

MOSCOW FIVE SEEKS GAME

QUINLET ANXIOUS TO COME HERE DURING HOLIDAYS.

High School Girls Will Play Outside Games During Winter.

The University of Idaho basketball team at Moscow is planning a tour of Eastern Oregon during the holidays and its manager, L. R. McCann, has written to La Grande asking for a game during the holidays. He makes no preference between high school or club teams and it is likely that his offer will be given serious consideration by one of the several teams under contemplation in La Grande this winter. As McCann is looking for a guarantee it is not at all certain that he will get a favorable answer but if his quintet is coming through La Grande anyway it is more possible that his proposition will be given consideration.

It has now been definitely determined that the girls' teams of the high school will be allowed to meet out-of-town teams the coming season and already correspondence looking toward games are being sent out by the management. As the team can get into playing shape at once, games will probably start earlier this year than last.

Basketball, from a standpoint of the boys in high school is still holding off pending the final win-up of football.

MAY QUIT ROWING GAME.

Shepherd Disappointed at Failure to Win Sculling Championship.

Satisfied with the record he has made, but disappointed because he failed in many attempts to capture the title of single sculling champion of the United States and Canada, Frederick Shepherd, the crack oarsman of the Harlem (New York) Rowing club, may be seen in a racing shell no more.

Shepherd when he crossed the line a winner with Frederick Fuessele, his partner, in the senior double event at the middle states regatta in Baltimore Labor day probably rowed his last race.

Shepherd said he remained in the game this year solely out of a desire to win the single sculling championship and to retain the double sculling championship. He did not win the former and lost the latter. He now believes it time to retire.

NEED FOOTBALL SCIENCE.

Reed Says Cornell's Weakness in This Sport Not Coach's Fault.

Coach Dan Reed of Cornell says what Ithaca college, whose weakness seems to be in football, judged by their poor showing against Pennsylvania in their annual Thanksgiving day game, needs is football reduced to a science. This is the secret of Yale's success, he says.

Reed pointed out that although Cornell had the services of such good men as Houghton, the present Harvard coach, and Sanford of Yale to look after her teams in the past there was not a line of records left behind to throw any light as to what they had done, what they had found to be needed and what should be discarded.

MORE BALLPLAYER ACTORS.

Coombs, Collins, Bender and Morgan to Appear in Vaudeville This Winter.

Jack Coombs, Chief Bender, Eddie Collins and Cy Morgan of the world's champion Athletics are to follow Mike Doulin, Christy Mathewson, Joe Tinker, Doc White and Larry McLean on the stage. It is said that Morgan, who is known as the "minstrel man" of baseball, is writing a vaudeville sketch, in which he and his three teammates will appear. The contract is said to be a liberal one. Aside from a large salary for each man, it provides that the wives of the four players are to accompany the actor men players over the circuit.

Colonial Teams at London.

A scheme for the Olympic games at Stockholm next summer has been elaborated—namely, that the colonies of Great Britain—Australia, New Zealand, Canada and South Africa—will select their teams and the whole contingent be brought together in London a fortnight before they are due to leave for Stockholm. Here they will meet the British team, and all will train together under the care of coaches and trainers. Australia will have probably twenty to twenty-five men, including a rowing eight, Canada will send thirty, while London may have fifty, probably more.

Bodie a Natural Hitter.

Ping Bodie of the White Sox hits because he's a hitter and not because he outguesses pitchers. Bodie made a single against Eddie Plank in the recent White Sox-Athletic series, but when he reached first Stuffy McInnis said, "What did you hit, Ping?" "A splitball," said the fence buster. "Ed Plank never threw a splitter in his life," said McInnis. "Well, then, it was a straight one," said Ping.

CHEVKET PASHA.

Turkish Minister of War is a Well Trained Soldier.

Chevket Pasha, Turkey's minister of war, received his military education in Germany, and the Turkish troops, in addition to being well trained, have had instilled into them much of the discipline he learned in Germany.

No man, not even the sultan, is of greater importance in Turkey than Chevket Pasha. He is about forty.



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has a dark face, bright eyes and an inscrutable smile, which is nearly always on his lips.

