

# ROWLAND BLAMES EACH DIRECTOR

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## CLUB BACKS UP MANAGER

Authorized Statement by Rowland Denies Stories From Seattle of "Certain Deals"—Matter Now in Hands of Attorneys.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 2.—(Special.)—Denying the statements made about him in the Seattle papers and giving in detail his first authorized statement regarding the baseball situation, Clarence H. Rowland, president-manager of the Aberdeen baseball club, today said: "My contention all along has been that each and every director in the Northwest League was equally responsible for the dropping of Aberdeen. Dugdale is carrying the load now because he is the prominent part played in it as fathering the motion which Brown seconded, for Cohen, to drop Aberdeen. Both Brown and Shreeder had taken the stand that they did not want Aberdeen, but they did not have the nerve to go down on record as taking any part in that motion. But they both did as much talking on the motion before it was carried as any of them."

### Rowland Wants Redress.

"While possibly the league can drop a town for business reasons, at any time by unanimous vote, I contend further that in doing so and in view of the fact that Aberdeen has been granted a five-year franchise, which is the same as a contract in any line of business, they cannot break this contract without giving some redress for same."

"While they may have acted in good faith in dropping Aberdeen, I maintain that they owe Aberdeen a large sum for damages, caused by the breaking of their contract."

"I have never attempted to keep the option that I had from George Shreeder for the purchase of his ball club, for the Aberdeen directors. I put the option into their hands immediately upon my return from the regular meeting here in Seattle and have followed their advice in that matter ever since. I secured an extension on the option from Shreeder by wire at their suggestion and secured the same from him during my recent visit to Portland. Had I exercised my rights on that option, it would have been at the recommendation of the Aberdeen people."

"Dugdale, Brown and Shreeder have all been in conversation with the Aberdeen directors during the last three days and have 'banded out the barnyard' each saying that he himself would be all right but what about the other fellow? Cohen is the only one who has not showed his hand."

### How Situation Now Stands.

"Judge McCredie has assured us by wire to Aberdeen parties, but not to myself direct, that he would do his part and finance a team in Portland. Judge McCredie has told me all along that, of course, he himself, could do nothing; that the judge was 'the real works' and that whatever he said would be carried out. While Walter says he will not handle the thing as he did not do it last year, it would be in the same position as in this and a manager would have to be secured."

### Rowland Tells of Dugdale Talk.

"My talk with Dugdale, about 10 weeks ago at long this way, this line. That in view of the fact that Portland and Aberdeen were again in the league, that each town could be booked for two weeks apiece in Aberdeen and then if later we saw fit to transfer, we could do so if the Aberdeen directors agreed, it was not in the shape of a demand, but in the way of drawing up a schedule in view of Portland being on the road almost as much or more than Aberdeen."

"I did not take exception to the part of running around trying to locate a sixth city for the league, as though in doing so I was working for the best interests of Aberdeen as well as the interests of the Northwest League, but the dilatory attitude which has been shown by the different directors at this late day does not warrant my continuing in that line of search. I feel that I have obtained the sixth city, namely, Portland. My actions have been for the best interests of baseball, not only in Aberdeen, but in the entire league."

"The legal action here was brought after careful consideration by all of the baseball directors in this city and taken by them, and not by myself, although with my approval."

"Every director of the Aberdeen Baseball Club, upon reading Rowland's statement, declared today that it agreed in all particulars with the attitude of the club."

### All-Stars May Play Honeyman.

Negotiations are under way for an indoor baseball game between the all-star team of the Portland Indoor Baseball League and the Honeyman Hardware Club. The game probably will be played in the Multnomah Club gymnasium.

### Duffey Lewis Signs With Boston.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 2.—Duffey Lewis, who for the past two seasons has been the leading sensation of the Coast Baseball League, signed with the Boston Americans today. John I. Taylor closed the deal. He was formerly with the Oakland team.

## RIVAL CLAIMANTS TO BANTAM CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE, WHO BOX TEN ROUNDS IN PORTLAND TONIGHT.



FRONT VIEW OF WEBSTER SHOWING TITLE BELT. DANNY WEBSTER, OF LOS ANGELES, AND FRANKIE CONLEY, OF KENOSHA, WIS.

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Many Manufacturers Express Desire to Make Exhibit and Business Men Are Enthusiastic Over Project — Races Feature.

With the return of D. O. Lively, manager of the Union Stockyards, from a tour of the stock shows of the country, commencement of active arrangements for the third annual Portland Fair and Livestock Exhibition will begin.

