

PRESS-BOX VIEW OF GAME ELATING

Contest on Muddy Diamond One-Sided, So Good Are New Beavers.

FANCY BAT LAID AWAY

Krueger Declines to Use Timber Decked in Baby Ribbons—Crowds Hide Score Board—Interesting Notes Taken.

BY ROSCOE FAWCETT.

Like a "mudder" rolling home three lengths ahead of a field of trotters, McCredie's Beavers yesterday duplicated their performance of one year ago against Oakland by defeating Los Angeles 4 to 1. The field was a pond of paste. The Angels had as much chance as a horse that starts the wrong way on the track, excepting perhaps, in one inning—the eighth—when they got one man over the board and had third and second populated, with nobody down.

In all but this one frame, however, "Pop" Dillon was about as jovial as an angora tethered to a pile of rocks. The Beavers got the jump on the visitors in the first paragraph and from that on the only danger was from front-hits. They smothered Delhi all over the humpbacks for 25 safe ones, despite his delicate, ladylike "no-you-stop-that" sort of windup, two two-baggers and a strike in the first sending Ryan and Krueger over the taily plate.

Only Error Excusable.

Rodgers had one error in seven chances, but he was always excusable in mud puddles. McCredie says if Bill does come he will take the century mark, as the Connecticut Irishman is good enough for him.

Out in right field Chadbourne scooped in three sacrifices. Apparently no effort at all. He failed to break into the clout column, but on a dry field would easily have beaten out his beautiful bunt in the sixth. Chicago is quite a steppe for the century route.

Kuhn, another 1911 recruit, will probably be seen in action today, receiving for Ben Henderson. The club has stood atop has been laid up with a lacerated thumb, the result of a mixup with certain baseball spikes owned by Maggart of Oakland, but is pronounced a player in the opening. He accepted five chances without a skip and annexed two hits out of four trips to the pan.

Interesting Plays Gleaned.

Here are a few facts for the benefit of the few who didn't go through the tumult:

- First delivery of the season on the Mead grounds was a ball pitched by Tom Seaton.
- First base hit—"Buddy" Ryan, who lined to center.
- First strike against the umpire—Krueger on a strike called on him.
- First assist—Sheehan.
- First putout—Rapps on same play in first inning.
- First putout in the outfield—Metzger's fly by Chadbourne.
- First star play—Akin, who speared Chadbourne's swoot with one hand at third.
- First error—Sheehan on Dalry's grounder in the second.
- First stolen base—Ryan, who pilfered the home plate in the third with the assistance of Delhi's wild peg.
- First strikeout—Tom Seaton.
- First base on balls—Rapps in the third.

Field Notes Taken.

Akin, at third for Los Angeles, played with Seattle in the Northwest League in 1908-9. He was formerly a catcher. Boston, who is now playing in Texas three or four years ago in that capacity.

At 1:15 o'clock the immense grandstand was jammed to the roof and the bleachers were packed. At 2:35 o'clock the American flag was flung to the breeze while thousands of fans stood and waved their hands to the strains of "The Star-Spangled Banner."

Krueger Wins Fancy Bat.

In the third inning Krueger was presented with a new bat done up in pink baby ribbon and sprinkled with toilet water, but he came out and Ryan on third the big slugger refused to use it. The bat is one specially made by the Spalding Company for the Honeyman Hardware Company to be presented to the leading batsman of the 1910 Coast League season. Krueger was the lucky man.

The crowd hid the score board from view of many of the fans used the sixth as "stretch" inning.

SCENES DURING OPENING DAY CEREMONIES AND MASCOOT WHICH BROUGHT LUCK TO PORTLAND



ANGEL WINGS CUT

Portland Clips Feathers of Visitors in First.

SEATON AND RYAN SHINE

More Than 10,000 Fans Witness Opening of Season Here When Home Team Wins by Score of 4 to 1 After Brilliant Game.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE									
Yesterday's Results					Standing of the Clubs				
Portland 4	Los Angeles 1	Sacramento 5	San Francisco 4	Vernon 2	Oakland 2				
CLUBS	Batting Average		Fielding Percentage		Pitching		Team Record		
	AB	R	PO	A	W	L	W-L	Pct	Games Behind
Portland	257	115	1167	.981	10	2	10-2	.833	0
Los Angeles	241	95	1141	.976	7	5	7-5	.583	3
Sacramento	238	103	1138	.975	9	4	9-4	.692	1
San Francisco	230	110	1125	.971	6	7	6-7	.462	7
Oakland	221	88	1110	.969	5	9	5-9	.357	12
Portland	215	95	1098	.971	4	10	4-10	.286	15
Vernon	208	82	1075	.971	3	11	3-11	.214	18

BY W. J. PETRAIN.