It was Chevket Pasha, the generalissimo of the Young Turks, who, banished twice by the late sultan from the capital, entered it at the head of a mighty army to punish those who dared plot for the renewal of the old regime. It was he who sent the ultimatum to Abdul Hamid, who, when Constantinople was panic stricken by the mutinous soldiers, surrounded Yildiz kiosk so silently and swiftly that the sultan, who was always afraid of being left alone, found himself without a single servant. It was Chevket Pasha who took him prisoner and sent him to Salonika. It was by his orders that those who plotted against the sultan were hanged on the Galata bridge, a warning to all who henceforth should dare to work against the constitution.

GOSSIP ABOUT BASEBALL.

Pitcher "Cy" Morgan, of the Athletics, hit 21 batsmen last season.

Jack Barry, shortstop of the world's champs, has opened a garage in Worcester, Mass.

It is rumored in eastern league circles that the Providence, Jersey City and Montreal franchises are for sale.

Umpire Brennan, of the National league, is giving a lecture with moving pictures of the world's series, in vaudeville.

The Portland, Ore., club will erect a new grand stand and bleachers to have a seating capacity of 14,000 persons.

Andy Cookley, the former Philadelphia-Cincinnati pitcher, has signed a contract to coach the Williams College baseball team.

The Fond du Lac team in the Wisconsin Illinois league will probably be shifted to Elgin, Ill., if the Elgin fans dig and produce the necessary pleasure getters.

A St. Louis scribe walleth thus: The Cardinals have two reasons for being famous (in St. Louis). They are the only ball club owned by a woman, and they are the only team that lost a series to the Browns.

Manager Ned Egan, of the Ottumwa team in the Central association, has all the minor league managers outside the fence when it comes to class. Ned was married recently to Miss Kate Drummond, of St. Paul, and the happy couple are taking a trip around the world for their honeymoon.

PADDED GLOVE ITEMS.

"Knockout" Brown of New York and Bert Keyes have signed to box in New Haven, Nov. 27th.

Bob Moha is out of the game nursing a broken hand he received in his bout with Billy Papke.

Tommy Kilbane has called off all his matches, as he is suffering from blood-poisoning. He will not be able to box again till after Jan. 1.

COVE ELEVEN COMING NOV. 30

THANKSGIVING DAY GAME PROVIDED.

Contest Will Be Held on Turkey Day and Will Close Season.

The football season in La Grande is not over. Cove will come here for a Turkey Day game at which time the eleven will play its last game this year and then lay away the mole-skins for another long period of rest. Cove has a formidable team this year. She outplayed Elgin and trimmed Union to the tune of a lively clip and will give La Grande a good run for her money. Coach Caylor will get his men out to practice again shortly and aims to run up a good score on the Covites if such a thing is possible. The fans believe that the local team has just hit its gait and will be able to show up some good football on the day the turkeys suffer.

"Shrimp" Reynolds has been given very favorable mention in all games played this year. At Seattle he came in for some luminary praise, and last Saturday against Pullman he was the bright and shining light. Handicapped as he is with lack of weight he has to show up good qualities elsewhere and so far this year he has never been in any danger of losing his berth with the O. A. C. team, although Robinson and others have been touted as able to displace him. He has certainly made good this year.

Baker lost to Pendleton yesterday at Pendleton 8 to 0 and thereby hangs the championship of Eastern Oregon in a pretty clearly-defined tone. To make it just exactly clear Pendleton would have to defeat La Grande too, for she has not been defeated this year, and a game between Pendleton and La Grande would certainly be a drawing card on Turkey Day. Baker was outplayed on the somewhat dry field yesterday indicating what La Grande would have done on a dry field for Pendleton and La Grande play much the same style of football.

Pendleton scored a goal on the initial kickoff in a somewhat fluky manner and later registered a goal from placement. The two teams were practically evenly matched after the first burst of speed that resulted in the touchdown.

Pendleton claims the championship today in a telephone communication with Manager Reynolds and can't see why it has to play La Grande. The team has played but one Oregon team thus far and to claim the honors with meeting La Grande is deemed a stretch of imagination.

