FANS EAGER 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 Pasific Coast League will inaugurate a teason tomorrow in which six clubs will start on the long race for the basebail championship of 1909. When the season of 1906 started the prospects of a successful year were bright indeed. In fact, the aspect looked much more promising at that time than during the previous seasons, but the race had hardly started when the San Francisco earthquake shook the organization to its foundation. Seattle was in the league then, and had it not been for the foresight and quick action of Judge W. W. McCredie, owner of the Portland club, who arranged to bring four of the six clubs north immediately, thereby switching, the schedule, it is doubtful whether the league would have survived.

At that time Jim Morley, then owner of the Los Angeles feam, did everything in his power'to disband his club and break up the league. Russ Hail, who had charge of the Seattle club, was also wobbly as far as a continuance of the schedule was concerned. Fresno, with the talkative nuisance, Mike Fisher, at the helm, was also ready to quit. In the face of these obstacles and with only the support of the San Francisco and Oakland managements, the two clubs most injured by the calamity, Judge McCredie succeeded in bringing order out of chaes, which was only accomplished by the summary disposition of Morley at Los Angeles, and the welcoming of Henry Berry and his associates in charge at that point. The season of Henry Berry and his associates in charge at that point. The season of Henry Berry and his associates in charge at that your. The season of Henry Berry and his associates in charge at the year, however, Russ Hall threw up his hands at Seattle and quit told. In this could he the summary during the seattle and quit told.

of San Francisco.

The next year, however, Russ Hall threw up his hands at Scattle and quit cold. In this action he is blamed only because he had attended the league meeting and assured the other magnates that he would have a team at the Elilott Bay burg. On his return to Scattle he had difficulty in interesting anyone to finance the team, and therefore deserted the Coast League and as a reward was given the Butte franchise in the Northwestern League then organized. Hall could not have conducted a Coast League team in Seattle himself, and when he threw up his hands it was necessary, owing to the short notice, to cut the circuit to four clubs, and as such the league remained until last Winter, when it again expanded to six clubs by finstalling a team at Sacramento and giving Los Angeles continuous ball by annexing Vernon.

With a six-team circuit restored and all of the clubs apprendiced.

Eddle O'Conneil'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 vesterday, announcing that he had returned East owing to illness in his family. He telegraphed O'Conneil to cancel the date, but requested that he be considered for a match later. This makes the third postponement for O'Conneil in the last few weeks. The first was with Carl Busch, then came the Indian, War Eagle, and now it is Urlacher.

The calling off of this match, especially after there had been a most flattering advance sale of tickets, is disappointing to the fans as well as the patrons, for it would have undoubtedly been a good bout. However, the wrestling admirers will have a chance to whet their appetities on the Roller-Berg contest, which is scheduled for Friday night, and which is not likely to be postponed, as both principals have posted deposits for their appearance.

Dr. Roller is probably the most famous alhiete in the Northwest. He has enjoyed quite a successful career as a With a six-team circuit restored and all of the clubs apparently strengthened, the Pacific Coast League starts on its seventh season with better prospects than ever before. In fact, it looks as though the game was to experience the most successful year in the history of the sport on the entire Pacific Coast.

Tuesday afternoon.

Tuesday afternoon at Oakland, Los Angeles and Sacramento, the usual opening of the season parades will take place before the game, and the umplres will be delegated to call the players to order for the initial contest. Portland arrays its strength against the champion Los Angeles team in the opening series, and as to the outcome there is much speculation. The fans entertain great hopes.

Walter McCredie, with his against Tuesday afternoon at Oakland, Los

The fans entertain great hopes.

Walter McCredie, with his usual perseverance, has arrayed a collection of lithe young athletes whose work in practice has been of the most promising order. Will he be successful? Undoubtedly, although it is too much to predict that he will win the pennant, for such predictions often require backtracking. That he will be among the lenders seems assured. At any rate the fans are pulling for him to a man, and the bulletin boards will be surrounded by an eager crowd about 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The Portland and Los Angeles teams will line up with the following batting order tomorrow.

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CI UB SHOOTS 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 morn-ing, and a fairly representative number of marksmen was on hand. Ellis was high man with an average of \$7, while Shangle was runner up with \$6 per cent.

