

FOR CHANGE FALL

Tozer, Slagle, Metzger and Page Slated for Discard.

ONE HAS FIGHTING CHANCE

Recruits Peet and Haworth Will Train With Beavers—Buddy Ryan Says Athletics Should Win Another Championship.

It will be a dark, dank and dreary holiday season for four members of the Los Angeles Coast Leaguers—Messrs. Bill Tozer, Walter Slagle, Bill Page and George Metzger.

Of the present pitching staff Ryan, Chech, Herritt and Crabbe are to be retained. To these will be added Frank McKenry, whose work the final week last year was the sensation of the league, and Pat Harkins, of Fresno.

In addition, Dillon has purchased Barton from Washington and the indications are that Long Tom Hughes will be secured from the same club. Salary is the obstacle at present and it may prove insurmountable, for Tom dragged down \$5000 for the season of 1913.

Dillon plans to switch Ernie Johnson to his old position at third and use Joe Berger at short again, provided the White Sox get waivers on him. Charley Moore has first call on the initial sack and Dillon has practically closed for a new key-stone.

Walter McCredie says he intends to take the Pendleton youngsters—Pitcher Jeet and Catcher Haworth—to the Portland Coast League camp, although they were purchased primarily for the local Northwestern team.

"From all I hear of Peet he is a most promising youngster," said Mac yesterday. "I think between Krause, Gus Fisher and myself we ought to be able to make a Class AA player out of him."

Buddy Ryan, ex-Cleveland Nap, who is wintering in Portland, thinks the Philadelphia Athletics will repeat the championship business again in 1914. He points out that Mack has a wonderful batch of young twirlers coming in next year to assist Bender and Plank.

Buddy picks Washington to finish second, Cleveland third and either Chicago or New York fourth.

"Frank Chance must be figured this coming year," commented Buddy. "Chance completely reorganized the New York bunch and his infield now is 100 per cent stronger than when he took hold. He has Maisei at third, a hard hitter and wonderful fielder, and in enough at short, and I think Peck is the best shortstop in the league; Zelder, a heavy hitter and wonderful baserunner, at second, and Williams at first.

"New York needs a couple of pitchers, but who knows but what King Cole may come back. Then again, Chance may run across a phenom just as the other clubs do occasionally. If he does, watch him sprint."

Los Angeles will not play the Chicago White Sox at home prior to the Pacific Coast League opening next Spring. Both Venice and Los Angeles met the Comiskeyites last March and discovered too late that the Sox would appear just a crimp in the crowds when these two teams opened the regular schedule.

Dillon expects to train at San Bernardino and will remain there, he says, until March 21, when the Oaks will invade the Ansel park.

LANDS GO TO MORTGAGEE

Judge Bennett, of The Dalles, Gets Kilkittat County Tract.

GOLDENDALE, Wash., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Stock ranches belonging to Murdoch McDonald and the heirs of Isaac Clark, covering 548.23 acres of land on the Okumal River, near Roosevelt, in Eastern Kilkittat County, were sold at auction by the Sheriff of Kilkittat County at Goldendale Saturday, to satisfy claims aggregating \$26,275.58, under mortgages held by Judge A. S. Bennett, of The Dalles, Or.

Judge Bennett was the only bidder at the sale and bought the property at the rate of \$4.35 per acre for the McDonald lands and \$4.72 an acre for the Clark lands, making a total equal to the amount of claims he had against the property.

The McDonald lands cover 3447.33 acres under first mortgage claims of \$15,685.58, and the lands belonging to the heirs of Isaac Clark include 2240 acres, against which there were claims of \$10,590.

ASHLAND DRY VICTORS

793 Vote Against License While Only 144 Are Favorable.

ASHLAND, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—At the election today 793 votes were cast, the total being 937. The Mayor and Recorder holding over, the chief interest centered on the Councilmen.

Louis Werth and R. F. Cornelius were elected in the First Ward without opposition. In the Second Ward, with three candidates, C. Cunningham was elected by 95 plurality. The Third Ward elected J. B. Ware by a plurality of 133 over two opponents.

F. E. Watson was elected Park Commissioner for five years without opposition. For Rezone, 144 were cast, against 793, a dry majority of 649.

