FIELDER JONES IS LEAGUE PRESIDENT

Headquarters of Northwestern Circuit Will Be Situated in Portland.

WALLA WALLA IS GLOOMY

Magnates Cannot Find City to Pair With Applicant, So Organization Will Remain as Six-Club Proposition.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—The slate was not even scratched at the meeting of the Northwestern League this afternoon and evening at the Seattle Hotel. Fielder Jones was presented by ex-Judge W. W. McCredie, and the league magnates elected him president without even taking off their coats and calling one another names. It goes without saying that the headquarters of the league will be transferred to Portland as soon as the typewriter and desk can be boxed.

The delegation from Walla Walla jolted the magnates so hard that it was 10:30 o'clock tonight before all hands threw up the sponge and informed Messrs. Brown, Scott and Burns that it was simply impossible to select an eighth city to pair with Walla Walla.

The resolution presented by D. E. Dugdale, of Seattle, and adopted did not reject Walla Walla's application for membership. It simply said that the proposition was impossible for the coming season, but that Walla Walla should have the first vacancy.

Six Clubs Remain.

The circuit will remain as previously announced: Portland, Seattle, Vancouver, Victoria, Tacoma and Spokane.

It took a long time to get the schedule thoroughly digested, but when it was finally adopted it presented all the salient features as outlined by ex-Judge McCredie. It might be said without exaggeration that it was a Portland meeting, a real tribute to the high esteem in which ex-Judge McCredie is held by the baseball men. He was permitted to dictate the selection of a president and his work on the schedule was adopted with only a few minor changes.

The season will open April 18 and close September 23. On the opening day Portland plays in Seattle, Tacoma in Vancouver, and Victoria at Spokane.

Holidays Are Apportioned.

Holiday awards were made as follows: Memorial day—Seattle in Spokane, Vancouver in Tacoma, Victoria and Portland in Seattle.

Fourth of July—Victoria at Seattle, Tacoma at Spokane, and Vancouver at Portland.

Labor day—Victoria in Spokane, Tacoma in Seattle, and Vancouver in Portland.

Seattle will be given virtually continuous ball, it having been arranged for the Tacoma and Victoria clubs to transfer to this city half the games scheduled on their home grounds when the Seattle team is on the road. Acting Secretary Joe Dugdale said that 120 games were scheduled on the Seattle grounds, this count including outside clubs.

Spokane Is Fortunate.

Spokane was lucky in the draw, getting 98, which includes 14 Sundays on the home grounds. Joe Cohn said that figuring as a home club, Spokane got more games than any other club in the league. Joe Cohn admitted that the meeting was harmonious, but the length of the sessions was enough to stamp it as a regulation affair.

Only two candidates were mentioned in connection with the presidency, Fielder Jones and Robert Blewett. On the first ballot, Dugdale, of Seattle, and Brown, of Vancouver, cast votes for Blewett. McCredie, Wattelet, Cohn and A. E. Rothermell, of Tacoma, voted for Jones. Before the count was announced, the complimentary votes given Blewett were switched, making Jones' election unanimous.

Mr. Jones arrived from Portland during the afternoon and relieved President pro tem Dugdale about 5:30 o'clock in the evening. The way he presided during the remainder of the proceedings would indicate success in his new position. Mr. Jones had nothing to say beyond the fact that he assumed office without obligations and would do his best to give the league a business-like administration.

SOCCER PLAY IMPROVES

CLINTON KELLY DEFEATS SUNNYSIDE, 3 TO 0.

Holladay Downs Woodlawn by Same Score — Teams Show Better Knowledge of Game.

There were two matches in the Grammar School League yesterday, in section 1 Clinton Kelly defeated Sunnyside by three goals to nothing, while Holladay were successful over Woodlawn by the same score in the second division.

The former game, which was played on the Multnomah Field was rather ragged, with the lads "bunching" together too much to allow of good combination, while several very elementary faults, such as failure to throw in properly from touch, were in evidence.

