

# NUMBER OF CLUBS LEFT UNDECIDED

Coast League May Have Either Four or Six Teams Next Season.

## PORTLAND GETS 15 WEEKS

Will Arrange Coast Schedule First and Make Northwest Schedule Fit—Entire Change of Umpires Possible.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Leaving the question of the size of the circuit open for further consideration, delegates to the Pacific Coast League adopted a tentative schedule for four and six-club leagues, fixed the opening of the season for Tuesday, March 30, and after electing officers adjourned tonight.

The circuit committee, consisting of Judge W. W. McCredie, of Portland; Henry Berry, of Los Angeles, and E. M. Walter, has full authority to extend to a six-club league, if it is so decided, but it is not expected that action will be taken until after the holidays. J. Cal Ewing was re-elected president by a unanimous vote, and the other officers were re-elected. Whether the Coast League season will commence with a Tuesday game at Oakland or in San Francisco remains to be seen.

**New Law for Double-Headers.**  
Officers were elected as follows: President, J. Cal Ewing; vice-presidents, W. W. McCredie, E. N. Walker and Henry Berry; secretary and treasurer, D. W. Long; directors, W. W. McCredie, P. M. Ish, Henry Berry and E. N. Walker.

New legislation was adopted to the effect that in the future double-headers must be played whenever there are postponed games on the demand of either manager, said demand to be made in writing 24 hours in advance. No double-headers are to be played before August 1 without the consent of the managers of both teams concerned.

The pennant was formally awarded to Los Angeles and Henry Berry replied with a neat speech of acceptance. The directors passed a resolution prohibiting the issuing of passes by a visiting manager.

**Portland to Have 15 Weeks.**  
The Portland team in the Coast League will have 15 weeks of baseball and the Northwest League schedule is to be arranged after the Coasters have agreed upon their dates. President Ben Johnson, of the American League, and Judge McCredie took the train tonight.

Mr. Ewing has been empowered to appoint the umpires for the league, but stated yesterday that he was not ready to make the announcements. It is intimated that Jack O'Connell and Flynn will not be appointed and that possibly the staff will be one of entire strangers. Mr. Ewing has had so many good reports of Toman, however, that the latter may be appointed.

**Season Opens March 1.**  
The opening day for the 1909 season was definitely fixed as Tuesday, March 1.

Thirty-one consecutive weeks of ball will be played and the season will close on October 31.

The issuing of passes by managers of visiting teams was prohibited, and the president and the secretary were instructed to issue a pass to the wife of every player in the league in order to do away with the many requests that have flooded the management.

The president was empowered to remove the official scorer in any city, should such scorer fail to mail the league headquarters his report on any game within four days after it is played, and the president was further authorized to appoint a successor to any man so removed.

Messrs. Berry and McCredie were appointed a committee on the schedule which will be adopted hereafter.

## HARD STRUGGLE PREDICTED

**Stiff Battle in Prospect Between Indians and C. Y. M. C. Saturday.**  
The football game scheduled for Multnomah Field Saturday afternoon between the clever players of the Catholic Young Men's Club of this city and the Chemawa Indians will prove one of the most attractive contests of the season.

The Indians and the Catholics met once before on the gridiron this season and it is the ambition of the latter club to reverse the decision gained by the natives on the last occasion, for Chemawa won by the close score of 6 to 0. Since that game the C. Y. M. C. eleven has met the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club team and the Dalles Athletic Club eleven, losing to the former by the close score of 5 to 0 and holding the latter to a tie game. These feats have demonstrated that the young club across the river possesses football material that is a credit to an organization so young in years and is evidence on which to base an expectation for a rattling good game Saturday.

It was originally intended to have this game played here on Christmas day, but owing to the previous scheduling of the big soccer game for that day, it was arranged to play the game on the Saturday following. Those who saw the Catholics in action last Saturday, when pitted against the strong Multnomah team, were highly pleased with the showing made by the youngsters and it is safe to say that the greater portion of these persons will be present at the coming game. Chemawa has a speedy, but light team this year, and their players averaging the same as the Catholics, together with the fact that the Indians have not played here for several years, insures the teams of good patronage when the line up in the coming contest.

