

DAY FOR MUDLARKS

Ingleside Races Are Nearly All Run in the Rain.

TALENT HAS GOOD PICKING

Favorites and Well-Played Horses Are Generally Successful—McCafferty Will Again Be Allowed to Start His Horses.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—The horses ran over a muddy track at Ingleside today, and rain fell most of the time. Favorites and well-played horses were successful, however.

C. C. McCafferty will again be allowed to start his horses. The stable was suspended, owing to the inconsistent running of Chickadee and Golden Light. Results:

Seven furlongs, selling—Constellation won, 1:20. Three and one-half furlongs, selling—Bill Short won, 1:00. Four furlongs, selling—Eduardo third, time 1:04.

Mile and 50 yards, selling—Bill Masala won, 1:04. Second, G. W. Trabant third, time 1:04.

Six and one-half furlongs, handicap—Pompano won, Judge second, Solanus third, time 1:22.

Five and one-half furlongs, selling—Brennan won, Flyer second, Goddess of Night third, time 1:19.

One mile, selling—Bombarrier won, Creole Jim second, Scherzo third, time 1:44.

FAVORITES HAVE A BAD DAY.

Only One Leads at the Finish at Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 4.—Favorites had an unfortunate time of it at Ascot today. Broom Winner being the only one to lead the field at the finish. The other five races went either to second or third choices, excepting the first, which was won by Flourish at 10 to 1. Results:

Mile, selling—Flourish won, Locomo second, Dr. Bernays third, time 1:43.

Six furlongs, purse—Stem Winder won, Americano second, The Fog third, time 1:24.

Seven furlongs, selling—Ben Heywood won, Huapala second, Fox Lake third, time 1:20.

Mile, selling—El Fonso won, Iras second, Main Spring third, time 1:20.

Mile and an eighth, selling—Chub won, Fortunatus second, Platonius third, time 1:35.

Six furlongs, selling—Ocyrohe won, Doty Hayman second, Rodan third, time 1:21.

At New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 4.—Crescent City summary:

Mile, selling—Fronta won, Satchel second, Bengal third, time 1:41 3/4.

Selling, six furlongs—Travon won, Ben Howard second, Sid Silver third, time 1:14.

Six furlongs, \$100 Plain won, Sadducee second, Joe Goss third, time 1:13 3/4.

Handicap, mile and 70 yards—Lev Dorsey won, Exclamation second, Bondage third, time 1:44 3/4.

Five and one-half furlongs—Harmacks won, Red Man second, Foresight third, time 1:08 3/4.

Mile and sixteenth—The Messenger won, Velos second, Gravina third, time 1:37 3/4.

COAST LEAGUE IN THE TRUST.

Dreary Days Ahead for Baseball Players Are Prophesied.

Ever since the Eastern moguls met and had a heart-to-heart confab with President Bort, Harris and Morley, opinions among the fans as to the future of the Pacific Coast League now stands in regard to the two major leagues is divided. Some hold that the Coasters are in a class by themselves; that it could sign the cream from any and all of the minor leagues, while the big fellows could not sign the pick from the Coast League. From what little has been given by the moguls it would seem that the Pacific Coast League stands a degree higher than the fastest minor league in the business and one degree lower than the National or American Leagues; that they can draft any player from the minor leagues and at the same time either the National or the American League can gather in the stars of the Coast. Touching on this point the San Francisco Examiner says:

"Harris, Morley and Bort have decided that the stars of the diamond have been holding the whip hand long enough. California from now on will not be at liberty to bid for the services of any player without the consent of the trust."

"Of course the league that is called an outlaw league will be permitted to recruit from the Oshkosh, the Port and the Texas Leagues, but you'll hear no more of Morris, or of the other players who are making a contract with the Ruble Waddell, or of the other players who are making a contract with the Ruble Waddell, or of the other players who are making a contract with the Ruble Waddell."

