

MEEK FOR COLTS IN TRADE FOR TWO

Victoria Slugger, League Leader, Holds Up Deal Only by Salary.

GREAT HITTER IS PEEVED

Because Wattleit Grabbed Lynch as Manager, Harry Loses Out and Decides He May Try Other Fields to Conquer.

BY ROSCOE FAWCETT. Big Harry Meek, the human battering ram, who belted 246 for Victoria in 1912 and led the Northwestern League slugger, is slated to land a job in a Portland uniform on the reverse end of one of the most important trades of the winter season.

Nick Williams has offered Victoria Southpaw Grot and Burch, for the famous slugger, and, as soon as Meek spreads a little "meekness" over his exalted salary demands, the deal undoubtedly will be consummated.

The big Southern Leaguer had expected to be named manager of the Victoria Bees this season, as he virtually ran the club after Nordyke's retirement last summer, but suddenly up bobbed Miles Lynch, a shaggy man from the Tacoma manager and Wattleit hooked onto him in a jiffy.

Harry Krause pitched for a San Francisco City League club the other day and his hitting was so good that a fusillade of hits, reminding one of Mexico City shrapnel, thirteen bingles were registered.

To save argument about remaining on the Coast Krause should send a few clippings to Toledo.

MUSIC AND BOXING TONIGHT

Sale of Tickets for Columbus Club Smoker is Heavy.

Bagtime music between seven boxing contests will be heard at the monthly smoker of the Columbus Athletic Club tonight.

"Scotty McDonald" boxing instructor of the Columbus Club, has arranged for a return match between Al McNeil, bantam champion of the Northwest, and Forbes.

Hovette, of Columbus, in the 125 class, known as the "champion high school boxer," will be seen pitted against Schmeer, of the Multnomah Club, in a return match.

Following is a list of the bouts: 125-pound class, Hovette (Columbus) vs. Schmeer (Multnomah).

115-pound class, McNeil (Columbus) vs. Forbes (unattached).

120-pound class, Powers (Multnomah) vs. Turck (Columbus).

135-pound class, Morrey (Brooklyn) vs. Allen (unattached).

145-pound class, Davis (Columbus) vs. Edwards (unattached).

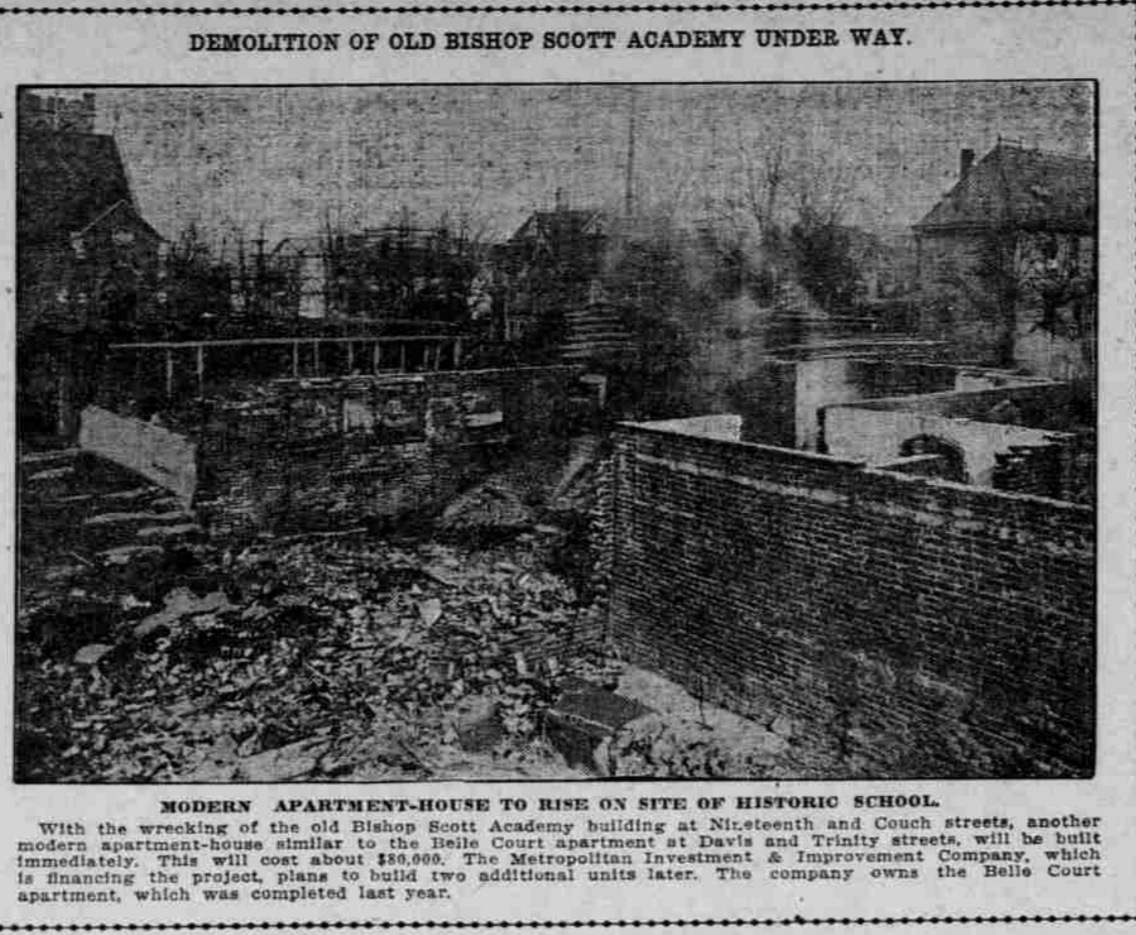
155-pound class, Owens (Columbus) vs. McDonald (Multnomah).

