MAURICE S. WINS FAST $2500 PACE

Popular Favorite at Country Club Track Takes Classic in 2:07 3-4.

NOTED DRIVERS IN FIELD

Francis J., Picked to Win One Heat at Least, Is Disappointment—Dan Patch, Jr., Makes Showing. "Baby Doll" Is Victor.

BY JAMES H. CASSELL.

Pacing true to the form which had installed him the popular favorite, Maurice S., the five-year-old bay gelding owned by Ben Jaggar of Portland, and Dick Wilson of California, won the classic $2500 2:08 pace in impressive style on the Country Club track yesterday afternoon, taking three straight heats from one of the best fields in the history of the Northwest turf.

Off well in each heat Maurice S. never lost the lead except when Junior Dan Patch challenged sharply near the half-mile post in the second sprint, and passed the judges stand on each occasion with much in reserve.

Francis J. Disappoints.

Francis J., rated by many as the best of the field, and picked to win at least one of the heats, was a disappointment. He made his best record in the first heat, finishing third to Maurice S. and Peter Preston. Haltamont, owned by Mrs. Eleanor M. Vaughn, was another entry who failed to show expected mettle.

But if these two were disappointments, Peter Preston, a sensation last year, and Junior Dan Patch, believed to be in a trifle too fast company, paced in splendid style. The son of the great Dan Patch failed to break through his field in the first heat but made a gallant effort to win the second, besting Peter Preston, the Canadian horse, for second place. In turn he was outgamed in a terrific stretch drive in the last heat, when Peter Preston jumped ahead in the last 20 feet, with Junior Dan Patch, Francis J and Alberta blanketed.

Maurice S. Goes In 2:07¾.

The slow track, the result of frequent showers during the afternoon, prevented anything bordering on record-breaking, but Maurice S. paced the first mile in 2:07¾, within a half minute of his record, and undoubtedly would have negotiated the mile in around 2:05 had the course been as fast as on Monday. Frank and Marvin Childs and Haag and Wilson were fined for jockeying.

In addition to presenting a field of clever pacers for the big $2500 feature, the race brought out a number of the greatest drivers in the West, including a half dozen former grand circuit pilots. Among the top-notchers were Dick Wilson, driver and half owner of the winner, Ben Walker, George Haag, George Spencer and George Loomis.

Baby Doll Wins.

The three-year-old trot, the first number on the programme, gave Baby Doll, J. W. Zibbell's youngster, its first victory. The Fresno, Cal., owner gave his trotter her first taste of the whip in the stretch of the first heat and a bad break relegated her to third place. However, she went to the front early in the other two heats and won with lengths to spare. California B, owned by D. L. Bachant, Zibbell's Fresno rival, won the first heat, but finished in the ruck in the two following starts.

Dick Wilson drove his second entry to victory in the 2:30 trot, taking three straight heats with Lucile Wilson, the five-year-old mare he imported from Indiana. Lucile was easily the best of the field and was not forced at any part of the trip. Charles F. always away last, finished strong in each heat and won second money.

Lady McNally loomed high above the field in the three-quarters mile run and won as she pleased after sticking with the pack to the head of the stretch. Sepulveda had little more difficulty in the half-mile dash, but Steel nosed out Old Settler, the Monday winner, in a terrific drive. Wap threw Kent, his jockey, at the post in the first dash and the start was delayed several minutes.

Guideless Pacer Goes.

College Maid, the guideless pacer, gave an exhibition which looked like a record-breaker for half a mile, but degenerated into a 2:16 workout. She went the first quarter in :30½ and the half in 1:04.

The attendance was fair, considering the disheartening condition of the weather, but the splendid programme and protection of the grandstand made the crowd the most enthusiastic of the meeting.

Walter Edwards, the aviator, gave another daring aeroplane exhibition.

Summary of Results.

Trot, for 3-year-olds, two in three heats, purse $500—

Baby Doll (Zibbell)	3	1	1
California B (Bachant)	1	4	4
El Bell Maden (Ward)	2	2	2
Nutway (Wallace)	4	3	3
Blanche Fitzsimmons (Erwin)	5	5	d

Time, 2:15¼, 2:17¼, 2:22.

Pace, 2:08 class, three in five heats, Hotel purse, $2500—

Maurice S (D. Wilson)	1	1	1
Peter Preston (Spencer)	2	3	2
Jr. Dan Patch (Loomis)	8	2	3
Francis J. (McGuire)	3	6	4
Alberta (Haag)	6	4	5
Haltamont (Walker)	4	5	7
Allderdaw (M. Childs)	5	8	8
Foster (Barnes)	9	7	6
Local Option (F. Childs)	7	dr	

Time, 2:07¾, 2:09¼, 2:09¼.