Next Sunday the club members will hold the first sheet of the club members.

held the first shoot of the season for the firman diamond medal. On Satur-days and Sunday mornings, the club-men will indulge in practice shoots. men will indulge in practice shoets. The new shoetling grounds are situated adjacent to the Oregen Electric line at Multnomah Station, and are within easy reach of Portland. All club members and their friends are invited to the grounds. The scores of yesterday's shoot are as follows:



County Ball League Formed.

HILLSBORO, Or., March 28.-(Sp. HILLSBORO. Or. March 28.—(Special.)—At a meeting of baseball men from Banks, Beaverton. Werboort, Farmington and this city, held here today, a county league was formed for continuous baseball by home teams. Neither Forest Grove nor Sherwood was represented, the former being in the State League. An executive committee, consisting of William Schulmerich, Farmington; A. C. Shute, Hillsburg, Abton Hermens, Verboort: E. G. Anderson, Beaverton: Charles Barrett, Banks, and Robert Banks, Banks, was appointed for organization. MEMBERS OF CASEY'S NORTHWESTERN TEAM WHO ARE PRACTISING AT MEDFORD



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.

Dr. Roller 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. In fact, his only reversal has been at the hands of the champion of champions among the wrestlers. Frank Gotch. Gotch defeated Roller at Seattle about a year care.

to retain his prowess, as well as to be on hand at the different points at which he has arranged matches. Tomorrow

night he meets Hjalmar Lundin at Seat-tle, and comes to Portland immediately after that hout to meet John Berg, known here as Young Hackenschmidt.

Inter-Mountain Team Will Train in

Eastern Oregon City.

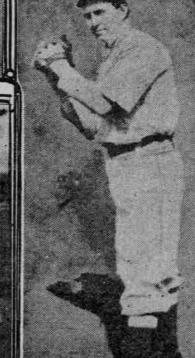
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Batteries-Rainey, Harkness, Garrett and Armbruster; Murray, Smith and Hoffman.

ably since Bellingham.

OSBURN, PITCHER





PENDER OF ME FARLAND, PITCHER

wrestlers, Frank Gotch. Gotch defeated Roller at Seattle about a year ago, and that match is talked of today as the best match the Sound City ever witnessed. Roller's previous matches resulted in victories for him, and he is now starting out on a second campaign, whereby he expects to earn a return match with the famous Iowa man. Soldiers of Vancouver Barracks Parmous Iowa man. Roller's schedule will keep him hustling ticipate in Indoor Athletics.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 28 .- (Special.)—In the first indoor athletic meet at Vancouver Barracks Friday night at Vancouver Barracks Friday man, at Van known here as Young Hackenschmidt. Roller believes he can beat Lundin easily, but is not so sanguine about his chances with Kerg. He has never seen than how appreciates that the six points each

Nearly all officers of the post, in-cluding Colonel McGunnegle, the com-manding officer, were present. Colonel McGunnegle proposes to hold these indoor meets at regular intervals.

latter's tour of Europe with the famous George -Hackenschmidt, the Russian Lion, must have improved him consider-ably since he was a youngster about Rallie-like and the second second second second Rallie-like second second second second second Rallie-like second second second second second second Rallie-like second door meets at regular intervals.

The officer in charge was Captain R. S. Officer, Thirtieth Infantry; referee, Captain C. Game, commissary First Infantry; judges of events, Lieutenants E. Casiarc, First Infantry; T. J. Smith, Fourth Field Arthiery, and F. L. Whitley, First Infantry; announcer, Lieutenant R. T. Coiner, Engineer Corps; time-keeper, Lieutenant A. C. Spencer, First Infantry; clerk of the course and scorer, Lieutenant A. C. McBride, Fourth The Seattle medico is planning an ex-tended trip through the East, during which time he expects to visit his mother and also to make his debut as a grappler before the wrestling fans of that section of the country.