Many local fans are planning to go to Walla Walla to see the O. A. C. Whitman game Thanksgiving.

"ON-SIDE."

Jimmy Johnson, Carlisle's former star quarterback, is practicing dentistry in the tropics.

Apparently the shift of Captain Fisher to tackle has strengthened the Harvard eleven.

Five hundred undergraduates accompanied the Michigan team to Cornell for the game with the Ithacans.

Both Captain Potter of the Harvard baseball team and Captain Merritt of the Yale nine, are varsity quarterbacks.

Owing to the over applications for tickets each year to the Yale-Harvard game Yale will build a stadium to seat 70,000 people.

Winning the Derby.

It costs a good deal of money to win the English Derby. An authority tells us that a horse with the least chance to win will cost anywhere from \$25,000 up, which will prevent the average clerk or newspaper man from owning more than half a dozen or so at the outside. Then there is the training, which is a thing not to be done on Sunday afternoons in the back yard. An experienced trainer must be employed, and his charges for the necessary period will amount to about \$1,000 for each horse. The jockey has to be paid, and a good jockey would scorn the pay of an archbishop or the profits of even a senator. And if he wins he will expect a present. King Edward used to give his jockeys \$2,500 for a win, which makes one wish to be a jockey. But of course it takes brain.—Exchange.

JOHNNY EVERS IS AMBITIOUS.

Says He Wants to Be Called Greatest of All Third Basemen.

Johnny Evers has a new ambition. He wants to develop himself into the greatest and fastest fielding third baseman the Chicago Cub team ever has had, now that he has been tried there by Manager Chance. Evers was regarded as a wonderful shortstop while a member of the minor league and semiprofessional teams in New York state. The Cubs secured him because of that reputation. After he entered the major league ranks he was turned into a second sacker.

His ambition then was to beat Bob Lowe out of his job and become the greatest fielding and quickest thinking infielder the National league ever possessed. His desires were granted, and



Photo by American Press Association.

JOHNNY EVERS, CHICAGO CUBS' GREAT IN-FIELDER.

for nearly ten years his ability was never questioned and still remains so. Now he is determined to establish the same record for himself at the far corner where Harry Steinfeldt was recognized as the best the league ever had.

Until this season Evers never occupied third base regularly—in fact, he had played only one game there in his entire baseball career, even while an amateur. That single instance was with the Cubs in 1904 against the New York Giants. Then he did not finish the game. He played only seven innings and was taken out by Frank Selee, who was then leader of the team and who was afraid Evers would be killed by the vicious drives Sandow Mertes, Dahlen, McGann and Roger Bresnahan were smashing through his territory.

Just Like Himself.

The cheerful patient peered all his good spirits, for the severe operation had been a failure and the doctors were hesitating to tell him. The physician stood by his bedside in the hospital, and from his grave expression the patient suspected the truth.

MARKET REPORTS.

- Local market quotations today.
- Butterfat—36 cents.
- Cheese—Hazelwood and Tillamook ery, 45c and 85c, retail at grocers.
- Butter and Eggs.
- Eggs—Rancheggs, 40c; storage, 35c, 25c.
- Vegetables and Miscellaneous.
- Potatoes—Per cwt, \$1.50
- Cabbage—Per cwt \$1.50
- Onions—\$2.25 per cwt.
- Cabbage—Per pound, 2½ and 3c.
- Celery—Per bunch 15c.
- Sweet potatoes—Five lbs for 25c.
- Sweet potatoes—Four lbs. for 25c.
- Sugar—cane, cash price \$6.90; 30 days' time \$7.30 per cwt. Beet sugar, cash price \$6.70, 30 days' time \$7.10
- Beans—White, 8 1-3c; lima, 10 cents
- Fruits.
- Home grown apples—\$1.25 to \$1.10 per box. Grade establishes price.
- Cranberries—20 cents per quart.
- Bananas—40c per doz.
- Feed and Grain.
- Alfalfa Hay—\$13.00 (retail).
- Timothy—\$15.00.
- Grain Hay—\$13.00.
- Snowdrift Flour, sack \$1.40
- Bran and Shorts—\$1.30 and \$1.40.
- Oats—\$1.50 per cwt.
- Rolled Barley—\$1.70 per cwt.
- Cattle, Hogs and Powl.
- Cows—3¼c to 4c.
- Steers—4c to 5c.
- Hogs—\$6.50.
- Chickens—Hens, 10c; old roosters, 8c and spring fries 10c to 12½c.
- Turkeys, live weight, 17 to 18c.
- Ducks, live weight, 12½c.
- Geese, live weight 12½c.

