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A. A. U. RULES OF INTEREST

A FEW NEW RULES HAVE BEEN ADOPTED THIS YEAR

Definitions of Professionalism and Other Legal Points

So much indecision is prevalent regards what amateur athletes must and must not do, that the following summary has been compiled from the A. A. U. rule book.

A foreign athlete must apply to the National Registration Committee for permission to compete in the United States.

An amateur athlete, resident of the United States, must secure a permit from the National Registration Committee before he will be allowed to compete in a foreign country.

Professionals or unregistered contestants under club emblem or name of any member of any association of the A. A. U. are prohibited.

Any person competing in open unsanctioned games suspends himself. The local registration committee has power to reinstate in such instances.

A person who knowingly competes against a disqualified athlete disqualifies himself.

No person who knowingly becomes a professional can be reinstated.

An athlete who becomes a professional cannot have his application for reinstatement entered unless he has abstained from professional conduct for two years.

An athlete expelled from a club in any association of the A. A. U. for unpaid indebtedness shall not be allowed to compete in any sanctioned games until such indebtedness is liquidated.

A record must be timed by at least three official timekeepers, or measured by at least three field judges, and should be supported by affidavit of at least six witnesses, including officials, certifying as to the place, time of day, state of weather, condition of path, force and direction of the wind, level or grade of grounds, weight, measurement and material of implement, and correctness of announced time or distance.

A record must be made in open competition.

An athlete is held to be a novice

USE 20,000 BALLS A YEAR.

Big League Clubs Get Away With That Many Each Season.

Twenty thousand balls are used annually by the major league clubs during the training trips and championship campaigns. John Arnold Heydler, secretary-treasurer of the National league, reports that last year the teams in his organization called on the manufacturers to furnish them with 800 dozen spheres. The Cincinnati Reds used the most balls, and then came the Pittsburgh Pirates, the Chicago Cubs, the New York Giants, the Phillies, the Boston Doves, the Brooklyn Superbas and the St. Louis Cardinals.

The watchdog of the National league treasury will not tell what price the clubs pay for the official balls, but one closely associated with one of the manufacturers insinuates that persons who guess that a major league club spends about \$1,000 a year for spheres are not far out of the way. Each ball, therefore, costs probably 80 cents. The price of the spheres varies from year to year.

(1) Basket; (2) Boxing; (3) Gymnastics; (4) Handball; (5) Running, including hurdling, obstacle racing; (7) Pole Vaulting; (8) Shot Putting; and throwing the hammer; (9) in Swimming; (10) Tugs of War; (11) Walking; (12) Wrestling; until he shall have won a prize in that event open to the members of two or more clubs.

An athlete must compete after making his entry or give a satisfactory excuse. Professional contests or exhibitions are forbidden at sanctioned amateur meets. Regularly equipped instructors may, however, give exhibitions with their pupils but not compete.

Scorers and measurers at games must deliver to the handicapper and to the Chairman of the Registration Committee in the territory in which the games are held the official scores. The clerk of course must in like manner furnish list of all starters in each event.

Athletes must be properly attired. A league or association of clubs will not be recognized by any association of the A. A. U.

Games closed to one club or organization of individuals require no sanction.

New Rules
Trainers and handlers will not be

allowed within the center field or on the track immediately prior to or during competition except in distance races of more than five miles. In measuring distances of weight throwing the figures must be taken at the circle and not out in the field, and at the take off in broad jumps.

In hurdle racing a record cannot be allowed, unless the competitor jumps every hurdle in its proper position. A competitor who knocks down three or more hurdles or any portion of them shall be disqualified.

SQUAD AWAITS BIG MEET

LOCAL SQUAD IN FINE FETTER FOR CONTEST

Squad Will Leave Here Wednesday For Whitman Contest

Eight agile athletes of the local high school squad are awaiting for next Thursday when they will compete against the cream of the Pacific Northwest in track and field meets.

Thursday afternoon the team will participate in the preliminaries of the annual Whitman tri-state meet and the following day the school hopes to have eight contestants entered in the finals in many more than eight events.

La Grande has an opportunity this year to outdo its record of a year ago when it won more points than in any four years put together before. Hard luck camps on the trail of Jay Millering the pole vaulter, who has weak ankles this spring. Otherwise there is not a semblance of grief in the training camp of the athletes. Training has been carried on at easy stages and the finishing touches will be put on the squad next Monday evening. After that they will rest until the pistol cracks on the opening event.

