PORTLAND WANTS LARGER LEAGUE

Fans Favor Admission of Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane to Circuit.

TIRE OF CALIFORNIA RULE

Unless Southern Moguls Show More Consideration, This City May Take Hurdles and Join Northwest Clubs.

BY W. J. PETRAIN.

That the best interest of Portland demands the Pacific Coast League either to expand to take in Seattle, Tacoma and possibly Spokane, or for Portland to cast off the California yoke and affiliate with a Northwestern league, seems to be the prevailing opinion of very nearly every enthusiastic patron of the Vaughn-street grounds, when pressed for an opinion on the subject.

This view of the matter had not been seriously considered by the fans until the Pacific Coast League announced its intention of expanding, but made no definite promises of placing teams in Seattle or Tacoma. In fact, the only hope held out to the anxious Portland fans is that the Coast League will depend upon the action of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, which is to be asked to designate Seattle as Pacific Coast League territory.

Portland's Natural Rivals.

What do the fans of Portland care whether the National Association believes Seattle belongs to this league or not? Seattle and Portland are rival towns in all business relations, and, therefore, should be represented in the same baseball league, whether it be a greater Pacific Coast League or merely a Northwest league. It has been six years since the Pacific Coast League was first organized, and during that entire period this city has steadfastly supported the league and remained loyal despite many drawbacks. With this knowledge the Portland fans have come to the belief that this city is entitled to more than a passing word in the formation of the league for next season.

J. Cal Ewing, who made himself more or less obnoxious while on a recent visit to Portland, is coming here again, and will probably endeavor to jolly the fans along with his usual brand of salve, but it may take a much larger portion than J. Cal introduced on his last visit to this city to stave off the cry for an all-Pacific Coast league. Judge W. W. McCredie is an enthusiastic devotee of an all-Pacific Coast league, and the only reason his preference has not led to such an organization before is that the California magnates were so badly crippled by the earthquake that their pocketbooks would not warrant a determined assault upon Dugdale's stronghold—Seattle.

New League Would Pay.

Conditions are different now. With only a four-club league, the coasters have done excellently financially. Therefore, there is absolutely no reason for them to dodge the issue now presented to them, and they should come out flat-footed, demand recognition of Seattle, Tacoma and even Spokane, as Pacific Coast League territory, and prepare immediately to place teams in those towns next year.

If the National commission chooses to uphold the glaring fraud perpetrated by Dugdale, Lucas and Russ Hall two years ago, let it do so, for any organization that would sanction such a steal, is not worthy of consideration. Once upon a time the Pacific Coast League flourished as a so-called outlaw league. The game is much more popular now than it was then, and such an organization would prove all the more profitable.

Organized baseball is all right as long as it furnishes protection to its players and clubs, but when any question arises over the legality of such a deal as the desertion of the Pacific Coast League for the Northwestern by Russ Hall in the Spring of 1907, there does not seem to be much protection.

Plan It All One Way.

Portland is essentially a Northwestern city. It is even more strongly allied in a business, commercial and social way with the Pacific Northwest than it is with the Pacific Coast. If California elects to affiliate with Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane, in addition to Portland, all well and good. But, if Portland is to be the tail of a five-club California kite, the limit of injustice toward this city seems to have been reached. Los Angeles is planning to enjoy continuous baseball, and for that purpose is casting about between San Pedro, Venice, Pasadena and several other small burgs for the required location to be represented by the second Angel team. Sacramento, a town that never saw the day it could equal Aberdeen from a baseball-paying standpoint, is figured upon to grace the Pacific Coast League circuit. This would give California five towns, two of which would enjoy continuous baseball, while up here in Portland we would be required to pay the freight. Such an arrangement may look good to J. Cal Ewing et al., but here in Portland it assumes an aspect not at all pleasing.

As examples of the sentiment in this city toward the proposed increase of the league, the following are a few of the opinions of the Portland fans:

What Local Fans Say.