Trot, 2:30 class, three in five heats, purse $1000—

Lucile Wilson (D. Wilson)	1	1	1
Charles F. (Walker)	2	2	2
Monica McKinney (Stewart)	3	3	4
Complete (Childs)	4	4	3
Starost (Lance)	4	5	5
Rex (Duncan)	dis		

Time, 2:17¼, 2:19¼, 2:19¼.

Running, three-quarters of a mile, purse $100—Lady McNally (Matthews), first, Mollie Cad (Rettig), second; Wap (Kent) third. Time, 1:16. Hector and Mabel King also ran.

Running, one-half mile, purse $100—Sepulveda (Heavener) first, Steel (McNames) second, Old Settler (McAdams), third. Time, 0:47½. Zalta Berannan, Bazzini and Wanna also ran.

JOE PATCHEN II EASY WINNER

Great Pacer Not Forced at Grand Circuit Races at Readville.

READVILLE, Mass., Aug. 28.—Joe Patchen II today carried away the honors in the Neponset at the second day of the Grand Circuit meeting. Track and weather were perfect for fast time.

From the word in the first heat to the finish of the last one Joe Patchen II was never pressed. The contest was for the second money, which Knight Onwardo won in the final heat. Cox finished fast in the second heat, with Mansfield coming from fourth position in the stretch. Grand Opera made Joe Patchen II pace the last half of the first heat in 1:00½. The first three horses in the summary are all Canadian owned.

There was a surprise in the Plymouth for 2-year-old trotters, where Nowaday Girl was a strong favorite. She took the opening heat, but Dillon Axworthy won the second from Nathan Axworthy, which beat the Massachusetts filly for second position.

The Blue Hill was for amateur drivers. J. Dodge, of Middletown, N. Y., was behind the Denver mare Zarrino, the winner.

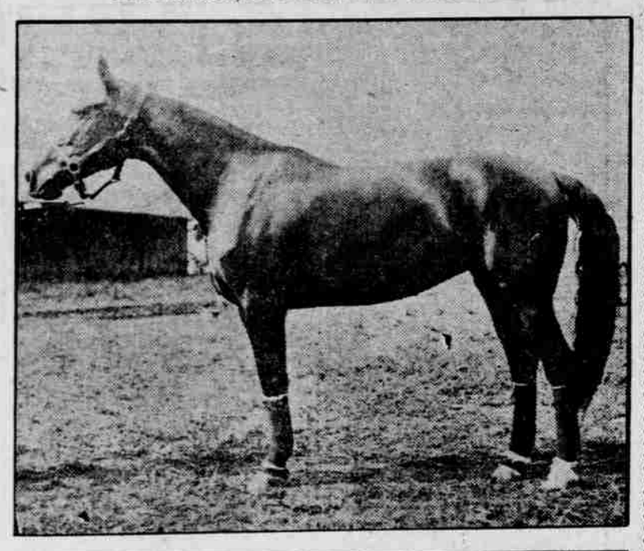
Summary:

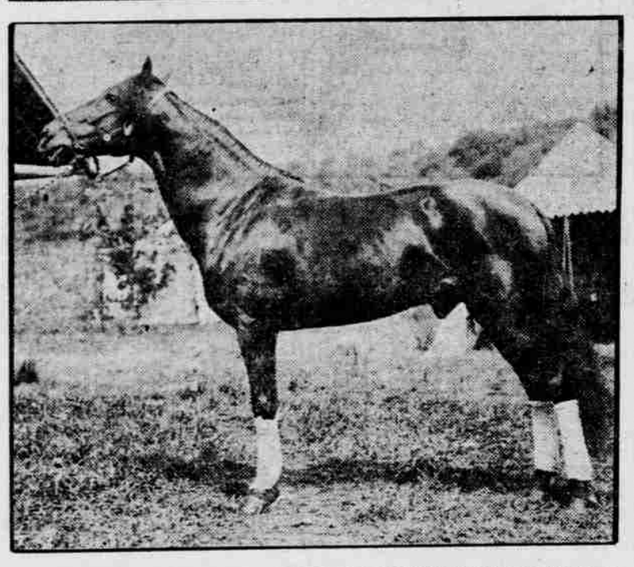
2:10 pace, purse $2000—Joe Patchen II won, Knight Onwardo second, Grand Opera third; fastest heat, 2:05¾.