## COLLEGE MEN TO BANQUET

**U. of O. Alumni Will Hold Annual Event December 30**  
The Portland Association of the University of Oregon Alumni will give its annual banquet at the dining-hall of the Portland Commercial Club, Wednesday night, December 30, when all members of the organization and friends of the state institution are invited to attend.

Plans for the banquet have not yet been completed, but a programme is expected to be all ready within a few days. The preliminary arrangements for the affair are in the hands of the following committee of four: Charles E. Lockwood, John F. Cahalin, Frank S. Templeton and Dr. Homer I. Koeney.

## A WARM GIFT.

Nothing nicer than a handsome pair of blankets. No waiting for change. McAllen & McDonnell's.

Fitted suit cases, Harris Trunk Co.

# CRIPPLES TO PLAY

Crosby and Hanson Will Take Part in Christmas Game.

## BOTH WEAK FROM INJURIES

**Multnomah Manager Sees Advisability, However, of Pitting Its Strongest Men Against Cricketers' Soccer Team.**

After a fast gymnasium workout last night, it was decided to put both Crosby and Hanson into the game between the Multnomah soccer team and the Portland Cricketers Christmas afternoon. Both are still weak from injuries but after looking over the strong lineup of the British athletic grounds eleven, it was apparent that they were indispensable. The Cricketers will go onto Multnomah Field Friday afternoon with a team a third stronger than any the Clubmen have gone against this year. Among followers of the game generally, chances are considered practically even.

This will be the first Christmas Portland has had where soccer is the principal athletic event of the day; in fact, it will be virtually the only one this year. The officials and other members of Multnomah are enthusiastic over the showing of the new team, which has won six straight games out of six played since the club decided to take up soccer, and has the unique record of having scored 40 goals to three for its opponents.

No member of the club team, however, is looking for any snap Christmas. The Cricketers' team has been made over from goal to center forward since it began the season and the result has been a fast organization that ran the Columbus, last year's state champions, almost off their feet a week ago.

The Cricketers will wear white and black striped shirts, while the Multnomah eleven will be arrayed in the customary red and white of the club. With any kind of weather, an attendance that will resemble the turnouts for the big intercollegiate games is looked for.

## GET CHEHALIS FRANCHISE

**Electric Railway Promoters to Unite City With Centralla.**

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Last night the Chehalis City Council passed the ordinance granting an electric railway franchise to W. J. Patterson, Theodore Hoss and A. Welch for a 35-year period. The gentlemen have announced their intention to accept the franchise. The same parties have already secured a franchise at Centralla which it is necessary for them to accept within the next five days.

The proposed road will enter Chehalis from North First street, cross the N. P. track above the depot at Market street and extend out Market to Main. At the intersection of Market and Bolstford streets an extension will go down—old-fashioned one block to Chehalis avenue, thence south on Chehalis avenue to Main, at the courthouse.

During the first five years of the franchise the company is to have free use of the streets, but for the following 20 years a total of \$250 per annum is to be

paid the city for the franchise, and for the last ten years \$500 per annum. The gentlemen agree to file at the time they accept the franchise a surety bond of \$5000 to commence actual construction work within six months and have the line in operation within one year.

While the promoters have not made public their intentions, it is understood that a possible deal is on foot in connection with this power scheme to secure control of an electric light franchise in both Chehalis and Centralla.

## SUIT TO PARTITION LAND

**Heirs of Hackleman Estate Ask Settlement of \$125,000 Property.**

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Suit was begun in the State Circuit Court here this afternoon to partition the lands of the estate of A. Hackleman, one of the founders of Albany, and is desirable for manufacturing and residence sites, it is one of the most important suits filed here in years.

The land involved includes 12 entire blocks and 41 other lots in this city, about 150 acres, lying just south and east of Albany, a large portion of which adjoins the city limits, a farm of 600 acres two miles south of the city and a farm of 200 acres five miles from Albany.

The suit was filed by Hewitt & Sox, legal attorneys, representing Winona Josephine Williams, wife of Rev. A. Melvin Williams, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of McMinnville. Mrs. Williams is one of the five heirs of the estate, the others being Pauline Peice, Thurston P. Hackleman, D. D. Hackleman and Frank A. Hackleman, all of Albany.

