

CLUB ORGANIZED TO FOSTER SPORT

Racing and Exhibition Association Incorporates for \$100,000.

HUGE TRACK TO BE BUILT

Prominent Portland Men Organize Company to Take Over Twelve-Mile House and Construct Motordome and Aerodrome.

Portland is to have a motordome, an aerodrome, a new race track and one of the biggest sport-fostering clubs in the world.

Capitalized at \$100,000, the function being to promote horse breeding, stock shows and the holding of automobile and aviation meets, the Country Club Racing and Exhibition Association yesterday afternoon filed articles of incorporation with the County Clerk. Ten prominent Portland persons are named as incorporators, but behind them are all the commercial organizations and Portland's business men.

The scope of this monster organization's activity will be the Rose Vista Farm, where is located the Twelve-Mile House, two miles from Gresham on the Base Line road, and the aerodrome, which is owned by Fred T. Merrill and is now conducted as a breeding farm and roadhouse. It will be taken over, however, immediately and active work upon the project will begin soon, to be completed in time for summer or fall racing.

Country Club to Dissolve.

The Portland Country Club and Livestock Association, with headquarters near Rose City Park, where a mile track is situated, is said to be going out of existence this fall and the sport-fostering club will step into the breach left by the withdrawal of the present organization. However the new organization will be far bigger and better situated, even though farther away from the city. The tract upon which these projects will be situated is one of the prettiest in all Oregon, comprising 30 acres situated upon a plain, which for scenic grandeur cannot be surpassed. On the ground now there is a half-mile track. This will be taken into the Grand Circuit, some of the biggest meets of the world coming to Portland as a consequence.

Train Service Adequate.

Train service to the place will be adequate, the Tridale branch of the Oregon Water Power Railway Company running by the farm. The Mount Hood Railway Company has secured a right-of-way within a few hundred yards of the entrance, while it is easily accessible by motor from Portland via the Base Line road, the best thoroughfare in Multnomah County.

Merrill's Twelve-Mile House will be taken over immediately and converted into a private country clubhouse in connection with the association's amusement park. A meeting of stockholders will probably be held within a week and officers and directors elected. The Portland race track will be taken into the Grand Circuit, some of the biggest meets of the world coming to Portland as a consequence.

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Roadsters to Begin Practice at Columbia University Saturday. Nick Williams officially closed negotiations yesterday for the use of the Columbia University coliseum and coliseum and campus upon which the Portland club of the Northwestern League will do its preliminary work. His work will commence Saturday afternoon, in the house men are tomorrow next week by workouts twice a day.

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"I am well pleased with the training site and have no hesitancy in saying that Portland has the best training quarters in the Northwest," said Manager Williams, following the completion of details for the field. "Of course, we hope for fair weather, but in case we are unfortunate in this respect practice will in no way be retarded."

"I hope for good weather because the other clubs of the Northwestern League have a week or more start of the roadsters in going into training. We have a tough schedule ahead of us and we'll need to be in good condition. Give me the club that can win on the road and I believe I have it in my men to make a winning club, both on and off the road."

Aboard the steamer Beaver, which arrives Alsea at 10 o'clock this afternoon, will be a number of players from California whom Williams sent on the sea route for the benefit of their condition. Among them are Tompkins, Berger, Allegari, Glincke, Yates, Harland, Mundorf, Clotier and Walters.

It seems doubtful whether Dolce, formerly with Cleveland, who worked with McCredie's Beavers last year, will report. According to McCredie, Dolce is having a difficult time in his condition, and that is his reason for not reporting.

DOOM OF RACING IS SEEN

Grand Circuit Magnates in East See End of Meetings.

BOSTON, March 23.—Grand Circuit racing over the eastern tracks, including Reservoir, Hartford, Buffalo and Syracuse, seems to be a thing of the past according to a statement issued

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OREGON FOOTBALL MANAGER DEMANDS GAME.

State Varsity Criticized and Its Championship Title Disputed.

