

SEEKING CITY TO TAKE SIXTH PLACE

But Coast Baseball League Does Not Expect to Find It.

SALT LAKE TURNED DOWN

Committee Will Arrange Schedule Today Without Awaiting Action on New Teams—Will Be 30 Weeks' Play.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3.—(Special.)—No definite action was taken at the annual meeting of the Coast Baseball League, held in this city today, as regards the number of clubs that will hold membership during the coming season.

The committee was given a week to act, but without quoting individuals. It can be announced that the league does not anticipate any change, at least in the near future.

Arrange Schedule Today.

An adjournment of the league directors was taken until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, when unfinished business will be settled and the schedule committee will meet today.

Under the schedule that has been tentatively arranged by Judge McCredie, which will in all probability be adopted, the season will open Saturday, April 4 and close Sunday, October 21, which will give 32 weeks of baseball.

Old Officers Re-elected.

The old officers were re-elected as follows: President, J. Cal Ewing; first vice-president, W. W. McCredie, of Portland; second vice-president, C. W. Peidleton, of Los Angeles; secretary and treasurer, D. W. Long; directors, F. M. Ish, E. M. Walter, W. W. McCredie and J. Cal Ewing.

ROSS WILLING TO GIVE UP

specified out of the proceeds of the assets of the said corporation, but that in any event, and in the event of a liquidation, the proceeds from the assets collected within said periods, that he will pay the balance that may then be due to the corporation.

No Agreement With Surety Company

The American Surety Company has refused to pledge from Mr. Ladd, as yet, though an agreement between them was expected yesterday and the day before.

GRAVENETTES HALF-PRICE

Entirely too many coats on hand at the Brownsville Woolen Mill Store; beginning today they will be sold in the special clearance sale at just half-price.

Claims of Surety Company.

The petitioner cites that the report of receiver H. B. does not show matters of high importance, such as the following: (a) whether the capital stock of the Title Company was paid for in cash and if it was so paid for, what has become of the money, or how it has been used; (b) how the stock was subscribed, and in what

amounts, and whether any stock remains in the company's treasury; (c) whether the company operated a department of fire insurance; (d) "Nor has any showing been made by any receiver to this court of the amount of moneys which should have been on hand at the time of suspension of business of said company, including among other things a transfer of money to trust accounts of some \$75,000; a transfer of money amounting to the sum of \$25,000, either through or to Ladd & Titton or the United States Mortgage & Trust Company or both; a transfer of moneys, constituting the application of a credit of some \$17,000, upon a note held by said company against one J. Thorburn Ross, and the amount of moneys actually shown by the books of said company, which should have been on hand, approximately near as your petitioners can specify, or what became of said moneys, and to what uses applied, and by whom transferred, taken or diverted, if such were done, between October 28, 1907, and November 6, 1907."

Want School Fund Restored.

The petition asks that the school fund be restored to the State by the receiver of the bank "prior to the payment of any sums of money to any other person, individual or association"; and that an account be rendered of the money placed in the bank by State Treasurer Steel, and of the places where the money was paid out and disbursed, and to whom, in order to determine whether the money was used for other than State purposes.

State Stands to Gain.

If this contention should be upheld, the state will get back its \$288,000 school money and free the surety company from further liability. As to the \$107,000 other state money in the bank, the company would fall back on the timber land collateral assigned by the bank to the state just before the wreck.

Salaries Were Raised.

The bank officers were so dazzled by the supposed wealth of the bank, after gazing at the enhanced values of its assets in the "super-se" account, that they raised their salaries to generous figures, during the high finance carnival. Ross was raised from \$5000 a year in 1906, to \$6000 in 1907. In 1908 his salary was \$7000 and he received an additional \$1000 as a consideration of his valuable services.

History of Big Debt.

The big debt to Ladd & Titton began from the year the Title company was organized in 1891 to carry on a title abstract business. The Title company drew on Ladd & Titton to make up its deficiencies. The debt paid high as \$5000 a month interest for a time in 1904. The debt by years on December 31, was as follows: 1891, \$2005.22; 1892, \$2445.55; 1893, \$2212.18; 1894, \$4074.21; 1895, \$3517.27; 1896, \$4717.08; 1897, \$6390.13; 1898, \$7978.55; 1899, \$9855.82; 1900, \$15042.21; 1901, \$27958.65; 1902, \$43455.25; 1903, \$578628.80; 1904, \$715574.03; April 15, 1907, \$769,794; November 6, 1907, \$407,256.

Books Have Vanished.

Both books have vanished. Ross would draw checks on the teller's cash but the vouchers, in the form of canceled checks, are not to be found. By this method Ross took over the funds of the bank for his own purposes.