Two-year-old trot, purse $2000—Dillon Axworthy won, Nowaday Girl second, Nathan Axworthy third; fastest heat, 2:14¾.

2:18 trot, purse $2000—Zarrine won, Eve Cord second, Newall third; fastest heat, 2:08.

CALIFORNIA TROTTER, FAVORITE IN 2:12 TROT THIS AFTERNOON, AND POSSIBLE CONTENDER.





ABOVE, BERNICE R., THE CALIFORNIA TROTTER PICKED TO WIN THE $2500 PURSE TODAY—BELOW, ALL STYLE, WHICH, ON RECENT WORKOUTS, IS FIGURED A KEEN CONTENDER FOR FIRST PLACE.

WOLGAST TO DEFEND TITLE

Lightweight Champion Willing to Fight Rivers, Ritchie or Mandot.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 28.—Ad Wolgast in a letter to a friend here, received today, said he had decided to return to California in a few weeks and was ready to meet either Willie Ritchie or the winner of the Rivers-Mandot fight. His choice, he said, depended entirely upon which promoter would make the better bid. He added that he had purchased a race horse and would enter it in some of the Indiana County fair races.

Abe Attell, who left today for New York with Herb Brock, of Sacramento, a new aspirant for lightweight honors, conferred before his departure with representatives of Promoters Coffroth and McCarey regarding a fight with Johnny Kilbane. He flatly refused an offer of $2500 by McCarey and intimated that he had received a better proposition from Coffroth. As Kilbane already has signed with McCarey, Attell will attempt to negotiate a deal with the latter before signing with Coffroth. He reported just before leaving that he would make every effort to force Kilbane into a return match.

WALLA WALLA CINCHES FLAG

La Grande Team Defeated, 10 to 6. Pendleton Forfeits Game.

Walla Walla absolutely cinched the pennant yesterday, defeating La Grande, 10 to 6. The game was characterized by hard hitting of both pitchers. The contest was at Walla Walla. Score:

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
Walla Wal.	10	12	3	La Grande	6	9	6

Batteries—Bridger and Johnson; Harstad and McBride and King.

At Boise the game was forfeited to Boise by Pendleton. Garrett, ordered from the field for protesting a decision in the third inning, refused to go and the umpire forfeited the game. The score was 2 to 2 when the dispute arose.

Baseball Statistics

STANDING OF THE LEAGUES.

American League.

	W.	L.	Pc.		W.	L.	Pc.
Boston	85	37	.697	Detroit	57	67	.460
Washing'n	75	48	.610	Cleveland	53	69	.434
Philadel	73	47	.609	New York	44	76	.367
Chicago	60	61	.496	St. Louis	40	82	.328

National League.

New York	81	35	.699	Cincinnati	56	63	.471
Chicago	77	41	.653	St. Louis	52	67	.437
Pittsburg	69	49	.583	Brooklyn	53	75	.293
Philadel	57	58	.496	Boston	35	82	.299

American Association.

Minneap	91	51	.641	Milwaukee	66	71	.482
Columbus	85	56	.605	St. Paul	66	76	.465
Toledo	80	59	.575	Louisville	54	86	.386
Kan. City	69	70	.496	Indiana p	49	93	.345

Union Association.

Missoula	77	44	.636	Ogden	59	64	.480
Salt Lake	74	50	.597	Butte	46	75	.380
Great Falls	66	55	.546	Helena	44	79	.358

Yesterday's Results.

American Association—Kansas City 4-3, Columbus 3-2; Milwaukee 10-2, Toledo 5-0; St. Paul 12, Indianapolis 6; Louisville 3, Minneapolis 1.

Union Association—Great Falls 8, Missoula 2; Helena 6, Butte 5; Salt Lake 5-4, Ogden 4-10.

Western League—St. Joseph 2-2, Des Moines 1-0; Denver 3, Topeka 0; Sioux City 9, Omaha 4; Lincoln 3, Wichita 0.

Portland Batting Averages.