Berg is working out at Eugene. He er, Lieutenant A. C. McBride, Fourth Fleid Artillery. There were 16 events; winners and records made follow:

Berg is working out at Eugene. He went to the university town last week to meet Joe LaSalle in a wrestling bout. After deteating the former Chicagoan, Berg arranged to work out with him, as both have matches scheduled in the near future. LaSalle is slated to meet O'Connell in the next two weeks, and Berg hopes to be in splendid condition for a gruelling battle with Roller Friday night. He works out daily and her records made follow:

Standing broad jump—Stanley, E Company, first. Rowe, B Battery, second, 9 feet 9 inches.
Fence vault—Stanley, 80 inches, first; Hendershott, A Battery, second, 73 inches; Wilson, I Company, 72 inches.
One-round boxing bout between Tettsloff and Stanley, decision given to Tettsloff.
One-round boxing bout between McCullom and Jennings; draw.
Tug-of-war between the first six companies and inches; between the first six companies and inches and the last six companies of the First Infantry; won by the former.
Horizontal har contest—Stanley, first; Cohen, Company & second; Kuckenmeister, C Company, third.
Rope climb, regulation height—Rowe, B Battery, first, time 5 4-5 seconds; Wilson, M Company, second; Webb, I Company, third.
Side horse contest—Won by Stanley. gruelling battle with Roller Friday night. He works out daily, and has tested his foot so thoroughly that he believes it to be as strong as ever. Both wrestlers will be in Portland Thursday. BUTTE GOES TO PENDLETON

Eastern Oregon City.

PENDLETON, Or., March 28—(Special.)—James A. Barnes, manager of the Butte Intor-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. The players are expected to most with the Eastern Oregon climate, and is also confident he has signed up a winning bunch of players.

Games will be played with a Pendleton team, while La Grande, Baker City and towns in Southern Idaho will be given games as the team returns to Montana to open the season.

PORTLAND WINS FROM MAIERS

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

FANDOM AT RANDOM SANTA ANA, Cal., March 28.—The Portland team, of the Coast League, and the Maiera, of Los Angeles, played here today. Portland won, 5 to 6. Score:

THEY'RE off tomorrow at Los Angeles, Oukland and Sacramento. Here's hoping Jack Graney enjoys better luck than on his first appearance here

Three Ball Teams in Albany.

ALBANY. Or., March 28.—(Special.)

Albany will have several strong baseball teams this season. The High School will have a strong team. So Pearl Commendation of the occasion.

will Albany College, and the Alco Club will probably have the best team in the city.

COMPANY E WINS MEET

Medford, and two more are due to arrive shortly. Those on hand are Chenault, Ames, Carnes, Pender, Osborne, McFarland, Gardner and Coleman, Kinsella and Guyn are yet to report.

Phil Cooney arived in Portland late Saturday night and left last night for The little fellow an that he is going to go some for Manager

Cooney says that he does not like the idea of having to play in the short Northwestern season when he has two offers from other teams in the Pacific Coast League. He says Casey and the McCredles have always proven square with him, so he intends to do his best to help Casey's bunch prove a winner.

Howard Mundorf has been rapping the ball so frequently of late that the San Francisco scribes have forgotten that he is not a native son and now admit that he has a good chance of making the team. Mundorf is also putting up a splendid same at third team. Mundorf is als splendid game at third.

Charlie Irwin's San Francisco team in the outlaw league does not seem to pre-sent a pleasing front, even to the press agent of the California State League. According to the San Francisco press, Charley has selected a bunch of anti-quated specimens for his Bay City team.

Eli Cates is the latest member of the leapfrog fraternity. Ell performed in a highly creditable manner for Washington last year, but Manager Joe Cantillon desired to strengthen his brother's Minneapolis club and delegated Ell to report to that team. Ell jumped to California instead. He says he likes the Coast better anyway.

Portland fans, at least those who patronized the games during the season of 1902, will remember Danny Hupp, who played infield and outfield positions that played inneid and outlied positions and year. Well, Danny seems to be down and out in baseball, for he is advertising for a job, preferably in a Class D league.

Catcher Fournier, who was ordered north by Manager McCredie, seems to have been sent from San Luis Obispo to San Francisco, for he has wired from the Bay City for a ticket to Medford. With Fournier and Beaumont stranded at California points, Bugh McCredie had his own troubles trying to get in touch with them Saturday night.

