

FANS LAGER FOR CRY, 'PLAY BALL'

Followers of Game on Tiptoe Because of Opening of Season Tomorrow.

BEAVERS' CHANCES GOOD

Coast League Will Have Six-Club Circuit for First Time Since 1906—McCredie Has Strong Team.

BY W. J. PETRAIN For the first time since 1906 the Pacific Coast League will inaugurate a season tomorrow in which six clubs will take on the long race for the baseball championship of 1909.

Tuesday afternoon at Oakland, Los Angeles and Sacramento will open the season parade with the usual take place before the game, and the umpires will be delegated to call the players to the field for the initial contest.

Walter McCredie, with his usual perseverance, has arrayed a collection of little young athletes whose work in practice has been of the most promising order.

Portland. Positions: Los Angeles Ryan, C. P. ... Delmas, C. P. ... McCredie, C. P. ... Johnson, C. P. ... Kennedy, C. P. ... Green, C. P. ... Ambrose, C. P. ... Grady, C. P. ...

CIUB SHOTS ON NEW GROUNDS

Multnomah Marksmen Open Season With Good Sport.

The Multnomah Rod and Gun Club held its first shoot on the new grounds at Multnomah Station yesterday morning, and a fairly representative number of marksmen was on hand.

County Ball League Formed.

HILLSBORO, Or., March 28.—(Special.)—At a meeting of baseball men from Banks, Beaverton, Warrenton, Farmington and this city, here today, a county league was formed for continuous baseball by home teams.

MEMBERS OF CASEY'S NORTHWESTERN TEAM WHO ARE PRACTISING AT MEDFORD.



MAT CONTEST OFF

Urlacher Compelled to Cancel Bout With O'Connell.

MATCH ON FRIDAY NIGHT

Portland Sportsmen Are Greatly Interested in Roller-Berg Clash, and Both Athletes Are in the Best of Condition.

Eddie O'Connell's match with Joe Urlacher, of Rochester, which was scheduled for Tuesday night, is off for the present. The Rochester grappler sent a telegram from Omaha yesterday, announcing that he had returned East owing to illness in his family.

Dr. Rolter is probably the most famous athlete in the Northwest. He has enjoyed quite a successful career as a wrestler since he turned professional about two years ago, and has met and defeated several good men.

Berg is working out at Eugene. He went to the university town last week to meet the latter in a wrestling bout. After defeating the former, Chicagoan, Berg arranged to work out with him, as both have matches scheduled in the near future.

BUTTE GOES TO PENDLETON

Inter-Mountain Team Will Train in Eastern Oregon City.

PENDELTON, Or., March 28.—(Special.)—James A. Barnes, manager of the Butte Inter-Mountain League team, left for home today after arranging to bring his team to this city for ten days' training before the opening of the season.

PORTLAND WINS FROM MAIERS

Plays Game in Santa Ana, and Score Is 5 to 0.

SANTA ANA, Cal., March 28.—The Portland team, of the Coast League, and the Maiers, of Los Angeles, played here today. Portland won, 5 to 0. R. H. E. Portland ... 4 0 0 0 1 0 3 0-5 13 6

Three Ball Teams in Albany.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 28.—(Special.)—Albany will have several strong baseball teams this season. The High School will have a strong team. So

COMPANY E WINS MEET

Soldiers of Vancouver Barracks Participate in Indoor Athletics.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 28.—(Special.)—The first indoor athletic meet at Vancouver Barracks, Friday night, E Company, First Infantry, won first honors with 22 points, B Battery with 12 points, and G and K Companies tied for third place, with six points each.

The officer in charge was Captain McGunagle, who proposed to hold these indoor meets at regular intervals. The officer in charge was Captain McGunagle, who proposed to hold these indoor meets at regular intervals.

There were six events; winners and records made follow: Standing broad jump—Stanley, E Company, first; Rowe, B Battery, second, 9 feet 9 inches.

