THREE LINN MEN MAY SETTLE FIGHT

Members of House From That County Will Act Today on Speakership.

VOTES NEEDED BY VAWTER

If They Go to Davey, Medford Man Will Probably Retire From Race.

Jonathan Bourne's Name Is Injected Into Fight.

The fight for Speaker of the Oregon Legislature will be centered today in Linn County, where three Representatives—Holt, Brown and Upmeyer—are to choose between Vawter and Davey. The two candidates went to that county on the late train last night, for it had been agreed between the Representatives there that they are to choose today, on the occasion of the shippers' congress in Albany.

Should Vawter win in Linn, he will continue a vigorous fight, but should he lose there, he will probably cease active efforts for the place and concede the victory to Davey. Even with Linn County supporting him, he would have an uphill fight, and the Davey forces say that he could not be elected. This is true, unless Vawter could use success in Linn County as a lever for prying loose votes elsewhere—for example, Furdy and Barrett of Washington, Carter of Benton; Dye, Jones and Campbell of Clackamas, Dobbin of Wallowa, McCue and Brix of Clatsop, every one of whom he would need in order to make a showing approximately equal to that of Davey.

The Vawter forces realize the necessity of their winning Linn, and now are to put forth their supreme effort there.

Umatilla Leans Toward Davey.

Both sides rested on their arms yesterday, so far as winning votes went. Dobbin, of Wallowa, arrived, but gave out that he had made no choice and would not make any until after conferring with the Umatilla delegation, consisting of Steen, Barret and Slusher, the last named of whom had not yet come to Portland. Slusher is expected to be in the city this morning, and then the Umatilla Representatives and Dobbin are expected to make their announcement. There is litle doubt that the three Umatilla men will support Davey; such is the leaning of Steen and Barrett, who were in the city yesterday.

Other Eastern Oregon Representatives who are expected to be in Portland this morning are Donnelly, of Wheeler, and Moore, of Baker. King, of Malheur, arrived yesterday and made known that he is a supporter of Davey. Both Moore and Donnelly will probably vote for Davey, also. Pike, of Sherman, Donnelly's colleague for the Representative District of Sherman, Wheeler and Gilliam, was in Portland as a supporter of Davey, but would not slay the Davey pledge until he shall have conferred with Donnelly.

Vawter stoutly maintained last night that he has a good fighting chance and averred that he would win Linn today. Davey asserted the contrary just as strongly.

The rival candidates charge each other with injecting Bourne politics into the fight. Vawter declares the Bourne influence is working for Davey, and Davey returns that Vawter, or his followers, are working up a pretext to fight Bourne for United States Senator. Vawter asserted last night that he was not fighting Bourne for United States Senator, but for organizer of the Legislature.

Bourne Denies Any Part in Contest.

Bourne himself denies that he is taking any part in the contest. His friends say that repeated efforts have been made to get him into the fight by followers of each candidate, and that he has refused them all. Yesterday the following telegram was received by Bourne's secretary in Portland, Miss Ida M. Arneson, from Bourne in Washington:

"Tell my friends, impossible for me to take any hand in organization contest. I have not asked any Legislative member to vote for or against any candidate."

As to this telegram, Vawter said last night:

"It may be true that Mr. Bourne is taking no hand himself, but his lieutenants here in Portland are taking a hand, presumably with his sanction and, with his encouragement. We have encountered them on all sides of this fight, working for Davey. We have had to fight back, but not of our own accord. Mr. Bourne's lieutenants have forced us to it."

"Do you mean that you are fighting Bourne for Senator?" was asked.

"Not at all. I am a 'statement No. 1' man and will follow the popular will that picked out Mr. Bourne for Senator. But it seems to me that Mr. Bourne should accept the gift of the people in the Senatorship and keep out of the fight for organization of the people's Legislature. I do not see that the Senatorship has any bearing on the selection of Speaker."

Davey calls this talk of the Vawter men, "an attempt to defeat the will of the people over my shoulders. Said he last night:

"Not Fair Politics," Says Davey.

"I am very sorry to see things injected into this contest which have no place. There has been too much of it for a few days. It is not fair politics, nor entitled to countenance. The attempt to defeat the will of the people over my shoulders is too flimsy a subterfuge, and will not deceive any person. The selection of a United States Senator has nothing whatever to do with my election as Speaker of the House, unless the parties who are trying to mix the two are willing to admit that they are part of a scheme to defeat the people's choice, and that they fear my occupancy of the chair would frustrate that plan. Mr. Bourne's personal fights are not mine, but when I signed Statement No. 1 I did so as a Republican who believed in its principle, who believed in the right and the ability of the people to choose their Senator under the law which we as Republicans pledged the people to respect for a fair trial. In signing Statement No. 1, my opponent, Mr. Vawter, was presumably actuated by the same motives. I would not now assume otherwise.

