

PORTLAND LANDS  
KUHNS FOR SECOND

Casey's Place Will Be Well Filled on 1911 Team According to McCredie.

PLAYER MOST PROMISING

Fresno Youngster, Believed by Frank Chance and Others, to Be Best Ever, Will Join Beavers at Training Grounds.

BY W. J. PETRAIN. Walter Kuhn of Fresno, Cal., said by Frank Chance, Orval Overall, Frank Dillon, Curtis Bernard, Walter McCredie, Charles Armbruster and other baseball stars, to be the most promising young player developed in California in the past three years, is to wear a Portland uniform during the coming season.

Yesterday this welcome news was conveyed to Walter McCredie in a letter from Secretary Farrell of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, to whom Kuhn appealed as to his status through the ruling of the National Commission on the status of players of the former California out-law organization.

Last Fall McCredie signed Kuhn to a Portland contract for 1911, and at first it was announced that the player was ineligible to play with any team but the Milwaukee Club, of the American Association, and then only upon condition of his being reinstated by the National Commission.

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TRACK MEET DATE CHANGED

To Accommodate Athletes Oregon U Conference Set Week Ahead.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Because of the proximity of California meets, the Oregon open indoor track and field meet originally scheduled to take place in Portland April 15, has been changed to April 17. This arrangement is made to accommodate preparatory schools of this state intending to enter the Stanford intercollegiate meet at Palo Alto, and also the University of Oregon which is under contract to compete in the big intercollegiate meet to be held at Berkeley April 22 between the Stanford, Stanford Jr. University and the state universities of Idaho, Washington, Oregon, California and Nevada.

RACING ENDS IN CALIFORNIA

6000 See 40-to-1 Shot Take Adios Handicap at Emeryville.

OAKLAND, Cal., Feb. 15.—The curtain was rung down on the racing game in California when the last event was run at Emeryville today. Owing to the Walker-Young anti-betting bill having gone into effect, the meeting, which was originally scheduled to continue for 100 days, was brought to a close after it had gone 82 days. More than 6000 people were on hand today to witness the sport, and much enthusiasm was aroused. There was a sensational feature to the racing when Aas, quoted at 40 to 1, closed with a rush and won the Adios handicap from Feather Duster and Jack Paine. Turfmen will scatter to various sections of the United States as well as to Mexico and Canada.

WASHINGTON TEAM ON WAX

University to North Meets O. A. C. at Basketball Tonight.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Seattle, Feb. 15.—The University of Washington basketball team left today for Oregon, via Portland, to play the first of scheduled games with the web-foot college. Thursday night they play the Oregon Agricultural College, and Friday and Saturday nights the University of Oregon at Eugene.

The team will be the same as played in Eastern Washington, winning every game. Washington realizes the great strength of the Oregon team and hard-fought games are expected. The conference games with the East-gate Washington colleges commence here

FAST BASKETBALL GAME TODAY

Rivalry Between Schools May Mean Great Contest.

When Portland Academy and Allen Preparatory School meet this afternoon at basketball on the Young Men's Christian Association floor there promises to be one of the fastest games of the season. There is a great deal of rivalry between these teams, both schools being private institutions.

OREGON UNIVERSITY FINALLY LANDS CLEVER BASEBALL PLAYER AS COACH.



Charles R. Gray.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Word came today that Charles R. Gray, of Portland, has been elected by the University athletic council to coach the varsity baseball team for the coming season. He has accepted the terms offered to him by the management and is ready to come to Eugene when the first call for active outdoor practice is issued. Athletic Director Hayward announced yesterday that Gray's services would be required soon after March 1.

Gray's experience as a baseball coach was received at the Columbia University in Portland, where he developed winning intercollegiate teams for the seasons 1909 and 1910. "Dotty" also has had many years' experience as a minor league player and bears the reputation of being a resourceful baseball general. For three seasons he held a berth in the Northwest League, being traded by the Spokane Indians at the end of the 1908 season to the Vancouver club. In his younger days the Oregon lad played for the Columbia University "Mongram" and the Multnomah club and several of the semi-professional teams about Portland.

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BALL MAKERS GET BONUS TO LEAGUE

National Organization Said to Have Received \$500,000 for Contract.