FANDOM AT RANDOM

THEY'RE off tomorrow at Los Angeles. Oakland and Sacramento. Here's hoping Jack Grady enjoys better luck than on his first appearance here last year.

Pa Dillon and Hen Berry are somewhat in doubt as to the pitcher they intend to delegate against Portland. Bristow, Hosp, and Tozer are being groomed for the occasion. It is likely that the open field meet will be held some time in May.

Pearl Casey has eight pitchers now at

CASEY RBBS UP MEDFORD AGAIN

Gallant Hopfuls Scamper Over Bases and Bang Out 8-to-5 Score.

CASEY HELPS HOME TEAM

In Last Round He and Mullen Tickle Fans by Letting Medford Get in Three Runs—Whole Team Indulges in Batting Carnival.

BY WILL G. MAC RAE MEDFORD, Or., March 28.—(Special.)—Medford again fell before the savage artillery fire of Casey's recruits and when the smoke of the battle cleared, the score stood 8 to 5. In the last round Casey fanned Miles' poke, made a bad peg to first and then to help out the hilarity, Mullen, in trying to shoot the ball to the plate, heaved it to the fence, giving Medford a chance to score three runs. All this sent the fans away highly pleased and laughing heartily at Casey, who, I believe, deep down, made the best of purposes.

Portland had the same three pitchers on the mound, and until boots caused by the chilly wind took possession of the matinee, the local fans didn't have a chance. Casey opened the fun, duplicating his feat of yesterday with a two-bagger, first time up. Riley singled and stole second, and Bassey fanned out. Mullen, who was the batting fiend of the day, clouded out a two-bagger, sending home Casey and Bassey's long single scored and Mullen, then after resting for two rounds, Mullen slammed out a triple and wound up with a home-run over the fence in deep left field. Riley's corker, a fancy feat given by a local togethery man, Swanton stole second and scored when McFarland doubled.

The eighth canto was a screamer. With one down, Casey struck out, Riley hit for two cushions and Bassey was safe on Elbert's error. Mullen then came along with his home-run, clearing the bases. While Pender was working, Medford failed to hit him and they fared little better off Rex Ames. Medford's first two came in the fifth. Two errors and a single by Elbert accomplished this. St. John was playing the right field without a glove and he dropped a long fly in the opening of the ninth. Antle walked and Osburn, who succeeded in getting into the box, hit for two bases. St. John took care of the second fly that came his way and then Casey let Miles' poke get away from him, letting in the three runs.

WHITE SOX NO. 1 BREAK EVEN

Beat Vernon and Go Down Before Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, March 28.—Two games were played between the White Sox No. 1 and the Los Angeles ball players of this vicinity today. In the morning the Sox trimmed Vernon 4 to 1 and in the afternoon the Los Angeles employes of Henry Berry got back at them with a score of 2 to 1. A feature of the morning game was a four-bag hit by Cravath. Score: Morning game—R. H. E. Chicago ... 4 0 0 1 0 3 0-5 13 6

WHITE SOX NO. 2 WIN GAME

Beat Seals in Comedy of Errors by Score of 5 to 0.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 28.—The Seals and White Sox No. 2 indulged in a comedy of errors at Recreation Park today, the White Sox winning, 5 to 0. Today's game made the honors even in the five-game series, one of the matches having resulted in a tie. Score: R. H. E. San Fran. ... 5 0 0 0 2 0 0 3-5 4 4

ALBANY GIRLS BEAT SALER.

ALBANY, Or., March 28.—(Special.)—The girls' basketball team of the Albany High School won from the Capitol Business College of Salem, in a fast game, in this city last night, by a score of 16 to 7.

WRESTLING

DR. ROLLER, of Seattle, YOUNG HACKENSCHMIDT, John Berg, BIGGEST WRESTLING EVENT OF THE YEAR, AT EXPOSITION RINK (8:45 o'clock) PRICES: BOX SEATS \$2.00, RESERVED SEATS \$1.50, GALLERY \$1.00.

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