Phil Metschan—Yes, I believe Portland's interests are in common with those of Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane, and those towns should be represented with us in baseball. The California towns are good towns, but so are those of the Northwest, and there is no reason that I can discern why the latter should not be affiliated.

C. E. Hickman—The Pacific Coast League should branch out and take in Seattle, Tacoma and either Spokane or Vancouver, B. C. Four clubs constitute too small a league to be very popular, and to have five clubs in California and only one in the North is in the nature of an injustice.

Dr. James C. Zan—I have always favored the retention of Seattle in this league, and if the Pacific Coast League is to branch out next season, it should comprise Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane, as well as Portland. Take it from every possible viewpoint, Portland's interests lie unquestionably with the towns of the Northwest as opposed to those of California.

Would Pay Financially.

W. P. Swope—I am heartily in favor of a Northwest League, but if the California teams are agreeable to take in Seattle and Tacoma in addition to Portland, such a league would meet with my indorsement. Taking it from a money-making standpoint, a league comprising Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane, Aberdeen and Vancouver, B. C., would be much more profitable.

Ed Deitrich—The Northwest League for mine. We have nothing in common with California, and why should we not be affiliated with the places with which we have mercantile relations? We have been the tail to the California kite long enough, and a change would not work any harm.

George Ryan—Our business relations demand that Portland become affiliated with a league, whether it be an all-Pacific Coast League, or a Northwest League, which will comprise teams in Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane. We are of the Northwest, and that alone is argument enough in favor of the reorganization of the league.

Edgar E. Frank—Portland is a part of the great Northwest, and Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane are our natural rivals in business, and in my opinion, should be in baseball, as well as in other sports. I most certainly favor the taking into the Coast League of the other Northwestern cities, or the affiliation of Portland with the Northwest League.

Public Should Be Considered.

F. T. Chadbourne—Portland's natural interests and resources are identical with those of Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane, and for this reason it seems to me that these towns should also be affiliated with Portland in baseball. As to the merits of an All-Pacific Coast League, or a Northwest League, I believe that should be settled by the promoters of the game here. They should have sagacity enough to determine the trend of the public mind, and as they are out to please the public, it is their business to decide the matter.

George Cadwell—The cities of the Northwest should be represented in the same baseball league. Competition is the life of trade, and, while we are competing with Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane in a business way, we should also compete in baseball. Portland and Seattle are rivals in a commercial way, and whenever a Seattle baseball team has visited Portland in the past, it seemed to me that the two clubs fought harder than any of the others. The Pacific Coast League must either branch out, or Portland may take a hurdle to her natural territory.

Leo Peterson—The editorial in The Oregonian the other day voiced the attitude of the Portland baseball fans better than any one else could describe it. We are most assuredly in the Northwest. Our interests are with this section. We have nothing in common with California, and for my part I would favor allowing California to take care of herself.

Demand Class A Bill.

Joseph F. Reilly—The Northwest circuit has always proven an excellent league from the attendance point of view, and while the California cities add some to the classing of the league, as next below the major leagues, there is no reason why we should not demand the same rating if we go into the Northwest League. Something will have to be done very shortly towards increasing the circuit of the Pacific Coast League, and the fans of Portland do not wish to be the only Northern club in a league with five clubs in the South.

"Nick" Whitehead—Portland is naturally adapted to a Northwest circuit, but I should be pleased at the retention of the California end, providing that Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane, are added to the present Coast League circuit. It is but logical that Portland should be the rival of Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane in baseball just as it is in business relations.

John F. O'Connor—Portland cannot afford to leave the Pacific Coast League with Class A ball, and enter the Northwest League with its cheaper quality of baseball. I would be in favor of such a circuit providing that we retained Class A and that Dugdale and the others would live up to its requirements, but Dug never did and never will pay good money for ballplayers, and that will prove a hitch in the negotiations for Portland's affiliation with the Northwest League.