"Instead, the American and the National, at the end, or even in the middle of a season, will telegraph the brilliant men who may be making the game worth while in this country to join the New York, or the Chicago, or the Cleveland Club."

"On this slope we'll have no more Doc Newtons, no more Joe Corbets and no more Pat Doughertys. Good ones like these will all go to the big leagues; their places to be filled by experiments from some unknown source."

"And what about the unlucky young men who have been growing up on pay running as carelessly as \$10,000 per season? No longer will it be, 'I'll see that California offer and raise it a thousand.' It will be a plain, hard, cold, no such or go to work at the billiard parlors, the shoe factory or soda fountain."

"There will be no competition. The trust will fix the figures to be written on contracts. If the price drops with the player, all the player can do will be to take it or leave it. Body, soul, glove and sweat-stick, he will belong to some manager—to play with that manager or go out of the diamond business."

"The cut will not come this year. Contracts for the '04 season have already been made and, it's reasonable to believe, will be respected. But next year? That's when the blade will swing. Willie Keeler, now drawing \$10,000 from the New York Americans, will be told that about half that will do for him. He will not have the alternative of saying, 'Well, the Coast League will do for me.'"

"The Coast League is in the trust now. There will be no more stars in California and there will be sorrow for the ball-players."

WILL HAVE TO PLAY HARD.

Multnomah Basketball Team Expects Close Contest With Dallas.

Members of the Multnomah Club basketball team are making great preparations for their coming match against the Dallas College boys. The game is scheduled for Saturday night and the local players feel that they will have to play ball every minute of the time in order to win. The players that Multnomah will put forth to are: Bosch, captain, and center; Charles Brennan, forward; Stockman, forward; Percy, guard, and Barton, guard.

The following letter to the sporting editor of The Oregonian explains itself:

"Dallas, Or., Feb. 4.—In today's paper we notice a reference to the calling

off of the basketball game which was to take place between the Willamette University team and the champion team from Dallas College. Who wrote the notice or dictated it is not known to us but it is incorrect as to the cause of it being postponed. Manager Winslow, of Willamette University, agreed over the telephone with the manager of the Dallas team to postpone the game on account of the illness of several of the members of the Dallas team. The president of the college refused to permit the members of the team to make the trip in the condition they are physically. Another reason was the Dallas team is to play the Multnomah team Saturday evening of this week. The Willamette University men will have plenty of chances to test their strength and science with the boys in crimson before the season is over.

"Mr. ALEX VAN ORSDEL,"
"Mr. Dallas College Basketball Team."

TO MEET ALL-STARS TONIGHT

Willamette University Basketball Team to Contest.

Willamette University, which has been contrasting with Dallas for the basketball championship of Oregon, will play the All-Stars team of the Y. M. C. A. tonight. Dallas has defeated the Portland team, and Willamette is considered an equal of Dallas, leading to the inference that Willamette will put up a hard game against the All-Stars, and is not unlikely to defeat them.

Prior to this game the third game of the contest between the Y. M. C. A. Intermediates and the Oregon City team will be played off. So far each team has won a game. Oregon City winning the first in that city and the Y. M. C. A. team doing the same here.

The Intermediates played the second Multnomah team last night, winning 14 to 10.

TWO FEATHERS WINS TWICE.

Defeats Berg and McMillan in Two-Hour Contest at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 4.—Chief Two Feathers won a double-headed wrestling match here tonight with John Berg and Duncan B. McMillan. The Indian wrestled steadily for two hours, taking the two white men turn about. Berg and McMillan each got one fall. The Indian threw Berg twice and McMillan once.

Hogquiam Team Asks Conditions.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—The Hogquiam baseball team has decided to send a representative to the meeting held in Aberdeen next Saturday evening. Tacoma wants to come into the League, but as Hogquiam is not too over-anxious to enter, that city might be given the place. Interest is growing in this city, and should Hogquiam be allowed the concessions asked for at the meeting, that is, certain changes in the by-laws and constitution so the three teams cannot down leaders, they will no doubt enter and put in another winning team.