"I have not asked Mr. Bourne to take sides in the Speakership contest. In fact, he told me positively he would not. He said he considered the Senatorial question settled, and the matter of who should preside in either house was one in which he would not attempt to interfere. Some of my supporters may be friends of Mr. Bourne, but their good word for me comes through my long personal acquaintance with them and their own knowledge of me. I have also many warm supporters who are not friends of Mr. Bourne, and who recognize no 'Bourne' or 'anti-Bourne' in this contest.

"My chances of success were never so bright as they are tonight. Had the trains run on time this evening and brought expected Representatives to the city, positive announcements would be laid before you at this time to show that there are sufficient votes already secured to insure me the number which I have heretofore claimed—at least 34, and probably 39. I have not so far, and will not now, give positive announcement of support until the members give me the right to do so, but I have full faith in their personal pledges, and know they will support me."

NO SIGN OF MEN OR BOAT

Search for Remains of Five Lost in Columbia River Unavailing.

B. L. Barry, of Dayton, Or., who returned to this city last night from McGowans, on the Columbia River, reports that absolutely no trace has been found either of the five men who were drowned in an attempt to cross that stream last Sunday evening, or of the frail craft in which the fatal trip was undertaken. A thorough search for the bodies has been fruitlessly conducted since Monday morning and the attempt to locate the remains was abandoned last evening because of the formation of ice on the river. The victims of the tragedy were: W. E. Murray, of Butler, County Surveyor of Skamania County, and brother-in-law of Mr. Barry; Carl Lindstrum, manager of McGowans' cannery; William Wallace, of McGowans; James Jackman and Sam Hinch, both of Stevenson. Murray and Lindstrom were married men.

All five of the victims, reports Mr. Barry, were thoroughly acquainted with the river, and their drowning is attributed solely to an error in judgment on their part. They attempted to cross the turbulent stream in a 16-foot craft, leaving Butler, on the Washington side, for McGowans, at dusk last Sunday evening. Murray suggested the use of a heavier boat, belonging to Wallace, but Lindstrom, in whom the members of the party had all confidence, assured his companions that the trip could safely be made in the lighter craft. "Don't drown us, Carl," remarked Murray, and to this admonition Lindstrom significantly responded, "If I do, I'll go with you." This conversation was overheard by men who witnessed the departure of the party, of which not the slightest trace has since been found.

Murray was well known in this city, where for several years he was record keeper of Albina Tent, No. 71, K. O. T. M., to which he still belonged. The search for the drowned men will be renewed today if the weather moderates sufficiently to melt the ice that formed yesterday.

ANOTHER FAMILY HOTEL

R. B. Lamson Will Erect $150,000 Building on Eleventh Street.

Work upon another large family hotel in Portland is to be commenced within the next month. It is to be erected upon the quarter-block at the southwest corner of Eleventh and Stark streets, by R. B. Lamson, owner of the property. The project is definitely settled, as a lease on the proposed building has already been signed by Mrs. A. S. Norton, proprietor of the Nortonia. The negotiations were carried on through the agency of Will H. Walker.

The new hotel is to be six stories in height and will cover the entire quarter block. It will contain between 160 and 200 rooms, and will cost approximately $150,000. It will be a strictly first-class building, containing all modern improvements.

There will be a court entrance on the Eleventh-street front of the building, partially inclosed beneath a covering of glass. An iron gateway and other features will give the hotel an exceedingly attractive appearance. There will be a commodious ratheskeller and all other accommodations will be of the best. The specifications are being prepared by Joseph Jacobberger.

The lease by Mrs. Norton has been signed for a period of 10 years. As the land is vacant, the work of excavation can start with little delay, and the structure will be hurried to completion.

The Lamson property is a portion of the old Flunder half-block. Upon the other quarter-block, at the northwest corner of Eleventh and Washington streets, S. Morton Cohn is to begin the erection of a similar building within the next month.

FORMAL CHARGE IS MADE

Fred Nelson Held for Complicity in Shooting of Oscar Lindgren.

