

NEW BASEBALL LEAGUE

Inter-Mountain Cities Project Six-Club Circuit With Strong Backing.

LUCAS IS ASKED TO HELP

President of Northwestern Teams Is Requested to Conduct Negotiations, and Will Probably Also Head the New Organization.

Negotiations are under way for the organization of an intermountain baseball league, to comprise the cities of Butte, Helena, Salt Lake, Ogden, Boise City and either Pocatello or Anaconda. The prospects are said to be very bright for the successful completion of the plan in the near future.

Frontier baseball fans of Butte, Boise and Salt Lake have begun negotiations with a view to organizing the league, and President Lucas, of the Northwestern League, has been asked to act as organizer as well as president of the new organization.

According to the decision of McCredie and Lucas, the latter could make his Portland headquarters the central office of both organizations, and when necessary he could call meetings of the new league at either Boise or Salt Lake, both of which points are easily reached from Portland.

The Butte fans, who are well pleased at being rid of Russ Hall, are exceedingly anxious to secure a place in a regular league. Jack Flannery, chief of police of Helena and an old baseball player himself, attended the Seattle meeting last week to ask recognition for his city, but, owing to previous arrangements, Helena could not be considered. He is now one of the moving spirits in promoting the new league. Boise has signified its desire to have a ball team, and Salt Lake and Ogden have likewise indicated their interest.

However, the plans proposed by President Lucas for the organization of the new league are not considered as a class C rating, and could furnish a splendid article of baseball for that circuit. The local managers, who look upon it as an ideal league which would assist greatly in promulgating the national sport in that section of the country.

When asked about the prospects of the new league yesterday, President Lucas said:

The prospects for the organization of the intermountain league, which would be rated as class C, are very bright. I have been requested to assist in organizing the circuit, which is to consist of Butte, Helena, Salt Lake, Ogden, Boise and either Pocatello or Anaconda. As soon as the Northwestern and Pacific Coast League matters are adjusted, after the meeting at San Francisco, I believe I shall accept their proposal, and I have the greatest confidence in such an organization.

In the event that he is successful in installing his office this week, President Lucas will probably pay Salt Lake a visit immediately after the holidays.

RANDOM AT RANDOM

JUDGE W. W. McCREDIE will leave Portland next Saturday night for San Francisco, where he is to attend the Pacific Coast League meeting to be held December 21. The judge expects to get back home for Christmas.

Louis Castro, who formerly played for Portland, and who has been a member of the Atlanta Southern League team for the past three seasons, has signed to manage the Mason, Ga. team in the South Atlantic League next season.

Pearl Casey has decided to take a position in McCredie's billiard parlors which the manager offers him several days ago. The Portland second baseman, while not a cue expert, delights in the game and decided to take the job as a means of putting in his time profitably.

There is a strong possibility that Ike Butler may head the team next season, although Schreeder is quoted as saying that another man was under consideration. Schreeder has all the baseball material he needs and therefore is in no hurry to announce his manager. Charley Doyle is also mentioned for the place. Hall seems to be out of the running.

President Lucas says that if all ball-players were like Ike Butler the league would indeed be a model one. Ike has played two seasons in the Northwestern League without having been fined or expelled from a game. We hope that Bill Hurley will endeavor to emulate this example.

Clark Griffith has finally landed a job, and now the Eastern scribes can dispense with cutting him in charge of any other club than Cincinnati. Griffith has some splendid material in the Cincy squad and if he still possesses his ingenuity, the Reds may give the Cubs, Giants and Pirates something to think about in 1909.

Bobby Carruthers and Ralph Frary will be Northwestern League umpires next season, and the third man will probably be selected from among several Portland aspirants whose applications President Lucas has under consideration. Carruthers and Frary have demonstrated themselves to be capable men and should be retained.

"Buck" Ort, the outfielder and utility man who was drafted by McCredie from the Lynn, Mass. club, was formerly a corporal in the United States army. The members of the artillery companies at Vancouver know him as he was formerly captain and manager of their team when they were stationed in New England.

