO, March 12.—California tanks and beaches in and near the San Francisco bay cities have been awarded the Pacific Amateur association swimming championship events for 1921. The championships will be decided at Capitola, Del Monte, Idora Park, Oakland, Neptune Beach, Alameda and Olympic club, San Francisco.

**McGraw Has Surplus of Catchers.**

John McGraw is willing to dispose of a catcher or two. He has five booked to report at San Antonio—Smith, Snyder, Gonzales, Gaston and Henline.

# CALIFORNIA FOOTBALLERS HONORED AT LUNCHEON

**San Francisco Business Men Give Belated Recognition to High Class Work of Blue and Gold Players in Pasadena Game With Ohio State.**

BY HARRY B. SMITH.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 12.—(Special.)—San Francisco gave fitting if somewhat belated recognition to the wonderful work of the University of California football team last fall one day this week. With the San Francisco Advertising club as sponsor for the event, the blue and gold footballers were the guests of honor at a luncheon tendered them at the Palace hotel last Wednesday at the noon hour. Some 800 folks were present, listened to the speeches and cheered when President William F. Humphrey of the Olympic club presented the Californians with the trophy they won when they defeated Ohio State at Pasadena the first day of the year. President Barrows of California was one of the spokesmen and Controller Bob Sproule gave the folks some idea of the new stadium that California hopes to have ready within the next two years.

It was a real get-together party and more enthusiasm was displayed than usually is to be found around a San Francisco festive board. As many of the college coaches as possible were gathered for the occasion, and while they listened, as did the rest of us, it was a good thing to note their presence.

San Francisco has never been much of a city to enthuse over its winners. We have taken victory too much for granted, and the move of the Advertising club was in the right direction. Los Angeles and even Oakland have been strong for that sort of thing, and it's high time that we drop into line.

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Incidentally and while we are talking about football, it is a good spot to remark that Coach Andy Smith is taking time by the forelock and getting some spring workouts for his men. Three days a week, during the month of March, he had the lads out on California field for afternoon practice. Chiefly the men he has called into action are the freshmen and some of the greener of the varsity lads. He wants to give the boys something of a grounding in the rudiments of the game, so that when fall practice opens he will be away to a good start. It's quite a clever idea and calculated to keep the California football machine well up to the front.

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There are rumors that all is not going as well as might be desired with the Legion fights in San Francisco. So far the boys have had three sets of them at Dreamland rink and they have certainly not set the world on fire from a financial standpoint.

It's a queer thing about the amateur who breaks into the game of promoting fights. He always figures there is a chance to make a world of profit right off the jump. And when he strikes a losing night, or something closely akin to losing, he simply can't understand it. I imagine that's what's the trouble with the Legioners. They had an idea that with three or four shows they would have enough spare coin laid aside to build themselves a clubhouse. So far they haven't accomplished much in that line.

Naturally, they are a bit disappointed and some few of the chaps are already talking about changes, with new promoters and all that sort of thing.

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Ed Hughes, who for a long time was sporting editor of the Seattle Times and the last four years connected with the sporting department of the San Francisco Chronicle, has left for Los Angeles, where he is to be sporting editor of the Examiner in that city. "Shorty," as he was so well known in the northwest, probably will cover baseball as he did here and in Seattle. Also he will perambulate around with the football boys when it comes that time of year.

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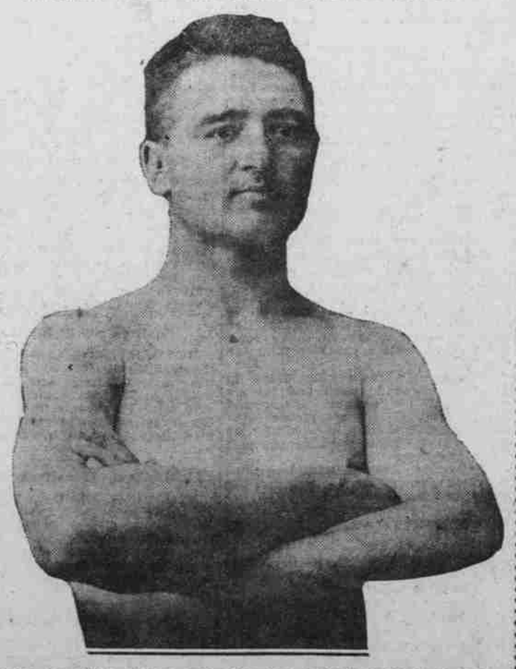
Speaking of sporting editors, word comes from the east that W. O. McGeehan, who once upon a time was a San Francisco sporting writer and later did the same work for the New York Tribune, is now managing editor of that sheet. It's quite a boost for a sporting writer when he can jump into a job of that prominence, and perhaps we have a right to do a little crowing over the success of our confrere.

RALPH GRANT, LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT GRAPPLER WHO TANGLES WITH TED THYE TUESDAY NIGHT.



Washington State college wrestling instructor is expected to furnish plenty of opposition for local middleweight Tuesday night.

# MATMEN ARRIVE FOR FRAY

## RALPH GRANT AND PEARSON TO START WORKOUTS.

**Match Between Two Heavies Seems to Have Eclipsed Attraction Billed as Main Event.**

Ralph Grant and Chris Pearson, who will furnish the opposition for Ted Thye and Tom Grant, respectively, in the double main event of the wrestling show to be held Tuesday at the armory, arrived in Portland yesterday.