Gets Back Stolen Watch

Seen Near Where Body Is Found. Mrs. Whitmore left her home on Christmas day with the intention, according to her husband, of making a visit to her sister, Mrs. Bessie Hughes, whose home is in Schenectady.

Denver's Good Deeds Incribed

Therein Move Thief's Heart. DENVER, Colo., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—John F. Cordray, manager of the New Majestic Theater, had the birthdays last month and John W. Conditine, one of the owners of the theater, presented him with a watch suitably engraved.

Another Arizona Reserve.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The Treasury Department today purchased 300,000 ounces of silver for delivery in equal amounts at San Francisco, New Orleans and Denver, at 55.567 cents per fine ounce.

VESSEL MISSING WITH 400 SOULS

Steamer Mount Royal Long Overdue With Host of Immigrants.

OWNERS ABANDON HOPE

Sailed December 7 From Antwerp for St. John and Not Heard Of.

Steamer Hungarian May Have Gone to Aid.

HOPE IS GIVEN UP.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—A private dispatch from Toronto says the C. P. R. has given up hope for the steamer Mount Royal overdue from Antwerp, with 400 passengers.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Jan. 3.—No word has yet been received by the Canadian Pacific line steamship Mount Royal, which left Antwerp on December 7 for St. John, having on board 700 immigrants, mostly Italian.

The Canadian Pacific officials in this city, while expressing anxiety regarding the vessel, stated today that they believed the steamer probably had met with some accident to her machinery which had caused her to drift far out of her course, and that she would be heard from in due time at some other port.

MAY HAVE GONE TO RESCUE

Hungarian From Greenock Supposed to Help Mount Royal.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The non-arrival of the Italian line steamship Hungarian, which sailed from Greenock, Scotland, December 14, and is now a week overdue at Portland, Me., leads shipping men to believe that she has fallen in with the Canadian Pacific line Mount Royal, which is now long overdue at St. John, N. B.

MYSTERY IN HIS DEATH

J. F. Gist, Carpenter, May Have Been Murdered in Montana.

HUSBAND IS HELD

Identification of Murdered Woman Complete.

HOME LIFE NOT HAPPY

Wife of Brooklyn Motorman and Testimony of Husband and Sister Show That Quarrels Were Numerous in the Home.

DEAD OF THE NORTHWEST

Mrs. Mary R. Morrow, Resident of Clark County 50 Years.

MRS. W. E. SYLVESTER.

THE DALLAS, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—Mrs. William E. Sylvester, a resident of The Dalles since 1860, died at her home here today after a prolonged illness.

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HOBBOS GOING TO ENLIST

GANG ROUNDED UP IN ALBANY TAKES TROOP TRAIN.

LAWYER ROBBS A SALOON

Together With Client Visits Gambling Joint and Empties Till.

BUYS MORE SILVER.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The Treasury Department today purchased 300,000 ounces of silver for delivery in equal amounts at San Francisco, New Orleans and Denver, at 55.567 cents per fine ounce.

ANOTHER ARIZONA RESERVE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The President has signed a proclamation creating the Verde National Forest in Arizona, with an area of 721,350 acres, located in Maricopa and Yavapai Counties.

GERMAN-AMERICAN BANK COR. SIXTH AND ALDER STREETS PORTLAND, OREGON

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN "The judicious advocate will never forget that a good cause may be quickly lost by too much zeal." If you Oregonians are going to keep up this rabble and newspaper talk indefinitely, I quit. What the depositors want is money and not dope. If you (anybody) think you can drive me into a bad bargain, it is better you get this out of your system immediately. I will return every certificate of deposit in my charge to the attorneys of the various corporations I represent with instructions to collect and show no mercy, if your attitude is continued for another twenty-four hours. I owe no person any apologies and am asking for no favors, no positions and no money, only an opportunity to help pay the depositors in full and make good and clear my name of the ungrateful attacks and insinuations which are constantly being vomited up by a hobo element.

January 3, 1908. Yours truly, L. J. WILDE, PRESIDENT GERMAN-AMERICAN BANK

WITTE AND KUROPATKIN DEAL DOUGHTY BLOWS. Replying to these letters today, Count Witte explicitly declares he was opposed to the establishment either of a military or a commercial port in Chinese territory, and says that the policy of leaving the Kwantung Peninsula and extending the railroad line thither was adopted over his head.

WHO WAS CAUSE OF WAR? General Tries to Make Statesman Scapgoat, but Meets Vigorous Retort—Witte Is Gaining His Lost Prestige.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 3.—The controversy between Count Witte and General Kuropatkin over Kuropatkin's testimony at the trial of General Steussel, which has been conducted at length for several days in the Novoe Vremya, has developed into a discussion of Count Witte's role in the so-called Eastern adventure and the extent of his responsibility for the war.

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