

"WAS THE DUTCH"

Pete Lohman's Pitcher Schmidt Defeats Browns 6-1.

PORTLAND MEN OUT OF FORM

Castro, Francis and Beck Make Costly Errors—Southpaw Shields Easy Picking for Oakland's Heavy Hitters.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., March 20.—(Special.)—The game today between Portland and Oakland nearly resulted in a shut-out for the former. Schmidt pitched a wonderful game throughout and the hard-hitting Browns could not hit safe balls at all.

The Browns must have gone all to pieces after defeating Chicago, for they certainly got "their" yesterday from Lohman's aggression. Schmidt seems to be able to take them out of their own self when he can cut off the Brown brigade with but one run.

JACK RABBITS HARD TO HERD

Experience of Champion Base-Runner as a Shepherd.

Manager Cantillon, of Milwaukee, says that he has signed the champion base runner in a player named Williams. He was once a shepherd, and here is a tale they tell on him.

Williams had despaired of becoming a ballplayer and hired out to a Montana ranchman to tend sheep. On being put to work the first day he was given a pony and told to take care of the sheep.

Good old Jay Andrews is as busy as a bee with the college signing players for his Sioux City team. Jay's line-up is as follows:

First base, "Jack" Messery, Portland; second base, Bert Dunn, Helena, Mont.; third base, Jay Andrews, right field, G. G. Hurtbert, Portland; center field, "Deacon" Lehr, Sioux City; shortstop, "King" Kelly, Portland; pitchers, Sam McBurney, formerly of Tacoma and Portland, and Jack Cavanaugh, of Hoboken. All of the players signed from Portland left Saturday night.

Walter McCredie suffered the inconvenience of hard spring training for a short time, but now is in first-class condition. McCredie is an unassuming gentleman and a faithful worker.

"There never was but one Chris Von der Ahe in baseball," said an old ballplayer a few days ago. "and the game has missed him sadly since his retirement. I was reading the other day of the time Hans Wagner stuck his hand in his trousers pocket to get a chew of tobacco, and the hand stuck while a fly was batted his way just at that moment."

"That was a hard luck, but Cliff Carroll once had a stroke of ill-fortune that beat it a mile, and in this story Von der Ahe figures."

"Von der Ahe was a franciscan. After finishing Carroll he was ordered new uniforms with out a vestige of a pocket. But Mr. Von der Ahe," objected Secretary Munson, "the men used pockets in which to keep their handkerchiefs. How can they wipe the perspiration from their faces?"

"Fine any man dot berries die," thundered Chris.

"But where will they carry their tobacco?"

"Let dem chew bay. Dey can carry a vep mit they in der belt," roared Chris.

FIRST MOVE TOWARD CONTINENTAL EXPANSION

Dear Sir Annapolis Dec. 4, 1783.

I received here about a week ago your obliging letter of Oct. 12, 1783, with the shells & seeds for which I return you many thanks; you are also so kind as to keep alive the hope of getting for me as many of the different species of bones, teeth & tusks of the Mammoth as can now be found. This will be most acceptable. Pittsburg, Philadelphia or Winchester will be the surest channel for exploring the country from the Missouri to California. I find they have subscribed a very large sum of money for exploring the country from the Missouri to California. I am afraid they have thoughts of colonizing into that quarter. Some of us have been talking here in a pebble way of making the attempt to search that country, but I doubt whether we have enough of that kind of spirit to raise the money, how would you like to lead such a party? I am afraid our prospect is not worth asking. The question the dependence treaty of peace is at length arrived at is not altered from the preliminary the cession of the territory West of this to the United States has been at length accepted by Congress with some small alterations of the conditions we are in daily expectation of receiving it with the final approbation of Virginia Congress have been lately agitated by questions where they should fix their residence they just resolved on Trenton the Southern states however contrived to get a vote that they would give half their time to Georgetown at the Falls of Potomac. Shall we consider the matter as undecided between the Delaware & Patuxent we urge the letter as the only point of union which can cement us to our Western friends when they shall be formed into separate states I shall always be happy to hear from you and am with very particular esteem Dr. Sir