Pacific Coast—	AB.	H.	Av.	Northwestern—	AB.	H.	Av.
Fitzger'ld	64	22	.344	McDowell	264	83	.315
Krueger	408	127	.312	Crulksh'k	336	99	.293
Lindsay	316	99	.310	Burch	66	19	.288
Suter	13	4	.308	Speas	443	123	.276
Rodgers	481	140	.290	Fries	536	142	.265
Doane	338	95	.281	Eastley	116	30	.259
Chadb'ne	452	123	.273	Williams	402	102	.254
Higgin'm	60	16	.267	Callahan	12	3	.250
Kibbie	34	9	.265	Coltrin	441	104	.236
Butcher	130	34	.262	Mahoney	189	42	.228
Fisher	168	43	.260	Steiger	47	10	.213
Rapps	417	106	.254	Hausman	52	11	.211
Bancroft	375	83	.222	Harris	329	67	.204
Harkness	54	12	.222	Bloomf'ld	61	10	.164
Howley	234	50	.214	Girot	31	5	.161
Koestner	101	20	.200	Agnew	4	0	.000
Klawitter	99	19	.192				
Gregg	27	4	.146				

$2500 PURSE IS UP

Indications Point to Keen Competition in Big Event.

HEAVY TRACK EVENS ODDS

Rope Will Be Stretched Across Track at Start to Mark Lining Up of Entries, With Fine on Drivers for Extended Scoring.

Today is Portland day at the Country Club track, with the classic 2:12 trot, the $2500 Bankers' purse, the feature of the programme and likewise the premier race of Portland's Fall speed carnival.

Indications point to a field of 15 clever trotters in the great purse race, with a heavy track throwing the money open to any one of half a dozen starters. Bernice R., the sterling California mare, is the favorite for the event, her work placing her at the top of the entry list, but a heavy course is generally considered as detrimental to her chances.

Henry Clayton, the Kentucky trotter starred by Frank Childs Tuesday, has developed into one of the first choices, while Henry Gray, the five-heat performer from Seattle; Adam G., the 14-year-old double-gaited veteran, and All Style have large followings among the horsemen.

In addition to the 2:12 trot, a 2:12 pace, valued at $1000, will bring together a field of from nine to 11 cracks, including Sirius Pointer, King Seal, Captain Apperson, Harold Welcome and Frank E. Alley's Roseburg Boy. Alley scratched Bonaday, his nomination for the 2:12 trot, but is expected to start Roseburg Boy this afternoon. The 3-year-old pace will conclude the harness section of the Portland day bill, with a large field of starters.

Two good runs, for a half and three-quarter mile, respectively, aeroplane flights and splendid musical numbers will round out the programme.

Starting methods of yesterday, with a rope stretched across the track to mark the lining up of the entries and a fine hanging over the drivers for extended scoring, will be in vogue again today.

The programme:

2:12 trot, purse $2500—Henry Gray, A. Zbinden, Seattle, Wash.; All Style, Dana Perkins, Rocklin, Cal.; Mountain Boy, William Howell, Boise, Idaho; Henry Clayton, Lou Childs, Spokane, Wash.; Adam G., D. L. Bachant, Sauger, Cal.; Nellie Chimes, F. C. Erwin, Boise, Idaho; Escobado, C. H. Thompson, Salt Lake City, Utah; Johnny G, George C. Loomis, agent, Minneapolis, Minn.; Densmore, George C. Loomis, agent, Minneapolis, Minn.; Bon Guy, S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton, Cal.; Dan McKinney, Joe F. McGuire, Denver, Colo.; Bernice R., M. C. Keefer, National City, Cal.; Greenbaum, George Spencer, agent, Winnipeg, Man.; Heartwood, Thomas E. Battell, Moose Jaw, Sask.; The Statesman, Mrs. Ben Walker, Pleasanton, Cal.

2:12 pace, purse $1000—Roseburg Boy, Frank E. Alley, Roseburg, Or.; Harold Welcome, W. L. Knouff, Portland, Or.; Capt. Apperson, Ed. Rockner, Oregon City, Or.; King Seal, E. C. Keyt, Forest Grove, Or.; Auto Zombro, Al Russell, Los Angeles, Cal.; Hellenes Jr., Al Russell, Los Angeles, Cal.; Kit Crawford, J. A. Wear, Halsey, Or.; Rubylight, Dick Wilson & Co., Pleasanton, Cal.; Sirius Pointer, Lou Childs, Spokane, Wash.; Lakeside Hal., P. O. Dwyer, Edmonton, Alta.; Ella Penrose, J. Carson, Winnipeg, Man.

