

BAN ON SHEEHAN CITED AS UNJUST

McCredie Says Player Was Merely Dutiful Son in Deserting Brooklyn.

PLEA FOR HIM PLANNED

Local Baseball Manager Says He Needs Barred Star Baseman and Will Protest Decision—Contracts Are Mailed.

Walter McCredie passed a busy day yesterday. The Portland baseball manager commenced mailing the various contracts to the members of his team who have not yet signed for the coming season.

McCredie does not relish the decision of the National Commission in barring Tommy Sheehan from playing in organized baseball.

"I don't believe it is right or just to ban Tommy Sheehan," said McCredie. "When he deserted the Brooklyn Club three years ago he did it under necessity and after having been denied the privilege of going to his home in California, where his parents were said to be extremely ill. He had received word that his father was likely to die at any moment."

Sheehan's Dutiful Son. "When denied the right to take leave of absence, he packed his clothes and left anyhow, which any dutiful son would likely have done in the same circumstances. I don't think this is a just ruling, and I intend to write Mr. Herrmann to that effect and explain the circumstances to him. I believe Mr. Herrmann is a fair man and I don't think Sheehan's case has been presented to him properly."

"I want Tommy Sheehan, if I can play him. He is a brawny player and knows the coast better to perfection. However, if I cannot use him I am fortified in having Rodgers to fill in at third, or I can switch Rodgers to second, play Ball at shortstop, and Dick Peckinpaugh at third, so I am not so badly off as I might have been. Chadbourne is a good man and the awarding of him to Portland has helped me considerably. If I had lost both Chadbourne and Sheehan I would have had to get a player to help out."

Schmidler to Train. McCredie announced that he had secured Frank Schmidler, former trainer of the Multnomah Club, of Portland, and last year with the Cleveland Americans, to handle his Portland team this season.

McCredie is to have two clubs this season he closed a contract with Schmidler, who is rated as one of the best trainers in the country. Schmidler is assisted by two other athletes of the Los Angeles Athletic Club, and makes a little side money by handling the boxers of Tom McCarey's boxing club.

ATHENA FIVE DOWNS DAYTON High School Teams Meet in Fast and Close Basketball Game.

ATHENA, Or., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—In a fast and exciting game the Dayton high school five went down to defeat at the hands of the local basketball team of the local high school by the score of 19 to 16. The ball had been in play only a short time, when, after a series of short, quick passes, the ball was passed to Left Forward Lueallen, who made an accurate pass toward the basket and the ball dropped through.

GREEK WRESTLER IS WINNER Buzukos Throws Jack Seller in Two Straight Falls.

Peter Buzukos, the Greek grappler, demonstrated his superiority over Jack Seller, of Minnesota, in a match which was held yesterday afternoon at Merrill's Hall before a crowd of specially selected guests, and for which no admission was charged.

FIGHTERS PREPARE FOR BOUT McLellan-Edwards 20-Round Contest to Be at Klamath Falls.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—A telegram has been received by the promoters of the McLellan-Edwards 20-round boxing bout scheduled here for January 25, from the auspices of the Klamath Falls Athletic Association, saying that "Frankie Edwards will arrive here January 19 to begin training for the bout."

COLLEGIANS WIN CONTEST Mt. Angel Town Quintet Loses by Score of 24 to 9.

MOUNT ANGEL COLLEGE, Or., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Albany High School, falling to appear Saturday night, the basketball team arranged a game with the athletic club of the town for Sunday afternoon, when the collegians won, 24 to 9. The game at the end of the first half stood 22 to 4.

BIG POULTRY SHOW ON TODAY

Over 1000 Birds on Walla Walla's Entry List.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—What is asserted by the directors and judges to be the biggest poultry show ever held in the Northwest opened today, with 1000 birds on the entry list, and two-thirds of them are in their coops tonight, and the rest will be brought in early in the morning. So busy were the clerks and the managers of the show today that the public was not admitted, and will not be until morning, when the doors will be opened.

SCHOLASTIC LEAGUE GAMES ON

Jefferson and Allen Basketball Teams to Play Today.

