

PLAYERS DISCUSS PROPOSED TRADE

Portland Colony Is Divided in Opinions on Hal Chase-Walter Johnson Deal.

EXCHANGE IS NOT CLOSED

Dicky Knox, Eccentric Man Formerly in Northwestern League Said to Have Fallen Heir to Snug Fortune.

BY W. J. PETRAIN.

Gossip in Portland's winter colony of baseball players has it that negotiations are pending between the New York and Washington clubs, of the American League, for the exchanging of First Basemen Hal Chase for Pitcher Walter Johnson. Various players here do not agree upon the advisability of the exchange.

Manager McCredie, of the Portland team, said that if he owned the New York club he would be strong for the trade, but that if he owned Washington, he would not consider it at all. Fielder Jones expressed a similar opinion, while, on the other hand, Harry Ables thought the deal was a prospective prospect for both clubs.

Referring to the report McCredie said: "I do not think it will go through for Washington will not dare to trade Johnson. If I owned that team I would not trade him for any other man in either big league, except Ty Cobb. New York could easily afford to part with Chase for that club has Jack Knight, who is a corking good first baseman, and Johnson would be the man who would make the Highlanders a pennant winner. It would be a great trade for New York, but a poor one for Washington, where Johnson is a great favorite."

"Washington has a big pitcher named Cashman, who is going to be another Johnson, and on this account the trade looks to me like a good one, if it goes through," said Ables. "Chase would help that Washington infield 100 per cent, while Johnson would be the making of the New York club. With Cashman looming up strongly, Washington would not miss Johnson so much."

Somewhere in the East they are hunting for Dicky Knox, the eccentric ballplayer, and the characters in the old Northwestern League. A relative has died and left Knox a fortune, and, according to Manager McCredie, this might be a godsend to the old-time player.

"I saw Knox in Sacramento last season," said Walter McCredie. "He was down and out, but he had been 'shooting' it for several years, he told me. If he ever hears of this windfall, he'll beat it for the scene immediately."

Harry Ables was nursing a "lovely grouch" yesterday. This was the reason: An enterprising manager in the California Winter League sent the big ex-Oakland heaver a telegram requesting Ables to report to the Ventura club immediately, offering him the monthly salary of \$15 a week, the big pitcher to pay his own way to that place. The offer, however, is not what caused the grouch, for, the telegram came collect and cost Ables three-quarters of a simoleon. So there's a reason for the grouch.

"Ables" spent two hours yesterday afternoon framing up a telegram containing 200 words, which he announced he would "shoot back at that guy collect," just to see how he would like it.

The old stands and bleachers on the ball park at Twenty-fourth and Vaughn streets have been almost completely demolished. Contractor Kelley's force of workmen having razed the structures during the past two days. The work of constructing the new plant will begin Monday.

Ex-Judge McCredie is also at work planning a new tiling system for the new playing field. The present field will be entirely reconstructed, and a system of tiling placed which is calculated to drain the entire grounds in short order. With the new system, McCredie figures that a game ball can be played within two hours after the hardest rain storm.

It is practically certain that Jess Stovall will not be with Nick Williams' Colts have decided to let the ex-Northwestern Leaguer next season, for both the McCredie and the leader of the Vernon player go. Pettigrew, Speas and Fries are figured upon to make as speedy a trio of gardeners as can be mounted of by any other club in the class B circuit. Just what will be done with Stovall has not been announced by the magnates of the manager, but it is possible that he will be given his unconditional release.

"If the Philadelphia Nationals use Tom Seaton cautiously he will prove a winning pitcher for that club," said Manager McCredie yesterday. "The great fault with Seaton is that he does not possess the fire, easy delivery that Bill Steen and on that account he taxes the muscles of his arm and shoulder more than should be necessary. He is frequently troubled with a sore arm, but the Phillies, by using him judiciously, can get a lot of good work out of this pitcher."

although Portsmouth used superior tactics. They kept in position well and passed better.

Christmas, Brouse, Bluhm, Murphy and Curry had a great deal to do with their side's victory, while Captain Burgraw worked like a Trojan for the losers.

The lineup:

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| Portsmouth: | Position | Woodlawn: |
| Wright | | |
| Young | | |
| Christmas | | |
| Brouse | | |
| Hansen | | |
| Morton | | |
| Murphy | | |
| Curry | | |
| Bluhm | | |
| Hooper | | |

The two railway teams in the Oregon league will clash tomorrow, and on Sunday morning Mount Scott will meet the Independents. In the afternoon the Nationals will take on the Portland league Cricketers. All games will be on the Columbus Field.

LEST WE FORGET

What Former Portland Players Are Now Doing.

LITTLE JOE RAIDY was one of the most popular ball players who ever graced a Portland uniform, but his failure to hit the ball while in the Pacific Coast League cost him his job with Portland.