Three-year-old pace, purse $1000—Hal Norte, Ed Dennison, Portland, Or.; Al B., Rennie & Taylor, Victoria, B. C.; Jennie Mac, Gus Paseman, Portland, Or.; John Henry, J. C. Buchanan, Cornelius, Or.; Bonnie B., D. B. Edwards, Bellingham, Wash.; Hal Edo, W. S. Abbett, Portland, Or.; Josie Ansel, Alex Brown, Walnut Grove Cal.; Savage Right, M. F. Johnston, Sherwood, Or.; Truxton King, R. S. Rockwell, Sprague, Wash.; Aeroletta, George H. Magruder, Marysville, Cal.; The Co-Ed, F. C. Erwin, Boise, Idaho.

Three-quarters mile dash for beaten horses, purse $100—Steele, William McNames; Jib, W. L. Adams; Mabel King, G. R. McNames; Sal Pearl, B. Gonter; Beanman, W. H. Bard; Wap, W. W. Ashe.

Half-mile dash, 3-year-olds, purse $100—Molly Cad, W. H. Bard; Salfmint, F. T. Merrill; Anna Phaeon, J. Holtgrieve; Silva, William Livingstone; Drummer, Red McGilvary; Lady Morella, J. W. Williams.

Sage Signs With St. Joseph.

SIOUX CITY, Aug. 28.—Pitcher George Sage, who was released by Sioux City Western League team today, has signed with St. Joseph.

TROEH IS HIGH GUN OF TRAP EXPERTS

Vancouver Man Breaks 144 of 150 Clay Birds at Big Shoot.

REID WINS FEATURE EVENT

Portland Man Takes Chingren Trophy From Fred Moullen, Eugene, After Spirited Contest. Today's Handicap Arranged.

Although averages did not run quite so high yesterday as on the opening day, the second day of the Pacific Coast Handicap tournament for trap shooters proved just as interesting, and the scores in many cases were excellent considering the poor light and the rain which fell at intervals. F. M. Troeh, of Vancouver, Wash., with 144 birds of 150 shot at, had the distinction of being high gun on the day, beating all the professionals, while he was also top man for both days' scores combined.

An additional feature of the programme was the shooting for the Chirngren trophy, the Diamond challenge medal of the Pacific Coast Indians. Moullen of Eugene, the holder, lost to L. H. Reid, of Seattle, after two ties. Reid broke 22 of 25 birds.

Medal Shoot Interesting.

This medal has been shot for more times and caused greater interest among gunmen than any other on the Coast, somewhere in the region of 20,000 cartridges having been used in shooting for it.

The conditions were 25 targets at 4 traps with 18 yards rise. In the original Moullen let an easy one get away, being tied as a result by his teammate from Eugene, McCormack, with a score of 95, and by L. H. Reid, who had to bring every bird down at the last trap to tie.

In the first shoot off, McCormack was out of it, and Reid failed to drop a clay early on, but Moullen failed at the 22 bird, and with each man killing the remainder, both tied again at 24.

Proceeding to the next trap, Moullen immediately found difficulty with his birds, while Reid remained steady, but when the latter came to take the first stand he too found trouble there and it looked as though the light, coupled with a tree, was giving difficulty. Reid, however, kept ahead, taking the trophy from the holder, though he will have to defend his title again today.

Handicaps Are Arranged.

The handicap committee was chosen yesterday morning, with J. E. Cullison, Portland; F. A. Dryden, Walla Walla; E. D. Framin, Sand Point, and T. D. Riley, San Francisco, composing it. The members met last night at the Oregon hotel to settle the individual handicaps for the big shoot this afternoon. No less than 125 entries have been received, or nine more than the previous best.

In the regular programme, which was 10 events of 15 targets each, F. M. Troeh, of Vancouver, Wash., put up the fine score of 144, letting but six birds get away. M. Abraham, of Portland, and P. P. Nelson, were a good second with 142, while E. W. Cooper, of Tacoma, and E. D. Farmin, of Sand Point were the only others to reach the 140 mark.

The regular programme this morning is five events at 20 targets, while the Coast Handicap in the afternoon is also five events at 20 targets. At the conclusion of the latter Reid will be called upon to defend his title for the challenge medal.

