

BEAVERS' WALLOPS OF JUSTY QUALITY

Home-Run Day Is Enjoyed by McCredie's Flotilla in Santa Maria Camp.

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Youngster May Land Berth at Shortstop—Henderson Don't Uniform and Enjoys Going—Four New Hands Report to Big Chief.

BY RONCOE FAYWITT.
SANTA MARIA, Cal., March 7.—(Special.)—Today was home-run day in the camp of the Portland Beavers, who opened the second practice ball of the season with a double drill.

A forenoon workout having been taken of their own volition, Artie Krueger was the first to bat in the squad, with six line drives over the fence. Doane, the new New Orleans outfielder, had five over the right wall, and Kibble, the Helena infielder, had four.

The field is nearly as large as the Portland park, but, of course, the teams had only straight balls to contend with. Doane looks especially sweet. He is a natural left-hand batter and steps into ball with his whole body behind him. He hits something like Lindsay and is down in first like a flash. Doane is a fixture, unquestionably. Krueger's commanding today was terrific and the Dutchman thinks he is in for a great year.

Krueger in Fine Shape.
"I handled Krueger at Cleveland two years ago and here with Portland, and he is in 25 per cent better than said Trainer Schmidt, after practice."

"For one thing, Art is lighter and faster on his feet than at any time within that period, and his arm is now absolutely free, whereas, heretofore it has been bound up by rheumatic twinges. Krueger did not raise his elbow above his head."

Manager McCredie is paying considerable attention to young Kibble and has switched him over from third to shortstop. For Lindsay has requested that he be kept at the third station this season. Kibble scores grounders up like a warbler and record of 44 errors in 140 games with Helena on the improved diamonds of the Union Association in 1911 would seem to show that Kibble is naturally right-handed against south-paws and an improvement is already apparent.

"I guess you don't let Nick Williams take that youngster," was the only comment Mac would make on the lad, so that even though he has not seen his other candidates, McCredie and Bancroft, in action, he must think highly of Kibble.

Williams Due Soon.
Williams is expected here soon to look over possible Northwestern League recruits.

The day's work consisted of only of batting practice, although Lindsay, Rodgers and Rapps practiced around a while on the diamond, and showed their joints were well lubricated. Lindsay and Rodgers are in shape to start the season tomorrow.

Henderson was not uniform today for the first time and enjoyed the going immensely. Four new men arrived during the afternoon and watched the skirmishing from the bleachers. The newcomers are Pitcher Tommie, recently purchased from the champion Springfield team of the Connecticut League, second baseman McDowell, who batted .345 last season for the Nebraska State, Bobby Coltrin and Jimmy Dean, a diminutive amateur pitcher who has a sponsor Brother-in-law Ted Kaster, of Napa. He paid his own expenses from Calcutta town, half over the line into Mexico.

Temple is a statuesque college pitcher, who was taken from the Virginia State League by New York two years ago and turned over to Springfield for seasoning.

Temple Well Spoken Of.
Bill Lindsay batted against him four years ago, while the two were representing rival rap rag organizations in North Carolina, and characterizes him as a likely regular. He is 5'11 and lost 12 pounds last season and showed an average of 2.76 runs per game.

McDowell is a well proportioned lad who looks the part of a champion. Quire predicted. The lad has almost no chance of beating Rodgers out of a job, but may be groomed for a utility role at short in at short of his hitting holds up.

The men yet to answer roll call are: Catcher Howley, Pitcher Koenster, Lamkins, Yeager, and Napier, the latest convert; Infielder Bancroft and Outfielders Chadbourne, Strait and Mathes.