This speedy little fellow came to the Portland team from the Ilion club of the New York State League, and he played here until J. P. Marshall and the Portland magnates induced Wallace Hollingsworth to jump Dugdale and re-enter the Pacific Coast organization.

After leaving Portland, Raidy returned to the New York State League, and was manager of several different clubs in that organization for several years. Later he went to the Columbus club of the American Association, and having acquired the knack of batting somewhat, he played two seasons with Columbus and was given a trial by a major league club. His stature was against him, and, while he was quite a player, he failed to make the grade.

He drifted back to the New York State League, where he is still playing. Raidy has many friends in Portland who remember him as a gentlemanly, clean little player, and who were really disappointed at being superseded by such a player as Hollingsworth.

AMATEUR ATHLETICS

FITZGERALD, Columbia University's all-around man, was yesterday chosen captain for the coming season. He has won the position of all-star center twice, and will attempt to win glory in the same position this winter. On the football team he filled both center and fullback at times and played a fine game at both positions.

All the managers of the high school football teams report as having passed a successful season financially. The crowds which have watched the games this season have outnumbered any that have watched the matches formerly. Baseball last Spring was a complete failure in this respect, only Lincoln being able to make anything over its expenses. Even if baseball is poor this Spring, the surplus now on hand in the high school treasuries will easily carry the teams over.

CHURCH ELECTS OFFICERS

First Congregational Parish Names Leaders for Next Year.

The annual election of officers of the First Congregational Church whose terms expire with the outgoing year, as well as officers of the First Congregational Church Society, was held yesterday afternoon at eight o'clock. A meeting of the church officers, and also of the society, will be held January 11. A committee was appointed to submit names of candidates to succeed the outgoing trustees. These will be voted upon next Thursday.

George F. Frost was elected last night to succeed S. G. Smith, and O. M. Mile to succeed the late Robert Collier as deacons for terms of three years each. Four deaconesses for terms of three years each were elected as follows:

Miss Jane Andrew to succeed Mrs. R. M. Jones; Mrs. W. Palmer to succeed Mrs. E. A. Sessions; Mrs. C. W. Seward to succeed Mrs. H. A. Harding; Mrs. B. M. Gray to succeed Mrs. R. S. Meyer; H. G. Colton was elected to the music committee as chairman. The following officers were re-elected:

J. H. Aitkin, church clerk; Thomas Roberts, treasurer of church and the society; William H. Lewis, superintendent of the Bible school, and W. H. Doane, chairman of ushers.

NO SMALLPOX AT NEWPORT

Reports of Disease There Are Declared to Be False.

NEWPORT, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Contrary to the reports which are circulating in the Willamette Valley, Newport is not overidden with smallpox. There has never been a case of smallpox in the city, nor has there ever been an epidemic of any kind within the city.

There have been a few cases of smallpox at Toledo, nine miles away, which Dr. Calvin E. White, chief Oregon sanitary physician, investigated and pronounced to be of a mild nature. To avert danger, Newport and Toledo were quarantined against each other, but this quarantine was raised today.

Many cases of various nature were reported as smallpox from all over the country, but each has proved to be nothing serious. At present Dr. P. M. Carter, Lincoln County and Newport city sanitary physician, is investigating a case reported to be smallpox at Ona, in the Beaver Creek district.

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Tennessee Man Stands by Son.

SEATTLE, Dec. 14.—Ex-Governor Malcolm H. Patterson, of Tennessee, arrived here today to look after the interests of his 23-year-old son, Malcolm C. Patterson, who is a prisoner in the county jail, held on a charge of assault to kill R. T. Seal, of Port Orchard, on December 7, by shooting him. The injured man, who is 24 years old, was shot close to the heart, but owing to his robust health he is almost out of danger. Seal is in a hospital at Bremerton.

Upright pianos rented, \$1 to \$5 per month—Chickering, Kimball, Story, Kohler, and many other popular makes. All rent paid can apply on purchase price if desired. Kohler & Chase, 375 Washington St. Open day and night.

APPLE MEN ACTIVE

Show to Rival That of Spokane Proposed by Promoters.

SCOPE MAY BE EXTENDED

Addition of Agricultural Displays to Exhibition Under Consideration. Horticultural Benefit to State Is Apparent.

Determination of the many important details incident to arranging for a "greater apple show" that will even surpass the annual exhibition now held at Spokane was yesterday referred to a special subcommittee, the appointment of which was authorized by G. F. Johnson, president of a special committee formally was the scope of the proposed exhibition. The question of finances also was considered briefly, but all of these details were left for the solution of the subcommittee and will not be acted upon finally until this committee submits its report to the full committee.

Among the other questions to be considered by the subcommittee is whether the exhibition that is planned shall be confined exclusively to apples, or whether it shall embrace agricultural products generally.