\$325,000 OFFER REJECTED

Adoption of Chicago Sphere for 40 Years Indicates League Gets Them Free and Is Paid Cash Beside—Schedule Adopted.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—For a bonus, said on good authority to be \$500,000, the National League of Professional Baseball Clubs, in session here, made a 20-year contract today with a leading sporting goods firm to use a baseball of its manufacture for the official league ball.

In taking this action, the magnates rejected an offer of a Cincinnati firm said to have been \$325,000 in 20 annual installments of \$16,250, of which half was to be in cash and half in baseball supplies.

League Gets Balls Free.

Heretofore, it has been commonly supposed, even among the players, that the big leagues paid about 90 cents each for balls which were retail at \$1.25. But the developments show they not only pay nothing, but receive all the balls they use free and very considerable cash besides. The ball in question is made in Chicago and the contract begins with the season of 1912. The league schedule was adopted today without change and the schedule already prepared and sent out, stands for the season. This shows that all of the clubs will travel 98,733 miles during the season.

Club Mileage Shown.

The club mileage for the season, according to the schedule, will be as follows: Boston, 17,124; Brooklyn, 2897; New York, 16,700; Philadelphia, 15,590; Pittsburgh, 15,590; Cincinnati, 10,862; Chicago, 14,579; and St. Louis, 11,081.

In St. Louis, all conflicts have been eliminated for the first time and each league has 13 Sundays to itself, or 50 per cent of the whole.

There are but two scheduled double headers—both in Boston—and the rest of the clubs play on 26 Saturdays. The salary of President Thomas J. Lynch was increased from \$9000 to \$10,000 a year.

LINCOLN HIGH BEATS GRESHAM

Accurate Throwing Cause of Big Score of 33 Points to 13.

Combining accurate throwing with improved team work, the Lincoln high school basketball team last night defeated the Gresham High team on the Young Men's Christian Association gymnasium floor by the score of 33 to 13. Gresham, although beaten, was a good match for the Lincoln team during the first half, but in the second half, however, there was no doubt as to the ultimate outcome.

Gresham's team work was somewhat spoiled by the inactivity of one of its regular players. Then, too, the fine work of Captain Toomey, Patterson and Reed at guard positions dispelled whatever game-getting advances Gresham made. Toomey was easily the star of the game, with Venstrand coming in for second honors.

For the Gresham quintet Thompson, the big center, played the star game. His work was clever and his opponent, Elvers, was kept busy watching him. Lincoln showed improvement in team work over her game with Columbia University last week. The lineup:

Lincoln: Thompson, Lewis, Venstrand, Toomey, Reed, Patterson. Gresham: Elvers, Smith, Reed, Patterson, Gresham, Smith. Referee—Hewitt.

BUSCH WINS WRESTLING BOAT

Oregon Man Defeats Sacramento Athletic Instructor on Mat.

ROSEBURG, Or., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—In the fastest and most exciting wrestling match ever pulled off in Roseburg, the Oregon champion, Arthur Busch, wrestling instructor of the Sacramento Athletic Club, two straight falls, by a 15-10 score.

Busch was awarded the first fall in one hour and five minutes, and the second fall in 35 minutes. The exhibition was attended by several hundred persons, intense interest was manifested throughout the match.

Mid-Columbia Ball Men Elect.

WHITE SALMON, Wash., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—The Mid-Columbia Baseball League was reorganized in this place last night, consisting of the towns of Hood River, The Dalles, Goldendale and White Salmon. N. B. Brooks was elected president; C. M. Wolfard, of this place, vice-president; secretary and treasurer to be selected from Hood River and The Dalles. A schedule of games will be made to start the latter part of April. White Salmon won the pennant of this league last Summer.

Handball Match Is Exciting.

After three hard, fast games Dick Jones and Frohman defeated Noyes and Oppenheimer in one of the semifinal matches in the Multnomah Club double handball tournament last night. The scores were 31-37, 16-21, 21-12. There was also a forementioned game between Lombard and Johnston and A. O. Jones and Watkins. That contest will be played today and the winners of that match will meet the winners of last night's contest in the final match for the Cleland trophy on Friday night.

SPORTING BRIEVITIES

"A DEEP blanket of gloom hovered over the race track today," says a dispatch telling of the last day of racing at Emeryville track at Oakland yesterday. A forementioned gloom is not nearly as deep as the pockets of some of the "wise ones" who followed the game, and they can now go to work and pay their accumulated debts.