Ralph Grant, who is a lightweight, is holding down the wrestling instructor's job at the Washington State college, while Pearson came all the way from St. Paul, Minn. Pearson is about the largest grappling party to hit town in some time. The St. Paul bone crusher weighs close to 200 pounds. Tom Grant, his opponent, who will arrive from Spokane either today or tomorrow, will go about 205 pounds over all.

The match between the two heavies is attracting more interest among the local fans than the bout between Ted Thye and Ralph Grant, which was originally signed as the main event. Whenever two heavies are tossed on the same carpet together there is usually something doing.

A time limit of one hour has been set on the match which will start at 8:30. One fall will decide the contest or a decision will be given at the end of the 60 minutes. Pearson is making his first start in the northwest, although he is known all over the country as a grappler of considerable ability. He has wrestled all of the old-time limb twisters and was at one time the training partner of Frank Gotch.

Tom Grant recently returned from the east where he participated in 26 matches, three of which were in Madison Square Garden, New York.

The match between Thye and Ralph Grant should also provide the usual amount of thrills. In meeting Grant, Thye is not taking on any champion, but is tangling with a man who is certainly a tough proposition. Grant probably wrestles more matches in one season than the ordinary grappler does in a life-time. He takes them all as they come and while his record may not be as free of defeats as that of Thye he nevertheless always gives a good account of himself and his opponents usually know they have been in a wrestling match.

This match will be the best two out of three falls. With the first match going one hour the Thye-Grant match will hold the boards for the rest of the evening up until 12 o'clock, providing there are no falls. In case neither man gets a fall a decision will be rendered.

Herbert Greenland will add a few more gray hairs to his silver locks by assuming the responsibility of being the third man in the ring. Joe Rieg, who is sponsoring the catch-as-catch riots has promised a better seating arrangement for this show, and in addition the ring will be raised which will permit a good view of the struggles from all parts of the house.

Ralph Grant and Pearson will start working out this afternoon at Ad Garlock's gymnasium.

## Sport News and Comment.

THE record of 65 strokes for the course of the Coronado Country club made recently by LeoDiegel, the Chicago professional, is expected to stand for some little time. The former record of 66, which has stood for some time, was made by Bob Simpson, the club professional.

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The doctors played ducks and drakes with the Pacific Athletic association boxing tournament recently held in the gymnasium of the Olympic club of San Francisco. It was found necessary to vaccinate a lot of the boys just prior to the championships. On the night of the affair the majority turned up with arms in slings. In some of the weights not a single entrant was able to get in the ring. Instead of lasting two evenings, it was possible to get through the finals in one evening and with time to spare.

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One youngster won the championship of the 108-pound class without having to put on a glove. He was the only entrant to show up with a sound arm and took the gold medal through default of all the others.

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To make 593 kills out of 600 shots is shooting which entitles the performer to occupy a niche in the shooters' hall of fame. A. W. Bruner and Frank Troeh turned the trick at a recent tournament held in Los Angeles under the auspices of the Vernon Gun club.

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Up to date seven foreign nations have sent in challenges for the Davis international tennis cup. More are expected.

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Baseball fans, as well as managers and club owners, are hoping for good weather now that the preliminary training season is on. Some of the weather sharps have sent dismay into the ranks of the faithful by predicting all kinds of bad weather for March. Father Rickard, the California astronomer and weather prophet who, by the way, has a faculty of guessing pretty correctly, is one of the bad-weather prognosticators.

# PHI DELTAS CHAMPIONS

## BASKETBALL LAURELS WON 2 YEARS STRAIGHT.

**Intramural Leadership of Oregon Agricultural College Held Strongly by Frat.**

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, March 12.—(Special.)—For the second time in two years the Phi Delta Theta fraternity won the intramural basketball championship of the college.

Competing against 32 teams in a series that lasted for more than a month, the Phi Deltas went through the season without a defeat. The college was divided into three groups, national fraternities, local fraternities and independent organizations. Each group was divided into two or more leagues. The league championships were first determined and then they played for the group championship, after which the winners were picked.

The Phi Delta Thetas played eight games, defeating group 7, winners of the independent championship, and the Kappa Theta Rho, the local fraternity winners.

The winning intramural team was composed of Glenn C. Ackerman, Salem, forward; Ted McDonald, Portland, forward; Charles D. Rose, Portland, center; Whitney Gill, Salem, guard, and Charles M. Countryman, Bellingham, Washington, guard.

## FRENCH ATHLETES EXPECTED

**Guillemot, Winner of 5000-Meter Race One of Number.**

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 12.—Several French track and field athletes may enter the national Amateur Athletic Union meet at Pasadena in July, according to Robert S. Weaver, national president of the union.

One French athlete President Weaver expects is Guillemot, who took first place at the Antwerp Olympic games in the 5000-meter race and second in the 10,000-meter race.

Several other French runners who are to enter the University of Pennsylvania relay carnival at Philadelphia April 1 may appear in the Pasadena meet. Among them are Denys, a distance man, Nightingale, two-mile runner, and a French relay team.

**Braves Have Few Games Carded.**

The Boston Braves will play only seven games on their way north from Galveston and Manager Mitchell will keep his men in camp until April 3. Then they will play four exhibitions in Alabama and Tennessee; on April 8 the regulars will play the Memphis team, and on April 9 and 10 will play the Louisville team. From Louisville the Braves jump home to open the season on April 13.

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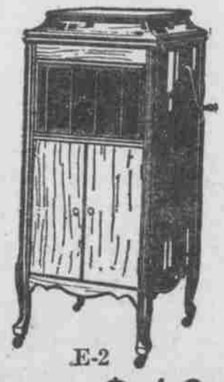

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