	Total	Double Score.	25 T'g'ts.
Poston, H.*	141		40
Cook, Al.	127		..
Caldwell, W. W.	139		29
Knight, R. P.	135		30
Fuller, Charles	121		33
Campbell, M. D.	108		23
Thomas, W. R.	131		39
Woodward, A. N.	128		..
Welshon, R. M.	135		88
Joy, F. O.	117		..
Wellett, W. I.*	135		35
Stall, F.	130		..
Riley, T. D.	130		..
Staunton, W. E.	138		..
Stall, G.	127		..
Barkley, L. R.*	140		41
Holohan, D. J.	139		34
Bishop, A.	134		30
Day, Dr.	134		36
Owens, C. E.	121		..
O'Brien, P.	135		31
Troeh, F. M.	144		33
Troeh, E. P.	119		..
Troeh, J. A.	139		42
Van Atta	116		..
Holohan, P. J.*	142		..
Skeely, J. T.*	140		..
Simonton, W.	125		31
Stacey, G. E.	126		28
Dryden, F. A.	138		35
Cooper, Del	130		..
Miller, R. H.	137		34
Rice, J. E.	128		..
Francis, N. H.	128		37
Bell, S. F.*	103		..
Robertson, W. A.	123		32
Rayburn, L.	120		..
Reed, D.	128		31
Miller, G.	138		..
Spratley, H. W.	132		..
Wade, J.	123		36
Wade, F.	118		30
Hughes, G. E.	125		28
Grieff, G. E.	121		..
Shortreed, T.	122		..
Murphy, T.	55		..
Baltimore, P. J.	122		22
Ferris, L. G.	99		..
Stearns, H.	108		..
Hembestone, Ed	22		..
Jines, J.	44		..
Wilkins, O. B.	50		..
Dirgel, F. G.	36		..
Gregory, G. E.	49		..
French, J. E.	23		30
Winters, A. J.	21		31
French, J. S.	24		..
Brockbank, D. E.	12		..
Templeton			18
Rice			34

*Indicates professional.

Archer Goes to Boise.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—Pitcher Archer, of the old Chehalis State League team, left for Boise yesterday, he having been signed by the Tri-State League team there. Taylor and Carrigan, other members of the Chehalis team, signed with Boise several weeks ago.

LEADING MEN WITH THEIR INDIVIDUAL SCORES ARE GIVEN BELOW, TROEH, AMATEUR, BEING HIGH MAN WITH 144.

AMATEURS.	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15—150	25 Double Targets 50
F. M. Troeh	15	13	15	14	14	15	15	14	14	15—144	33
M. Abraham	13	15	15	15	14	14	15	15	14	12—142	35
P. P. Nelson	15	15	14	14	14	13	14	14	14	15—142	34
E. W. Cooper	14	14	14	13	13	15	15	13	14	15—140	..
E. D. Farmin	13	12	14	14	15	14	13	15	15	15—140	31
PROFESSIONALS.											
P. J. Holohan	13	15	15	15	13	15	12	15	14	15—142	..
G. Holohan	13	14	15	14	15	15	14	15	14	13—142	36
H. Poston	15	13	15	14	12	15	14	13	15	15—141	40
L. H. Reid	14	14	15	13	15	14	15	15	13	13—141	..
Reed, L. H.*	141										..
Chingren, E. J.	133										35
Hillis, W. A.	136										36
Cullison, J. E.	128										30
Mouellen, F. C.	136										43
McCornack, W.	137										34
Seavey, J. W.	136										32
Kompp, B.	130										42
Bull, M. M.	136										34
Bungay, R. H.	139										41
Neil, T. W.	131										..
Groat, C. E.	125										..
Smith, R.	131										..
Mitchell, Ed*	138										..
Holohan, G.*	142										36
Sweely, E. M.	131										32
Carlon, Dick	130										..
Riehl, F. C.*	130										39
Abrahams, M.	142										35
Bean, E. A.	129										..
Veatch, H. H.	129										40
Brady, B. W.	126										..
Feudner, O.*	140										..
Thornton, O.D.	136										..
Berger, F.*	133										30
Smith, M.	121										..
Fleming, C.	126										..
Dalke, R. L.	123										..
McElroy, H.	124										42
Sears, W. A.	130										37
Haight, C. A.*	128										37
Franzen, G.	118										..
Thomas, G. W.	112										..
Jacobsen, H. P.	108										31
Monit, Ed*	130										34
Ellis, H.	135										..
Howe, F.	120										..
Fisher, I. M.*	137										35
Delerlein, C. H.	136										..
Dogue, J. A.	132										40
Jensen, J. C.	116										..
Smith, A. Z.	96										..
Sage, C. A.	121										28
Nelson, P. P.	142										34
Wagner, C.	135										33
Bell, B. J.	115										38
Edmunson, J. W.	121										30
Law, J. J.	131										34
Gilchrist, H.	133										..
Cooper, E. W.	140										..
Farmin, E. D.	140										31
Quick, H.	129										..
Williams, H. M.	105										30
Brackney, Ed	137										..
Renaut, J.	107										..
Fleet, D. W.	133										..