The list of entries sent include the following:

Sprints—Carp, Cecil and Virgil Bolton and Arlo Meyers.

Hurdles—Carp and Captain Willie Peare, the latter in the high hurdles. Middle distance—Peare, Cecil Bolton and Lee Reynolds.

Weights—Heldenrich and Meyers. Jumps—Millering and Carp.

Each of these eight men is proficient in some particular line but all will enter in more than one event.

La Grande will make a material showing in the middle distances, the hurdles, vault, weights and no doubt in others as well.

Considerable enthusiasm prevails in the ranks of the men and though the squad is small there has never been a particle of shirking in training among members this spring. Each athlete is primed and in fine fettle for the crack of the gun that will start a meet in which La Grande has hopes of doing great things.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Ore., Mar. 14, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that William B. Ross, of Meacham, Oregon, who, on July 11th, 1907, made Umatilla Cash Entry No. 914, Serial No. 62634, for SE 1-4 untimbered Section 17 Township 1 South, Range 34 East Willamette Meridian, also NE 1-4 NE 1-4, timbered Sec. 8, T 1, R. 35 East Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of his intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the Register and Receiver, U. S. Land Office, at La Grande, Oregon, on the 6th day of May, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: Jay E. Marshall, John R. Shockley, Earl Gillanders, Charles Hudson, all of Meacham, Oregon.

F. C. BRAMWELL, Register
Administrator's Notice

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Nick Armos, deceased, by the County Court of Union County, Oregon, and all having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same to me as administrator at my store on Adams Avenue, La Grande, Oregon, together with proper vouchers, within six months from the date of the first publication hereof.

Dated this 2d day of February, 1910.

Administrator of the estate of Nick Armos, deceased.

Cochran & Cochran, Attorneys for

Outlook For the Baseball Season In the Minor Leagues....

OPENING AND CLOSING DATES OF MINOR LEAGUES.

Opening date.	Closing date.
Eastern league.....	April 21 Sept. 23
American association.....	April 13 Sept. 25
Southern league.....	April 14 Sept. 17
Pacific coast league.....	March 20 Nov. 6
Western league.....	April 22 Oct. 3
New England league.....	April 22 Sept. 19
Northwestern league.....	April 22 Sept. 25
Tri-state league.....	May 4 Sept. 7
New York State league.....	May 4 Sept. 17
Three-I league.....	May 4 Sept. 15
Western association.....	April 13 Aug. 16
Pennsylvania league.....	April 28 Sept. 5
California State league.....	April 7 Nov. 6
United States league.....	May 1 Sept. 6
Mo.-Ia.-Neb.-Kan. league.....	May 19 Sept. 7

By TOMMY CLARK.

While the prospects of the teams in the major leagues will be a subject of interest to baseball enthusiasts even if as far removed from the games as New York from San Francisco, the possibilities of the season of 1910 cannot be reviewed without the minor league situations being sized up.

In the smaller organizations managers of the teams have a harder task than those in the big circuits. The manager of a club in the major leagues can stand pat on his team if he chooses to, but such is not the case within the minors. Every year big inroads are made in nearly every club, and the stars are gobbled up by the big leaguers. When the time comes for the manager of the minor league club to make up his team for the season he has to do some great scouting before he can get together a winning combination. Every year intense interest is displayed in the fights for the much coveted gonfalon in the smaller circuits. In the some thirty odd minor leagues in organized baseball there is represented an invested capital of \$20,000,000, and last season over 24,000,000 people attended the games.

In spite of the scattered discussion during the winter to the effect that the American association might put up a firebrand and toss it into organized baseball, there is nothing which would indicate that the minors will not enjoy more prosperity than ever before.

American Association.

In the American association another grand struggle is anticipated. From present indications the second division teams of last season will be heard from this year. St. Paul, Toledo, Columbus and Kansas City have all been strengthened up so much that the first division is beginning to get nervous as to its welfare.

Manager Carr of Indianapolis has succeeded in gathering together an imposing array of baseball talent and by many is looked upon as the one best bet for the flag this season. His material, judging from the records, is classy, but it is on the field and not on paper that strength counts.

The Minneapolis club appears to be just as strong a hitting club as that of last season and a far better fielding aggregation.