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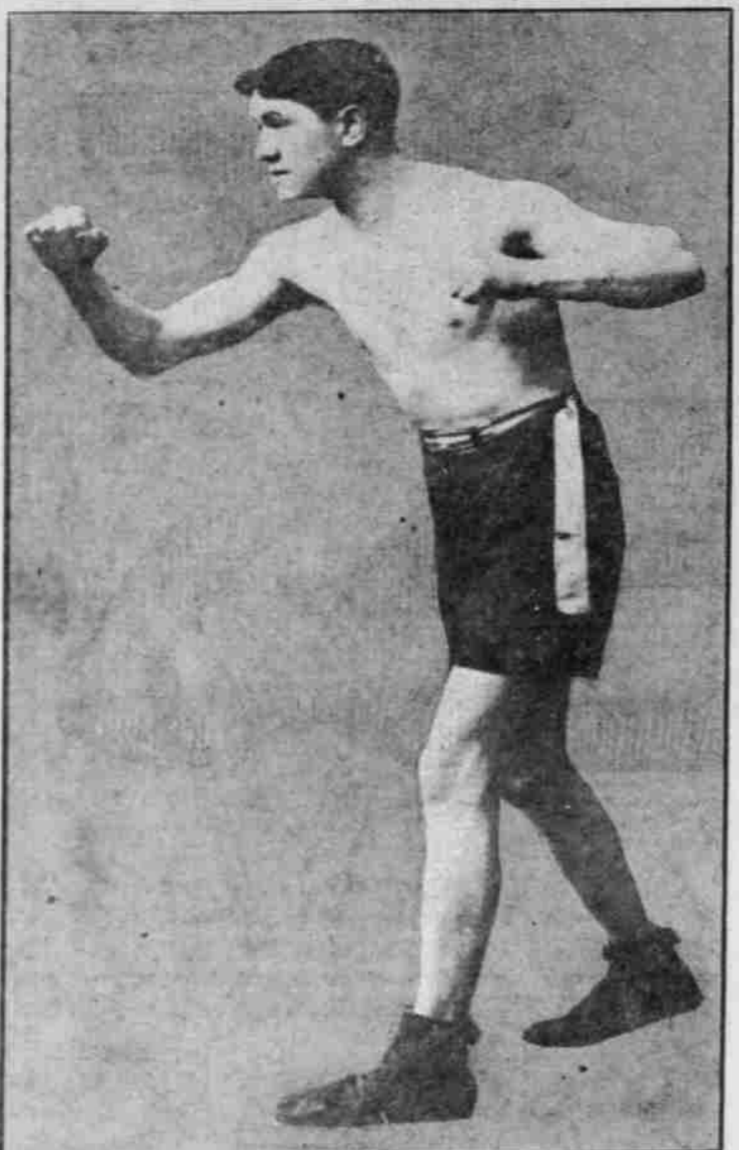
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Portland fans, who were counting on seeing the little fighter soon, will have to wait until Johnny has rested thoroughly.

He intends, however, to return to the West by way of the Northern States after one of the vaudeville circuits that he will undertake after a short tour of the East. After showing in the Northwest Kilbane will proceed to San Francisco, where he will re-enter the ring.

All Engagements Cancelled.
Kilbane had been intending visiting Portland as soon as his engagement at the Princess ended here Saturday night, and he was then going to take in all the Northwest cities before going back to Cleveland. These plans were all knocked into a cocked hat today, when Johnny canceled all engagements and the immediate future that he might go directly to the Ohio city, where a grand reception awaits the little champion. When Johnny comes Marching Home.

Kilbane, who went to Los Angeles a year ago low in the purse to fight Joe Rivera, still takes with him the best manager, a training partner and all the other ornaments of a champion of the world.

"Johnny won't fight for at least six months," said Jimmy Dunn, his manager. "He has been working hard for a long time. Now he deserves the rest and the easy money that goes with the championship."

Attell Gets First Fight.
"Who will get the first fight?" Jimmie was asked.

"So far as we know it will be Attell," returned Dunn. "Johnny has resolved on a different course of action from that pursued by most champions. He will refuse to take on any of these four-round victims. He will not fight any one who has not shown he has a legitimate chance of becoming champion of the world. The fact that he consents to fight any featherweight will be sufficient proof that the featherweight has arrived."

Dunn says the outcome of Attell's fight with Harlan Tommy Murphy will have no effect on scheduling a return match with the champion. "We want to show that Johnny is willing to lick also as many times as he is licked."

Dunn says he and Kilbane expect to return to California in August for a month or two. They will knock around the mountains and have a good time. Then will come the fighting.

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O. A. C. BALLPLAYERS ACTIVE

New Uniforms Arrive—First Official Practice Tomorrow.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, March 7.—(Special.)—The arrival of 12 new French model uniforms for the O. A. C. baseball squad has raised the fever of the fans several degrees. All the students on the campus are seeking omen of good weather for Saturday so that the first official practice of the year may be held on the athletic field in response to Coach Stewart's call issued today.

Six of last year's squad will report at the initial workout. Three of these—Captain Reiben, Cooper and Phillips—are regulars from last year's team and will form the nucleus for the Beavers of 1912. Further developments are eagerly awaited as recent rumors have been floating about the campus to the effect that there are several new students—old baseball men—who will offer strong bids for places on the regular team.

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CLUBS BID FOR FIGHT.

NEW YORK, March 7.—Bidding among the local boxing clubs for the proposed 10-round match between Al Palmer and Carl Morris is split. Al Palmer and Carl Morris is split. Al Palmer and Carl Morris is split.

CHRISTIAN REPORTS TO OAKS

Bud Sharpe's Squad at Livermore Gladdened by Pitcher's Arrival.

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