The time of the year in which it is best to hold the show also remains to be determined. Some members of the committee would hold the exhibition in the Fall. Others favor merging the show, if possible, with the Rose Festival and thereby hold the display in June.

One thing is reasonably certain and that is that the show will be provided. Interest among the members of the committee being the subject of hand is intense, the importance of the horticultural industry to the state and an appreciation of the great value such a show would be to the state contributing to that interest.

Present at yesterday's meeting of the committee were the following members: G. F. Johnson, chairman; L. Pittcock, Robert Livingston, C. A. Malboeuf, A. T. Bateham, of Mosier, and P. W. Power, of this city, president and secretary, respectively, of the Oregon State Horticultural Society; Carl R. Gray, president of the Hill roads in Oregon; Julius L. Meier, H. L. Corbett, C. A. Jackson, C. A. McChargar, M. A. Mayer and W. J. Hofmann.

SINGLE-TAX ENVOY COMING

Henry George's Agent Writes That Orator Expects \$50 and Fees.

Several Portland men have received letters from the Henry George Lecture Association, of Chicago, announcing that Charles Frederick Adams will soon visit this city on an extended lecture tour. The communication, which is signed by F. H. Moore, president of the association, announces that Mr. Adams "frequently accepts invitations to address various fraternal orders such as the K. of P., K. of C., E. C. O. P., Maccabees, etc., at 'smokers,' 'open nights,' 'ladies' nights,' etc."

The letter is just as frank in another respect, in that it includes the information that for his services Mr. Adams expects \$50 for every meeting he addresses. Mr. Moore modestly declares that the association under whose auspices Mr. Adams is lecturing estimates that it costs \$50 a day to keep him in the field.

"As a rule," continues the letter, "we usually accept whatever fees the local organization will pay. Frequently when no fees can be obtained, our friends can raise a little fund of from \$25 to \$50 and thus provide for one day's work or more and aid the association in extending its activity in educational work."

Among the subjects on which Mr. Adams lectures are the following: "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" "Doing God's Will on Earth." "Civic Righteousness" and "Political Ethics." "Public Ownership."

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PARDONS LEFT TO CONFAB

W. J. Burns Called to Capital Over Case of Mays and Jones.

On the result of the conference being held at Washington between William J. Burns, the detective, an Attorney-General Vickersham, depends whether or not President Taft will grant pardons to Willard N. Jones and Franklin P. Mays, convicted for participating in land frauds in this state. The subject on which Burns was summoned to Washington is believed to be the method he employed in providing jurors for the trial of the land-fraud cases. It is known that representatives of the Department of Justice for several months have been investigating drawing of the jury in the trials of Mays and Jones and it is strongly suspected Burns has been called before the department to give an explanation of his operations.

The cases of both Jones and Mays are before the President with applications for full pardons. The judgment of the trial court was affirmed by the Court of Appeals and the friends of the two men then appealed to the President. Jones was sentenced in two cases to pay fines aggregating \$12,000 and to serve one year in the Federal prison. This penalty was reduced to four months' imprisonment by the President who commuted Jones' sentence to that extent. The President now is urged to give Jones a full pardon.

EAST SIDE WANTS DOCKS

United Clubs Association Committee Gathers Data on Subject.

L. M. Lepper and Edward Weiler, representing the United Improvement Clubs Association, are gathering statistics from East Side shippers to make approximately the volume of shipments and dock experts this afternoon. A canvass is to be made along the East Side from Sellwood north to list approximately the volume of shipments and dock experts this afternoon. A canvass is to be made along the East Side from Sellwood north to list approximately the volume of shipments and dock experts this afternoon. A canvass is to be made along the East Side from Sellwood north to list approximately the volume of shipments and dock experts this afternoon.

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freight facilities. The association embodied its sentiment in a resolution as follows:

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ticket won out over the "Law and Order" ticket. Dr. W. H. Dale was re-elected Mayor; T. J. Anderson, Recorder; Damon Smith, Treasurer; M. Hawk, Marshal. The following Councilmen were elected: R. W. Wright, J. L. Norwood, J. T. McMahon, M. D. Morgan and Nate Windom. Total vote, 155, the highest in the history of the town.

schools and Portland Academy to attend the concert Friday night at the White Temple. The Glee Club offers something entirely different from the usual glee club entertainment. In addition to its male quartet and orchestra of 12 picked musicians, it presents six brilliant young musicians in solos and duets. One of them won a prize of \$400 by his solo work in competition and one was soprano soloist at J. R. Hutchinson's concert Wednesday evening. The violinist is a favorite soloist. Musical sketches and college "stunts" complete an unusual programme. The programme will begin at 8:15 o'clock, at the White Temple.

Harrisburg "Progressives" Win.

HARRISBURG, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special)—At the city election held here Monday the "Progressive Citizens"

Glee Club Invites High School.

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