NEW FOOTBALL RULES OUT

CHANGES RELATE TO USE OF FORWARD PASS.

Open Play, Which Was So Successful Last Year, Will Again Be Feature of Great Game.

Spalding's Official Football Guide for 1908 is out. This is the recognized authority on the great college game which is edited annually by Walter Camp, who is probably the best posted man on intercollegiate football in America today. The changes in the rules this year deal principally with regulating the new style of open play incident to the use of the forward pass.

The rule regarding that particular play was altered to the extent that when the forward pass is legally touched only the man of the passer's side who thus first legally touches it shall be entitled to recover the ball until it has been touched by an opponent. Also, if a forward pass is thus legally touched, fumbled and touched by another player of the passer's side before the ball has touched an opponent, the oval shall go to the opponents on the side where it was first legally touched.

Spalding's guide also states in regard to this play that while the ball is in the air for a forward pass players of the defensive side may not use their hands or arms on opponents, except to push them out of the way in order to get the ball themselves. Players of the side making the pass who are eligible to receive the pass may use the hands and arms, as in case of players going down the field under a kick. Neither side may, however, hold or tackle an opponent who has not the ball. In case a forward pass is illegally touched outside of these provisions the penalty shall be that the ball go to the opponents at the spot from which the pass was made.

Instead of having 10-minute intermission between halves, it has been determined to extend the time to 15 minutes. The teams are to be notified three minutes before the expiration of the time. If one of the elevens does not appear on the field five minutes afterward the ball will be put in play as first down by the offended side on the offending side's 20-yard line.

Another change is that if a ball on a forward pass or a kicked ball, except try at goal, strike the uprights or cross bars, the ball shall be considered as having crossed the goal line. In case of the ball accidentally striking an official, the play shall be gone through again.

The rule regarding hurdling and roughness has been changed to read "Loss of 15 yards, point to be gained and number of downs to remain unchanged."

A field judge has been made timekeeper and with the umpire has jurisdiction over the ruling of a batted ball, which has been altered to read that the penalty for batting the ball forward is made loss of it to the offending side.

In regard to all penalties for fouls it has been determined that they may be declined by the offended side, except penalties under the forward pass. This, however, in case where the disqualification does not save the player from being put out of the game.

Chafin Plans Grand Tour.

CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—E. W. Chafin, candidate for the Presidency on the Prohibition ticket, announces that he has decided to tour every state in the Union and make speeches in aid of the Prohibition cause.

GRANEY IS WILD, IS SENT TO BENCH

Gives Angels Too Many Passes and Throws Away Game.

HITS DELMAS WITH BALL

Bassey Aids Opposition Score by Juggling Ball, but Redeems Himself by Scoring—Rose Makes His Debut With Seals.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.

Yesterday's Results.

Los Angeles 3, Portland 2.
Oakland 5, San Francisco 1.

Standing of the Clubs.

CLUBS	L. A.	Portland	S. F.	Oakland	Won.	Per cent.
Los Angeles		10	22	33	65	.579
Portland	18		24	14	56	.519
San Francisco	10	29		20	59	.488
Oakland	21	13	16		50	.427
Lost	49	52	62	67	230	

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 11.—(Special.)—McCredie tried out his new bushers, Graney and Rose, against the champions today and, while both pitched shut-out ball, Graney lost his game by wildness in the third and fourth innings and was thrown on the bench after the fourth. Each kid allowed one single, but Graney had about as much control as a jackrabbit.

In the third inning he soaked Delmas with the ball. Hogan fouled out, and Gray walked. Both advanced on Bernards infield out and scored on Oakes single over third, which Bassey juggled. He opened the fourth with a pass to Wheeler and Smith sacrificed. Wheeler went to third on Ellis' out at first, and scored on a wild pitch. This was too much for McCredie, who walked about forty-nine miles back and forth across right field, while these runs were being handed in.