Ike Butler, the former Portland favorite who is now a member of the Tacoma club, writes from San Diego that he is delighted to know he will again have an opportunity of playing in Portland. Ike regrets that he will not wear a Portland uniform, but says that he will give Tacoma the best he has.



EASY MONEY FOR BURNS

HE EXPECTS TO COME OFF VICTOR OVER JOHNSON.

McVey, Prominent in Old Pugilistic Days, Now Favorite of Paris Boulevards.

BY W. J. PETHAUX.

One of the most prominent of the old-time chocolate-colored fall guys who have been seen in the ring, McVey, a native of the front, Sam McVey, are now occupying the limelight for the pugilistic fans of two continents.

The former journeyman within our midst, Mr. Burns is holding forth in Australia where he has prevailed upon the British subjects of sporting tendencies to hang up a handsome purse for him to meet one, Arthur (Jack) Johnson, of dusky hue and ochre courage; and when the battle is over, the Brusso person will store away the greater portion of the gold in his sock, little caring how the black man fares.

Burns, whose specialty has been the picking off of a few lemons, continues to select this brand of fighting men as his meat, and, judging by Johnson's past performance, he looks like an additional quince for the Brusso collection. However, Arthur (Jack) Johnson, of dusky hue and ochre courage; and when the battle is over, the Brusso person will store away the greater portion of the gold in his sock, little caring how the black man fares.

One feature of the coming Burns-Johnson battle is that here in Portland we will learn all about the scrap something like 12 hours in advance, by our time of its occurrence. The battle is scheduled to be pulled off at Sydney on the morning of December 23, which should give the result somewhere about 11 o'clock Christmas night. Be careful of your bets on Christmas day, but perhaps you won't have any money left on that momentous occasion.

As far as Sam McVey is concerned, he seems to have made an enormous hit in gay Paris. Sam is all the candy in the French capital, and is the center of attraction on the boulevards when he is not stripped down to fighting trunks in the arena. He is pointed out as Monsieur McVey, the champion of the continent, and is a mystery how Sam has learned to behave in the face of this prosperity, for coffee and sinners in Frisco looked like chicken to him on many an occasion.

Anyhow the colored lad is getting the WAS DRAFTED FROM TACOMA.



PITCHER AT CARSON, WHO WILL PITCH FOR THE PORTLAND CLUB.

Pitcher Al Carson, Who Will Pitch for the Portland Club.



LINEUP OF COAST TEAMS FOR NEXT SEASON ANNOUNCED

Players and Their Positions on Different Clubs of Northwestern League as Present Outlook Indicates, Together With Utility Men.

The accompanying list contains the present lineup of the Pacific Northwestern League teams for the coming season. Several new players have been secured by each club, but their names have not yet been published. The list is made up from published accounts of players secured, and from the reserve list of the Northwestern League as promulgated by Secretary J. H. Farrell, of the National Association.

Portland. Catchers—Braumont, Fournier, Harris, Rex Ames. First Base—Mullin or Ed Kennedy. Second Base—Pearl Casey, captain and Manager. Shortstop—Olson or Johnson. Third Base—Phil Cooney. Outfielders—Hasey, Ort, Shinn and Melcher, Utility—Dugan.

Seattle. Catchers—E. Bunstine and Fortier. Pitchers—Gus Thompson, "Little Rock" Allen, Harry Bush, Hinrich, Anderson, Meets and Seaton. First Base—Schofield. Second Base—Justin T. Bennett (Pug). Third Base—Orist. Shortstop—Terry McKimie. Outfielders and utility—Mike Lynch (manager), Emil Frisk, J. Cahill, Standridge, Bruyette, Myers and W. Burnett.

Tacoma. Catchers—"Stub" Spencer, Johnny Bender. Pitchers—Ike Butler, Bert Hall, Baker, Clifton and Samuels. First Base—Hugh Keilackey and Bill Hurley.

GAME SLAUGHTERED BY HUNGRY COUGAR

Tremendous Toll Exact by Big Cats in Forest Fastnesses.

HEAVY BOUNTY IS REMEDY

Correspondent Asks a Revision of State Game Laws to Better Protect Wild Animals From Ravages of Nature and Man.

