

AMERICAN TENNIS TEAM PROPOSED

Larned, Wright and McLoughlin Will Represent United States in Australia.

DAVIS TROPHY IS SOUGHT

International Fight for Famous Trophy Will Be Seen This Year. Larned Plays All Year. First Time in Years.

BY RALPH H. MITCHELL. Probably no news of greater importance in sport circles has been announced within the week than that to the effect that National Champion W. A. Larned, Beale Wright and M. E. McLoughlin will be the American tennis team which will travel this year to Australia to meet the present holders of the famous Davis International trophy.

Bitter Fight Foreseen. Though it is somewhat early in the season to predict success for the Americans, it is a foregone conclusion that the fight will be bitter, as McLoughlin and Larned have been playing exhibition matches on the California courts this winter, against each other in singles and with each other in doubles play. This fact alone is evidence that the two men are playing a strenuous campaign against the tennis cracks of the Antipodes.

This is the first time for years that Larned has played the game all the year around, and it may be recalled by those who have followed the game that following Larned's great contest at Newport last year against Bundy, when he again won the National championship, he was requested for a statement on whether or not he would go to Australia with the American team.

Larned refused to talk, but it is said his friends have been able to influence him and thus he has arranged to go to Australia with the American team to go across the ocean.

This team would make the strongest which America could possibly put against the Australians, though if Wright could not get Bundy, of California, would be able to put up as fierce a fight.

McLoughlin Lands Larned. When McLoughlin returned from Australia, now over a year ago, as one member of the team which tried to wrest the Davis cup from W. A. Larned and Brooks, he said that it would be next to the impossible for America to wrest the trophy without the aid of Larned, whom he declared to be the greatest tennis player in the world.

From the game that the National champion has been playing during the winter and in action playing exhibition California courts, there is no question about his condition, and there is no evidence that he has "gone back" at any stage of his wonderful game.

McLoughlin is now in an active and steady and headier game this winter than he has put up for years and no doubt will be in great condition by the time the team sets out for the "other shore," now planned in June.

Wright Oldest of Trio. With Wright, it is different. He has not been playing the outdoor game at all this winter, confining his work to indoors, but it is said he is keeping himself in trim, preparatory to an active outdoor season as soon as the weather permits.

Wright is the oldest of the trio and naturally might be considered to have lost some of his old-time form, but his work in various Eastern tournaments gave evidence of considerable speed and staying powers, which have been his forte for years on the tennis courts.

Should the American team this year be able to land the international trophy, it probably would be retained in this country for several years. Fortunately for America, the tennis players of championship form are developing faster now than in previous years and it is thought that this season the prospect of the world's greatest tennis players "being made at home" is stronger than at any time in the history of the sport in America.

Davis Rejoins Columbia. Students of Columbia University received with joy yesterday the announcement that Stuart Davis, outside right, had returned to school and would play in the Columbia University-Jefferson High School soccer football game at Columbia this afternoon.

Today's contest will be the concluding game of the Portland Intercollegiate Soccer League. Columbia has defeated all teams met this season in league games and held the Nationals, champions of Oregon, to a 3 to 0 score. Today's game will begin at 4 o'clock.

Speech to Wrestlers. MEDFORD, Or., March 7.—(Special.)—Carl Busch, former champion of a local promoter and former Cornish-street wrestler of Michigan, in a catch-as-catch-can, best two out of three falls, match at the Natatorium here last Thursday night. Busch is anxious to get a match with Peter Huzuke, of Portland, and will agree to throw him four times in one hour to get a match.

Sunday Baseball is Demanded. HOT SPRINGS, Ark., March 7.—Brooklyn and Cincinnati National League and St. Louis American League baseball teams threaten to give up their training camps in this city if prosecuting Attorney Wood carries his threat to prohibit Sunday practice and an exhibition game on that day. Prosecutors Wood also an old law which has not been indorsed in this section for 10 years.

Grants Pass Invites Lovett. GRANTS PASS, Or., March 7.—(Special.)—The Commercial Club of this city has invited President Lovett, of the Harriman line, to visit Grants Pass, the Southern Pacific having more than a passing interest in the community owing to the projected railroad line from here to Crescent City, known as the Grants Pass & Western Railroad.

Accidental Shot Cripples Farmer. CENTRALIA, Wash., March 7.—(Special.)—While cleaning his shotgun in the barn at the rear of his farm home near here last night, Carl Johnson accidentally shot his knee and will probably be crippled for life.

PORTLAND PITCHER WHO WILL NOT REPORT TO SEATTLE UNTIL JUNE.