Mrs. Oscar Lindgren, wife of the saloon-keeper who was shot and dangerously wounded in his place of business Tuesday night, yesterday signed a complaint charging Fred Nelson, former bartender for Lindgren, with complicity in the shooting. Nelson was arrested at the scene of the shooting Tuesday night by Sergeant Baty and Detective Price. He was seen running away from the saloon, to which he returned shortly after, and is said to have attempted to pull the bandages from the head of the wounded man before the arrival of the patrol wagon.

The officers are satisfied that Nelson knows more of the shooting than he has told, and are now looking for two others, who make up the trio concerned in the murderous assault.

Deputy District Attorney Moser, accompanied by Sergeant Baty and Detective Price, visited the Good Samaritan Hospital for the purpose of securing a statement from Lindgren, but the condition of the wounded man was so serious that they were unable to gain the desired interview.

Youths of Portland Enjoy Ice Skating

Sloughs on East Side Are Frozen and Small Boys Search Garrets for Skates.

FOR the first time in several years the youth of Portland are enjoying skating—real ice skating. The sloughs on the East Side near the Burnside-street bridge and in Sullivan's Gulch were frozen hard enough to bear last evening, and it did not take the ubiquitous small boy long to learn that fact.

New skates, rusty skates and any old thing that resembled a skate were dragged out of garrets and the ideal Winter sport thoroughly enjoyed during the evening. The low temperature of the last few days cooled the water to the freezing point, but it was not until the wind died down that ice in any quantity formed. With continued cold for the next 24 hours there will be plenty of skating for all.

Mayor Is Succeeded by His Son.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Jan. 9.—(Special.)—Mayor A. S. Blowers, who has served the city of Hood River in the capacity of chief executive and other official positions for a good many years, retired from office last evening, and was succeeded as Mayor by his son, Lawrence N. Blowers.

WOULD ABOLISH STATE POLL TAX

Assessors Say It Is a Dead Letter, and Favor Adding Sum to Road Tax.

PAPER BY C. P. STRAIN

Umatilla Assessor Discusses "The Commission as an Adjunct of Government"—Convention Will End Tomorrow.

Yesterday's session of the Convention of Oregon Assessors was devoted entirely to a consideration of the report of the Oregon Tax Commission and its many recommendations relating to assessment and taxation. Only a part of the report was reviewed, but the assessors concurred with the Tax Commission in its recommendations. Unanimous approval was had of the suggestion that the state poll tax of $1 be abolished, and as an alternative, that it be added to the road poll tax, so that the latter shall be $4 instead of $3 per annum. Under the present practice the $1 poll tax is a dead letter in this state. The assessor is directed to collect this tax, but is given no authority to enforce the collection.

Another more or less complex subject considered at yesterday's session was that of personal property, and the convention indorsed the recommendations of the Tax Commission in this regard also. Among the other features of the tax laws considered were: Apportionment of liquor license fees between the state and municipalities and inheritance taxes.

There was an increased attendance of Assessors yesterday, but the work of the association will not be concluded before tomorrow. In fact, several of the delegates will remain in this city until next week. In the meantime they are busy buttonholing members of the Legislature in the interest of several measures the Assessors expect to have introduced at Salem. A delegation of the Assessors will go to Salem and further present their interests and enlist support in the pending measures.

Paper by Assessor Strain.

Assessor Sigler, president of the association, read an exhaustive paper yesterday afternoon on "The Commission as an Adjunct of Government, and the Report of the Oregon Tax Commission," prepared and forwarded by C. P. Strain, Assessor of Umatilla County. Discussing the report of the Commission, Mr. Strain takes exception to the recommendation for a unit system in making assessments. He commends the work of the commission as a whole, but says it is in need of many amendments. Mr. Strain proposes a Constitutional amendment, providing reasonable exemptions to all, letting taxation rest upon all property in excess of a necessary minimum. In concluding his paper, for which the writer received the thanks of the association, Mr. Strain said:

Railroad Values.

The report (Tax Commission) discloses the fact that about 50 per cent of railroad values have heretofore escaped taxation in the state.

If this shall lead to a full assessment of railroads, it will add $35,000,000 or $40,000,000 to the state's taxable value, and thus reduce the taxes upon other tax-payers generally to the extent of many thousands of dollars per annum.

Needed Amendment.

But their proposed scheme of reaching this rich source of revenue seems to contemplate a weak or venal character in the person of the County Assessor, and an irreproachable state official.

It provides for a division of assessments, giving railroads and certain other inter-county property to a state board, but leaving the rest to County Assessors.