Charley Mullin. Casey's husky young first baseman, gave the fans of Medford a touch of high life as far as batting was concerned, yesterday. In addition to annexing a couple of extra base hits, he skied one over the inclosure for the circuit.

Manager Joe Cantillon, of the Wash Manager Joe Cantillon, of the Washington Americans, has announced that
Bobby Groom and Dolly Gray will be retained by the Washington club. Groom
and Gray were recently beaten by Detroit. Gray distinguished himself by
rapping out a homer, while Groom allowed only three hits to the Tigers. Gray
lost the game in the first inning, when
Detroit scored three runs.

Judge W. W. McCredis left last night for Seattle, where he is to hold court for several days. Judge McCredle is to sit on a case requiring the services of a jurist from another district. He expects to return to Portland Thursday or Fri-day. He says he will look over Dugdale's team if he sets a chance.

English pumps at Rosenthal's.

CASEY RUBS UP MEDFORD AGAIN

Gallant Hopefuls 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 RAEL 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 s to 5. In the last round

the smoke of the battle cleared, the score stood s to 5. In the last round Casey foozied 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 heartly at Casey, who, I believe, deep down, made the boot on purpose.

Portland had the same three pitchers on the mound, and until boots caused by the chilly wind took possession of the matimee, the local lads didn't have a look-in. Casey opened the fun, duplicating his feat of yesterday with a two-bagger first time up. Risley 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 Risley. Swanton's long single scored 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, thereby carning a fancy vest given by a local toggery man. Swanton stole second and scored when Mc-Farland doubled.

All this bombardment was made off Gardner, but during the next two inlings the long fellow escaped without a

Gardner, but during the next two in-nings the long fellow escaped without a scratch. In the sixth, Troech singled and after working his way to third, scored on

after working his way to third, scored on Casey's single.

The eighth canto was a screamer. With one down, Casey struck out, Risley hit for two cushions and Bassey was safe on Eifert'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 Elfert accomplished this. St. John was playing the right field without a glove and he dropped a long fly in the opening of the ninth. Antie walked and Oeburn, who succeeded Gardner in in the opening of the ninth. Antie walked and Osburn, who succeeded Gardner in the box, hit for two bases. St. John took care of the second fly that came his way and then Cassy let Miles' poke get away from him, letting in the three runs.

This will give the fans some idea how Portland hit the ball. Cassy got a double and a single, Risley three singles and a double, Bassey a two-bagger and Mullen two two-baggers and a home-run. Swanton two singles, McParland a two-base swat and Troeh a single.

Manager Cassy is going to be swamped with pitchers. With the arrival of C. C. Carnes and W. Chinault today it makes eight twirlers who have reported and

Carnes and W. Chinault today it makes eight twirlers who have reported and still there are two more to come. Fournier has wired for transportation and when he and Beaumont get here, it will make six catchers. What Casey wants now is his infielders and one man for the outfield.

The score by innings:

R. H. E. Portland

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Medford

Batteries-Pender, McFarland, Ames and Troch; Gardner, Osburn and Harrigan.

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 Sex trimmed Vernon 4 to 0 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.

Morning game R.H.E Chicago4 10 0 Vernon . Batteries Smith and Owens; Coy, Hensley, Hogan and Kinkel.

Afternoon game R.H.E Chicago1 5 0 Los Angeles .. 2 4 1 Batteries-Sutor and Sullivan; Koestner

WHITE SOX NO. C WIN GAME

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Beat Seals in Comedy of Errors by

Score of 5 to 9. SAN FRANCISCO, March 28 .- The

Sala FRANCISCO, March 28.—The Scals and White Sox No. 2 indulged in a comedy of errors at Recreation Park today, the White Sox winning, 5 to 6. Today's game made the honors even in the five-game series, one of the matches having resulted in a tie

R. H. E. R. H. E. San Fran. . 9 5 5 Sox No. 2...5 9 1 Batteries-Willis, Heniey and Berry: Altrock, White and Payne.

Albany Girls Beat Salem.

ALBANY, Or., March 28.—(Special.)— The girls' basketball team of the Albany High School won from the Capitol Buri-ness College of Salem, in a fast game, in this city last night, by a score of 15 to 7.

WRESTLING

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