Grounds for Eugene Baseball Club.

EUGENE, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—The Eugene Baseball Club has leased a piece of ground in the southern part of this city, near the south end of Willamette street, to be used as ball grounds during the coming season. The ground is very accessible and in every way adapted. Work will begin at once on the ground, which will be put in first-class condition as soon as possible. Before the opening of the league games a large grandstand will be erected.

Bradford and Freeman Matched.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—"Kid" Bradford, of Buffalo, N. Y., was tonight matched to fight Frank Freeman, a local pugilist, March 16 in Oregon City. The men are to weigh 120 pounds and go 20 rounds.

"Kid" Gallagher will spar with George Ball as preliminary. Both are local youths.

Boise in Northwest League.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 4.—Boise will be in the Pacific National Baseball League this year with Salt Lake City, Butte and Spokane. The necessary forfeit was put up and the details have practically been all arranged.

Gus Gardner Defeats Krapp.

SAGINAW, Mich., Feb. 4.—Gus Gardner, of Saginaw, easily defeated Otto Knopp, of Buffalo, in the fifth round of what was a hard-fought 15-round fight tonight. The referee gave the decision to Gardner, with credit for a knock-out.

Vanderbilt's Steam Yacht Launched.

THROON, Scotland, Feb. 4.—Frederick Vanderbilt's steam yacht Conqueror was launched here today.

High Tax on Low Valuation.

RAINIER, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—The total tax for Columbia County this year is \$5 mills. This does not include special city taxes, school district taxes nor special road district taxes. Twenty-one school districts have levied special taxes, ranging from 1/4 to 12 mills each. Three road districts have levied 10 mills each. The highest tax is 20 mills—20 cents per general, 12 school and 10 mills road tax. But with this remarkably high levy the tax does not amount to much, because the values are hardly one-third of the actual cash value of the property assessed.

Crook Captured at Victoria.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 4.—Paul Newman, a notorious American crook, was arrested today on suspicion by Chief Langley, and he confessed at the police station that he had committed burglaries in several British Columbia towns since he came across the line.

In his possession was found a full kit of burglar tools of the most modern pattern and a large quantity of stolen goods.

Hayward Is Recovering.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—The condition of Alvinna Hayward, the capitalist, who is suffering from the effects of a stroke of paralysis, is reported today as much improved.

Leon Soeder Held for Murder.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—Police Judge Crocker today held Leon Soeder to appear before the Superior Court and answer for the murder of Joseph Elaise, his brother-in-law.

Mining Stocks.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—The official closing for mining stocks today were as follows:

Andes	1.25	Mexican	1.50
Bell	1.50	Overman	1.50
Best & Belcher	1.50	Overman	1.50
Challenger	1.50	Overman	1.50
Chollar	1.50	Overman	1.50
Confederate	1.50	Overman	1.50
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.50	Overman	1.50
Con. Imperial	1.50	Overman	1.50
Leadville	1.50	Overman	1.50
Rechequer	1.50	Overman	1.50
Standard	1.50	Overman	1.50
Union	1.50	Overman	1.50
Yukon	1.50	Overman	1.50

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Closing quotations:

Adams	1.50	Little Chief	1.50
Alcoa	1.50	Ontario	1.50
Bronx	1.50	Phonix	1.50
Bruswick	1.50	Potomac	1.50
Centennial	1.50	Rechequer	1.50
Challenger	1.50	Standard	1.50
Chollar	1.50	Union	1.50
Confederate	1.50	Yukon	1.50
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.50		
Con. Imperial	1.50		
Leadville	1.50		
Rechequer	1.50		
Standard	1.50		
Union	1.50		
Yukon	1.50		

POWER OF QUARANTINE

BELONGS TO COUNTY HEALTH OFFICERS IN WASHINGTON.

In Cities of the First Class Only Does Municipal Officer Wield Any Authority.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Health officers in all cities but those of the first-class were shown their power to quarantine contagious diseases by the law of 1902, and that power was given to the County Health Officer, according to an opinion handed down by Attorney-General W. B. Stratton today.