In the first McCredie singled, Raftery doubled and Johnson singled and this scored one run. In the fourth Bassey singled and ran to second on Whaling's out. Hogan tried to catch Bassey off second, but made a wild throw. Bassey went to third on this and scored when Oakes made a fierce heave of the ball to third.

Rose is a new busher from a Denver amateur team and arrived here yesterday. He is the goods.

The score:

LOS ANGELES.

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Bernard, 2b	3	0	0	0	3	0
Oakes, cf	4	0	1	2	1	1
Dillon, 1b	4	0	0	14	0	0
Wheeler, rf	3	1	0	1	0	0
Smith, 3b	1	0	1	0	2	0
Ellis, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Delmas, ss	0	1	0	2	3	0
Hogan, c	2	0	0	8	0	2
Gray, p	2	1	0	0	1	0
Totals	22	3	2	27	13	3

PORTLAND.

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Casey, 2b	4	0	1	2	3	0
McCredie, rf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Raftery, cf	2	0	1	1	0	0
Johnson, 3b	3	0	1	1	0	0
Cooney, ss	4	0	0	2	3	0
Danzig, 1b	4	0	1	12	1	0
Bassey, lf	3	1	1	3	1	1
Whalen, c	4	0	0	3	1	0
Graney, p	2	0	0	0	2	0
Rose, p	1	0	0	0	2	0
Madden, *	1	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	33	2	7	24	13	1

*Batted for Rose in ninth.

SCORE BY INNINGS.

Los Angeles	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	*	—	3
Hits	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	*	2
Portland	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	—	2
Hits	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	7

SUMMARY.

Two-base hits, Raftery, Casey, Oakes; sacrifice hits, Smith, Bass, Hogan; bases on balls, off Graney 6, Gray 4, Rose 1; stolen bases, Bernard, Casey; struck out, by Graney 2, Gray 8, Rose 2; double play, Bassey to Cooney; wild pitch, Graney; hit by pitcher, Delmas; time, 1 hour 50 minutes; umpire, O'Connell.

OAKLAND WINS BY BIG MARGIN

Slaughters Seals, Only Allowing Them Two Hits.

OAKLAND, Cal., Aug. 11.—Oakland won today from San Francisco by a score of 5 to 1. Batteries—Christian and Slattery; Willis and La Longe.

OAKLAND.

	A.B.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.
Van Haltren, cf	3	2	1	4	0	0
Cook, lf	3	0	1	2	0	0
Heitmuller, rf	3	1	1	1	0	0
Eagan, 1b	2	1	0	8	0	0
Hogan, 3b	4	0	2	1	1	0
Slattery, c	4	0	1	7	0	0
Anderson, 2b	4	0	0	2	6	0
Houston, ss	4	1	2	4	1	0
Christian, p	3	0	0	0	3	0
Total	30	5	8	27	5	0

SAN FRANCISCO.

	A.B.	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.
Mohler, 2b	2	0	0	6	1	0
Hildebrand, lf	2	0	1	2	1	0
Zeider, ss	3	0	0	4	3	2
Melchior, rf	4	0	0	3	0	0
Williams, 1b	4	0	0	8	0	0
Beck, cf	4	0	1	0	0	0
La Longe, c	4	0	0	3	7	0
Curtis, 3b	3	0	0	1	2	1
Willis, p	3	1	0	0	1	0
Total	29	1	2	27	15	3

SCORE BY INNINGS.

Oakland	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0—	5
Hits	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	1—	8
San Francisco	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0—	1
Hits	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0—	2

SUMMARY.

Sacrifice hits—Cook, Eagan, Zeider, Heitmuller. First base on balls—Off Christian 5; off Willis 3. Struck out—By Christian 7; by Willis 4. Double plays—Hildebrand to La Longe to Mohler, Zeider to Williams. Time—1:45. Umpire—Perine.

Angels Buy Two New Players.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 11.—The Los Angeles Baseball Club announces that it has purchased Second Baseman Howard and Catcher Mike Simon from the Cedar Rapids Club in the "Three I" League. The men will report here about September 20.

