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MCCREDIE THINKS 4 WILL HOLD PLACES

Beaver Manager Picks Agnew, Miller, Berger and Daley to Stay in Majors.

OTHERS HAVE GOOD CHANCE

Brown, Hawley, Mitzo, Klawitter, Leverenz and Orr Rated High. Gedeon Thought Too Young to Stick, While Patterson Ill.

BY ROSCOE FAWCETT.  
Eleven Pacific Coast Leaguers will make a bid for major berths this Spring and the following four are sure to stick, in the judgment of Manager McCredie, of Portland:

Catcher Agnew, of Vernon, drafted by St. Louis Americans.  
Pitcher Miller, of San Francisco, option by Chicago Americans.  
Infielder Berger, of Los Angeles, option by Chicago Americans.  
Outfielder Daley, of Los Angeles, traded to Philadelphia Americans.  
McCredie considers each of the four the best in his respective sphere and, while he believes three or four of the others have a fighting chance, the quartet looks best to his managerial eye.

"Agnew is unquestionably superior to either Brown or Howley," said Mac yesterday at headquarters, in a fanning bee. "Mitzo, of Oakland, is perhaps as good a receiver as Agnew. He is not as rosy a major league prospect, however, because Agnew is a corner."  
"Klawitter and Leverenz are both good pitchers," added the Beaver boss, "and both may stick, but this fellow 'Bull' Miller had it on them all last year and I think he will prove regular on the White Sox hurler's staff."

"Only two infielders went up, Orr, of Sacramento, and Berger, of the Angels. Orr finished the year strong and may develop rapidly, as he is yet only a kid, but on past performance Berger has it on him."  
"Patterson, the Oak outfielder, is ill, I understand, and will not be in shape to play his best at St. Louis. Daley is a much better all-around player, and, if healthy, will be a valuable asset to the White Sox hurler's staff."

"The veteran Beaver second sacker made good in his first year with the indicator, at least on the home grounds, and there'll be considerable howling if President Baum cuts him adrift. Baum has seven men on the list now, McCarthy, Finney, Bush, Held, Pyle, Newhouse and Casey, and has announced that either Newhouse or Casey must go."

A man, well informed on the Coast situation, intimated yesterday that personal differences between Baum and Casey is at the bottom of the squall. However, local friends of Casey's are confident that he will weather the eliminations which case it will be Newhouse for the dumpheap.

Bill Pyle, the latest umpire recruit signed by Baum, is well known on a Coast League circuit. He has a strain of Chippewa Indian blood in his veins and is said to be the only Indian in the umpire ranks. He played third base for St. Paul in 1912 and in the days when Nordyke held down first and Danny Shay short and when Hildebrand wore a suit in the outfield. McCredie jumped McCredie in the third base coaching box until the police interfered.

Pyle, like Newhouse, was a boxer of renown in his younger days. He has been umpiring in the East for two or three seasons.

Schulz, the Philadelphia pitcher bought by Sacramento, has been playing Winter ball around San Diego. Schulz was offered to McCredie, of Portland, but he decided in favor of the left-hander, Stanley. Schulz is a college boy.

McCredie's billiard headquarters will move from the accustomed stand on Sixth street, between Washington and Alder, to the Yaon building about March 1. The baseball Mecca will be located on the second floor.

Bill Sweeney, second baseman of the Boston Nationals, asked Sa Hera, a mindreader in 1912, whether he knew where the Boston club would finish. "I can tell you," answered Sa Hera, "but I hate to."

