

WRESTLERS MEET AT CLUB TONIGHT

First Tournament to Be Given by Multnomah Promises Well.

PULLMAN SENDS FINE TEAM

Grapplers From Washington State College Will Strive Hard to Win Matches From Local Athletes in Various Classes.

Wrestling fans of Portland will be furnished with a treat at the gymnasium of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club tonight, for the wrestlers from the Washington State College at Pullman are slated to grapple with the representatives of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club. The first event is scheduled for 8:30 o'clock, and the Amateur Athletic Union's wrestling rules are to govern the match. Tonight's program means the first all-wrestling tournament ever put on by the club in Portland, and from the class of contestants listed at the seven different weights, the indications are that a splendid series of bouts will be given.

The Washington State College is an institution on the lines of the Oregon Agricultural College, and like the Corvallis institution, it has always rated high in athletic circles. The grapplers from Pullman, while they are just taking up the game, are first-class amateur exponents of the catch-as-catch-can style. All are exceedingly clever at this branch of sport.

Another feature of tonight's bout is that ladies will be admitted. This is in line with the custom established by the club at the match between Edgar Frank and Johnny Haley several weeks ago, when it was evident that the fair sex enjoyed the opportunity by being in attendance in good numbers. There is nothing connected with an amateur wrestling match that can give offense to any one, and on this account the club has seen fit to sanction the attendance of women at the bouts.

Probably the feature event on tonight's program can be announced now, for Edgar E. Frank, the Multnomah Club's champion 125-pound grappler, has agreed to meet Ned Cheeley, the Washington State College team's 154-pounder. Cheeley was one of the star football players of the Washington eleven last season, and has developed into a wrestler of note. Frank has been anxious to meet him, and it is all the more so, now that Virgil Venables, the Seattle Athletic Club's champion welterweight, has turned professional. Frank is unquestionably the greatest amateur at his weight in this or any other section of the country, and in order to give Buddy Hughes a chance at the Pullman 125-pounder, Frank decided to take on the middleweight entry of the visiting team.

Paul Rader, Multnomah's giant football guard, will defend the honors of the club at the heavyweight division. He is matched to meet Hunter, of Washington State College. Hunter weighs over 200 pounds, and Rader is likewise no lightweight. This match should prove one of the most interesting of the programme, for Hunter defeated a good man at the Spokane Amateur Athletic Club, and as Washington State's rival for the wrestling honors.

Ed C. Johnson, who is to represent Multnomah in the light heavyweight division, is slated to meet a very good wrestler named Ferguson, who weighs 175 pounds. Ferguson enjoys an excellent reputation as a grappler, and the Washington boys are banking on him to prove one of the point winners for their team.

Kruebeck, the Washington entry at 135 pounds, is by no means a poor wrestler. He is slated to meet Buddy Hughes, and the little Multnomah man, who scored the club's only victory against Spokane, expects to win another victory, though he does not underrate his opponent in the least. This match promises to display a great deal of class, and instructor O'Connell is banking on Hughes to show much more than in his past matches.

Dr. Tuttle, Multnomah's clever welterweight, is slated to meet a Washington State College grappler named Jenne. The visitor is but little known here, for he is a new man at the game. Despite this, Dr. Tuttle will not take any chances, for Jenne may be a much better wrestler than he is touted. Mose and Mills are the Multnomah entries at 135 and 115 pounds respectively. Each is pitted against a hard man, according to the advisers of the Washington "farmers," but can be depended upon to give a good account of themselves.

he might pick up some easy money before he goes ranching. The men will wrestle for a side bet of \$150.

DUTCH GET REVENGE

Duplicate of Santa Anita Track. SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 17.—That the much-talked-of racetrack at Tia Juana, Mexico, 16 miles south of this city, is to be built seems certain from information received from an authoritative source today. A 350-acre tract has been secured by the horsemen interested in the scheme, and the second installment of the purchase price paid. The men back of the venture are conducting operations under the name of the Tia Juana Jockey Club, and the plan is to be a duplicate of that at Santa Anita Park.

Ball Pass for Taft. CHICAGO, March 17.—President B. B. Johnson, of the American League, has placed his O. K. on a design for annual

WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE ATHLETE WHO WRESTLES HERE TONIGHT.



Ned Cheeley.

passes for President Taft and Vice-President Sherman. Both are baseball enthusiasts and have been frequent visitors at major league games in the past.

CORBETT READY TO FIGHT

WILL PUT UP \$1000 AS FORFEIT AT ONCE. Ready to Take On Johnson Anywhere in World and Will Fight Jeffries as Well.

WHEELING, W. Va., March 17.—James J. Corbett issued tonight a challenge for a fight with either Jeffries or Jack Johnson. He said: "I am tired of seeing this fellow Johnson going around with his chest out, and nobody seems inclined to fight him, so I take the right—that any man has and hereby challenge James J. Jeffries and Jack Johnson to box me any number of rounds or to a finish in any club in the world. I will forward from Indianapolis tomorrow a check for \$1000 to Al Smith, the well-known stakeholder, at the Gilsey House in New York, as a guarantee of my good faith."