Your friend & humble servant

J. Jefferson

FAC-SIMILE OF JEFFERSON'S LETTER TO GENERAL GEORGE ROGERS CLARK, WRITTEN IN 1783. The foregoing fac-simile of a letter written by Thomas Jefferson to General George Rogers Clark contains the first proposal toward the expansion which has made the United States a world power. General Clark was a brother of William Clark, who explored the Oregon country with Meriwether Lewis in 1804-6. When Jefferson wrote the treaty of peace with Great Britain acknowledging the independence of the United States had only recently been signed, Jefferson suspected that the English had designs upon the country between the Mississippi and the Pacific Ocean; hence his proposal to head them off with an expedition to be led by an American. Nothing came of Jefferson's suggestion to Clark, and so far as known it was ignored. General Clark's fame reached its climax with his victory over the British at Vincennes, Ind., on February 25, 1778, the result of which was the winning of the territory comprising the present States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin for the United States. After a few years, overcome by the drink habit, and settled by what he considered the ingratitude of the Republic in not properly rewarding his services, Clark became morose, and while always honored, had but little influence. He was not in a humor in 1783 to undertake any more expeditions for the United States, but his young brother, William, together with Captain Lewis, 20 years later, carried out President Jefferson's ideas and raised the American flag on the Pacific Coast.

multified. My friend, can't you see I have my umbrella, and he walked on." This reminded Tommy Leahy of a little experience he had at Milwaukee, which is famous for its larger beer. He was sitting on the bench that day, and in the middle of the game the local backstop had a bad inning and dropped a few balls and made a couple of wild throws. A big German pulled out from the bleachers. "Put Levy in. He is the best-best catcher." From that day on Tommy was called Levy by his clubmates.

Jack Kelly, known to every fan on the Pacific Coast League Circuit, has been dangerously ill at San Jose. Kelly missed having pneumonia by a nose.

Big Bill Massey, who takes Ed Pott's place at the initial sack for Uncle Hank Harris, is greatly impressed with the California climate. Massey came out from the snow banks and he likes the California climate to a day in June.

TRACK TEAM AT WORK

Multnomah Club Trying Novices for Coming Indoor Meet.

Columbia next month. The club intends to give its novices a chance at that time, as an unusual amount of new raw material is developing that has to be tried out. Some of the men who are out already for the track team are named below: Track events, dashes, Gammie, Holman, Jordan, Holcomb, Downs, Ingalls and Holford; quarter and half-mile distance runs; Johnson, Barty, Nicholas, Holcomb, Allen, Whitcomb and Zan; field events, weights, Ross, James King and Gille; pole-vault and jumps, Oscar Kerrigan, Holford, Murray, Allen and Barton. Many of these men will train for events besides those under which they are named, but in those they are specializing. Very little can be told of the new material as yet, but H. W. Kerrigan, manager of the team, says he is satisfied with the showing so far, and that he has noticed a number of new men from whom he expects good work.

TRY OUT THE WRESTLERS.

Entry List of Novices at Multnomah Includes Many Lightweights.

First try-outs for the novice class of wrestlers take place at the Multnomah Club tonight. The entry list has been closed and several names were entered at the last. Instructor Acton says that the men are strong for their class, most of them being light and even bantam-weights, and he looks for some hard work on the mat tonight.

GRITZMACHER BILLIARD CHAMPION.

A. B. Gritzmacher has won the handicap billiard tournament at the Multnomah Club. Second place has not been contested for as yet, but it lies between C. S. Barton and S. L. Banks. All other games have been played off. The tournament has been on for several weeks and on account of the large entry list a number of series were played at first and the winners of each of these were rehandicapped and scheduled for the final series. Gritzmacher was rehandicapped at 80, Barton at 75 and Banks at 60. The last game will be played in a day or so.