Johns Writes Caustic Letter.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, March 23.—(Special.)—Football Manager Johns has made an offer to Willamette University to bring the two institutions to a definite understanding concerning their football relations for the next two seasons. The manager of the Willamette College, criticizing the State University for unsportsmanlike conduct in its football and basketball relations with the school in Salem, and disputing its claim to state championship in basketball and football, when the Beavers were making their best fight for last year's flag.

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On the infield McCredie has Bill Rapps and Tommy Sheehan at the two outside corners, first and third bases, respectively, and both these players are easily stars in this circuit. Sheehan, the veteran, expert field-sacker, can be said to be the best in the league, for he knows how third base should be played. As for Rapps, he is far better than some of the first basemen who may lead him in batting, for the reason that he is always trying to win and always on the job. This year Rapps is going good. He seems to have recovered his batting eye grandly, for in the practice games played here so far Rapps is running Arlie Krueger a close race for the batting honors, with Ryan and Chadbourne close up.

Peckinbaugh is Sensation. Roger Peckinbaugh, the new shortstop, will be the man around whom most of the interest of the Portland fans will center, for he is called upon to fill the shoes of Tom Olson, who was the best all-around shortstop in the

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CHEMAWA INDIAN TRAINING SCHOOL RELAY TEAM WHICH WILL RACE Y. M. C. A. TONIGHT



LEFT TO RIGHT—LOUIS DAN, KUTIS JIM, WILLIAM MOSE. William Mose, Louis Dan and Kutis Jim, members of the Chemawa Indian Training School relay team, arrived in Portland last night for their race with the Young Men's Christian Association team tonight at the arena. They are experienced runners, having been members of the relay team which defeated the Y. M. C. A. runners in the Salem-Portland relay race last summer. A spin on the track reported that the boys are fast, for they are in training steadily for two weeks and are in fine fettle for a race. The contest is one of six miles, three men to participate, each running two miles. The track is in good shape and the slipping turns are thought to be a big aid to the athletes. There are 24 turns to the mile on the track. The race will begin at 8 o'clock. After the relay race the annual Pentathlon gymnasium meet for Y. M. C. A. athletes will be held. Last year's winner and several experienced men in this event are entered among a large entry card.

tract. Oregon to play at Salem in 1912, on a date already agreed, October 19, 1912, on whatever terms you elect to play the 1911 game on.

However, if you desire to play Oregon is bona fide, calm down whoever is back of all of this excitement at Willamette and talk business, because I am and always have been open to any reasonable proposition."

DALLAS DEFEAT ONLY BLOT

Center of Basketball Champions Writes to Mount Angel Manager.

MOUNT ANGEL COLLEGE, Mount Angel, Or., March 23.—(Special.)—According to a letter just received by Manager Sander of the basketball team from Hugh Harper, center, of the United States champion basketball team, Company F, of Fortage, Wis., which recently swept the state, the aggregation has not been defeated since its double defeat by Dallas, nor has it experienced such a close rub as given it by Mount Angel College, which the champions defeated by 19 to 17. To date, says the letter, the team has won 66 out of 70 games played since the tour began.

The letter is dated March 15 "Euroste Waterloo-Muscatain," in Iowa. "We feel that the Dallas game are the only blots on our record," writes Harper, "and if we had had any luck, we would have won either game at least. We have annexed several state championships, played since the tour began. The California champions, the old university champions of Utah; Hanager's Business College, Greeley, the champions of Colorado, and Cheyenne, Wyoming, which team suffered its first defeat on its home floor since Wheaton College trimmed it six years ago."

Ridgefield Plans Baseball.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., March 23.—(Special.)—The Ridgefield Amateur Athletic Club held a business meeting on Tuesday evening and elected the fol-

lowing officers: President, Ray Smith; vice-president, Oscar Schober; secretary, J. J. Jacobs; treasurer, A. C. Allen. Baseball grounds have been secured and work has begun in fitting them up in first-class order. A grandstand will be erected. The first game will be played about the middle of April.

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