The first game of the interscholastic league's basketball season will be played between the teams representing Jefferson High School and the Allen Preparatory School at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Merkle Goes With New York. NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Fred Merkle, first baseman who has been with the New York National League team since the fall of 1907, signed his 1911 contract today.

Sporting Brevities

A FEW duck hunters were successful on the last day of the season, Sunday morning, and among them were J. E. Cullison, A. L. Mills, "Moose" Abrahams and Will Lipman.

"Doc" Schmidtler, who formerly looked after the interests of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club athletes, and who handled the Cleveland American League team, is to handle the Portland Beavers of the Pacific Coast League this season.

Arthur Cavill, swimming instructor of the Multnomah Club, yesterday received a copy of the Paris edition of the New York Herald from Miss Vivian Marshall, who is now touring Europe, and this issue contains illustrations and the story of the man who swam the Seine at the French metropolis. Only nine swimmers started in the French event, and two of them were women.

According to advices from Cleveland, Catcher Bradley, the backstop secured by McCredie from the "Naps," recently sloped, and McCredie is wondering whether his "love affair" will have anything to do with the reporting of Bradley at Santa Maria on time.

"Speck" Harkness has received his contract for 1911 from the Cleveland Club, and when he opened it the "freckled beauty" smiled, but refused to say anything. It is a good guess that "Speck" received a nice fat raise in salary.

Young Hyde, the ambitious California player who wants to try out with McCredie's Northwestern team, says that by her "Red" Madden, the recruit signed by Nick Williams, is a coming star. Hyde played against Madden in a semi-professional league near San Francisco for two seasons.

Don Cameron, the awkward, but hard-hitting first baseman of the Oakland Pacific Coast League team, has decided to play ball another year and has returned his signed contract to the management of the "Protections." "Maggie" Maggart has also signed up for the coming season.

Jimmy Reagan, the San Francisco bantamweight boxer, now in Portland, is wanted to meet a Mexican scrapper at Los Angeles next month. Bob Logan, ex-manager of Frankie Conley, wired a Portland friend yesterday to look up Reagan and send him to Los Angeles.

MERMAID TO RACE

San Francisco's Girl Swimmer to Join Portland Meet.

LASS, AGED 14, TO ENTER

Dorothy Eaton, Pupil of Arthur Cavill, Who Defeated Annette Kellermann, to Be Feature of Summer Carnival Here.

Dorothy Eaton, the 14-year-old girl swimmer of San Francisco, who beat Annette Kellermann in a recent private swimming exhibition at San Francisco, will be one of the entries in the women's events of the aquatic carnival to be held in Portland in June or July.

"She is the greatest woman swimmer the world ever knew," said Mr. Cavill. "She learns readily and is absolutely fearless in the water. She volunteered to accompany me on the proposed swim to join the Portland meet, and will postpone for a time, as the promoters of the Panama Pacific Exposition, under whose auspices I was to make the attempt, desired that the swim take place about February 1. I could not wait that long, but promised that I would make the trial any time they sent for me."

Miss Eaton is the daughter of Louis Eaton, organist of Trinity Church of San Francisco. She was taught how to swim four years ago by Mr. Cavill. Her parents have consented to allow her to join the Portland meet, and will send her to Portland for two months' further instruction by Cavill before the aquatic carnival.

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Portland Feat Surprises. "For boosters, that California crowd beats the world," said Mr. Cavill in speaking of the Olympic Club's annual dip in the surf. "Why, it gathers a crowd of 400 or more members who march to the beach in a body. Half of them cannot swim a stroke, but they all don bathing suits and most of them wade in under the water reaching their ankles. Then they pose for moving pictures. Some of them, who are really expert swimmers, venture into the breakers, but the surf there is so treacherous that they do not go very far out. I set them to thinking when I told them that I had a dozen or more women in Portland who swim in the ocean last December. They would hardly believe it until I showed them photographs taken at Gearhart Beach."

LANGFORD SAILS FOR EUROPE Negro Pugilist, However, Takes Time to Win Another Bout.

UTICA, N. Y., Jan. 16.—Sam Langford made his last appearance in the ring here tonight before sailing for Europe.