The opinion is upon an important question that has been the cause of conflict of opinions between health officers in several of the incorporated towns of the state. Recent instances have arisen in the town of Lind and in North Yakima. The town of Lind took the Attorney-General's view and refused a health officer, demanding that the county officer act, and that the county pay the expenses in such matters.

In North Yakima a city health officer was appointed, but the county officer claimed authority to quarantine contagious diseases.

In many towns, however, the city health officers have been acting in accordance with the law of 1902, and it seems that in very few instances have quarantines matters been turned over to the county officer, as the Attorney-General now says they should be.

The Attorney-General holds that the act of 1902 is exclusive in all the matters it covers. The act, therefore, makes the county officer the judge of the character of diseases and the necessity for quarantine, with his judgment subject only to the review of the State Board of Health. The quarantine expenses also devolve upon the counties.

DELINQUENT TAX DECISION.

Judge McBride Passes on Case Involving Payment for 1902.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Circuit Judge McBride today handed down a decision concerning the payment of delinquent taxes for the year 1902. The case involved the payment of taxes on land owned by the Gladstone Real Estate Association against Sheriff Shaver and had for its purpose the defeating of the collection of taxes against property owned by the plaintiff company. Taxes against the property for the year amounting to \$850, which with accrued costs amounted to nearly \$1200.

By the decision of the court the plaintiff company is obliged to pay the amount of the taxes and one-half of the costs, amounting in the aggregate to about \$600. In deciding the suit, Judge McBride said:

"This is a suit to restrain the collection of taxes of 1902 upon the property of the plaintiff. The complaint alleges that the irregularities in the proceedings of the county and the Sheriff which it claims render the tax void and uncollectible. It is claimed among other things that the tax roll as advertised was unerringly padded, so as to greatly increase the cost of advertising. Section 3120 of the code requires that the parcels to be sold, the names of the owners, the amount of the tax, the interest to date of sale, and the penalties accrued against each tract. This section is a description of each tract separately, and I am unable to see that such description could be made in fewer words and yet remain a safe advertisement. Each tract constitutes a separate and distinct parcel, and any attempt to bunch them together would render the sale void. In my judgment, the advertisement was not to the extreme limit of reasonable comprehension."

Another objection made is that there is no certificate of appointment attached to the transcript of the assessment roll delivered by the clerk to the Sheriff. The certificate is in due form, but unsigned, and is, therefore, not valid for any purpose."

There is, therefore, no legal evidence that there was in the hands of the Sheriff any valid transcript of the assessment roll for the year 1902. The assessment roll, transmitted without the certificate had no legal validity and could not authorize the Sheriff to proceed to collect taxes, and any sale under such circumstances would be void. Section 3057 of the Code requires the assessor to return the assessment roll to the County Clerk on or before the first Monday in September. The assessor failed to do so, and the roll was not actually returned until the 14th day of October, long after the period permitted by law. The authorities, this failure to return the roll within the time prescribed by law rendered the assessment void."

For the reasons above mentioned the assessment was void, and the county had no right to sell plaintiff's property or to advertise it for sale. But under the law announced by the Supreme Court in Welch vs. Clatsop County, and under the rule which this court announced in a recent case, the plaintiff cannot be permitted to set aside the assessment roll, and the property in the county which was subject to taxation without first contributing its equitable share to the general burden of taxation. The assessor's return of the assessment roll, being the amount of the tax, less costs and penalties against the Gladstone townsite proper; in addition to this, it should pay the amount charged against the Gladstone townsite, amounting to \$186, and upon the payment of said sum within 30 days, the injunction will be made perpetual, otherwise the complaint will be dismissed."