About half the votes were cast by women. Judges of election were Mrs. O. C. Howard, Mrs. Emma Jack and Miss Blanche Hicks.

Three Score Curb Corners Rounded.

Sixty-two curb corners in the business district have been rounded off in accordance with the new plan worked out by City Commissioner Dick, according to a report made by the public works department yesterday. The expense of the work has been borne by the owners of the abutting property, in every instance the city being out nothing for the improvements. Other business men and firms have arranged to round many other corners. The Dick plan provides for the rounding of the curb corners so as to make greater street area and less interference with traffic.

Spelling Bee Tie Decided.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Because the recent spelling contest, held under the direction of County School Superintendent E. J. Moore, resulted in a tie for first place for the eighth grade, a second list of words was sent out, and as a result Enterprise District No. 141, won, missing two out of the 50 words. Fall Creek missed three and Vida, which also had tied in the first contest, missed four.

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INDOOR GOLFERS BUSY

ARTIFICIAL GREENS RIGGED UP AT MULTNOMAH CLUB

Grass Mats Used to Resemble Turf and Sacks on Wall Take Place of Holes of Outside Links.

Billiards, pocket billiards, a handball tournament, squash and swimming are some of the things doing at Multnomah Club these days.

On January 12 the first indoor golf tournament ever played in Portland will be started by Chairman Lintlum, of the golf committee. The indoor course has been remodeled and the play is in progress.

Now it has grassy mats, which are in every way a correct imitation of the putting green as far as the speed of the ball is concerned.

In this way it is hoped to make the game a real benefit to the outside man, so that in the Spring, he will be improved in accuracy and will still have the right feel of the club and the ball.

SPORT-NEWS POT POURRI

BY ROSCOE FAWCETT. EOBEN CARPENTIER'S big-time knockout victory over Bombardier Wells a few days ago, calls to mind forcibly that this good-looking French boy is about the best heavy-weight attraction in the boxing world.

Georges won a unanimous decision over a side bet of \$5000 by beating Wells. He can repeat the feat by beating Smith in London, and would be a bear of a boxer here in America.

In France, his home country, he is a home country, he is a home country, he is a home country.

Who was billed under an assumed name. He cannot appear there until the bar is lifted, but he need not worry much, for at the present time, he holds the distinction of having made more money out of the ring than any living fighter, Jeffries excepted.

And, if the "Abyssal Brute of the Sierras," as Jack London christened Jeff, hadn't fought Johnson at Reno, the "Frogate" would be undisputed Champion of the boxing world. However, Carpenter holds one record, that of making a historic sum in less time than any other pugilist. Eighteen thousand dollars for beating Wells in one minute and 13 seconds. Can you beat it?

Every time he steps into the arena, Carp pulls down about \$5000, and to date, his earnings have been approximately \$200,000.

As a fighter Carpenter has not done mighty things, but his record surpasses that of any of the American heroes. In the first place, when much lighter, he defeated Frank Loughrey, of Philadelphia. Harry Lewis, welter-weight title claimant, was the next victim, and then he trimmed Jim Sullivan, middleweight champion of England, and George Gunther, a tough negro.

Growing heavier all the time, and entering the ring weaker as a consequence, Carpenter nevertheless followed this with victories over Willie Lewis, Frank Klaus and Billy Papke, and during this year, has disposed of Gunther again. Bandman Rice, Cy Smith, Private Williams, Jeff Smith and Bombardier Wells twice.

According to the latest from Mexico City star players are jumping the Federal League.

William Fritz, Cornell football star, played through the Pennsylvania game with a broken arm. The fracture was discovered by the X-ray afterwards.

so that his stroke will not have to be changed and learned all over. With merely the hard floor under foot, covered with a soft carpet, which did not materially slacken the ball, it was found that the players were not really benefited.

This caused the change to a heavy course of the doormat type, which will have all the appearances and characteristics of the closely-cropped green. The accuracy of the shot is tested by a series of sacks on the wall placed at different heights. The longer the range, each representing some numbered hole on a regular course, the higher the sack, corresponding to the right amount of "drive."

The inventor of the scheme worked it out by a mathematical system of curves. Members of the Multnomah Club have worked on the indoor course for some time and Mr. Lintlum is sure that his tournament will attract a long list of entries.