PORTLAND, Dec. 12.—(To the Editor.)—For some weeks past I have noticed in The Oregonian the items pro and con relating to cougars, goats, and game protection generally. Being sincerely interested in the protection and preservation of our wild game, permit me to give my views gained from a study of existing conditions and from an experience that comes to but few.

First let me state that the greatest enemies to goats, deer and elk are the bob-cat and cougar. Three years ago just October 1 I placed on a half-section ranch 94 registered Angora goats. Today there are but 25 left. The remainder have less than 25 left, and the same results came to a lot of graded goats belonging to a Mr. Johnson, of Scoggins. These goats were largely killed by bob-cats which catch a half-grown goat or an old doe, if very hungry, in and under the front side of the throat near or in the jugular vein and hang on until the blood is all taken.

When a cougar kills a goat, deer or elk, as a rule the dead animal will be found disemboweled, and about 15 to 20 percent of the fat is eaten. The cougar also, in the same manner, destroys many fawns. On the other hand, unless it is our game laws made largely by people wholly unfamiliar with deer and elk or with their habits, the cougar is the largest factor in the scarcity and continuous decrease of deer and elk.

THINK ROLLER "STALLING"

LOCAL FANS DOUBT SEATTLE WRESTLER'S SINCERITY.

His Proposal to Throw O'Connell 30 Times in One Hour Regarded as Idle Boast.

While the Portland sportsmen have all kinds of faith in the wrestling ability of Eddie O'Connell, instructor of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club, and would attend a match between him and Dr. B. F. Roller, of Seattle, until the biggest hall in town would be taxed to hold them, they are not crying to have the match pulled off. They know that Roller is not sincere in his boast that he can throw O'Connell 30 times in one hour as far as straight wrestling goes. If he could, he ought to be ashamed to pick on anybody so small and weak.

The only thing that Dr. Roller has to his offer on is that by his superior strength and weight he can cripple O'Connell, perhaps break a leg or arm or otherwise use him up, so that he will have to give up the match and the crowd will be able to see the possibility of a fight. They do not respect the "closed season," and will be for a day or night crouched on a large limb of a tree over a tree, but after he has gorged himself on cougar or bob-cat, there is no doubt he will be for a day or night crouched on a large limb of a tree over a tree, but after he has gorged himself on cougar or bob-cat, there is no doubt he will be for a day or night crouched on a large limb of a tree over a tree.

The climate is very good in the Spring of the year, and the proposition is certainly worth considering, unless other plans have been made by the McCredies.

Vancouver to Play Dallas. VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Tomorrow night the Vancouver Athletic Club basketball team will play the crack team from Dallas, Or., at Army Hall. Arrangements are being made to handle a large crowd, for the reputation of the visitors has preceded them. The lineup of the Vancouver team is as follows: Arrangements are being made to handle a large crowd, for the reputation of the visitors has preceded them.

Ray Early Wins Oratorical Honor. HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—A gold medal, offered by the Hood River Humane Society in its oratorical contest held Friday evening, was won by Ray Early, son of Charles J. Early. The presentation speech was made by Rev. J. Van Nette Bandy. The other contestants were Donald Allen, Miss Gretchen Collins, Miss Eva Yates, and Miss Ida Wilkerson.

Dies at Sisters' Home. VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Mrs. Josephine Griss, a native of France and 99 years old, died at the Sisters' Home here tonight. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Julia Cramer, in Portland. Mrs. Griss had been with the Sisters' Society of Vancouver and Walla Walla for the past 15 or 20 years.

One of the deplorable mistakes in our LIST OF SPEAKERS NAMED

BAKER CITY, Or., Dec. 13.—(Special.) Final arrangements have been made here by the committee in charge for entertainment of the Irrigation Congress which meets Tuesday, December 15. It is to be of interest to all parts of the irrigated Northwest. Those who will deliver addresses during the session are: Stephen A. Lower, "The Conservative Movement"; P. Stone, United States Department of Agriculture; "Irrigation in Western Oregon"; E. T. Allen, Chief Inspector of Forest Service; "Forestry"; J. C. Stuy.