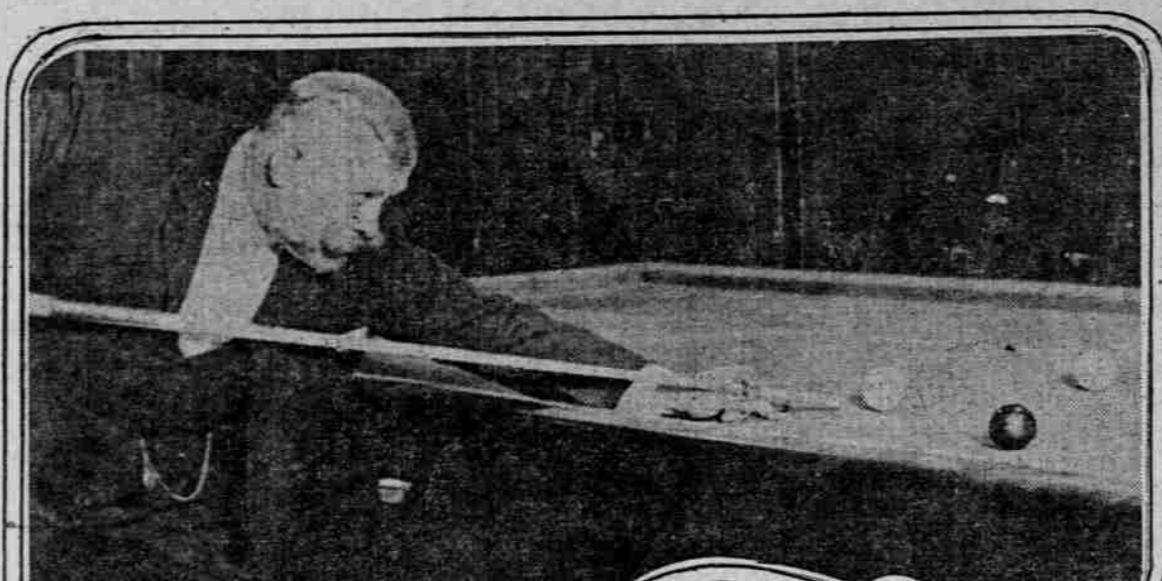
A Plute Indian has been offered to Henry Berry, of the Los Angeles Coasters, but Berry has declined with thanks. The Indian's name is Suis and he is located near Bishop, Cal.

Happy Hogan has intimated several times down South that he holds an option on Catcher Thomas or Catcher Nunamaker, of the champion Red Sox. He is mistaken, for Stahl says both will be retained in 1913. Anyway Hogan would have a barrel of trouble getting either one out of the league.

George Parly, well-known Portland baseball, turf and boxing enthusiast, without whom no Multnomah Club smoker would be complete, is in receipt of a letter from Roger Peckinpaugh, erstwhile Beaver shortstop, telling him of an addition to his family. Peck, junior, is a baby boy and Connie Mack is said to have scouts looking him over. Roger doesn't know whether he will play at Cleveland or at New York or in the bushes this season.

Bill Lange to Coach White Sox.  
CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 28.—Bill Lange, who retired from the Chicago American League club in 1912, while at the height of his fame as an outfielder, will aid in coaching the outfield recruits of his old team when it is in California this Spring. Lange now is in San Francisco. He will not come East with the team after the training season. The announcement that he will coach was made here today.

WORLD'S FAMOUS BILLIARDISTS WHO WILL EXHIBIT SKILL IN PORTLAND WITHIN NEXT 10 DAYS.



George B. Sullivan, 16-1 Balk Line Cueist, known as "The Student."



Koji Yamada, Sensational Japanese Billiardist.

THORPE WILL PLAY

Indian Says He Will Make Baseball His Profession.

NO CONTRACT SIGNED YET

Champion Athlete Besieged With Offers—Sympathy Rather Than Censure Accorded Man Who Is Barred From Amateur Sport.

CARLEISLE, Pa., Jan. 28.—James Thorpe, champion athlete, says his fondness and fitness for athletics probably will result in his making baseball his profession since participation in all forms of amateur athletics is now denied him.

He has not yet signed with any team, although numerous offers have been made him since last Summer. He receives sympathy rather than censure here. He has been popular while at the Indian school and has not displayed a "professional" spirit.

ST. LOUIS WOULD SIGN THORPE

Hedges Makes Offer to Indian for American League Club.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 28.—Colonel Robert H. Hedges, president of the St. Louis American League Club, said tonight he was making efforts to obtain the services of James Thorpe, who has announced he will play professional baseball.

Hedges did not say what progress the negotiations had made. If he obtains Thorpe he will have two former Carlisle stars, as Joe Ballew, outfielder, has signed a contract for the 1913 season.

THORPE MAY RETAIN PRIZES

Swedish Authorities Think Status Is Questioned Too Late.

Cincinnati Makes Thorpe Offer.

FAST BOXING IS PROMISED

Columbus Club Smoker January 30

To Have Seven Bouts on Card.

There will be no wrestling bouts in the coming Columbus Club smoker January 30, but "Scotty" McDonald, boxing instructor of the Columbus Club, has arranged for the holding of seven fast boxing bouts.

Forbes, unattached, will meet McNeil, of the Columbus Club, in the 115-pound class as the headliner. In the 125-pound class Lin Powers, the former Columbus Club boxer, who now represents the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club, will try his luck against Foster, unattached, of the Columbus Club. The Columbus Club is scheduled to go three rounds with Tuercke, unattached, this morning night.