Ferdinand Henkle, of the University of Oregon.

HENKLE WILL BALK

Oregon Twirler Will Report to Seattle at Leisure.

DUGDALE WANTS HIM NOW

University Pitcher Says He Will Not Don Siwash Uniform Until June, Even if It Costs Him His Baseball Career.

Ferdinand Henkle, the University of Oregon pitcher who claims Portland as his home, will not report to Seattle until the expiration of the college year in June. Manager Dugdale, of Seattle, has ordered the college southpaw to report this month, but at present Henkle has no such intentions.

"I am willing to don a Seattle uniform when I am through at the 'up in June,'" said Henkle Sunday. "If Mr. Dugdale wants me then I will report gladly, but I cannot see my way clear to report to the team at present. I do not need to play professional baseball and am going to complete my college work regardless of baseball prospects."

Henkle was the University of Oregon mainstay in the box two years ago and was signed by Dugdale last year, finishing the Northwestern League season with the Seattle club. He made a remarkable record at the University winning most of his games. One of his feats was to win two intercollegiate games in one day.

He did not report to Seattle until late in the season, consequently he pitched only 22 games. Of these Seattle won only 4, while 13 of them were lost, but when it is considered that he jumped into the firing line against professional league veterans without any professional experience, and that Seattle was a tail end club, his record is a good one.

Manager Dugdale is impressed with Henkle's style of delivery and believes the lad has a good future, especially since he is a big, strong boy and willing to learn. With a strong club to support him, Dugdale thinks the Portland twirler will have a splendid year this season.

There was a report circulated that Henkle had been offered a contract by the Northwestern League team, Dugdale was slightly perturbed over the report and denies that his promising left-hander had been cut adrift. A Seattle dispatch says that Henkle will report for Spring practice this month.

WILLAMETTE TENNIS MEN OUT

New Courts Built Preparatory to Entering Intercollegiate Games. WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, Salem, Or., March 7.—(Special.)—Willamette is preparing for the busiest tennis season in its history. Arrangements were made yesterday for the construction on the campus of three fine new tennis courts.

The courts will be thoroughly undrained by tiling, the subsoil will be covered with gravel, and a top dressing of clay will be used. They will be ready for play in early summer. In time, it is thought, to hold intercollegiate meets with other Oregon colleges.

Nell Zimmerman, of Salem, has been chosen as manager of the Willamette Lawn Tennis Association. Mr. Zimmerman has had considerable experience as athletic counselor. Communications for a meeting between the two institutions will be sent to the Oregon Agricultural College some time this week.

The distinguishing feature about the rejuvenated tennis campaign is the fact that the co-eds are displaying keen interest in the racket game, and during the season intercollegiate games between co-eds of the Northwest or state institutions may be seen.

BOWLERS ROLL BIG SCORES

Ball Makes 267 in Match and Graham Close Second With 254. Rolling in fine form, the players in the City League Monday night bowled some of the highest scores ever seen on the Saratoga Alleys. Enthusiasm ran high and interest was at the highest pitch throughout the evening's games.

One of the highest scores ever made in competition on the alleys was made by Ball, of the B. O. Case & Co. team, when he rolled 267 the first game. Graham scored 254, while Arena, of the five, rolled 250. In the second game the aggregate rolled a high score of 1053 points. Ball, who goes to Spokane to compete in the Western

TRAINING CROWDS TO BE DESTROYED

Deluge of Rain Threatens Diamond at Santa Maria Used by Beaver Team.

MERCHANTS FIGHT WATER

Streets Are Flooded and Practice Is Out of the Question—Sheehan and Steen Are Marooned in Their Lodgings by the Flood.

SANTA MARIA, Cal., March 7.—(Special.)—Another deluge of rain interfered with the practice of the champion Portland baseball tossers today and this little city is experiencing what promises to be the most disastrous flood. The streets of the city are filled with water from curb to curb and the merchants are piling goods in front of their doorways from Bradley Canyon, four miles southeast of this place.

Strenuous efforts are being made to prevent the washing away of filled-in earth at the baseball grounds, for if the flood gains entrance to the park the grounds are likely to be out of irreparably. Some doubts are now expressed as to the possibility of using the park. If it is spoiled the Red Sox game will likely be cancelled.

No mail has been received here for two days and the washouts along the railway near here are occurring so frequently that it is likely to be several days yet before communication by rail will be restored.

McCredie believes that Koestner and Braden, two of his absentees, are at Los Angeles, unable to reach here at present. Telegraphic communication is also uncertain, and telephone wires are down in every direction.