Spokane. Catchers—Boettger, Rogers, Ostedek. Pitchers—Dunn, Speckhard, Martinke, Jensen, Finney, Joe Thomas, H. T. Thomas, Jack Myers, C. E. Wright and Killaly. First base—William Hulen. Second base—Roscoe James. Third base—"Dutch" Altman, Ed Hickey. Shortstop—Bob Brown (manager) or Jack Burnett. Outfielders—Clynes, Stevens and Ellis.

Aberdeen. Catcher—Kreitz. Pitchers—"Hub" Fernoll, Con Starckell, Ennon Callif, Jack Hickey, Kirby Hoon and "Dode" Brinker. First base—Herschel Strelb. Second base—Charlie Moore. Third base—Fitzgerald. Shortstop—Brinker or Russell. Outfielders—Van Buren, P. Lynch and Eddie Householder.

Vancouver, B. C. Catcher—Arbogast. Pitchers—Warren, Hall, W. Erickson, George Engle, Dell Paddeck, W. Dell, Ernest Franklin. First base—Louis Nordyke (captain). Second base—J. Quigley. Shortstop—Gene Mahon. Third base Snyder. Outfielders—Donovan, Gilligan and Monahan.

WRESTLING Prof. M. J. DWYER, of Chicago vs. EDDIE O'CONNELL EXPOSITION RINK NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT

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present laws is allowing either deer or elk killed during the "running season." This is not so disastrous with deer as with elk, but neither are good at such time; and the flesh of the males, which are always selected for slaughter because of their immense antlers, are strong and almost uneatable. It seems it is not generally known that one buck elk is not only "monarch of the glen" but that he will head a herd of from 10 to 30 cows, and he permits no interference unless a larger and more powerful monarch appears upon the scene and the new arrival must then demonstrate his right by "battle royal" and by completely vanquishing the rival. The writer has a beautifully mounted specimen said to be the finest ever taken in Chehalis County, Washington, one of these dethroned monarchs, vanquished from the head of his herd on the Olympic reservation, soon after which he fell a victim to a steady bullet. This you will see left the herd still with a male, but had this monarch been picked off by a hunter because of his beautiful antlers, the herd of cows would have been left possibly for a week or two, or in some cases for the season, without a male. In the meantime a portion of the cows would have gone out of season and the next year produced no calves.

Advocates Changed Season. No hunter selects a cow to kill when he comes upon a herd of elk in the woods; they all select the leader, which is ever a fine specimen of a buck with large spreading antlers. It is not until the "running season" is in a time of year that the woods are attractive to hunters, hence more hunt and kill. Change this to two winter months, say December and January, and far less hunters will venture into the woods, and those who do, if they kill a buck elk, will get a good piece of meat, but no barren cows will be left in consequence.

I believe the Denny pheasant should be protected for at least three years, and the committee will do a good work if it succeeds in having such a law passed. But let sportsmen advocate a bounty on cougar, eliminating hunting deer or elk in the "running season" and with Indians hunting as little as they now do our fields and forests will soon abound with game even though we had no game laws.

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COMING ATTRACTIONS. SONGS SELLING FOR U. S. The University of Oregon Glee and Mandolin clubs will give their annual concert and "college evening," consisting of vocal and instrumental music interspersed with funny "stunts" by the different members, at the Holly Theater, next Wednesday evening. Seats are now selling at theater. Minstrel Friday and Saturday. The finishing details are now being checked up for the Big Spasm War Veterans' minstrel show, which appears at the Holly two nights, Friday and Saturday. It will go about the largest minstrel show ever seen in the city's history. There will be a rehearsal for the full company tonight at the Army.

Amusements. What the Press Agents Say. "The Devil" at Holly Tonight. The attraction at the Holly Theater, Thursday and Friday nights at 8:15 o'clock, will be James D. Barton's company of players in Henry W. Savages' authorized version of the famous international drama, "The Devil." Seats are now selling at theater for both nights. Murray and Mack at the Baker. The famous originals, Murray and Mack, are again with us. This time at the popular Baker Theater, and appearing in their latest musical comedy success, "The Sonny Side of Broadway," which opened last night to a packed audience that was most enthusiastic from start to finish.

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