NORTHWEST LEAGUE.

Seattle 5; Butte 2.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 11.—(Special.)—Seattle worked a new pitcher named Seaton today and the support given him was brilliant. There was more fancy fielding than in any other three games this season, McKune being the star performer. Seaton, who is only a youngster, pitched a nice game and Butte's two runs came one in the fourth on a couple of errors and the other in the seventh on Cartwright's two-bagger, after Claflin had been hit in the ribs. Seattle got one in the first on a hit by pitcher and Frisk's two-bagger. In the seventh Seaton was safe on Hickey's wild throw and both Cahill and Rowan beat out bunts. Claflin hit Bennett and forced in a run and Lussi scored two more with a fine single. Oriet singled and brought Bennet home. Lussi tried to score on the hit, but went out, ending the inning. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Seattle	1 0 0 0 0 0 4 0 *—	5	9	3
Butte	0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0—	2	3	1

Batteries—Seaton and Fortier; Claflin and Bender. Umpire—Frary.

Spokane 7; Vancouver 5.

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 11.—(Special.)—The Indians gave Spit Ball Engle, of the Vancouver team, the hardest walloping he has received this season today and carried away the game; score, Spokane 7, Vancouver 5. Holm stood the heavy sluggers on their heads, but walked men in the pinches when bases meant runs. Vancouver tied the score in the eighth on an error by Hulen, two walks, and a scratch hit by Mundorff through the infield. Stevens' fielding was a feature, the stocky fellow getting six put-outs, some of them circus catches. Umpire Caruthers was given a glad hand when he appeared on the diamond, Spokane fans having tired of the doubtful work done in the past two weeks.

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
Vancouver	5	5	3	Spokane	7	11	3

Batteries—Engle and Sugden; Holm and Rogers.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Pittsburg	62	38	.620
New York	59	39	.602
Chicago	57	43	.570
Philadelphia	52	43	.547
Cincinnati	51	52	.495
Boston	44	55	.444
Brooklyn	37	60	.381
St. Louis	33	65	.337

STORM BREAKS UP GAME

Crowd of 30,000 Fans Disappointed in New York.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—In the expectation of seeing a double-header between the Chicago and the local National League teams today, over 30,000 baseball enthusiasts passed through the gates and fully 5000 more were on the outside when the management closed the entrances. The stands and bleachers were crowded, and the overflow jumped over the field and formed a fringe a dozen deep all around the field, making ground rules necessary, the limit of a hit into the crowd being two bases.

During the third inning a squall struck the grounds, and this was followed by a severe thunder and rain storm. The teams played through six innings, but in the first half of the seventh Umpire O'Day called the game with the score 4 to 0 in favor of Chicago.

There was a wild scramble for shelter by those in the field, and on the open stands, and although none of the metropolitan policemen were in evidence, the players of both teams appealed to the people and managed to keep them orderly until the second game was declared off, owing to the storm. Score:

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
Chicago	4	7	0	New York	0	2	2

Batteries—Pfister and Kling; Wiltse and Bresnahan.
Umpires—Rigler and O'Day.

Brooklin 2; St. Louis 0.

BOSTON, Aug. 11.—Luckey, Boston's new left-hander, pitched his first game today and shut out St. Louis, 2 to 0. Score:

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
Boston	2	7	1	St. Louis	0	6	0

Batteries—Luckey and Graham; Karger and Bliss.
Umpire—Emslie.