### Business Men Enthusiastic.

Members of the commercial organizations of the city, bankers, real estate men, property holders, wholesalers and retail houses, manufacturers and almost every class of business men in the city, are enthusiastic over the proposed holding of the fair. The present plans, as made known yesterday by E. L. Thompson, president of the fair association, contemplate such an expansion as was never held in any other state in the country, barring, perhaps, the famous annual fair at Dallas, Tex.

### Big Attendance Expected.

"When the farmer comes here we want him to see what we have, too. We want to reward him for his interest in giving prizes. We are counting on at least 50,000 visitors to the fair daily. In the meantime we want to impress on the people what it means. Those to whom we have explained the scope of the proposition are enthusiastic over it. The railroads are interested in the general program. While the primary intentions are purely commercial and serious, yet the amusement side will not be overlooked."

"We are going to make every provision for featuring each day of the fair," continued Mr. Thompson. "Aviation contests, motor races, automobile races, and positively the best racing programme ever given in the Pacific Northwest will be among the features."

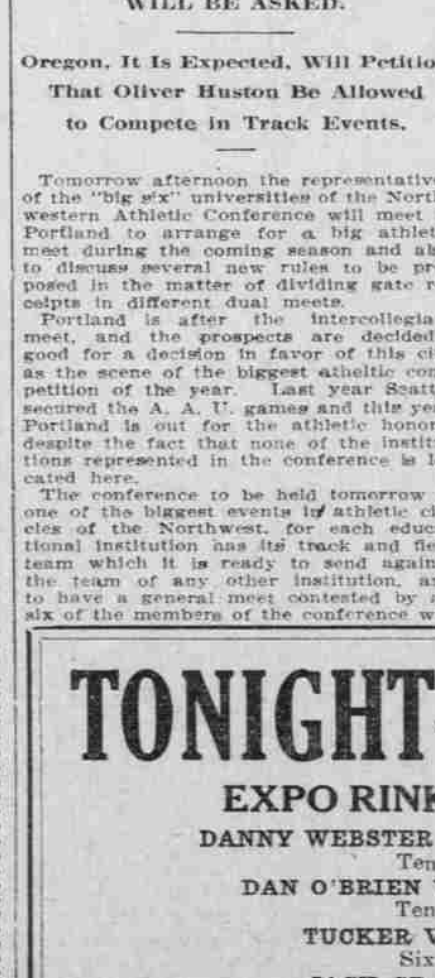
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be an innovation in the athletic situation of the Northwest. The University of Oregon, University of Washington, University of Idaho, Washington State College, Oregon Agricultural College and Whitman College comprise the "big six," and the delegates from these institutions will meet at the Oregon Hotel tomorrow.

## FANDOM AT RANDOM

JOE CONLEY, younger brother of Frankie Conley, the little Kenosha, Wis., boxer, arrived in Portland yesterday at the invitation of the latter. Joe and Frankie have been inseparable since they were youngsters, and Frankie felt lost here without his brother, and sent for him.

Gene West, formerly a Multnomah Club boxer, is going to Vancouver, B. C., in the next few days. A match had been arranged before a club there for Louie Long, but the management decided to match West with a British Columbia lad instead.

"Tuna" Cavill, the Multnomah Club's crack swimming instructor, returned yesterday from a ten days' vacation spent at San Francisco. Cavill says he is glad to get back to Portland, but was somewhat disappointed at not finding the swimming tank at the club ready for use. Several days will be required before the repairs, being made, are completed.

Plowden Stott, the well-known young attorney and formerly one of the most noted athletes at Stanford University, has thoroughly recovered from his recent illness, and is able to be about again.

Bill Lang, one of the Australian quince, late conqueror of Bob Fitzsimmons and plucked by Tommy Burns on several occasions, is due to arrive soon at San Francisco. Lang hopes to be able to make a better showing than was noticeable with the advent of "Boatler" Bill Squires, who was likewise a victim of the Brusso lad.

Regular Broadway car service direct to Alameda Park starts today.

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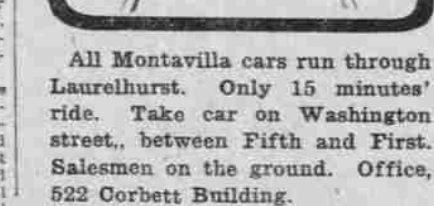
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Portland is after the intercollegiate meet, and the prospects are decidedly good for a decision in favor of this city as the scene of the biggest athletic competition of the year. Last year Seattle secured the A. A. U. games and this year Portland is out for the athletic honors, despite the fact that none of the institutions represented in the conference is located here.

The conference is to be held tomorrow in one of the biggest events in athletic circles of the Northwest, for each educational institution has its track and field team which it is ready to send against the team of any other institution, and to have a general meet contested by all six of the members of the conference will



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