AMATEUR BOXERS WILL CONTEST.

It seems that Portland is to have amateur boxing contests, even if the local fight followers cannot have the real thing. Tommy Tracey has a number of very likely youngsters whom he is teaching the art of the "padded mitt" and in order to give them the finishing touches he has had built a stakes-free ring in the rear of his place. It is Tracey's intention to give strictly amateur boxing contests, both in boxing, bag-punching and wrestling. He has also a couple of clever middle-weights who can go some.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth. Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and diarrhoea.

HEAVY WORK OVER

Young Corbett and Britt Are Rounding Into Form.

NO BETS ARE BEING PLACED

Britt Backers Talk 10 to 6, While the Corbett Money Says 10 to 8 is a Fair Price.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—The fight between Young Corbett and Jimmy Britt in this city next Friday night promises to break the betting record for attendance. It was given out today that the sale of seats already exceeds \$20,000.

The boxers have practically finished all of their heavy training and will confine themselves to light exercises hereafter. Interest in the training has been supererogated by the discussion of the peculiarity attending the betting or rather the lack of it.

A dollar has been placed with the usual pool sellers. Harry Corbett, who handles most of the money wagered on pugilistic happenings, declares that he has not yet received a bet. Yet at the same time it is known there is much money ready to be placed. The lack of betting is due to the maneuvering for odds.

The Britt men went the short end at 10 to 6, while the Corbett people declare that 10 to 8 would be a fair price. The Corbett people are somewhat disappointed at the situation, as they believe the local sentiment behind the money placed on the betting was, but they have learned that a considerable portion of the San Francisco dollars will be placed on the success of the champion.

Corbett's second fight will be Harry Tuttil, Tim McGrath, Billy Otts and Billy Roche. Britt will have in his corner Spider Kelly, Frank Rafael, Curtis Richardson and "Smiling" Metzner.

TEAM IN FINE CONDITION.

Browns Have Won Admiration of the Chicagoans.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., March 20.—(Special.)—St. Patrick's day and the great victory won Wednesday when the Portland team outplayed the Chicago Nationals and the fact that the majority of the men in the post office through many maneuvers and with the work St. Patrick's day. Fifteen men with Portland uniforms on ran to Athletic Park in the morning as usual, and returned again in the afternoon, going through many maneuvers and were photographed.

Ike Butler has trained faithfully and was in perfect trim up to a few days ago, when he met with an accident that disabled his left knee. It can be easily understood how much credit this young athlete deserves when it is known that he pitched the great game of Wednesday with an injured leg.

Southpaw Shields, while sending in hot balls for his team mates to hit, was also injured. Castro landed on a wide throw and batted a fierce liner at the pitcher, who was unable to get out of reach, and the horsehide struck his right leg and disabled him. Massage treatment in each case is helping the disabled men, and they will be all right in a few days.

The appearance of Durg Hamburg, the pitcher, who did not put in an appearance until Wednesday night. He was scheduled to arrive in Bakersfield on February 24, but the first little child was seriously ill and then Mr. Hamburg himself was taken sick. Ely could not afford to open the season with Butler, Shields, Thielman and Experiment Druhoh, so he commenced to correspond for another man.

The appearance of Durg Wednesday night and the form he displayed at the ball park Thursday relieved much anxiety. The latter has been undergoing some training in San Francisco during the absence of his child and is apparently in better trim than some of the pitchers who have been on the ground.

Little Druhoh has ambitiously conditioned himself and with a bright eye and strong arm looks as if he will make good. Shields has perfect wind and in the exhibition games was invincible, but he is complaining of rheumatic pains in his legs. Thielman was one of the last men to arrive, and has only had about eight days' hard work.