Pittsburg 5; Philadelphia 1.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 11.—The last part of today's game was played in the rain, and play was once stopped for nearly a half-hour. Score:

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
Pittsburg	5	6	0	Phil'delphia	1	8	2

Batteries — Maddox, Gibson and Phelps; Sparks, Moren and Dooin.
Umpires—Johnstone and Klem.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Detroit	62	39	.614
St. Louis	61	42	.592
Cleveland	56	45	.566
Chicago	58	45	.563
Philadelphia	47	51	.480
Boston	49	54	.476
Washington	39	61	.390
New York	33	68	.327

Cleveland 1-6; Philadelphia 6-4.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 11.—Philadelphia won the first game, 6 to 1, and Cleveland the second 6 to 4. The home team had two pitchers knocked out of the box, Plenkenberg and Berger, in the second. Score:

First game—

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	1	4	2	Phil'delphia	6	11	0

Batteries — Falkenberg, Liebhardt, Foster and Clarke; Vickers and Schreck.

Second game—

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	6	12	2	Phil'delphia	4	12	2

Batteries — Berger, Rhoades and Clark; Vickers, Dygert, Plank and Schreck.

Boston 3; St. Louis 0.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 11.—Boston made it three out of four from St. Louis by winning, 3 to 0. Score:

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	0	4	1	Boston	3	6	1

Batteries—Howell and Spencer; Ciccotte and Carrigan.

Chicago 6; New York 1.

CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—New York presented a patched-up infield today, which went to pieces in the sixth, and Chicago won easily. Score:

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
Chicago	6	6	1	New York	1	5	4

Batteries—White, Walsh and Sullivan; Lake, Billiard and Blair.

Washington 3; Detroit 2.

DETROIT, Aug. 11.—Two timely hits by Freeman drove in three men, giving Washington just enough runs to win. Scores:

Detroit	2	9	0	Washington	3	8	0

Batteries—Donovan and Schmidt; Smith and Street.

GOLD MEDALS FOR ATHLETES

American Participants in Olympic Meet to Be Honored.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Plans for the reception to be tendered the returning Olympic athletes are nearing completion. It has been decided to present a gold souvenir medal to each member of the team regardless of whether they were winners or not. Five thousand copies of a printed appeal to the most prominent and influential men of the country for funds for the celebration will be sent out today.

The committee has arranged to have 2500 singers in front of the City Hall on the day of the reception, when the entire number will sing the National anthem as each athlete receives his gold souvenir medal.

President Roosevelt has been invited to be present and hand each athlete the souvenir and has been appointed honorary chairman of the reception committee which will number 1000. Governor Hughes has also been invited as well as all state officers.

Many bands have volunteered their services. It is possible that the United States marines at the Brooklyn Navy-yard will participate in the parade.

A dispatch from Lockport, N. Y., states that the Tuscarora Indians are anxious to give a monster reception to Mount Pleasant, one of the Olympic athletes.

Will Meet Oregon Athletes.

George W. McMillan, president of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club, and R. L. Ringer were chosen last night as the delegates to go to New York and meet Forrest C. Smithson, Alfred C. Gilbert and Dan J. Kelly, and escort them across the continent to Portland. President McMillan announced last night that he doubted whether he would be able to accept the appointment, and it may be necessary for the selection of another delegate to take his place.

Championship Meet in New York.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—The track and field championship meet of the Athletic Amateur Union for 1908 has been awarded to the New York Athletic Club for September 18 and 19. Entries will close with the chairman of the championship committee, New York, on August 29.

Tennis Teams to Meet.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—The British Lawn Tennis Association has agreed to the American suggestion to play the preliminary round for the Dwight F. Davis lawn tennis challenge cup contest in America. This will be for the purpose of deciding whether American or England players go to Australia to meet the holders of the title M. J. Ritchie and J. C. Harte. The English team will sail for New York at the end of this month.

When Pitcher Makes Balk.

KELSO, Wash., Aug. 11.—(To the Sporting Editor.)—Will you kindly decide the following plays in baseball in tomorrow's paper:

1. Does a batter go to first when the pitcher makes a balk?

2. Runners on second and third bases when pitcher makes balk. Does runner score from third?

Answers: No to number one; yes to number two.

SAVED A HALF

BY COMING A HUNDRED MILES TO BUY HER PIANO AT THE GREAT DOLLAR-A-WEEK SALE.