I do not object to this scheme as an abstract proposition. But I do object to it as presented by the Commission.

They propose to compel County Assessors to assess their end of the property at full value by penalizing a failure to do so.

But they place full reliance upon the honor of state officials to bring their end of the property up to the mark without compulsion.

Neither experience nor common sense warrants the expectation that state officials are better able to resist the temptations incident to their great powers and responsibilities than are county officials to withstand the smaller temptations which beset them.

Capitalized Earnings.

The proposition to reduce the taxable property of corporations to an advalorum basis by capitalizing their earnings strikes me as a sound recommendation.

Appeal to Circuit Court.

Provision for direct appeal from the Board of Equalization to the Circuit Court is a strong feature of the report.

It will facilitate the collection of contested taxes and thus withdraw from powerful corporations their most potent means of tax-dodging.

Minor Provisions.

Among the minor recommendations, these are important:

1. Requirement for filing objections to assessment lists in writing under oath.
2. A single roll.
3. Making personal property taxes a lien upon real estate.
4. Collection of delinquent taxes on real estate.
5. Apportionment of liquor license taxes between the state and municipalities.
6. Corporation organization fees.

Precinct Assessors.

I did not expect to discuss precinct Assessors, but I find sufficient sentiment in favor of it to warrant its consideration here.

So long as the County Court makes the levy for the whole county, as at present, the precinct plan of assessment can not be adopted without violation of an important principle of taxation.

The boundaries of the assessing district and of the tax levying district should be the same. My county has 40 precincts and one County Court.

Give us 40 Assessors, each independent of the other 39, and we shall have assessments made at 40 different percentages of actual value, with a progressive tendency toward lower valuations from year to year.

While the state made a levy for state purposes upon the valuations as returned by County Assessors, even though these were subject to equalization by a state board, this tendency prevailed.

It is bound to prevail everywhere that an opportunity is afforded a precinct to cheat the county or a county to cheat the state, by an under-valuation of property within the smaller district.

"The County Assessor can have but little motive to assess one portion of his territory higher than another, for he is equally amenable to all its voters.

Aside from this, the County Assessor's office, being located at the county seat, affords an easier means of keeping up with descriptions and present ownership of land than would be possible under the precinct plan.

In conclusion, permit me to say that while I do not fully agree with them, the Commission have rendered a report of such value as to entitle them to the gratitude of the state. If wisely acted upon by the Legislature, it will yield a large return in money value to the ordinary citizen, thus making a distinct advance toward economy and an equitable division of the taxes among the different classes of property.

Milwaukie Country Club.

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$30.00 Armchair, to match; sale price $18.00
$56.00 Divan in richly carved and polished mahogany; sale price $29.00
$32.50 Armchair, to match; sale price $19.75
$58.00 Upholstered Mahogany Divan; sale price $29.75
$58.00 Combination Hall Seat and Wardrobe, in the golden oak; sale price $32.50
$55.00 Buffet, in the weathered oak; sale price $37.50
$65.00 China Closet, in the weathered oak, leaded glass front; sale price $39.75
$70.00 Dresser, in richly carved and polished mahogany; sale price $45.00
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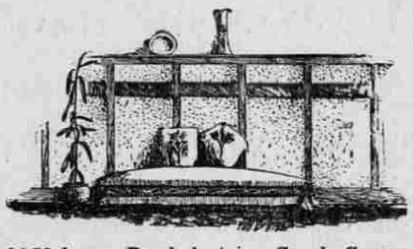

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$2.00 Couch Covers, 60 inches wide, 3 yards long, fringed, Oriental colorings; special ..... 95¢
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Young Corbett Pitiful Spectacle With Murphy.

GONG PREVENTS KNOCKOUT

Ex-Champion Given No Rest by New York Fighter—Driven About Ring, He Hangs Helpless on Ropes.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 9.—Tommy Murphy, of New York, gave Young Corbett a severe beating in a six-round bout before the National Athletic Club tonight. From the first to the sixth round Murphy outfought the former champion at all stages.

In the second round only the sound of the bell saved Corbett from a knockout. Murphy rained blows on the former Denver lightweight and near the close of the round sent Corbett to the floor with a right to the jaw. When Corbett rose, Murphy kept after him, sending lefts and rights to the face and body. When the gong sounded, Corbett was hanging on the ropes practically helpless. The one-minute rest brought him back in fairly good condition, but Murphy gave him no opportunity to rest, and drove Corbett from side to side of the ring, landing on the face and body almost at will. Corbett got in an occasional blow to the kidneys and back, but they lacked force.