While the Beavers were at Fresno last Spring they planned three games with the Fresno Club and lost one of the number to the state leaguers. Walter Kuhn, the Fresno star who comes to Portland, was instrumental in beating Portland, for he drove out three long hits that day, which turned

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Turners Win Another Game.

The Turners' basketball team again defeated the Hawthorne five at the former's gymnasium Tuesday night by the score of 24 to 18. The game started for the Hawthornes, making 12 points. Gerber and Leeb played a fine game for the Turners.

Buzukos Wins from Anderson.

Peter Buzukos, claimant of the light-weight wrestling championship of the world, last night easily defeated O. Anderson at Oregon City in two straight falls. Buzukos toyed with his man and at any time could have put his shoulders to the mat. The first fall came after 15 minutes of wrestling and the second in 11:30. Anderson weighed in at 148 pounds, Buzukos at 137. Buzukos is scheduled to wrestle Hindu named Sudda Singh at Arion Hall next Monday night.

HOLT IS NAMED AGAIN

MULTNOMAH CLUB RE-ELECTS ITS PRESIDENT.

A. M. Ellsworth, Vice-President; Colin V. Dyment, Secretary, and A. H. Allen, Treasurer.

Walter A. Holt, president of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club for the last year, was re-elected at the first meeting of the new board of directors at the club last night.

It is seldom that Multnomah re-elects its president. The last president to serve two terms was George W. McMillan.

Allan M. Ellsworth was chosen vice-president, succeeding Charles E. McDonnell, whose term expired. Colin V. Dyment and A. H. Allen were re-elected secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Oliver King Jeffery was named chairman of the swimming committee of the Multnomah Club at last night's meeting. He takes the place made vacant by the expiration of the term of Frank E. Watkins. His first duty will be to take charge of the big excursion of Multnomah Club swimmers to Gearhart Park Saturday, February 25.

Among those to attend are: Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Ladd, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Bryten, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver King Jeffery, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Holman, Miss Jeffery, Miss Thomas, Miss McKinnon, Miss O'Neill, Ernest Laidlaw, Otto Mikkelsen, Dan O'Neill, Bert Farrell, O. W. Taylor, Ed Jorgensen, Ed Jeffery, Ivan Humason, J. H. Daly and Dr. Byron E. Leonard.

A. B. McAlpin, veteran athlete of the club, was named as chairman of the lawn tennis committee, succeeding Alma D. Katz, who was elected to the board of trustees.

TWO BILLIARDISTS ARE TIED

Conklin and Poggenburg to Play for First Place Tonight.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Only one game was played in the International amateur billiard championship tournament today and it brought the second defeat to the National champion, Ed-

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CONTEST CLOSURES APRIL 15TH. AWARDS WILL BE MADE ON OR BEFORE JUNE 15TH.

win W. Gardner, who was beaten by Charles F. Conklin by 400 to 235.

Clark's Speech Disgusts Canada.

TORONTO, Ontario, Feb. 15.—Champ Clark's remarks in the House of Representatives at Washington last night when discussing reciprocity have caused comment on the prospect of annexation to the United States as the last thing any Canadian wants, and in that event they will play off on Friday afternoon.

BISHOP HUGHES TO SPEAK

"Problem of the Man" to Be Topic at Taylor-Street Church.

The "Problem of the Man" is the subject of Bishop Edwin H. Hughes' lecture to be given at Taylor-Street Methodist Church tonight, as a part of the two days' Sunday school institute of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Bishop Hughes' return to San Francisco Friday has necessitated some changes in the programme as at first arranged.

Miners' Strike Situation Same.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—The situation of the coal miners' strike connected with the mines of the cities of Centralia and Chehalis remains virtually unchanged, with the exception that the miners of the Leonard colliery have joined the union. The mines of George Snyder and W. D. Edmonds remain closed.

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CLUB TO ENTERTAIN "FRA"

Sage of East Aurora to Be Guest of Newspapermen.

The Portland Press Club will entertain Albert Hubbard from 4 until 6 o'clock this afternoon, and incidentally be entertained. It will be an exclusive club affair, for none but active and associate members. There is no programme and the reception will be more of a friendly visit of the philosopher of East Aurora with the newspaper men of Portland.

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State of Illinois ) ss. Logan County, ) Notary Public and for the said county of Logan, in the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that George H. Huber, known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act. Given under my hand and Notarial Seal this 13th day of July, A. D. 1909. M. M. HOESE, Notary Public.

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