

BEAVERS OFF FOR CRUCIAL STRUGGLE

Pennant Hopes Are Pinned on Coming Series With Hap Hogan's Vernon Team.

PITCHERS KEYED FOR FRAY

McCredie Confident of Winning Five of Eight Games With Vernon, Which Virtually Means Flag.

Accompanied by 15 regular players and Trainer Schneider, Manager McCredie and his Beavers left last night for Los Angeles. Wednesday afternoon the Portland champions will meet the Vernon Tigers in the first game of what is expected to be the crucial series of the 1911 pennant race.

The long jump from Portland to the Angel city precludes the playing of the regularly scheduled Tuesday game, and this contest will be played off next Monday, as the Beavers have a tie game with Vernon at Los Angeles to be played off, the coming series will embrace eight games, all of which will have to be decided upon by the managers of the respective teams.

Henderson Hogan's Jinx. The Portland team is in the shape to meet the rival bidders for this year's flag. The tall Portland leader will depend on his starting pitcher to bring the honors to Portland.

During the next three weeks the Beavers will be on foreign territory. This is a big handicap to a club, but the Portland team has proven a first-class road aggregation and none of the players are intimidated by the fact that they will have hostile crowds to face in the most trying period of the season.

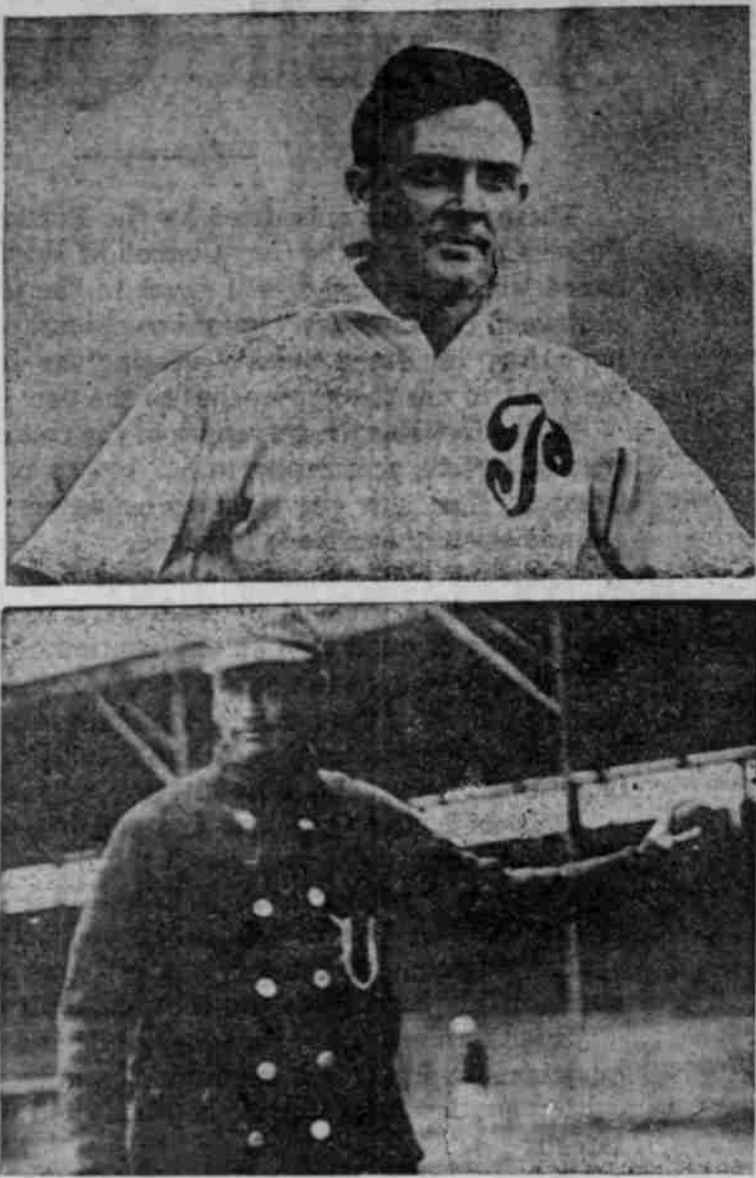
If Portland can win five of the eight games with Vernon this week, the following week, when they meet Los Angeles, the Beavers will be looking up with the hard-hitting Oaks. On the other hand, if Vernon gets an even break or should take the majority of the games, the Beavers will have to be decidedly slim, for it is hardly likely "Mac's" speedy team can make up enough ground against the Angels now that the season is so far advanced.