ISSUE INVITATIONS TO A FEAST

Polk County Republican Club to Ask Prominent Men of the State.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—A Republican club was organized here last night. A petition signed by over 100 Republicans had been directed, and the organization of the Polk County Republican Club is the result. J. L. Hanna was elected president and Claude Fryer was elected secretary. The following were elected as executive committee: R. D. Cooper, W. W. Percival, M. M. Merwin, Fred Oberer, Walter Lyon, J. L. Smith, R. M. Young, O. D. Rider, J. R. Cooper, W. H. Murphy, W. E. Bevis and J. E. Hubbard.

The committee on finances is: J. R. Cooper, W. W. Percival, J. E. Cooper, Fred Oberer and J. M. Stark.

W. W. Percival, J. E. Hubbard and Fred Oberer were appointed a committee on the banquet, which is to be given here on Saturday evening, February 13, to which invitations will be sent to prominent Republicans all over the state.

SENTENCES IN COURT AT UNION

Four Men Plead Guilty and Cases Are Discharged.

LA GRANDE, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—In the Circuit Court, which is in session at Union, the grand jury last night reported five true bills and two not true bills.

Ben Purdy pleaded guilty to the crime of larceny, having stolen a whip and other articles from a La Grande business house, and was given two years in the penitentiary.

Charles Holmes pleaded guilty to the charge of larceny, and will have a trial later.

James Dally, the man who was caught burglarizing Bohemian's store in La Grande, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

David Woodford, accused of larceny,

pleaded guilty and will be sentenced later.

In the cases of Mayme Morris, charged with larceny in robbing a money drawer at a La Grande restaurant, and W. Y. Rushton, charged with assault with intent to kill, the grand jury returned no true bills.

The case of H. Maynard vs. the O. R. & N. Co. is on trial and at last accounts tonight had not gone to the jury.

COMMISSION HOUSE IN TROUBLE

Bolton, De Ruyter & Co. Have Suspended Business at Bay City.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—It was announced this afternoon that the liabilities of Bolton, De Ruyter & Co., the firm of stock brokers who suspended yesterday, will amount to about \$8,000. The firm claims that it will pay dollar for dollar.

The firm places the cause of the failure on excessive buying of credit, and, although no specific charges of dishonesty are made, the responsibility for the lax condition of affairs is placed by the firm upon its employees. It is also said that the employees who had the management of the business of the house were doing extensive operations on their own account and that their speculations proved disastrous.

The firm of Bolton, De Ruyter & Co. had a branch office in this city for a few months, but sold out last Summer to the Overbeck, Starr & Cooke Company. The latter company has no connection with the San Francisco firm, and is in no way affected by the failure. The house was established in San Francisco a number of years ago, and has always had a good reputation.

CUT THROAT IN BARBER'S CHAIR

Carpenter Reached for Razor as the Artist Turns His Head.

MONTEREY, Cal., Feb. 4.—Chris Massey, a carpenter, aged 39 years, committed suicide in a barber shop here tonight. Massey had just seated himself in the barber's chair, and as the barber turned to receive money from a customer Massey reached forward, seized a razor from the shelf in front of him and drew it quickly across his throat, making a gash from ear to ear. Death followed in a few minutes.

Massey is believed to have been mentally unbalanced.

PULLED TRIGGER WITH STRING

Mentally Unbalanced Woman Ends Her Life by Shooting.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Mrs. Laura Gates tied a string to a shotgun trigger, pulled the string and blew her brains out this morning at Walker Landing, on the Snake River, 40 miles northwest of here. Coroner Smith left for Walker's landing tonight.

Mrs. Gates was released from the County Jail here Monday after an incarceration of four days, waiting her recovery from temporary insanity. She was 24 years old, and had not lived with her husband for six months.

NORTHWEST DEAD.

George W. Rodman.

SUNNYSIDE, Wash., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—George W. Rodman, a pioneer of Washington, died here with apoplexy Tuesday morning. He was born in Oswego, N. Y., 60 years ago. He was six years cashier of the First National Bank of San Francisco. While there he was united in marriage with Albertine Eschenburg. He leaves a widow and five children. Frank, George and Albertine reside here. Charles is in college at Tacoma and Herman is in Vallejo, Cal.