O'TOOLE'S FAREWELL.

Manager of St. Paul Awards the Twirler a Bright Red Sweater.

When Marty O'Toole, the \$22,500 pitcher of the Pittsburgh Nationals, handed in his uniform to Manager Kelley at St. Paul it was with a sigh of regret, for in his own words he gained every bit of reputation he has wearing those colors.

"Here, Marty, you can keep this red sweater vest," said Kelley as O'Toole tossed it into his locker. "Take it along, and when you wear it think of St. Paul and the Saints."

"You bet I will," was Marty's comeback. "I learned more wearing that red coat between innings than I ever expect to cram in my head during the rest of my days."

"A wonderful chap," said Kelley when O'Toole was out of hearing distance. "The best fellow I ever knew," Marty whispered to his neighbor at the same time.

SPALDING BOOK ON BASEBALL.

Famous Ex-Player and Magnate Gives Real Treat to Fans.

A. G. Spalding, whose name is a household word wherever baseball is played, has written a book entitled "America's National Game." It is not a history of baseball, although it necessarily has some portion of its contents devoted to the early days of the game, but is largely a chronicle of personal reminiscences of events that occurred when the game was first established on a stable basis.

Mr. Spalding was first a player and subsequently a magnate and helped draft the first constitution and organize the National league in 1876. His recital of events that occurred in the first decades of the league's existence makes interesting reading, interspersed as it is with anecdotes and accounts of personal incidents in which the stars and magnates of those days figured.

One chapter, devoted to sundry topics, gives an account of the sale of the immortal "King" Kelly, the original "\$10,000 beauty," by Chicago to the Boston club in the late eighties. Mr. Spalding writes:

"The first time I had to do with the selling of players was in 1887. I had withdrawn from active participation in the game as a player, but was president of the Chicago White Stockings, at that time the finest team of ball players in the world. The players were so capable that they were expected to win every game. It did seem almost impossible for them to lose. Twice in succession they had captured the championship pennant, and the praises of the individual performances of Anson, Kelly, Flint, Williamson, Dalrymple, Gore, Clarkson, Pfeffer, McCormick and Sunday were on everybody's lips.

"Now, experience had shown that the keeping of the same players together for too long a time is prejudicial to the interests of the game, so I decided to let some players go. But what ones? That was not so easy to decide. "One bright morning I broached the subject of the proposed change to Captain Anson, asking him if he could spare Kelly.

"Spare him? Sure. Spare anybody," was the reply.

"So I sent for Kelly and asked him: "Kelly, how would you like to go to Boston to play?"

"I don't want any Boston in mine Chicago's good enough for me."

"Well, you're good enough for Chicago, too," I said, "but wouldn't you like more salary?"

"Well, I guess yes," said Kelly.

"What salary would you go to Boston for? I continued.

"He thought a moment, then said, almost as if ashamed to ask it, 'Four thousand dollars.'

"He was receiving \$3,000 at Chicago, which was the limit in those days.

"I think I can get you \$5,000," said I.

"He beamed all over at the prospect. "Now, Mike," I said, "you don't care how much we get for your release."

"If you get me \$5,000 I don't care if you sell me for a hundred thousand."

"All right. Now keep mum and let me conduct negotiations, and remember, if you get a letter from Boston asking your terms it's \$5,000, not \$4,000."

"I took the matter up with the manager of the Boston club, telling him that King Kelly might possibly be secured. He bit. In a few days I got a letter asking the price. I replied that \$10,000 would purchase the king. He couldn't wait to write. He wired me, 'Terms for Kelly accepted,' and the sale was made.