Tommy Sheehan and Bill Steen, who are rooming four blocks from the center of town, have been marooned in their rooms all day, as the flood is so deep around their domicile that they have been unable to venture forth.

PAPE HERE SEEKING MATCH

Oarsman Will Bring Athletes to Astoria in August.

Al W. Pape, of San Francisco, who claims the title of amateur champion oarsman of the Pacific Coast, arrived in Portland last night by way of Astoria. Pape made arrangements to row with the Astoria Centennial, to be held during August. He says he will bring about 50 swimmers and athletes from San Francisco to the Centennial celebration.

Pape is a well-known oarsman during the Lewis and Clark Fair, winning the single scull championship at that time. Since then he has taken active part in rowing contests and says he is in fine fettle for a race. He is particularly eager to meet Ed Gloss, the Portland oarsman, in a match contest at Astoria.

Gloss defeated Pape several years ago at the Astoria regatta and another time was leading a good margin when the finish was a pitched ball was run down by a launch and Pape won the race. It is probable that a match between Pape and Gloss will be arranged for the coming summer. This is Pape's first visit to Portland since 1905.

WEST-EVANS MATCH IS FAST

Undue Amount of Clinching Only Mar to Bout at Roseburg. ROSEBURG, Or., March 7.—(Special.)—Jean West, of the Oregon Athletic Club, and Hobby Evans, also of Roseburg, fought ten fast rounds to a draw tonight before an enthusiastic crowd of Roseburg boxing devotees. The bout was somewhat marred by an undue amount of clinching, but was very interesting throughout.

The men fought at catch weights and West entered the ring a few pounds heavier than Evans. Both were well withstanding which Evans fully held his own. They started after each other from the tap of the gong and both men were trying to get the best of West used a most effective uppercut and a right to the jaw which was dangerous, and Evans scored repeatedly with a straight left, which brought West's nose and had it bleeding freely. The last two rounds West's punch told and Evans was forced to do considerable "stalling."

Welsh to Challenge Lightweight.

NEW YORK, March 7.—(Special.)—Reports from Marlin, Texas, predict a great future for Jack Johnson, the young outfielder recruit of the Giants. It is not likely, however, that Johnson can make the team this year, and the Giant outfield probably will consist of the same as last year—Murray, Snodgrass and Devore, with Becker as a substitute. If Johnson is not carried by McGraw he will be farmed out to some minor league with a string attached to him.

Portland Man Catches First Fish.

OREGON CITY, Or., March 7.—(Special.)—J. Ferrell, of Portland, caught the first salmon of the season shortly after noon today. There were many fishermen on the river and several reported to have caught fish, but it was the first one to land a fish. It weighed 14 pounds.

Hackenschmidt Loses Match.

TOPEKA, Kan., March 7.—George Hackenschmidt lost a handicap wrestling match here tonight to Jesse Westergaard. Hackenschmidt attempted to secure a 100 lb. win, but at the end of the allotted time had not secured one.

Scholz Captain at Mount Angel.

MOUNT ANGEL, Or., March 7.—(Special.)—Rudie Scholz, of Medford, has been chosen captain of the Mount Angel college football team, which will depart by the departure of Bennie Burns, captain-elect. Scholz played second base last year.

Renaux Wins Aviation Prize.

CLERMONT FARRAND, France, March 7.—Aviator Renaux, flying at St. Cloud today, landed on the summit of Puy de Dome at 12:30 o'clock, winning the special Michelin prize of \$5,000.

Klekittat Pioneers to Form.

HUSUM, Wash., March 7.—(Special.)—A Pioneer Club is planned at Bickleton, the surrounding country being the first sections to be settled in Klickitat County. A number of ranchers who settled there in the early 80s will be prominent members of the club.

ALWAYS THE SAME GOOD OLD BLATZ THE FINEST BEER EVER BREWED. Includes image of a man and woman drinking beer.

LINGOLN DOWNS ALLEN

HIGH SCHOOL WINS ITS FIRST LEAGUE GAME THIS YEAR.

Result Ties Two Teams for Bottom Position in Interscholastic Basketball League.

Lincoln High School broke into the winning column at basketball yesterday when Allen Preparatory School was beaten by the score of 23 to 11 on the Young Men's Christian Association gymnasium floor. It was Lincoln's first victory in the Interscholastic League this season and now Allen Preparatory and Lincoln are both tied for the cellar position, each having won one game.

Lincoln's team work was better yesterday than at any previous time this season and basket-shooting was more accurate. In the second half two baskets were secured within a few minutes after the ball had rolled around the rim and balanced there and then dropped for points. One was scored by Elvers and the other by Spamer.