The general impression here is that Portland hardly needs a star pitcher, as the way Fresting, McCredie, Nadeau, Castro, Drennan and Steelman have been hitting the ball in every single exhibition game by themselves. In Wednesday's game against Chicago only one Portland man struck out. When the big webfeet connected the ball was not swatted into the air, but hard grounders were batted and many of them were in the hole.

Mr. Hoynes, who is traveling with the National League for the Tribune in the Windy City, told the Oregonian correspondent that it was the universal opinion of the first men to arrive here, that Ike Butler is the best pitcher they have faced all the way through Texas and during their three games at Los Angeles.

Jerry Freeman, the first baseman, was one of the first men to arrive here. He took off at least 150 pounds and is a very accurate and quick in both fielding and throwing. Beck at second is rapidly coming around. He has only had one good week's practice and although his fields well, he seems still all over. Ike Francis at third has trained along with the rest of the players for nearly a month. He has made some brilliant plays, but made several errors. His display in Wednesday's game gave Chicago the run that tied the score.

Louis Castro started from Baltimore for Bakersfield on a Sunday night and arrived in this city on the Ore the following Friday morning at 2 A. M. The Venezuelan boy was tired from the long journey, but Manager Ely hustled him out to the ball field that day and worked him hard, and poor Castro landed in the hole that night a cripple. He went to bed early, but could hardly move from stiffness the next day. There was no let-up for him, and after three weeks of that kind of training he is now in perfect condition, quick as a cat, face brown, eyes clear, and he feels like a 2-year-old. Ely has taken great pleasure in having balls to him for long periods. In the shortstop territory the ex-Baltimore player is simply marvelous. Side running and left-handed catches of seemingly impossible chances are a few of them. He has already earned his eye is lightning fast, and his Chicago heavy hitters found him impregnable. At the bat he is very strong.

The numerous newspaper reports that President Bert has ordered Mr. Ely to pay Hanlon \$100 for Castro's release and that if this money matter is not adjusted Castro will not be allowed to play on the Coast, have not hindered the spirits of the Portland shortstop. He has much faith in Fred Ely and has often told the Oregonian correspondent that he will either play with Portland or remain in California or Oregon with some small independent club. He is very bitter toward Mr. Hanlon. Baltimore journals have reached this city with such paragraphs as "The peace commission is entirely destroyed" and "Where is our wandering boy, Castro?"

To converse with Manager Ely in regard to Castro works the latter gentleman up to a high pitch. He did not attend the meeting of the Pacific Coast magnates in San Francisco on Monday, when the

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TO CLEAR THEIR RECORDS

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FISHER HOLDS GAB-FEST.

Says Tigers Won't Play With Castro in Game.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., March 20.—(Special.)—Manager Mike Fisher, of the Tacoma League team, which is practicing at Fresno, where Portland commences the season Thursday, is reported to have said that he will take his team off the diamond if Ely insists upon playing Louis Castro. He is also quoted as saying that his Tacoma organization will not play six straight games from the Browns.

Bakersfield is a great baseball city, considering the population. Nearly 1000 people paid 50 cents admission for the Chicago-Portland contest and extra for the grandstand, besides over 250 deadbeats by the fence route.

How Fresno will patronize the regular Pacific Coast League teams is a question. Bakersfield would like to have some of the league championship contests pulled off in this city, and would fill Athletic Park to overflowing if such arrangement could be made.

GOOD THING FOR THE COMPANY?

Mayor Johnson's 3-Cent Fare Scheme Has a 7-Cent String to It.

Cleveland Papers. Mayor Johnson is staking his political reputation and standing in the test of the fare for the street railway. The Cleveland Electric Railway Company here is quickly as the directors of the company ratify the agreement made by the Mayor with the officers of the men. The test is not alone of vast importance to the Mayor from his personal standpoint, but it is of universal interest to the street-railway interests of the country.

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The proposition meets with more general approval than the one made by the Mayor and President Andrews of the traction company, and the progress of three months test of the new things will be watched with great interest by the people of Cleveland and by the financiers and investors in tractions all over the country.

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