Clinton Kelly had the lion's share of the play, but only scored once in the first half through Tannensee, who played a good bustling game all through. In the second period the same player was responsible for both the goals, though the latter could have been prevented. Young, McGrew and the two Dooleys showed up most prominently for the losers, who only need a little coaching to develop into a good team. The lineup:

Clinton Kelly.	Position.	Sunnyside.
Short	G	James
Miller	R B	Jones
Brown	L B	Edwards
Kane	R H B	Andrae
Driffield	C H B	Dassile
Bond	L H B	Leemond
Post	O R F	W. Dooley
McKay	I R F	H. Dooley
Tannensee	C F	Young
Johnson	I L F	McGrew
Barber	O L F	Lewis

Referee—Gifford.

The other game, on the Columbus inclosure, served to show the improvement made by both sides, for, although by no means perfect, the boys kept their positions better, and combined more than in their previous games. Play was of a more even nature than the score might lead one to suppose, the main difference between the two teams being the winners' ability to take advantage of opening near goal.

FORMER LEADER OF CHICAGO WHITE SOX ELECTED PRESIDENT OF NORTHWESTERN LEAGUE YESTERDAY.

FIELDER A. JONES, OF PORTLAND.

The first score was made within a minute of the kick-off, that being the only goal in the first period, though the winners managed to get two more in the second half, through Williams and Hogan. These two with Hall and Apkins were the mainstays of the Holladay eleven, while for Woodlawn, Captain Bergard received greatest assistance from Henderson and the right wing forwards. The lineup:

Holladay.	Position.	Woodlawn.
Gilmer	G	Love
Hall	R B	Henderson
Anderson	L B	Griffiths
Kennedy	R H B	Davis
Smith	C H B	Day
Watson	L HB	Wright
Hagan	O R F	Kruger
Patterson	I R F	Platt
Williams	C F	Bergard
Apkins	I L F	Blackwell
Boom	O L F	Ringstead

Referee—Inglis.

The proposed game for Christmas day between Multnomah and Seattle has fallen through, owing to the failure of the latter team to give a guarantee. Even without it the match might have been pulled off satisfactorily, had time not been too short to allow of arrangement of details.

Seattle Rangers are hopeful of arranging one game with the Nationals, and another with an all-star team to be picked from the Multnomah, Oceanics and Cricketers' clubs, but the exact dates have not yet been decided.

PROMPTNESS IS DEMANDED

Swimmers Must Be at Dock on Time Christmas Morning.

Persons who will compete in the Christmas day swim in the Willamette River are ordered to be on hand at the Salmon-street dock on the west side of the stream at 10 o'clock sharp Monday morning.

Those arriving later than that are likely to find themselves without dressing quarters on the steamer Modoc, which will carry the swimmers, as well as a number of excursionists, to the scene of the competition.

All of the trophies and prizes to be awarded the winning swimmers will be presented on the stage of the Heilig Theater Monday night. The presentation will take place between the first and second acts of "The Old Town." Montgomery and Stone, the stars, are athletes. Fred Stone, who is a noted swimmer, will be an official on Christmas morning, providing the special train bearing the theatrical company arrives in time.

STORES FACE CONGESTION

Early-Day Shopping Only Solution for Great Closing Rush.

The sword of Damocles is hanging over the late shopper. Only 24 hours available to purchase gifts and tokens for Christmas remain. Friday and Saturday are the only days on which the shops may be visited before Christmas day, next Monday.

With the tremendous congestion everywhere noted in the stores, it is expected that the greatest possible difficulty will be found in shopping during the last two days. The only possible means by which relief may be obtained is to "flatten out the peak rush," as a streetcar man expressed it.

By this means crowds will be able to shop all day with a reasonable degree of comfort but to "flatten out the peak rush" a large number of Portland people must shop in the mornings. The stores open at 9 o'clock.

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"HAP" WANTS "ART"

Hogan Hopes to Land Krueger for His Vernon Club.

FIELDER MUCH ESTEEMED

Tiger Mogul Would Thwart Effort of McCredie to Dispose of Player to Mobile Whom He Looks Upon as High-Class.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Art Krueger in the Vernon outfield next season?

Stranger things than this have happened in baseball and this is one that may come to pass unless the Portland people decide to hold onto the classy Teuton.

"Happy" Hogan today declared that he had declined to waive on Krueger and this will place the kibosh on McCredie's proposal to send Krueger to Mobile. Also, the Los Angeles club refused to waive on Krueger. Hogan is so confident that he will land Krueger if Portland decides to let loose of him that he already has a neatly penned check for $600, the waiver price in this particular circuit.