He appeared in a bout with Fred Atwater. Atwater is a bigger negro but had no chance. The bout was so one-sided that it was stopped in the third round.

O'BRIEN MAY GET NEW MATCH Milwaukee Fans' Appetites Whetted by Fight With Schultz.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—There is a possibility that Danny O'Brien, the sturdy battler from the Coast, and Louis Scultz, who fought

eight sensational rounds to a draw at the Terminal building Friday night will be rematched as the headline event of the National Boxing Club's next show. The scrap put up by the two youngsters the other night is the talk of the town and a rematch as the main attraction would give the fans a taste of real fighting. There has been more healthy work done in the preliminaries at recent shows than in the wind-ups, and a change would be relished by every one.

CHAMPIONS BEAT WALLA WALLA

Wisconsin's Basketball Team Scores 59 Points to 19.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Company F basketball team, reputed champions of the United States, trounced the local Y. M. C. A. team to the tune of 59 to 19.

In the first half the locals were unmercifully walloped, the score being 28 to 5. In the second half the Y. M. C. A. changed line-up, and the best men gathered from the city were pitted against the visitors, but equaled and stop their wonderful work on the floor, and the score in the second half was 31 to 14.

Portage played the best basketball seen in this city, their passing being remarkably accurate, and their throwing from any position wonderfully true. They leave tonight for Portland.

FAST BOUTS PROMISED

GOOD CARD ARRANGED FOR CATHOLIC CLUB SMOKER.

Merrill's Hall to Be Scene of Eight Boxing and Wrestling Matches Tonight.

Merrill's Hall will be the scene tonight of the boxing and wrestling matches to be given by the Catholic Young Men's Club, and some rattling good amateur bouts are promised.

The club has arranged for eight matches and several of the boys who appear tonight were great favorites with the patrons of the recent smoker held by this organization at their club rooms, Williams avenue and Morris streets. The change of scene was decided upon to give the West Side fans a chance to see the amateurs perform without being required to travel so far to the scene.

Considerable interest is being attached to the match between Laurie Gray and Peter Gay, the popular ex-boxing instructor of the Multnomah Club, and Porter Yeti, the game little chap who entered the last tourney unprepared, for he left a seat in the audience to take the place of a boxer who failed to show up.

Gus Mankurtz, the Y. M. C. A. swimmer, and Joe Stag will mix it in their rounds, and Stephen Hanna, a heavy-weight from Coburg, Or., will meet "Cy" Young, of the Catholic Club. Other matches to be offered are between Stanley McDonald and C. Lorati, and Nelson Mose and Joe Franta, at 135 pounds. R. Duncan is scheduled to fight Ed Eilers, a tenor, and a trio of youngsters are to decide the 115-pound championship of the city. In this latter division, Billy Farrell and Ralph Boddy will mix it at the start, and the winner will meet Harold Bowe for the decision.

ZYBSZKO WINS MAT MATCH

"Lion of Finland" Strains Arm and Loses Wrestling Bout.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Zybszko, the Pole, defeated Pilakoff, the "Lion of Finland," in a wrestling match in Brooklyn tonight, throwing him twice within an hour.

The second time Pilakoff went down did not constitute a fall, but he was thrown so hard that a tendon in his right arm was strained and he could not continue.

The Pole obtained his first fall after 46 minutes 18 seconds. Then after eight minutes wrestling the Pole tossed the Finn over his shoulders, injuring Pilakoff's arm.

CORBETT DECLINES ELECTION

President of Bowlers Protests Against New Rule.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—As a protest against the National Bowling Association having amended the rules so as to permit any five registered bowlers to form a club five days prior to National tournaments and compete in the tournaments, Dr. Stratford Corbett, president of the Bowling Association,

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refused re-election. He was continued in the office, however, against his wishes.

In his letter of refusal again to run for office, Dr. Corbett said the change in the rules had been passed without the knowledge or consent of the New York association.

SKATING CHAMPION VICTOR

New York Man Defends Title at Chicago Ice Meet.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Edmund Lamy of Saranac Lake, N. Y., successfully defended his title of American amateur champion tonight, winning three events in the skating here tonight.