Sam Bellah, 1912 captain of the Multnomah Club track and field team, and United States representative at the Stockholm Olympic games, is stricken with smallpox at Maple, Wash.

Bellah is employed as a surveyor by the Portland Lumber Company, and, with many other members of the company's lumber camp at that place, is down with the malady. Reports indicate that the form of the disease is mild.

Amateur Athletics.

Although his injury is not serious enough to keep him from playing against the Columbia University basketball team, Friday, Foster, star Washington center, is still bothered with his knee, hurt in a football game last season. Jewel, another member of the first team, turned his ankle yesterday and may not be able to take part in the game Friday.

The Lincoln High School second basketball team met the Jefferson High quintet on the Lincoln road and defeated the East Side team 26 to 13. Schiffer and Ford, for the victors, were the bright stars of the game. Bill Harmon gave a good account of himself for the Jefferson boys. He threw two field baskets and converted seven fouls into baskets.

The Christian Brothers' Business College first junior basketball team defeated the Portland Academy Midgets 14 to 4 on the Christian Brothers' floor

QUE MEN TO PLAY

Slosson to Meet Yamada in Exhibition in Portland.

MATCH TO BE 400 POINTS

Japanese Billiard Sensation to Compete February 3 With Veteran. Bulk Line Experts Making Tour of United States.

"Yamada, the Japanese billiard sensation of the year, and myself will be in Portland February 3, and will play an exhibition match of 400 points, followed by fancy shots by Yamada."  
"GEORGE SLOSSON."

George F. Slosson, champion 13.1 ballline billiard expert of the world, sent the foregoing telegram to The Oregonian last night from Spokane. Slosson and Yamada are on a tour of the country and are making a tremendous hit wherever they appear. Hundreds of Japanese turn out to see their countryman perform.

Slosson is hailed universally as the greatest exhibition player in the world. He has met Hoppe time after time for the 18.2 title, but nervousness is said to have cost him victory. He is supreme, however, in the one-shot-in-ball game. Recently he has adopted a new form of cue tip and is said to have picked up wonderfully.

His partner, Yamada, is one of the new constellations in the cue world. He first attracted attention by defeating Hoppe in the recent world's championship tournament in New York City. The Japanese makes frequent averages of close to 25 balliards, and is said to be a wonder.

Slosson's advance man is expected in Portland today to close a deal for his appearance.

CONGRESS NOT TO MEET HERE  
Portland Bowlers Reject Offer for Western Tournament.

The 1913 Western Bowling Congress tournament will not be staged in Portland. J. W. Blaney, prospective "angel" of the alley meet, wrote to President Morley, of the congress, yesterday informing the Los Angeles man that as far as he is concerned, Portland is out of the running.

Mr. Blaney, who will open a set of bowling alleys in Oregon Hall about March 1, was willing to meet the congress officials half way in an effort to stage a tournament this season, but balked at the \$1000 guarantee for prize and approximately \$400 for the salary of Secretary Jenkins, of the congress, for three months.

So, instead of greeting the Western bowlers, or as many of them as could withstand the lure of the big Vancouver meet in March, Portland will welcome the bowlers of the state in the British Columbia affair.

Portland people who are in touch with conditions in the Western Bowling Congress seem disappointed that the differences between the Vancouverites and the congress officials will be patched up within the next week or two and Vancouver officially named as the scene of the 1913 tourney.

Unless the situation is relieved prospects are bright not only for the withdrawal of all of the Canadian bowlers from the 1913 tourney, but also for many of the Northwestern enthusiasts, which means the ultimate organization of a new bowling league in this section.

OTHER ATHLETES VIEWED

Thorpe Is Asked to Name College Men Who Played Baseball.

SEALVILLE LIKES M'CARTY

Tommy Tracy Says San Francisco Fans Think Boxer Is Wonder.

NORTH YAKIMA TO HAVE TEAM

George Engle to Manage Club in Western Interstate Circuit.

McFarland to Fight Britton.

Academy and Lincoln Play Today.

Pugilist Killed in Prizefight.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—"Chick" Rose, a prizefighter, knocked unconscious in Brooklyn last night by a blow on the chin in the sixth round of a 10-round bout with "Sally" Smith, died early today in a hospital. Smith and the referee were arrested.

Talking With San Francisco  
by wireless is exciting indeed! We sat by the side of an amateur the other night as he caught messages after messages from San Francisco, from the coast stations and ships out at sea.

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DOG SHOW IN BALANCE  
KENNEL CLUB UNABLE TO GET SUITABLE LOCATION.  
Secretary Admits Prospects for 1913 Exhibit Not Bright—Old School Building Suggested.

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