In the third round Corbett tried the tactics he worked on McGovern so successfully in their two championship battles. Murphy simply smiled and drove two rights to the jaw with such force that Corbett refused to talk. The fourth, fifth and sixth rounds were repetitions of the third. Corbett tired perceptibly in the closing rounds.

Murphy's condition was perfect, but it is probable that Corbett would have tipped the beam close to 140 pounds. He was slow and wild, and outclassed in boxing, hitting and other respects.

EXTENDS CALIFORNIA RIGHTS

National Association Grants Coast League Wider Territory.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—The National Association of Baseball Leagues today made some revision of the constitution and elected its officers and board of arbitration, adding to the latter the name of J. D. O'Brien, of Milwaukee, president of the American Baseball League.

The Pacific Coast League was granted an enlargement of territorial rights in California. A recommendation was made that all contracts with players shall be uniform, and that there shall be no "non-reserve" contracts, save with the consent of the secretary of the National board and the secretary of the National Baseball Association.

Representatives of the Eastern League and the American Association, which are in Class A of the National Association, the highest class, asked that they be given a special classification of "AA," denoting a higher rating. To this the Pacific Coast League and the Southern Association entered a vigorous and successful protest.

The association indorsed a request of Eugene F. Bert, of the Pacific Coast League, that the "drafting" season of that league end uniformly with that of the other leagues, namely, September 10. Mr. Bert thanked the association for financial aid during the San Francisco disaster.

THE DAY'S HORSE RACES.

At Emeryville.

OAKLAND, Jan. 9.—Results of races:

Futurity course—Burnolette won, Procrastinate second, Princess Wheeler third; time, 1:13.

Three furlongs—Banonica won, Alba second, Jeremiah third; time, 0:38 1-5.

Five and one-half furlongs—Korosilany won, Coco second, La Rose third; time, 1:10 2-5.

Mile and 100 yards, the Cossette handicap—Joe Coyne won, Nealon second, Corrigan third; time, 1:49 2-5.

Mile and quarter, selling—Voladay won, Graphite second, Baker third; time, 2:11 3-5.

One mile, selling—Beechwood won, Fulletta second, Governor Davis third; time, 1:43 1-5.

At New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 9.—City Park race results:

Five furlongs—Dinemock won, Duchess of Montebello second, Lentilla third; time, 1:03.

One mile, hurdle handicap—Subador won, Nasa second, Orthodox third; time, 1:53 4-5.

Three furlongs—Whisk Broom won, Workaday second, Ida May third; time, 0:36 3-5.

One mile—Envoy won, Phila Finch second, Charlatan third; time, 1:41 3-5.

Seven furlongs, selling—Favorita won, French Nun second, Lena J. third; time, 1:28 4-5.

Five and one-half furlongs—Toboggan won, Frontenac second, Southern Cross third; time, 1:07 3-5.

Mile and one-eighth, selling—Rebounder won, Flavigny second, Scalplock third; time, 1:54 3-5.

At Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 9.—Ascot Park race results:

Seven furlongs—St. Albans won, Star of Runymede second, Gold Ledge third; time, 1:32½.

Second race, three furlongs—Martha Jane won, Kate Rains second, Gren third; time, :36½.

Third race, one mile—Woodthorpe won, Aventelius second, Sals third; time, 1:43 3-5.

Fourth race, one mile—W. H. Carey won, Von Tromp second, Edwin Fryer third; time, 1:45.

Fifth race, Futurity course—Confessor won, Mazapan second, Judge Denton third; time, 1:13.

Sixth race, six furlongs—Canoplan won, Rodolfo second, Astral third; time, 1:17½.

Auto Touring Race in Europe.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Several well-known men, among them William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., E. R. Thomas, Jefferson Demont Thompson and M. J. Rothschild, have contributed toward a gold cup that will be valued at $300 for a touring competition for American cars abroad.

The competition will be of about 4000 miles and will be held in Europe in the months of June and July. The route selected will take in part of France, Spain, Italy, Austria-Hungary, Germany, Belgium and England. The entrance fee will be $1000 for each person, which will cover all expenses en route.

Baron Wilkes Sold to Krell.

LANCASTER, Mass., Jan. 9.—The sale of Baron Wilkes, the great trotting stallion, to B. R. Krell, of Carthage, Mo., was announced today by Colonel John Thayer, who has owned the horse for eight years. The price was not disclosed. Baron Wilkes has a record of 2:18, and has sired many famous racers.