Vernon Again Leads League Hogan's Men Take Two More Snap Victories From Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 1.—By winning today's double-header from Los Angeles, the Beavers' lead in the Coast League list.

Both Hogan's victories today were easy. In the morning game the Villagers scored three runs on four hits, a lanky three-bagger by Patterson sending in the winning run. In the afternoon game the game was a hollow affair, Vernon winning, 10 to 2.

PITCHERS WHO WILL OPPOSE EACH OTHER IN OPENING GAME OF CRUCIAL SERIES.



ABOVE, BEN HENDERSON, OF PORTLAND—BELOW, ROY CASTLETON, OF VERNON.

SENATORS WIN BOTH GAMES

Fitzgerald and Baum Too Much for Oakland Batters.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 1.—Sacramento took both games from Oakland today. Nineteen hits netted Sacramento but two runs in a 14-inning game in the afternoon, the Senators winning 2 to 1. They took the morning game 4 to 1.

During the afternoon game 11 hits were struck off Pernoll in seven innings. Christian also was ineffective. Danzig hit safely six times out of seven times at bat.

Table showing baseball statistics for Senators vs Oakland, including batting averages, runs, hits, and errors.

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Table titled 'BASEBALL IN EPITOME' showing league standings for Pacific Coast, Northwestern, and American leagues.

ROADSTERS BATTLE IS FEARFUL MUSS

35 Hits, 29 Runs, 13 Bases on Balls, Is Woozy Record of Roadsters' Defeat.

COONEY SCORES 5 TIMES

When Dust Clears, Spokane Has 15 Runs to Portland's 14—Cooney Steals Third Bag and Game by Peculiar Trick Play.

SPOKANE, Wash., Oct. 1.—(Special).—Both the Spokane and Portland teams came up with a whoop in the final dash for permanent positions in the official Northwest batting percentage column. The net result of the day's bombardment was 35 hits, 29 for Spokane and 13 for Portland, which netted an aggregate of 30 runs, Spokane winning by the scant margin of 15 to 14.

The five runs scored by Cooney give him a record of 15 runs in 11 games in front of all other Northwest players in point of run getting.

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Portland scored 15 runs in 11 games. Spokane scored 14 runs in 11 games. Cooney scored 5 runs in 11 games.

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CHICAGO, Oct. 1.—Chicago's pennant hopes were shattered again by New York today. The visitors shut out the Cubs 10 to 0. About the best Chicago could expect now would be to tie the Easterners for the pennant, as New York is seven and one-half games in the lead and Chicago has only seven remaining games on the schedule, while New York has 12 games to play.

Chicago's advantage is now so great that should Chicago win all her remaining seven games New York will have to win only three of her remaining 12 to capture the flag.

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COLUMBUS CANCELS CONTEST

Refusal to Play Sheridan Sunday Angers Valley Fans.

SHERIDAN, Or., Oct. 1.—(Special).—Baseball fans here are much wrought up over the action of the Columbus and Sheridan clubs who were scheduled to play here today in what was supposed to be the deciding game in the state semi-pro championship.

Fandom at Random

HARRY WOLVERTON, of the Oakland team, has drafted Bill Leard, the peppery little second-baseman of the Seattle Northwestern Leaguers.

Cal Ewing went to San Francisco with the Seals last night. He and Berry will return on Wednesday and will meet ex-Judge McCredie at Seattle to meet on the world's series junk.

George Engle, former Portland beaver, has a rabbit's foot in his tobacco pouch. George has been on more pennant winners, perhaps, than any other living ballplayer in an equal length of time.

Happy Smith, a former San Jose outfielder in the Outlaw League, now defunct, is back in San Francisco after a few months' work in Montana in the Southern Association.

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Some interesting conjecturing also sprouted forth from the newly sprinkled garden of gloom yesterday. For instance, can Vernon demand the playing of the game postponed in the last series up here?

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SPECIAL NOTICE

—being our regular Autumn announcement of arrivals of approved advance patterns in SHIRTS ready-to-wear, and SHIRTINGS subject-to-your-order; all of them priced within the reach of every ambitious man and young man.

Advertisement for Robinson & Co. featuring 'WHERE YOU GET THE BEST' and 'RAIN PUTS VERNON 2 GAMES AHEAD'.

Downpour Keeps Beavers Idle, While Hogan's Men Are Gaily Drubbing Angels.

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