Sox No. 2 Defeat Vernon. LOS ANGELES, March 17.—Chicago White Sox team No. 2 defeated Vernon today 12 to 5 in the first game of a two-weeks' series. Summary: R. H. E. Chicago... 12 11 1 | Vernon... 5 10 3. Batteries—Sutor and Owens; Schaefer and Hogan. Your prescriptions filled at Eysell's Pharmacy, 229 Morrison, bet. 4th and 5th. English pumps at Rosenthal's.

DUTCH GET REVENGE

McCredie's Irish Beaten by Score of 4 to 1.

TRAINING MATCH LIVELY

Squad Again Divided for Practice Games—Pitcher Garret Reports in Fine Condition and is Set at His Work.

SAN LUIS OBISPO, March 17.—(Special.)—The Portland Coast League baseball team celebrated St. Patrick's Day with a game between its Irish and Dutch members. Last year the Irish won three games against the Dutch, but the latter were revenged today, winning by a score of 4 to 1. Seaton and Harkness pitched for the Dutch and Whit and Carter were in the box for the Irish. Remarkable speed was shown and Olson made a pretty double play, second to first. There wasn't enough of the team to go around so Manager McCredie played Roy Andrews, a local banker, in center field for the Irish and Sherman, a member of the Merchants team, at second. The Dutch opened the encounter and Olson was safe on Garret's boot and stole second. With two down, Olson scored on Captain Johnson's single. In the third inning Olson was safe again on Garret's boot and scored when Sherman hit for two cushions. In the fifth Garibaldi went to first on Ort's fumble and while the Irish were getting rid of Olson, who had singled, Sherman was safe. Then Garibaldi and Sherman pulled off a double steal. Garibaldi caught Carson on a long windup and stole home, scoring the record run, and while the mix was still being hot Sherman scored. This and two neat double plays by Olson to Farrals was the offering of the Dutch. The only time the Irish were really dangerous was in the second inning. McCredie rapped out a triple and scored when Garibaldi hit to first for three strikes. The next two men fell before Harkness' fire and the Irish died without a gurgle. Jess Garret reported this morning and Manager McCredie was surely glad to see the Texan. Jess has been coaching the John Tarleton, Stevensville, Texas, and barring a slight cold, is ready for war. He has picked up 15 pounds during the winter and looks stronger than he did last season. Garret says he will weigh 150 pounds this season and be in pitching condition. Score by innings: R. H. E. Dutch... 1 0 1 0 2 0 0 0 1 5 9 Irish... 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 10 3

SEATTLE IS TO ENTER MEET

Will Send Team to Track Events Here April 3.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 17.—(Special.)—The Seattle Athletic Club will send a track team to Portland to compete in the Pacific Northwest Association meet there on April 3. This decision has been arrived at by the Board of Directors, and accordingly Superintendent Inglis and Physical Director Thomas G. McDonald will send out a call for the athletes to start work next week. Just at the present time track athletics are somewhat lagging at the home of the Blue Diamond, but with a meet actually in prospect, the speedy and strong men will be shaken out of winter quarters and limbered up in a hurry. Most of the training will be done on the State University track and campus. The prospects, as a whole, however, are not very bright and the club enthusiasts will have to dig up a lot of dark horses hitherto unknown men, to make much of a showing against Multnomah.

MEDFORD IS DISAPPOINTED

Albright Sends Substitute to Wrestle, but Attendance is Only 15. MEDFORD, Or., March 17.—(Special.)—Con Albright, of Rochester, was evidently too weary to make his trip to Medford in order to wrestle with Louis Waters of this city. He sent in his place J. Swanson, of Colorado. Not over 15 showed up at the Opera-House tonight, and consequently the match was declared off.

Boxing Matches Legalized.

ST. PAUL, March 17.—A bill was passed in the house today allowing the Councils of St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth to permit boxing matches. Webfoot oil blacking (a shoe grease), softens leather, weatherproofs shoes. ** In each 225 lunar months there are 29 eclipses of the moon and 41 of the sun.

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BERG WILL WRESTLE ROLLER

Date for Match of Big Fellows is Fixed for April 2.

Arrangements have been practically completed whereby John Berg, the grappler known as Young Hackenschmidt, will meet Dr. E. J. Roller, of Seattle, in Portland on the night of April 2. Last night Berg was notified that Roller was anxious to meet him before going East and had named April 2 as the date of the bout. Berg immediately wired the Seattle physician that the date is acceptable and the final negotiations are now being conducted. Both men are in the heavyweight division and the weight question will not form any part of their articles. The match will be straight catch-as-catch-can style, pin falls only to count, and best two out of three falls to decide the victor. Just where the match will take place has not yet been decided, but most likely will be staged at one of the Portland theaters, for the promoters of this match desire to accommodate all who purchase tickets by seeing to it that they receive the most corresponding to their coupons. The match between Dr. Roller and John Berg should prove a wrestling treat, for both are big men and are rated highly among the wrestling fans of the country.

VENABLES TO QUIT AMATEURS

Seattle Wrestler Turns Professional Before Retiring.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 17.—Virgil Venables, the crack 125-pound wrestler of the Seattle Athletic Club, has decided to quit the amateur ranks, and will meet Milton Harnden in Bellingham, March 20, in a professional match. Venables' desertion from the amateur ranks means a severe blow to the Seattle Athletic Club. Venables intends to purchase a dairy ranch near Claster, in Whatcom County, this state, and he declares his match with Harnden is his last appearance on the mat. He declares that inasmuch as he will not wrestle any more, he thought