William Brey.

SALEM, Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Undertaker W. T. Jordan this evening received a dispatch informing him of the death of William Brey, at Ukiah, Cal., today. The deceased was a member of a well-known pioneer family of Oregon, and left several children, among them George Brey, of Independence; Mrs. James Warner, of Salem; Miss Clara Brey and Mrs. Charles R. C. Hance, of Portland. The funeral will be held here, probably on Sunday or Monday.

A. O. Brown.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—A. O. Brown, an old and respected citizen of Washington, died here, dropped dead at his home at Cornelius while inspecting a horse this afternoon. He was an influential factor for many years in Populist movements in this country.

Hugh B. Via.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Hugh B. Via, aged 35 years, died in Los Angeles last Monday of pulmonary consumption. Deceased was a son of Dr. W. P. Via, of this place, and had lived here for 15 years. A wife survives him. Interment will be at Forest Grove.

Orders Made in Supreme Court.

SALEM, Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Orders were made in the Supreme Court today as follows:

J. R. Pringle, of San Francisco, admitted to the bar upon a certificate from the Supreme Court of California.

Peninsular Real Estate Company, respondent, vs. John A. Zahur, appellant, respondent allowed 20 days from January 20 to file brief.

State of Oregon, respondent, vs. Charles Houston, appellant, respondent's time to file brief extended ten days.

The case of City of Portland, respondent, vs. Wing Vick, was tried today, J. P. Kavanaugh appearing for the city and C. M. Idemian for the defense.

Less Fees for County Officers.

RAINIER, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—The total fees of the county officers for the month of January, 1904, was \$255.30. This is \$100 less than it would have been had the fee system been left as it was. The new fee system, which is known as the McBride bill, because prepared by Judge McBride, makes no provision for filing fees, but the old law provided for 25 cents for indexing both direct and indirect. This also is done away with. The amount of fees for the month of January, 1904, was double the amount of this year.

Ex-Convict Will Stay in Yakima Jail.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Fred Slocum, who furnished tools for prisoners to attempt to break out of the Yakima County Jail, has been found guilty by a jury. He is the man who was arrested here last June and one of the escaped convicts of the Polson, Cal., State Prison, but was later released. He had been in that prison, but was released a week after the escape.

Robert Thomas, who was charged with passing bogus money, was also found guilty.

Railroad Storing Ice.

LA GRANDE, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—M. Backus, assistant superintendent of the O. R. & N., states that 20,000 tons of ice have already been put up in the company's icehouse this season, and over 300 tons more will be put up, taken from the Grand Ronde River.

A great deal of fruit is shipped out from this valley each season, and much of the ice is put into the refrigerator cars that pass through here.

Increase of Mounted Police.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 4.—The Northwest Mounted Police force is to be increased by 100 men. This is on account of the extension of the patrol service to the Yukon and on account of the increased area of settlement.

The force is at present up to its full strength of 800 men. Of these 300 are in the Yukon.

BROKEN LINES



AT BROKEN PRICES

BEN SELLING

LEADING CLOTHIER

MUCH OF HIS SKIN IS GONE

GRAFTS FROM 200 PEOPLE NEEDED FOR A PATIENT.

Explosion of a Water Heater Led to Loss of Cuticle From 3 1-2 Square Feet.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 4.—An extensive skin-grafting operation is now in progress at the Emergency Hospital and General Hospital in this city.

On January 25 last, C. M. Schinsler, formerly of Des Moines, Ia., was horribly burned by the explosion of an instantaneous water heater. There now remains on his body, according to the attending surgeons, an area from which the cuticle is entirely missing equal to three and a half square feet. In order to heal this surface it will be necessary to cover it with new skin by the grafting process.

The number of persons required to furnish the amount of cuticle needed for this purpose is estimated by the surgeons to be about 200. Schinsler is a member of the Order of Modern