Lamy won the quarter mile race in 42 3-4; the mile race in 3:09, and the two-mile race in 6:26 2-5.

GOTCH GETS BACK TO MAT FEB. 8

Newly-Wed Champion Agrees to Wrestle Orlemann in Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 16.—Frank Gotch is to get back into the wrestling game.

Tonight he agreed to meet Henry Orlemann in a flash match at Convention Hall, here on the night of February 8.

Pool World's Champion Wins

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Alfred DeOro,

the world's champion poolplayer, tonight won the first block of his three-night match with William Clearwater, of Pittsburgh, in 27 innings.

The score was: DeOro, 208; Clearwater, 139. DeOro made a high run of 38; Clearwater one of 25. The second block will be played tomorrow night.

Steffa After Gold in Sand. BANDON, Or., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—Don Steffa, a former Portland newspaper man, who also at one time owned the Crook County Journal, at Princeton, and the Bend Bulletin, at Bend, Or., was a passenger out of Bandon last Friday on the steamer Elizabeth, bound for San Francisco. He expects to return here shortly and engage in black sand gold mining.

A One Thousand Dollar Challenge

An Investigation During Past Few Days Brings to Light Startling Conditions

An Awful Exposure Disclosing Why Such High Prices Must Be Charged on the Part of Consignment Houses, Some of Which Parade Under Old Time Names. Further Particulars of the Eilers Clearance Sale, Prices of Fine Pianos and How to Pay for Them.

Would you deliberately throw away a hundred dollars, or a hundred and fifty dollars? Of course not. You would not throw it away in one lump sum, nor would you throw away so much money in amounts of eight, or ten, or fifteen dollars each month if you knew it!

But that is exactly what you will do if you permit yourself to buy a piano in almost any other place in Oregon than at Eilers Music House. Some very interesting facts have come to light within the past few days. Some investigations have been carefully made, and the results are simply astounding. We know whereof we speak. We have the facts and the figures. We are confident they are right. Hence this offer:

\$1000 TO CHARITY.

We hereby agree to pay the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000) in gold to any worthy charity if we are not found by an unbiased person to be offering during this Clearance Sale, pianos of the highest grade and most dependable character, for at least 25 per cent less than the same grade and quality pianos obtainable elsewhere, no matter what excuse or pretense may be offered elsewhere in advertising and circular letters to secure patronage for this, that or the other "sale!"

WHAT THE RECORDS SHOW!

The transcendental records of piano shipments have just been compiled. If our figures are correct, there were sold most 3200 pianos shipped from factories to Portland, Oregon. Over 2500 of these pianos were sold at Eilers Music House, the balance were taken by all of the other houses put together here. Why to these figures?

Should they not prove beyond the question of a doubt that Eilers Music House is obtainable elsewhere, no matter what excuse or pretense may be offered elsewhere in advertising and circular letters to secure patronage for this, that or the other "sale!"

Before the death of Mr. Hobart M. Cable we sold the Hobart M. Cable Piano. It was then that the Hobart M. Cable was recognized as the highest class instrument. We have sold in the regular retail way hundreds of brand new and perfect Hobart M. Cable Pianos for less money than the same are now being offered in an alleged "damaged, fire or water sale" as "the mightiest bargain," "the most tempting inducement ever offered by any concern."

A CLEAN \$100 SAVING.

We are selling today slightly-used Hobart M. Cable Pianos for almost \$100 less than alleged water-damaged pianos are being sold in so-called "sales" in this city, and it is a certainty that a Hobart M. Cable Piano slightly used, having been well taken care of, is far superior to any Hobart M. Cable Piano that may have been exposed to water and other detrimental influences which are bound to affect its quality.

A certain style of Krakauer Piano is being offered in an alleged "fire sale" for \$440. We sold a piano last week to a lady who had bought the same style of Krakauer Piano from your who wants them for \$286, and when we sold this piano at \$286, we made a reasonable profit. We are offering today fancy new Krakauer pianos, instruments that have been in our stock, and have never been sold heretofore, of the same style and size for which "fire sale artists" are asking \$440—we are selling these same instruments to anyone who wants them for \$285, and a plainer style for \$260.