Before a representative Portland crowd of baseball fans at Twenty-fourth and Vaughn streets yesterday afternoon, Walter McCredie's champion Portland Beavers officially opened the baseball season of 1911 by defeating the Los Angeles club by the score of 4 to 1.

In so doing Tommy Seaton, who headed for Portland, had returned on "game" Delhi of the Angels team, for the defeat registered against him in Los Angeles on opening day, March 28 last.

Seaton Master of Situation.

Seaton, who has been known to wobble on occasions, however, proved the master of the situation and on being helped out of a tight hole in the eighth inning by the alertness of Bill Rapps in seizing an opportunity for completing an unexpected double play, he came back strong and finished the game nicely. Until the eighth the Angels had no chance and the opportunity knocking at the visitor's door in that inning was piled when Delhi became the victim of his own over-anxiety to score.

ON LEFT, MAYOR SIMON RAISING THE PENNANT WON BY PORTLAND IN 1910. TOP, RIGHT, CITY TREASURER WERLEIN, MAYOR SIMON AND COUNCILMAN CELLARS, WHO OPENED THE GAME. BELOW, PORTLAND TEAMS MASCOOT.

answered the purpose quite as well.

Mayor Simon hoisted the American flag and then the pennant, after which Councilman Cellars pitched several balls nearly over the heads of the first baseman almost caught by City Treasurer Werlein, acting as catcher. Then George Hildebrand, one of the best umpires who ever worked on the coast, started the ball rolling by the call of "Play Ball."

Roy Akin Seaton's First Victim.

Roy Akin, formerly a hiredling of D. E. Dugdale, of Seattle, was the first Angeleno to face Tom Seaton, and his effort was a puny grounder to Tommy Sheehan, who heaved an accurate shortstopper's next victim and he popped a fly to Chester Chadbourne, Portland's new right fielder and Charles Moore, who was hardly recognizable in a Los Angeles uniform, ended the Angels' first inning at bat by another chance to T. Sheehan, and it was Portland's turn to bat.

Score of Yesterday's Game:

LOS ANGELES						PORTLAND					
AB	R	H	PO	A	E	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Akin, 3b	4	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Metzger, 2b	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Moore, 1b	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dillon, lf	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stadler, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Smith, c	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delhi, p	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	21	0	0	4	14	11	1	4	14	11	0

SUMMARY.

Struck out—by Seaton, 4, by Delhi 6. Bases on balls—off Seaton, 1, off Delhi 1. Two-base hits—Krueger, Rapps (2), Delhi, Sheehan, 1 each. Sacrifices—Delhi, 2. Rodgers to Rapps (2). Sacrifices—Metzger, 2, Stadler, 1. Delly to Seaton, 1. Umpire—Hildebrand.

Knigh Fails Oaks in Pinch Sent in to Save Day at Vernon. He Forces in Winning Run.

LOS ANGELES, April 18.—Vernon defeated Oakland today, 3 to 2. Wiggins, supported by excellent fielding, held the southern team to two long hits up to the eighth inning, when he let down and was rapped for a single and two doubles which tied the score.

Knigh was sent on the firing line to save the day, but failed, walking the first two men and filling the bases. He then walked the next man up, forcing in the winning run. The holding of Stinson was a feature.

Senators Send Four Men Around Circuit, Then Seals Lose.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—Sending four men around the circuit in the first, Sacramento defeated San Francisco by a score of 5 to 4 today. Suter batted Thompson in the pitchers' box, allowing five hits in eight innings to Thompson's 10 in the same period. Suter struck out 10 men and Thompson four. The Seals played consistent ball throughout, their defeat being due solely to the fiasco in the first. Score: R. H. E. L. Senators 5 3 2. San Fran. 4 12 3. Batteries—Nourse, Thompson and Thomas; Suter, Melike and Ryan.

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Seaton's First Called a Ball.

The first ball pitched by Seaton was a wide one and called a ball by Hildebrand, but the next, a strike, was called by the plate and Hildebrand shouted "Strike one!" When the Portland team went to bat Chadbourne lined the first hit pitched by Delhi straight into Akin's hands. Bill Rapps made the first putout of the game and Tommy Sheehan the first assist, while Buddy Ryan made the first hit of the first game on the Portland field this season.

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