Postmaster Turner to Resign.

SOUTH BEND, Or., Jan. 9.—(Special.)—Frank Turner, who for two years has made a most acceptable postmaster here, will in a few days send in his resignation, effective June 1. This is done to fulfill an agreement with Congressman Cushman, made when Mr. Turner was appointed, which was at the time of the death of his father, J. H. Turner, who had been postmaster. Mr. Cushman, it is said, intends to present the name of Captain F. R. Wright, of this city, as Mr. Turner's successor.

SEND TEAM TO ARIZONA

M'CREDIE CONSIDERING OFFER FROM TUCSON.

Games to Be Arranged With Teams Representing Principal Towns in Arizona.

If Tucson, Ariz. is in earnest, Portland's baseball club is in for a fine time during the Spring training season. Manager McCredie yesterday received a letter from George W. Pittock, city editor of Tucson Daily Star, asking him whether arrangements could be made with him, to bring the Portland baseball club to Tucson and play a series of games with the crack baseball clubs of Arizona.

Mr. Pittock is well known in Portland. He is a brother of H. L. Pittock, manager of The Oregonian, and having a warm spot in his heart for Portland, he wants to have the Pacific Coast League champions of 1906-7 visit Tucson. Mr. Pittock states in his letter that the business men of Tucson are baseball fans of the first water. Several of the large cities in the territory support bang-up baseball teams and it is Mr. Pittock's intention to take the Portland team to Tucson and arrange a series of games with the clubs of other cities and have all of the games played at Tucson.

The idea of taking his team to Tucson has made a favorable impression on Manager McCredie and he is willing to get his team for 1907 together by the last of February and take the men to Arizona, provided the Tucson people will agree to his terms. McCredie has written to Mr. Pittock stating his willingness to go to Tucson and all that he asks is that Tucson agree to pay the expenses of the team, while there, and their railroad transportation to the training camp in California. In speaking of this trip Manager McCredie said.

"Nothing would please me better than a trip of this sort. I would be willing to take about 16 men to Tucson, in fact I would rather go there and play a series of games with the Arizona clubs than spend all of the time in a training camp. We could get down there in time to get the boys limbered up, and a series of games with other clubs would be better for the players than ten weeks of training in California. I understand the climate there during March is fine. We would not be taking any chance of the weather, like we would if we trained in California. I think also, if we went to Tucson, we could arrange to play several games on our way back to California. A couple of weeks in Arizona would put the team in fine shape for the games I have arranged for with the major league clubs that will train in California.

Manager McCredie has a hard time trying to decide on a place to take his team. In case he doesn't take his crew of hopefuls to Arizona, he will either do his training at Modesto or Salinas. McCredie has received several letters from Salinas urging him to bring his team there. He has been made a very flattering offer by the fans of Salinas and he has the offer under consideration. Modesto has also made the Portland manager a good offer. McCredie will not decide where he will go until he has heard from Tucson.

TOURNAMENT ABOUT TO CLOSE

Billiard Matches at Multnomah Club Draw Close to Finals.

The Multnomah Club Billiard Tournament is drawing to a close, and some of the classes will complete their schedule in a few more matches. There are several matches to be played yet in the first class before the player entitled to compete in the finals is selected. In the second class Feckheimer defeated Gilliland last night, which entitles him to play in the finals. The third class also has a number of matches yet to be played as has the fifth class. But one more game will be played in the fourth class and this will be between Rogers and A. Kerrigan. The winner will be allowed to participate in the finals. The only two remaining contestants in the sixth class are Barret and Moore.

After the matches are all played off a grand average will be taken of each winner in his class and the players will be re-handicapped accordingly for the finals.

It is thought that the tournament will be brought to a close within the next month. Immediately afterward the pool tournament will commence and continue for a number of weeks. To the winners in both the pool and billiard tournaments a handsome gold medal will be presented by the club.

Veteran Racing Mare Dies.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Jan. 9.—Reckon, one of the greatest race mares and dams in America, died at Harry Brown's Dixiana Stud today of strangulated intestines. Reckon was 29 years old.

OLD people need *Scott's Emulsion* because age has enfeebled their blood, worn out their tissues, diminished their nerve power and impaired their general health.

Scott's Emulsion enriches the blood, renews the tissues, restores nerve power and builds up the general health. It enables old people to throw off colds, coughs, rheumatism and all winter diseases.

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