Here is an actual saving of over \$155 on each and every Krakauer Piano that people will buy of us. Nor is it necessary to pay all cash for these pianos, as on others in our stock, we arrange terms of payment to suit the convenience of any reasonable buyer.

We have several Milton Pianos, slightly used, to be sure, (but a slight use by Milton Piano is undoubtedly as good, if not better than a Milton Piano that has been water soaked). We are selling our Milton Pianos for 30 per cent less than the best price at which these same makes of Milton Pianos are offered elsewhere. The same ratio of reduction exists on Milton Player Pianos, and other makes of piano pianos, that are being offered at outrageously high prices under a pretense of "a piano sale" and "a piano sale." Without parallel, indeed! No special sale at such extraordinary high prices was ever attempted!

THE CAT OUT OF THE BAG.

Eilers Music House pays no intermediate profits to middlemen or agents. It is this intermediate profit that prevents little side-show corporations from being able to openly compete. There is a modern, direct, money-saving way of merchandising in the piano business, and it is also the direct, old-time way. The direct way is the Eilers Music House way; the indirect way is the piano business as it is now being conducted in Portland and elsewhere. The firm name of one California concern operating in Oregon has undergone at least six different changes in almost that many years?

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Never heretofore has so much value been obtained, even at Eilers Music House, for so little.

In this sale are numerous used grands and also a most superbly constructed Grand, slightly finish-damaged. This is being closed out at \$600; two-thirds of the regular value.

A Weber Grand, rather old style, \$375. Another more modern, \$485. A fine mahogany, late design, \$350. A Steinway, \$550. A Fischer, \$295, and a Mason & Hamlin, very little used, \$50.

All standard made grand pianos being discontinued in our catalog will be closed out at a uniform discount of 23 per cent.

Thirty months in which to finish paying for these grand pianos may be arranged by any one not desirous of paying cash.

SALE OF PLAYER PIANOS. Nearly Every Make of Player Piano is Included in This Sale. Note Prices. One of the very latest improved, special exhibition \$1100 Player Pianos; a

fancy mahogany de luxe, the latest fancy feathered mahogany De Luxe, used for demonstration and concert work at \$800.

A Steinway Player Piano, \$765. We are closing out all our Weber Pianola Player Pianos. Some will go for as low as \$200.

We close out all our Stuyvesant Pianola Pianos. Some will go for as little as \$440.

We close out all of our Steep Pianola Pianos. Some will go for as little as \$440.

Several "Apollo Player Pianos, now \$455. Several Milton and other Player Pianos.

Twenty-four months to complete payments for a player piano, if desired.

ORGANS BUTCHERED, TOO.

Kimball—Almost new, large mirror, high, very latest style, oak case, shows little sign of usage, \$60. Another, \$48.

Mason & Hamlin—Fancy high top, good as new, oak case, \$45.

Burdette—Chapel style, for small church or lodge room, in perfect order, \$20.

Chicago Cottage—A little showpiece; close out for \$30.

Packard—Parlor style; five octaves; walnut case, \$25.

Kimball—Chapel style, walnut case; was not used over three months; in fact is like a new one, \$45.

FINE NEW HOSTELRY AT CORVALLIS IS FORMALLY OPENED.



CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—The Hotel Julian was opened to the public yesterday by the James, Charles L. Baker and C. E. Gerhard, with special dinner from 5 to 8 o'clock. The opening was pronounced a success in every respect. The hotel will be conducted on the American plan, the rates being \$2, \$2.50 and \$3 per day. The hostelry was recently completed at a cost of \$60,000. The building is 76 1/2 by 125 feet in dimensions, is four stories high and is constructed of red and white pressed brick. It contains about 100 rooms. All having hot and cold water, 15 rooms have connected bath.

The hotel is one of the finest in Oregon outside of Portland and is modern in every respect. The building has a modern steam-heating system, electric elevator and phones in every room. On the ground floor is a large dining-room which has a beam ceiling and large French windows. Off the dining-room is the grillroom. The public lavatories are in the basement, which is equipped with billiard parlors and barber-shop.

The building was designed by E. E. McClaran, architect, of Portland, and was built under his supervision.