Krueger is regarded as a desirable piece of baseball property and McCredie may decide after thinking it over to carry his next season. While probably not the pick of the Coast League outfielders last season, Krueger ranked up among the leaders and was regarded as one of the steadiest.

Hogan said today Krueger was somewhat similar to Daley in his work, in that he is quick to judge a fly ball and has the faculty of making them look easy. He fielded .963 last season and exercised the bingle rod for a mark of .279, leading the league in two-sackers with a total of 57.

"Should I land Krueger, he will be given a chance to win a regular berth in the outfield," said Hogan. "He will not crowd any of my present outfielders off the payroll, as I figure on carrying an extra man in the outer garden next season. I regard Krueger as a high-class player and desire him particularly because of his effectiveness against left-handers. At the same time, I have another equally good man in view and will land him in the event that I cannot get Krueger by the waiver route."

LEST WE FORGET

What Former Portland Players Are Now Doing.

No. 48. Kirby J. Drennen.

KIRBY J. DRENNEN, better known to the baseball fans as "Jack," is another Portland boy who made good in baseball. He started playing the National game in Portland when a lad, and showed such talent on the diamond that he was taken East, where he played several seasons in the New York State and Eastern Leagues.

He joined the Seattle club in 1902 and was with the same club in 1903. In 1904 he was signed at the start of the season by Fred Ely, then manager of the Portland team, and played great ball for Portland.

In 1905 he played and managed the Bellingham team, champions of the Northwestern League that season. The next season, 1906, Drennen went to the Western League, where he played with the Denver club for two years. After that he undertook the umpiring game, and made good as an official in the Northwestern, Pacific Coast and Inter-Mountain Leagues. In 1909 he retired from baseball and has been engaged in the electrical supply business in Portland for the past three years.

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WOLVERTON WILL STICK TO CHASE

Highlanders' New Manager Is Sure Hal Is Best First-Sacker in Game.

NO BIG TRADES PENDING

Happy Hogan Offered Chance to Get Elmer Stricklett, but Latter Won't Play on Coast — Gray Sent to Rochester.

Harry Wolverton is not figuring on trading Hal Chase, despite dispatches from New York to that effect a few days ago. The new boss of the New York Kilties counts Chase the greatest first sacker in the business and says he does not expect any trouble with the former manager. Wolverton left New York for Oakland on Saturday, but before departing give voice to the following:

"I might make one or two minor trades before the Spring training trip, but I am angling for none but the very best men. Under no circumstances will I part with Hal Chase. He is the greatest infielder of all time. Such players happen along only once in a lifetime, and Chase I consider one of the greatest assets of the profession. Chase and I are very good friends. I feel sure that he will play his very best, for he is indeed glad to be free from the managerial burdens. Around Hal I purpose to build up a strong infield. Earl Gardner I know to be a wonderful second baseman. I saw him perform in the Eastern League two years ago. I know nothing of Dolan, but everyone tells me he proved a wonder for New York at the close of the past season.

"Birdie Cree is one of the best outfielders in the business, and so is Harry Wolter. The pitching staff should be greatly strengthened by the addition of Long George McConnell. Everybody in the International League declares this fellow the best prospect in Barrow's league. Russell Ford I know. He is the best twirler I have ever seen. I looked him over enough to realize that when he was with Jersey City, Jack Warhop pitched for me at Williamsport, and I have a lot of faith in the little fellow. I could use a good catcher now that Blair has been let out, and I could use a good outfielder, too. We may make some trades, but if not we will have to take our chances in landing live ones from our recruits."

Wolverton is said to be trying to land Shortstop McBride and Catcher Ainsmith from Washington. Ed Sweeney will do the bulk of the catching unless he retires into business as intimated in Chicago.

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Charley Ebbetts, of Brooklyn, notified Hap Hogan a few days ago that he could have the use of Elmer Stricklett, the outlaw inventor of the spitball, if he desired. Hogan at once approached Stricklett, but the latter indignantly refused, saying that the Coast League had it in for the former outlaws and that he preferred to play with Cy Moreing's new insurgent circuit.