"Meanwhile Kelly had also been receiving telegrams and got his contract for three years at \$5,000.

"Subsequently, Clarkson, the White Stockings' superb pitcher, was also sold to Boston, and later Gore went to New York, but we overdid the matter a trifle, and lost the pennant that year."

CAN LANGFORD OUST JOHNSON

SUCH IS PERPLEXING QUESTION IN SCRAPPOM.

Title Holder is Taller, Heavier and Has Longer Reach of the Two.

Can Sam Langford by any possible manner wrest the world's heavyweight title from Jack Johnson? This is the perplexing question that is worrying the fighting fraternities on both continents. The plain fact that these black men so far overshadow their rivals at present that they are the only gladiators fit to battle for the title forces the issue.

Sifting it down finer, can a good little man beat a good big man? History answers emphatically—no. Nevertheless in this particular case many close and smart students of the sport feel that precedent will be reversed.

All acknowledge that Jack Johnson is a great fighter, though skeptics claim that in beating Jeffries he licked only a shell of a great man. Every one who has seen Sam Langford at full speed admits willingly that he is a wonderful fighter. Whether he can upset tradition and cold calculation is the burning sport question.

Scanning the measurements of both men, figures favor Johnson greatly. His height gives him an advantage of five and three-quarter inches. When facing a smaller man Johnson has only to throw his body back and the smaller man suffers great disadvantage. Attacking a smaller rival, he towers over the latter and makes use of his length. In agility he is no man's understudy, and for cleverness he stands supreme.

If he and Langford meet in the middle of a ring there will be a startling surprise for the spectators. Their first impression will be, "How long can the little man stay?" Cold facts make it appear suicidal for Langford to battle Johnson.

Should the pair clash Johnson's method of fighting would be the same as of old—feinting and then countering inside. Langford, fighting his regular battle, would keep bearing in, trying to land on the body. Can Johnson's cleverness, jabbing and chopping keep the miniature fighting machine away from that center of attack? That is a question. Langford, built as he is, with all his massive strength stored within a small space, could assimilate terrible punishment before he would stop tearing after that vital part of Johnson's frame.

Langford was outpointed by Joe Jeannette in New York recently. Jeannette's left hand jab slowed up Sammy considerably. This battle proved that any man with a good left jolt can worry Langford. Now, if Jeannette with a light stab could slow up Langford what would a man like Johnson, who has a terrible jab, do to the Tar Baby? Then another thing—Langford is an easy man to reach with an uppercut. How could he keep away from Johnson's left and right hand head rockers? It was Johnson's left and right uppercuts that really beat Jeffries. The Johnson who met and defeated Jeffries would stow away Jimmy Langford with his terrible left jab and heavy uppercuts.

Johnson is keenly disappointed because Carl Morris, the erstwhile white hope, was drubbed so soundly by the Pueblo fireman, Jim Flynn, in New York recently. It leaves the situation with regard to the heavyweight title practically unchanged and with no white man in sight who could hope to successfully cope with the champion.

Flynn, undoubtedly a good fighter, is no match for Johnson, as was proved by their fight in San Francisco on Nov. 2, 1907, when Johnson knocked out Flynn in eleven rounds. Competent judges who saw that battle are on record as saying that Johnson could have turned the trick in three rounds or even less had he so desired. Flynn is a good little man, but Johnson is a good big man, and that tells the story.

There is no man in the ring today who could hope to defeat Johnson if the negro is anything like as good as when he fought Tommy Burns and Jim Jeffries. There is today no real white hope.

New York Horse Show Opens.

New York, Nov. 18.—Well known horse lovers from many cities throughout the United States and Canada were here today to attend the opening of the National Horse Show. It is the 27th annual event of its kind in the metropolis and the last horse show to be held in Madison Square Garden, which is to be razed next spring to make way for a mammoth office building. In all essential respects the show this year closely resembles its predecessors. Both the entries and the prize offers are slightly in excess of the previous high figures and the program pays more attention to the soldier horsemen than heretofore. Otherwise it is the same old show, as gorgeous and brilliant as high-stepping horses, beautiful women in magnificent gowns, music, lights and other accessories can make it.