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Breakfast Food for Fans

TRAINING CAMP, Santa Maria, Cal., March 7.—(Special.)—Big Bill Russell, the promising young recruit from San Francisco, is dubbed by a new nickname every day. He has so far been called "Rube," "Monch," "Bug," "Bill Jack," "Rube," "K14," "Rummy" and others, but the big fellow does not mind them.

The baseball edition of the Santa Maria Times created something of a mild sensation in this vicinity, for the cuts of the Portland players loaned by the Oregonian made a fine display against the red edition. Illustrations are few and far between in the little papers of these small communities.

Tommy Sheehan is rounding into shape in fine style. He says it has been a long time since he felt as good thus early in the practices. Tommy promises to have a splendid year, and he cannot see how Portland can lose out this season.

According to Sheehan, McCredie has enough good pitchers now to assure him of a competent staff when the season opens, and this department is the one over which McCredie was worried.

"Roaring Bill" Rapps is making good on his sobriquet this Spring for the first time. His first-batter is always yelling his head off and stirring up the youngsters. Bill is showing fine form thus far, and looks forward to a better year than last season.

Roger Peckinpah, the new shortstop, is a big strapping fellow, possessing a fine arm and is accurate in his fielding. He resembles Napoleon LaJoie considerably, but is not quite as large a man as the big Frenchman. Peckinpah is gradually getting over the soreness caused by the first day's workout.

Sam Griffith is showing to better advantage each day, and many of the fans here figure him to make the team. Griffith is a gingery player, and is much like Graney in appearance and disposition. He is a right hander, and ought to be a left hander," declared Bill Rapps, who is always looking for members in his "Bug Club" which comprises himself, Buddy Ryan and Russell at present.

"Roaring Bill" is very much disappointed at not finding any strain of "bug" in the makeup of Frank Archer, the only southpaw on the team, for Rapps' idea of a real bug is a left handed twirler, and try as he might he cannot find any grounds for admitting Archer into his select circle.

"Speed Marvel" Seaton is the new title conferred on the hitherto slow gopher twirler. Tom is about as lively a bird as there is in camp for he is up bright and early every morning and takes a long walk if it is raining and when the workouts are held he is usually the first man in uniform on the field.

With Tommy Murray and Walter Kuhn on hand the twirlers have been getting an overdose of exercise, for McCredie has them at work heaving to the catchers whenever the opportunity offers. A Santa Maria fan hopes the six regular twirlers as follows: Seaton, Steen, Fullerton, Russell, Koestner and either Griffith or Archer.

The Portland fans will find Chester Chadbourne one of the most likeable players who ever wore a Portland uniform.

ALBANY LEAGUE REORGANIZES

The Albany Twilight Baseball League, which conducted a successful series of late afternoon games in this city last year, reorganized for the coming season in a meeting held in the Alco Club last evening. Officers were chosen as follows: President, Professor Hans Fox; vice-president, Tom P. Stevens; secretary, George Dooley; treasurer, Hiram W. Torbet.

Y. M. C. A. TRACK MEN TRAINING

Another call has been issued for track men at the Young Men's Christian Association. A team is being gathered to enter the Columbia University indoor meet on April 8. Ed Phife, a member of the University of Iowa track team, is one of the men whom the association will enter. He is a sprinter and puts the shot nicely. Barnard and Booth, distance men are training for the half-mile and mile events, and Sheets will enter the high jump.

COURTROOM TO BE CHURCH

Vancouver Congregation, Fire Victim, Gets County Privilege.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 7.—(Special.)—Using the Superior Judge's bench as an altar, the jury box as seats for the choir and the seats in the main room for the congregation, services will be held in the Superior Court room of the Courthouse by the First Presbyterian Church congregation, whose church was destroyed by fire in January. The County Commissioners today granted permission for the services to be held in the courtroom on payment of the lighting and heating expenses.

The piano was saved from the fire, so it is probable that it will be moved to the room. This will be the first time that such services have been held in the Superior Court room here. Rev. H. S. Templeton, pastor, will deliver the sermon.

Oregon City Bridge Safe.

OREGON CITY, Or., March 7.—(Special.)—Several weeks ago the County Court hired a bridge expert to examine and report on the condition of the suspension bridge across the Willamette River here. There had been rumors that the structure was unsafe. The expert reported it safe, but suggested certain repairs to make it more secure. The court has let the contract for these repairs, costing about \$3000, to Clarence Simmons, a local builder.

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