Handball, because of its conditioning qualities, is a great favorite during the month of December. The annual tournament is on with a good list of entries and a schedule that will carry the men well along through the season when outdoor work is at an ebb.

Bowlers are having a warm time all their own. The skids also have a tournament but the majority of the followers of the game play matches with all-comers, just as they happen to drop in.

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CONVICT HIDES IN PRISON

Man Reported as Escaped 16 Days Ago Found Within Walls.

LANSING, Kan., Dec. 16.—After hiding from guards for 16 days within the walls of the Kansas penitentiary here, Dan Carney, whose escape from prison was reported November 30, was dragged from behind a condenser in the engine room today and returned to his cell.

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CLUB IN NEED OF COACH

STOTT SAYS MULTNOMAH SHOULD HIRE FOOTBALL EXPERT.

Willamette to Get Game November 7, 19, 14, 11 University of Washington Refuses to Play in Portland.

In view of the five or six games scheduled for the 1914 football season, one of the important things which Multnomah Club officials should consider is the advisability of engaging a football coach, says E. P. Stott, manager of the 1913 football team, in the December number of the "Winged M. Bulletin."

The 1913 team and others in the past have been coached by members of the squad or one of the club members. Most of the latter are busy men, and the team suffered at times because the coach was not able to give all his time to the work. T. H. year Stott and Quarterback Rodes have the brunt of that work.

In the Bulletin Manager Stott says: "True enough, we got along well this year under our present system. Most players of all-around experience working without a coach may result all right in preparation for one or perhaps two big games. But with at least five and perhaps six games with the large colleges of the Northwest assured for next season, I do not think this plan will do at all."

"The football men need a leader who can devote nearly all of his time to studying his men—their strength as well as their weakness. Then, too, if our team is to carry the club colors to the front, it must be ready to take instant advantage of the other teams' weaknesses and be prepared for their strong plays."

The game with the University of Washington could not be arranged at the recent conference meeting in Portland, but the club still hopes to meet Doble's champions on November 7, 1914. If Washington refuses, Willamette will get that date.

In reviewing the season, Manager Stott says: "In the six games played so far, we have piled up 90 points, against seven points for opponents. Oregon Agricultural College, at Corvallis on October 11, was the only enemy to score on us. It is hard to get men away from their work to play out-of-town games, and with due consideration to the Oregon Agricultural College, I may say that the Multnomah Club team that played against it on October 11 at Corvallis came far from being our regular first team. They gave us such a hard fight that we were fortunate in getting out with a 7-to-7 tie score."

Other games of the season have been: October 4, Multnomah vs. Oregon Agricultural College at Portland, 6 to 0; October 25, Multnomah vs. Washington State College at Portland, 7 to 0; November 1, Multnomah vs. Bremerton Sailors at Portland, 12 to 0; November 22, Multnomah vs. Vancouver Soldiers at Portland, 40 to 0; Thanksgiving day, Multnomah vs. University of Oregon at Portland, 19 to 0.

Anti-Oleo Law Knocked Out.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 16.—The New York State Court of Appeals held the oleomargarine law to be unconstitutional today. It was held that the Legislature might enact laws to prevent deception and fraud in foodstuffs, but that giving yellow color to oleomargarine was not done with the intention of committing fraud.

Birdmen to Cross Sahara.

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in a flotilla of aeroplanes across the Sahara Desert. The aeroplanes will start from Oran, Timbuktu, in the military territory of French Sudan, and travel a distance of approximately 1400 miles. Pyramids of stones will be placed at intervals to mark the route.

City to Buy Machine Long Used.

By advertising for bids for second-hand fire apparatus the City Commission will attempt to settle a long drawn out controversy regarding the purchase of a fire engine early last Spring for the Tremont volunteer department. The machine was purchased originally by Ex-City Councilman Joy before any appropriation for the machine was made. It was delivered and has been in the service since that time. The old City Council failed to authorize payment. Members of the City Commission decided yesterday that the only thing they could do is advertise for bids and take the machine at a depreciated value.

Grant County Road Levy Made.

JOHN DAY, Or., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—A 4-mill tax has been levied by the Commissioners of Grant County. This will aggregate about \$25,000, to be spent on roads. The roads, school and state levy is 13 mills. The assessed valuation of Grant County is \$6,500,000.

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