All of the eastern part of Albany is situated on the original claim of Abram Hackleman. He platted four different additions to the city and his heirs platted one. It is a peculiar fact that though a city stands on one part of the old donation land claim the title to the remainder of it has remained in the name of the original settler for more than half a century.

## CHRISTMAS FOR ORPHANS

**Sisters of Charity to Prepare Tree for Tots at Vancouver.**

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The Sisters of Charity at the House of Providence are making special preparations for giving a merry Christmas to the 75 orphan children who are under their care. There will be a large Christmas tree loaded with gifts and lighted with candles on Christmas eve, and the Sisters, who have been preparing for this event all year, will leave nothing undone to make the Christmas season one of joy and gladness for the little orphans.

## TALK 2370 MILES IN AIR

**North Head Wireless Station Communicates With Hawaii Islands.**

NORTH HEAD, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The naval wireless station at North Head, Wash., was in communication with Kahuku, Island of Oahu, Hawaii Islands, early this morning, a distance of 2200 miles. Following is the note received: "Please announce to the boys along the Coast that I was married the 5th of this month. (Signed) Branch."

The signals were very distinct and the interchanges of signals was perfect.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL 9 O'CLOCK

# Attractive Showing of Dressers

IN THE MEDIUM GRADES



And in the golden oak, does our line of these bedroom pieces offer splendid variety and the best dresser styles for selection. These show well-proportioned designs and carefully selected quartered stock, with stylish fronts and mirrors of heavy French bevel plate. A number of new Colonial designs in this grade have just recently been placed on our floors. Dressers in this grade are priced at \$20.00, \$23.50, \$26.00, \$29.00 and up.

# ALL SHAVING STANDS AND CABINETS

Are included in a two days' special sale—today and tomorrow—and priced much less than regular prices. In these are offered an opportunity for selecting an appreciative and practical gift at an unusual saving.

Metal Shaving Stand at special price of...	\$6.90	Shaving Stand in the birdseye maple at...	\$14.75
Shaving Stand in the mahogany finish at...	\$8.75	Shaving Stand in the birdseye maple at...	\$18.75
Shaving Stand in weathered-oak, special...	\$9.00	Shaving Cabinet in the birdseye maple at...	\$21.75
Shaving Stand in the mahogany finish at...	\$9.25	Shaving Cabinet in the mahogany at...	\$24.50
Shaving Stand in the mahogany finish at...	\$10.75	Shaving Cabinet in the birdseye maple at...	\$24.75

# Sale of LADIES' DESKS

Three attractive patterns in these popular Christmas pieces are also marked at much less than regular in today's and tomorrow's sale. See Morrison-street window display.

Desk in the birdseye maple, special...	\$7.90
Desk in the birdseye maple, special...	\$10.75
Desk in solid mahogany, special...	\$18.75

# CHILD'S SILVER-PLATED SETS

Choice of two designs in attractive little set of three pieces—knife, fork and spoon—neatly arranged in lined box. A very sensible and pleasing gift for little folk. Special today and tomorrow at...

Special	\$35c
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# MUSIC CABINETS

In which is offered five designs in these appropriate gift pieces—in the golden oak.

Music Cabinet at the special	\$6.50
Music Cabinet at the special	\$6.75
Music Cabinet at the special	\$8.75
Music Cabinet at the special	\$9.25
Music Cabinet at the special	\$12.00



# HOLIDAY CROCKERY SPECIALS

IN THE BASEMENT

Attractively priced for today's and tomorrow's Christmas buying are the following: Decorated China Salad Bowls and Cake Plates in fruit and floral patterns.

Salad Bowls, special at, each... 35c and 50c  
Water Pitchers in raised and hand-painted poppy and lily designs, at the special, ea... 38c

Fancy Decorated English Tea Pots in highly-glazed finish—four patterns to select from—priced as follows: 50c, 60c, 70c and 75c

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COMPLETE HOUSEFURNISHERS

The Auto Valet and GENT'S CHIFFONIERE Are Ideal GIFT PIECES

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High Life Rye and Bourbon is the highest grade whisky in the world; eight and twelve years old, aged in the wood. \$1.25 and \$1.50 per quart. Sold under the Government Pure Food Law the globe over. It is powerful because it is pure, yet mellow and rich in flavor because of its age and is specially recommended by leading physicians for medicinal purposes.

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