COAST HOLDING PLAYERS

SHARPE EXPLAINS REFUSAL OF OFFERS BY MAJORS.

Too Hard to Get Men for Class AA Clubs, He Says—All Teams Agree Not to Sell.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 28.—Manager Sharpe, of the Oakland club, of the Pacific Coast Baseball League, explained today the persistent refusal by Coast players of repeated major league offers by the deciaration that the Coast clubs had decided not to sell their star men to the majors and to meet every offer with counter offers, so far as possible.

It has been the custom of the league to sell some of the best men before the drafting season opened, in this manner getting a higher price for players than the draft provided.

"This has ben stopped," said Sharpe. "The league needs players and needs them badly, and will require more next year. It's hard getting players for a class AA league and we would be foolish to part with a man for $5000 or so. We will probably lose one good man by draft, but we may be lucky enough not to lose our best man."

Sharpe's remarks were made in a discussion of offers which Oakland has received for three or four of its players. Twelve clubs are bidding for "Ham" Patterson, the outfielder, and five have made offers to Honus Mitze, the catcher.

According to Secretary Farrell, of the Oakland club, Izzy Hoffman, of the Oakland organization, was suspended for an indefinite time two weeks ago. Neither Farrell nor Sharpe would give a reason, but it is understood that the suspension was the result of a disagreement between Sharpe and Hoffman at Sacramento, several weeks ago.

MANY SOLD FROM NORTHWEST

Thirteen Class B Men to Have Chance in Fast Company.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 28.—The National Baseball Commission today gave out a list of players whose releases have been purchased by major league clubs from the minor or major league clubs since August 20, 1911, under agreements approved by the commission. The list does not include players recalled by major league clubs on August 20, 1912, on the optional agreements. The list given out today follows in part:

National League:

By Cincinnati—From St. Louis Americans, Frill; Philadelphia Nationals, Humphreys.

By St. Louis—From Portland, Spies; Tacoma, *Hunt.

By Pittsburg—From Portland, Mensor, Wheeling, Dodd.

By Boston—From Seattle, Whaling and James; Spokane, Noyes, *Devogt and *Myers; Vancouver, *Gervais; Seattle, *Thompson.

American League:

By St. Louis—From San Francisco, Tennant.

By Chicago—From Vancouver, Clark.

By Cleveland—From Portland, *Kibble and *McDowell.

By Detroit—From Missoula, Zamloch.

By Philadelphia—From Missoula, Bush.

*Agreements not received and therefore subject to approval.

The commission made regulations to facilitate the enforcement of the Nation agreement restricting the number of players a major league club may carry on its annual reservation list to 35, exclusive of the manager and of the players promulgated as ineligible.

OLYMPIC HURDLER IS HOME

Hawkins Says Kelly Will Yet Break Record.

That Fred Kelly, the Los Angeles hurdler who won the high-timber event at the Stockholm Olympic games, will some day wipe out Forrest Smithson's world's record of 15 seconds flat, is the prediction voiced by Martin Hawkins on his arrival home from a two and a half months' jaunt to Europe. Peter Gerhardt, of San Francisco, another Olympic athlete, was also in Portland yesterday.

Hawkins, as a representative of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club, finished third at the Olympiad to Kelly and Wendall. He has competed against Kelly three times this season, winning from him in the Conference games at Berkeley—so is competent to judge of his rival's ability.

"Kelly is not quite so polished a stick man as Smithson, but he is a stronger finish man and as the Californian is only 20 years old he has two or three years of improvement in him yet," says Hawkins. "Kelly is a poor starter and that's why I believe that when he remedies those faults a new world's record will be established."

Kelly's time at Stockholm was 15.1 seconds. Hawkins led both Kelly and Wendell at the fourth hurdle as well as Nicholson, the Missouri hurdler, who failed to finish.

"Five of us—Dukes, Hyland, Philbrook, McClure and myself—participated in a handicap meet at Marseilles, France, on the way home and almost cleaned up the affair," said the Portland crack.

"Philbrook, who is a former Whitman collegian, won the high jump and gave an exhibition of discus throwing, although that event was not listed; Hyland won the 100 and 200-meter dashes and I won the hurdle and took second in the 200 dash. McClure had to give handicaps as high as 500 meters in the 5000-meter race so did not capture the event. Dukes was also beaten by a sensational French pole-vaulter who cleared over 12 feet."