The officials are: Jack Hesler, referee; Larkin, Schell and Mike Butler, judges; and George Parker, time-keeper.

Telegraphic Sport Briefs

NEW YORK—Fifty athletes, despite a near zero temperature, competed in a 25-mile marathon race.

Washington—The results of the fourth match in the National shooting competition at military schools show in the eastern division, Borden, N. J., and Saint Johns, of Marlinton, N. Y., tied for first place.



DEMOLITION OF OLD BISHOP SCOTT ACADEMY UNDER WAY.

With the wrecking of the old Bishop Scott Academy building at Nineteenth and Couch streets, another modern apartment-house similar to the Belle Court apartment at Davis and Trinity streets, will be built immediately.

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A Proposition to Men

Yesterday we received 11 bolts of Imported English Serges from such mills as the Belwarp, the Jennens Welch Co., Limited, Fox's English Serge and the West of England Serge. We bought these woollens at a big saving, hence, commencing today, we will place these fine serges, the finest lines ever brought to Portland, on sale in three different lots.

The West England Serge we will make to your order a full three-piece Suit..... \$24.00 Regularly priced at \$30.00

Fox's English Serge \$28.00 Regularly priced at \$35.00

And the Belwarp, the greatest of them all, the best the world produces, to your order..... \$37.50 Regularly priced at \$50.00

The linings and trimmings used in these suitings are the same as though you paid the regular price.

Absolute satisfaction as to fit and workmanship.

This sale will be for three days only, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, of this week.

Portland Tailoring Co. INCORPORATED Henry W. Jacobson, Manager. 322 Morrison Street, Portland Hotel Block.

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Special Election Authorized. MILWAUKIE, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—At the regular meeting of the Council last night, Mayor E. T. Elmer presiding, the ordinance providing for a special election March 18, to vote on the issue of \$20,000 water bonds and amendments to the charter, was passed. At this meeting application for the transfer of the license of the Milwaukee

ARMORY ELECTION CALLED Medford Voters to Decide Proposed \$20,000 Bond Issue.

MEDFORD, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the City Council this week it was decided to hold a special election February 26 to decide whether or not Medford shall give \$20,000 for a state armory in this city.

Opposition has developed on the part of the Socialists, who say this is a move to encourage militarism and it is expected they will present a solid front against the bond issue.

If the bond issue is authorized the County Court will give \$20,000, the state \$40,000—a total of \$60,000—and the Government will give a \$30,000 10-inch disappearing gun. The armory, it is urged by Captain Deane and members of the Oregon National Guard, would not only be a great addition to the state militia, but would provide a magnificent auditorium, seating 19,000 people, suitable for conventions and other entertainments.

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W. W. M'CREIDIE WRITES OF BASEBALL HISTORY

Struggle to Establish National Sport on Coast Crowned With Success Only After Weathering Fights, Intrigue and Financial Reverses.

BY W. W. M'CREIDIE, President Portland Pacific Coast and Northwest League Baseball Clubs.

THE Pacific Coast has been growing so fast that doubtless but few baseball fans are familiar with the terrible struggle for existence waged by our National pastime up to within a few years. For that reason I think a series on the various phases of baseball in Portland and on the Coast should be preceded by a brief recapitulation of the events that have gone before.

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Northwest from Wisconsin and, with D. E. Dugdale, then a street conductor in Seattle, the Pacific Northwestern League was named manager in Portland and the present park was mapped out, the ground cleared and the old stands erected, all within a space of 30 days. First base in those strenuous times was lower than the rest of the infield and the visiting infielders often wondered who they had thrown out of the park. For that reason I think a series on the various phases of baseball in Portland and on the Coast should be preceded by a brief recapitulation of the events that have gone before.

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