Eilers Piano House Selling One Hundred at the Lowest Known Cost—About Half Regular Prices, Which Have Always Been Considerably Less Than Equal Values Could Be Obtained Elsewhere.

Yesterday we had our Monday's big record of seventeen sales to break and while we cannot say at this writing that we actually broke the record, we are close to it, and may even exceed seventeen by late closing time.

The country is now responding, as nearly half our sales today go out of the city, and no wonder, when you take into consideration a customer can well afford to come several hundred miles on the saving they make here, and still have considerably over a hundred dollars of their piano money left—besides securing the instrument of their choice on our extremely liberal terms of payment. One lady came over a hundred miles yesterday and found the bargain here waiting which she had been looking for—saved nearly $150 on the trip.

You've got to trust the man who sells you a piano, and that means, naturally, that one should buy his piano from those he can trust.

In buying here, no matter what your purchase may be—if you pay cash or "A Dollar a Week" you take no chances—you run no risks—we assume all, and now during this present sale of one hundred pianos, when such good fortune as these lowest known cost prices and terms of a Dollar a Week (first cash payment $5) accompanies the sure quality of good pianos, how eagerly should every one buy—and they are buying—to such an extent that the hundred will soon be sold, hence this warning. Do not wait. Come today if possible—the forenoon is best, before the crowds get here.

Prices are now $128, $147, $152, $175, $194, $218 and $255, having been reduced about half, and you can pay five dollars at first when piano will be sent home, with a fine stool to match, then, if you like, balance can come to us at only a dollar a week.

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FINE RACERS AT AUCTION

KUSTER-ERWIN STRING TO BE SOLD AT LIVESTOCK SHOW.

Cream of Famous Stables, Including "Guideless Pacer" College Maid, Will Go Under Hammer.

The cream of the Kuster-Erwin racing string from Laramie and Denver, which is now in training for the North Pacific circuit, will be among the high-class performers to go under the hammer during the combination sale here in connection with the Country Club meet next month. F. C. Erwin, of the owning firm who is now in the Northwest handling these horses, has listed them with the Country Club and Livestock Association management.

In the stable is the famous "guideless pacer," College Maid, who more than made good in her exhibition at Hillsboro a week or so ago, equaling her world's record of 2:09¼ in that style. This wonderful mare will appear in exhibitions during the races here, whether she is sold or not.

Another splendid performer in this string is Johnny K with a record of 2:16¼. He won the 2:15 trot at Hillsboro week before last, hands down, and has stepped a mile in 2:12.

Others of the string are Estabelle, 2:16¼, who won second money in the free-for-all pace at Hillsboro and has never been beaten in a matinee race. Nellie Bishop, 2:18¼, and Katherine Kimmel, 2:34¼, with a try-out mark of 2:17, are also listed for the sale.

More than 35 out of the limit of 50 head of horses, including brood mares, race horses and youngsters, have already been entered, and this week will probably see the list completed, although the entries do not close until September 5. Several of the Gordon Clydesdales and the Chappelle standard breds are included, while in the cattle divisions will be found a goodly selection of Shorthorns, Herefords, Aberdeen Angus and others. Any of these classes would be regarded as star features at any livestock sale.

The Country Club people have been notified by the secretaries of the Bellingham, Everett and Seattle meets in the North Pacific circuit that the late closing events for which entries closed yesterday will present an attractive array of speeders, there being well-filled lists in each event. These include 2:14, 2:20, 2:30, 2:35 and free-for-all paces; 2:15, 2:18, 2:40 and free-for-all trots; two-year-old and three-year-old trot or pace for unmarked contestants, events practically uniform with the card of late closing events offered here.

The regular weekly meeting of the board of directors of the Country Club and Livestock Association, postponed from Monday, will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The transportation, building and concession situation will be the principal matters considered.