Columbus has landed many good ones, and Manager Priel figures his

last year, and on paper looks better than appears stronger than last season.

Many critics figure that Danny Shay will give the Kansas City fans a pennant winning team this season. Louisville, last year's pennant winner, looks good on paper. Judging by present indications the hottest race this season in the history of the association is expected.

Eastern League.

As is the case every year, many Eastern League clubs have parted with their stars to the major leagues, but as there is always a plentifulness of good material on hand to whip together a winning combination the loss of these men will not weaken the majority of teams.

Manager John Ganzel and his Rochester band of hustlers are surely in line for another flag. "Silent John" has corralled many good ones and will make his rival go some to beat him out.

Although big inroads have been made in Joe McGinnity's Newark team since last season he has good material on hand to whip together a winning combination.

Joe Keller, manager of the Toronto club, has been hard at work with the



WILLIAM O'DOHERTY, FIELD OF WILLIAMSBURG CLUB.

team since the men started training. Joe tried his best to get Willie Keeler to sign a contract at a fat salary, but "Willie the wee" figures he has many more major league seasons in him. Kelley has many veterans on the team and will surely make a good fight for the banner. Buffalo and Providence are sure to be much stronger than they were last year.

Manager Jack Ryan of Jersey City says he is confident that he will have a first division ball club this season. Ryan has had twenty-four years' experience in baseball and should be able to look out for himself in any deals pulled off.

Although Baltimore made a very poor showing in 1909, Manager Dunn is sure that the Orioles will make a much better showing in this season's race.

Another hot fight is expected in the Southern association. Last year's fight

was a good one, and another is in order. The four leading teams of last season have not been weakened to any great extent by the major leagues. Atlanta, winner of last year's banner, Nashville, the runner up; Montgomery and New Orleans, that finished third and fourth respectively, are ready to put up a strong fight.

The outlook for the season in the Tri-state league is most promising. Owners and managers declare that this year's race will be every bit as interesting as the one in 1909. Marty Hogan and his Lancaster team are out to make two straight, but will find strong opposition from Reading and Williamsport.

Intense interest is being displayed in the Western league this season. Last year's struggle was such a good one that it has left a lasting impression. Des Moines, the club that slipped into first position, beating out Sioux City by the narrow margin of two points, has as strong a team as last season and is expected to repeat.

International Chess.

Oxford and Cambridge have at last been heard from in regard to the annual cable chess match with the American colleges. They announce that an official challenge will be forthcoming shortly. The chess players at Oxford and Cambridge have had some difficulty in financing the match and therefore overstepped the time limit for challenging laid down in the deed of gift for the Rice trophy. This has been waived, however, at a meeting of the American Amateur committee. April 22 is suggested as the date for playing the games, which will be six in number.

Utah Horse Racing Meet.

The Utah Jockey club has arranged for a forty-four day meeting beginning May 14 in Salt Lake City. Seven stakes worth \$1,000 or more are guaranteed. The Utah Derby is guaranteed to be worth \$1,200 to the first horse. The ring will be open to all reputable bookmakers.

Sporting Briefs

Where is the Moses that is going to recruit the Icau and give the fans some baseball of the town sort, now that the professional sort has about exploded.

The La Grande high school team is in Union today trying to win back lost honors from that team on the local lot some time ago.

Imbler is to play at Elgin tomorrow, Kellum, Al Hug and others well known in Imbler baseball, will play with Imbler.

Union and Cove will play ball at Cove tomorrow. This game is in inter-town affair only.

The Smith garage installed a modern vulcanizer yesterday. It is of the latest make.

Two carloads of Fords are enroute to La Grande for distribution.

Drop in at The Peoples Store and see the Hart Shaffner & Marx clothing they are showing.

Rummage Sale

The ladies of St. Peter's Guild will hold their spring rummage sale on Thursday and Friday of this week in the sample room at the rear of the dining room of the Sommer Hotel. A very good assortment of articles has been received. Remember the place and date. 4-25-30.

MITCHELL Wins Class Event

San Francisco Motor Club's Annual Hill Climb, March 30, one mile standing start, 37 cars, ranging in price from \$850 to \$4000 and over; best time, 1:07; time of Mitchell Model R. 1:15 1-5, winning class event, also defeating all but six highest priced cars in free-for-all.

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