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Dolly Gray, the Coast southpaw, has been turned over by Washington to Rochester of the International League. Ote Johnson, former Portlander, has also been consigned to Rochester by the New York Americans.

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Jim Wiggs, the elongated pitcher, is thinking of departing this baseball sphere and entering into the insurance business at Oakland. The Seattle Northwestern leaguer feels that his salary whip is losing its efficiency.

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Jackie Warren, the midget outfielder who raised such hob with the Tacoma Tigers that season, that Mike Lynch unceremoniously "canned" him, intends going to Missoula in the Union Association with Cliff Blankenship next Spring.

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Steve Kane, who umpired in the Northwestern League a portion of last season and later in the Blue Grass circuit, has been made the house detective in the new ten-story Tyler Hotel in Louisville, Ky.

DEMETRAL COMES TOMORROW

Greek Wrestler Ready for Berg—May Call Off Bout With Heinrich.

William Demetral, the Greek "Demon" wrestler, will arrive in Portland on Saturday afternoon to go into immediate training for his light heavyweight championship match with John Berg. His manager, Otto Ross, telegraphed Promoter Gustafson to this effect from Salt Lake yesterday.

The great Chicago 182-pounder was scheduled to throw Heinrich twice in an hour at Baker on Friday night, but Ross intimated that this match had been called off on account of the bout with Berg which means so much to his protege.

Berg claims that Demetral, "Cyclone" Burns, Peters, Fred Beel and himself are the only men who have a chance at the light heavy title, so this bout means the elimination of one or the other. The men have not met before although both have conquered top-notchers in various parts of the country.

The Berg-Demetral match will be staged in the Armory on Friday night, December 29, at 8:15 o'clock.

WHITMAN MAY PLAY OREGON

Unless Game Is Arranged With Washington Guarantee Promised.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Whitman expects to play Oregon here next Fall, and, as Oregon gave Whitman a $450 guarantee, Whitman will probably guarantee the same amount. George Cole, chairman of the managerial board, said tonight his team would probably play Oregon, either here or, if Oregon wishes, in Portland. However, he said the schedule is all up to the conference which meets in Portland next week, where Fred Clemens, of Vancouver, Wash., will act for Whitman.

Whitman will play Oregon unless a game with Washington is scheduled, in which case there is no chance. Whitman plays Idaho here, Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis, Washington State College at Spokane. Only one more game could be taken on, and that will be either Oregon or the University of Washington. Cole would not speak definitely and could not get the managerial board together tonight.

HEPPNER CLAIMANT TO TITLE

Football Championship of Morrow and Gilliam in Dispute.

HEPPNER, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—The Heppner High School football team has closed a very successful season considering that this was the first year at football. Ione claimed the championship of Morrow and Gilliam counties, but the claim is disputed here, as Ione was beaten by Heppner and Condon.

This gives Heppner High the championship of Morrow and Gilliam counties.

Carson to Captain Mount Angel.

MOUNT ANGEL, Or., Dec. 21.—At a meeting of the Mount Angel College football team last night, George Carson, who played at fullback this season, was chosen captain for next year's squad. Joseph Wunderlich was selected as sub-captain, while the managership went to Leo Furney. The players were given a banquet after the meeting and prospects for next year were discussed.

BRESNAHAN ACCUSES MURPHY

St. Louis Manager Demands Public Apology From Cub Magnate.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 21.—Roger Bresnahan, manager of the St. Louis National Baseball Club, announced today he had preferred charges against Charles W. Murphy, of the Chicago Nationals, and had demanded that the National Commission make Murphy apologize publicly to him.

The charges are a result of a wordy war between Bresnahan and Murphy in New York last Friday, which resulted because Bresnahan would not waive on Vic Saier. Bresnahan quotes Murphy as saying that Murphy would run him out of the National League.

Bresnahan further charges that Murphy accused him of falsehood in saying that he wanted Saier for the local team. He accused the local manager of working for the Toronto club.

Lucky Baldwin's Trainer Dead.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 21.—A private telegram was received here today announcing the death at Arcadia, Cal., of John McClelland, the famous turfman and horsetrainer for "Lucky" Baldwin. He was 62 years old and a brother of the late Byron McClelland, noted horseman, of Lexington.

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