Hawkins expects to enter the University of Oregon law department in Portland this Fall.

CHESTER AN ARROW Notch COLLAR

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Cluett, Peabody & Co., Troy, N. Y.

Two Boys in One Family Will Study Music Free

Lady Buys Decker Piano and Gets One Year's Lessons Free For Both Her Boys.

Interesting experiences of several buyers who found astonishing discrepancies in values. More news as to the reduced prices on finest, best-known and warranted pianos. The simple and easy plan of payment. The free Music Lessons which may be taken from any teacher desired.

The big Manufacturers' Surplus Sale, in which the lowest prices ever heard of are made, and free music lessons are given besides, is now proving the one great opportunity that many have been waiting for in Portland.

Many buyers here, we find, have looked around carefully. One lady was asked $500 (an alleged confidentially low price at that) for a piano that we showed her was being sold in New York at its regular retail price of $390. If Eilers Music House sold such a piano it would probably be supplied here for less than $335. Needless to say, she bought here.

FINDS AN OLDTIMER.

Another lady at another store was shown a very fine second-hand piano; at least, it was highly recommended there. She was told that it was "much better than a new piano at the same price elsewhere," and she was asked to "use it three years free of charge and then trade it back at the full purchase price of $185, on a new one."

Imagine this lady's surprise when she found that this piano was sold by the Eilers House out of its rental stock as second-hand way back in 1899 for $190. Furthermore, it was shown that the same house offering to sell the piano now at $185 had, less than three months ago, advertised the same instrument at $195. Actually $5 more was being asked for this old used piano than it was sold for by the Eilers House 13 years ago! Is it any wonder that this lady bought her piano of Eilers Music House and was convinced of the Eilers dependableness and the Eilers ability to furnish the most for the money? Nor is this all. We could fill this paper with one instance after another where careful investigation has invariably shown the same result.

HOW MANY LESSONS FREE?

Many have asked us as to how many music lessons are furnished free. To all such we reply that it depends upon what the teacher selected charges. A lady who bought a Decker piano receives, free of charge, one lesson a week for a whole year for each one of her two boys. This teacher's regular price is 50c a lesson. When one of the highest-priced teachers is chosen, the term, of course, would not be for so long a period.

The lessons need not be taken right away. The lessons can also be transferred to any one designated by the buyer. School commences very shortly now. The long Winter evenings are approaching. Study music. Why shouldn't nearly every girl and every boy, too—as in Germany—know how to play the piano?

Our youngsters are destined to live on a higher social plane than those who have gone before. No education can be complete without a knowledge of music. Just now the opportunity is presented to study music at the expense of several of the great piano-makers.

WHY THIS OFFER?

Because business in the United States has been good only in a few districts, some of the largest and oldest established makers of the best grades of pianos were compelled to unload surplus stocks. After some lengthy negotiations, Eilers Music House succeeded in getting the finest pianos ever shipped West at virtually their own price, and, in addition thereto, a cash appropriation from each manufacturer was secured to pay for this new free-scholarship plan.

ANY TEACHER ELIGIBLE.

Thus these fine pianos have come to us way below value. They are being sold at prices lower than ever before. You've never known standard pianos such as these being sold below regular price. Yet, if you buy now, during this sale, you get lowest prices, easiest terms and free lessons. It is not necessary to take the lessons right away. A certificate is issued entitling each buyer in the sale to these lessons at any time. The lessons can also be transferred to any one the buyer designates. In short, they can be taken at any time, from any teacher desired, and the factory pays the bill. The money is here. The pianos are here—every one plainly marked. A little child could buy one and couldn't go wrong. A little cash down and as little as a dollar and a quarter each week for the plainer styles, and two dollars a week for the fancier ones, and the piano is paid for before you realize it. Payments can also be arranged on our new one, two and three-year plan.

THREE GREAT ADVANTAGES.

It was not a simple matter for us to undertake to sell a large number of extra pianos, and particularly the costlier kinds, in addition to those regularly contracted for by us, but we are doing it.

First of all, we are selling these additional fine pianos at prices lower than they have ever been obtainable heretofore.

Secondly, we are making terms of payment so extremely easy (some are only $1.25 a week) that any home can arrange to get one; and

Thirdly, we are furnishing with each one of these pianos a term of free music lessons.

Select any teacher you like to whom we have sold and who is using one of our pianos. But, remember, factories furnish only one scholarship with each instrument in this surplus sale. When the instruments are sold, the opportunity for free music lessons ends.

Come to the big piano house at once