FERN L. 3-YEAR-OLD WONDER

Easily Defeats Center Shot as She Has Other Ponies at Meadows.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 11.—(Special.)—When she beat Center Shot today by three lengths, Fern L. disposed of the last pretending sprinter at The Meadows. This wonderfully improved filly has now beaten them all at distances ranging from 5 to 6 furlongs and holds the world's record for the five and a half furlongs distance.

In California last Winter she would have been a thousand to one in such fields as she has beaten here. She now rules an odds-on favorite whenever she starts. This three-year-old is the marvel in horseflesh of the past decade on the Pacific Coast.

Results:

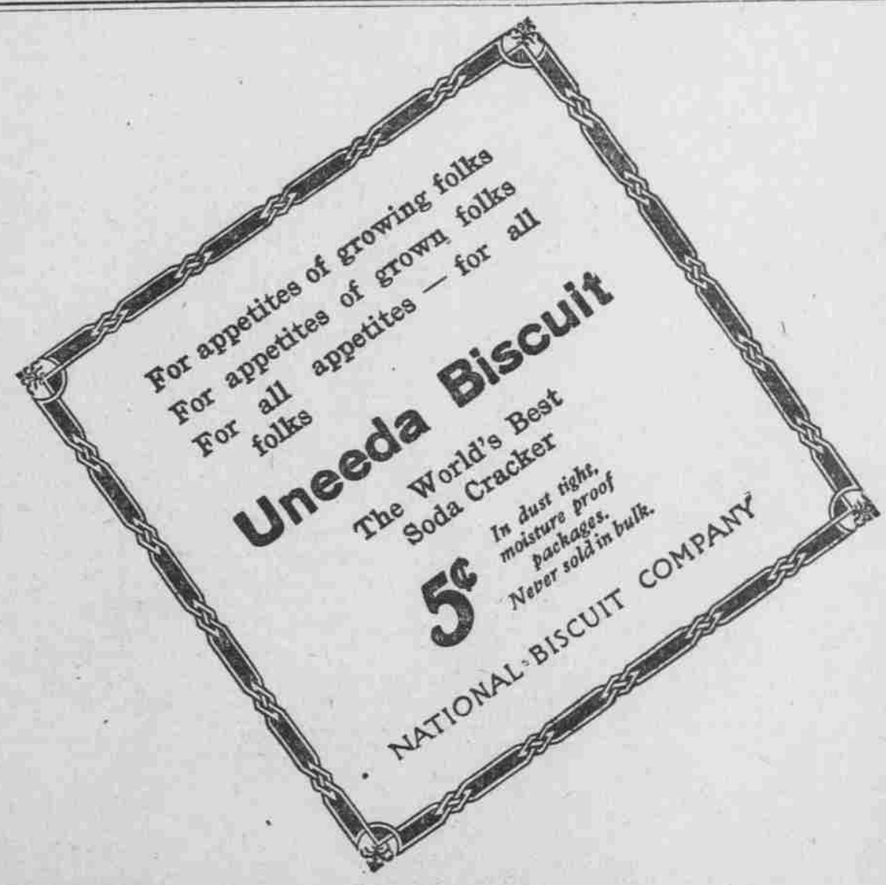
Five and a half furlongs—Shirley Rossmere won, Royal Queen second, Belle Griffon third; time, 1:07 1-5.

Five furlongs—Achieve won, Golden Orlo second, Listowell third; time, 0:59 4-5.

Six furlongs, the Fraternal Order of Eagles handicap—Fern L. won, Center Shot second, Gypsy King third; time, 1:11 4-5.

Mile and 70 yards—Sea Lad won, Prestige second, Ripper third; time, 1:44 1-5.

Mile—Convert Bell won, Darlington second, Triumphant third; time, 1:38 4-5.

Slocum Wins Tennis Match.

SOUTHAMPTON, L. I., Aug. 11.—Nearly all the preliminary matches of the men's tennis singles were completed today. In the second round the ex-National champion, H. W. Slocum, defeated the young Princeton player, D. Mather, in straight sets. William J. Clothier took his match by default.