

BALL SEASON HERE; OAKS OPEN TODAY

With Good Day Last Year's Record May Be Smashed With 16,000 Mark Passed.

SIX GAMES ARE SCHEDULED

Two or Three Pitchers in Line for Box Against Higginbotham—Barrenkamp May Be Giant Chosen to Face Beavers at Start.

GUIDE FOR OPENING DAY OF COAST LEAGUE BALL IN PORTLAND. The weather—Fair in the afternoon, probably preceded by showers in the morning.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE STANDINGS. San Francisco 4, 697; Sacramento 4, 424; Venice 3, 515; Portland 4, 7, 334; Los Angeles 4, 7, 304.

loosen up a bit. Camera men will begin forming the line. Next will come the "movies," the usual greeting shouted out from the crowd, an inning of ante-bellum baseball, furnished by some of our prominent "vets," the raucous "play-ball" shriek of the ump, and—the game will be on.

It's here again. California fandom has had two weeks of it, but that tidbit has been merely an appetizer for Portland, Oregon's regular baseball convulsion begins this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Recreation Park.

The Oakland club this year is bossed by Arthur Devlin, famous New York first baseman. Just now the Oaks are well down the ladder, along with the Beavers, so there is going to be a red-hot argument in all six games.

Devlin has two or three pitchers in line for the opener against Higginbotham. Barrenkamp held the Senators at his mercy Friday, and the Eastern Association giant may be chosen.

Every eye of the prospect scans. There are 20,000 fans. Firm believers in the Beavers and their pennant-winning pokes.

Without question the outfield is more formidable. Quinlan, late of St. Louis, and Middleton, a fierce slugger from the Western League, are new horticulturalists, with Kaylor and Zacher as holdovers.

So let's imagine ahead a few hours. Around 8 o'clock the Beavers will come in aboard train from the south. They will scatter about town for breakfast and a few hours' rest.

FAMILIAR SONES WHICH PORTEND INAUGURATION OF KING BASEBALL IN LEWIS AND CLARK DOMAIN



LEFT—TRIO OF 33D DEGREE FANS. RIGHT—IRVING HIGGINBOTHAM, PORTLAND'S STAR RIGHT-HANDER, WHO WILL TWIRL OPENER.

Portland is not the only city where humanity will be worked into a frenzy this afternoon. The Northwestern League opens its grind, and simultaneously the two major circuits, the American Association and the Southern League and some lesser circuits will leave the barrier with a rush and a gallop—off on the annual marathon.

Unless Changes Are Made at Last Minute Lineup of Teams Fixed. While one or two changes may be made in the Portland-Oakland batting orders by 3 o'clock today, the lineups likely will be as follows:

Oakland—Portland—Merrill, cf; Speas, 1b; Rogers, 2b; Zacher, 3b; Kaylor, 4b; Miller, c; Barrenkamp, p. Higginbotham, p.

The Opener By Dean Collins. Bands and bugs that wildly shout; Twenty thousand fans are out.

Is there anyone at work? From the boss down to the clerk? Nix! They're trotting to be squatting on the bleachers for a while.

WINNING CREW IS GREETED. Great Crowd Vociferously Welcomes Washington Oarsmen. SEATTLE, April 13.—A great crowd of University of Washington students and others was waiting at the pier to greet the victorious varsity boat crew, winner of last Saturday's intercollegiate race on Oakland estuary.

First Baseball Victim Boy of 15. NEW YORK, April 13.—The first death due to baseball so far reported in New York and vicinity, this season, occurred yesterday. John Nelson, Jr., 15, was injured in a game Saturday. He was playing first base when a thrown ball hit him on the temple. Death was due to the bursting of a blood vessel.

Jeff Smith Beats Up Bradley. SYDNEY, N. S. W., April 13.—Jeff Smith, American pugilist, easily outpointed Pat Bradley, of Australia, at the Stadium today. Bradley was no body punished that the police stopped the bout in the 14th round.

Beavers' Batting Averages. Table with columns for player name and statistics (AB, R, H, AV).

RULES ARE FIXED BY FIELDER JONES

Assignments of Umpires for Opening Games Announced After Conference.

CLUBS' CHANCES WEIGHED

Portland Northwestern League Team Appears Hardly as Strong as Last Year—Seattle Seems Pennant Contender.

OPENING DAY LINEUPS OF THE NORTHWESTERN LEAGUE. AT SEATTLE. Seattle—Portland—Perrine, 2b; Hausman, 1b; Raymond, ss; McKune, 3b; Killiany, cf; Nitzel, cf; Swain, 1b; Mitchell, cf; Duddy, 2b; Guigli, 3b; James, 1b; Reams, 2b; Martin, 1b; Coltrin, ss; Smith, cf; Murray, cf; Schneider, p; Stanley, p.

AT TACOMA. Tacoma—Vancouver—Millon, 1b; Shaw, 1b; Yohs, 2b; Bennett, 3b; Lewis, cf; McKee, 1b; Bloomer, 2b; Fluker, 1b; Neighbors, cf; Brinker, cf; West, 1b; Helster, 3b; McMillin, 1b; Choke, c; Harris, 2b; Clark, p; McGinnity, p; Felt, cf; Wagner, 2b; Cram, cf; Lewis, 1b; Scanlon, 1b; Lynch, cf; Zimmerman, cf; Holke, 1b; Ryan, 1b; Wuttl, 2b; Lamb, 3b; Shea, c; Delmas, ss; Butler, ss; Steele, p.

AT SPOKANE. Spokane—Victoria—Powell, 1b; Felt, cf; Wagner, 2b; Cram, cf; Lewis, 1b; Scanlon, 1b; Lynch, cf; Zimmerman, cf; Holke, 1b; Ryan, 1b; Wuttl, 2b; Lamb, 3b; Shea, c; Delmas, ss; Butler, ss; Steele, p.

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dent will keep him permanently out of baseball. Hist and Hank. The jobs of some of our famous thespians were saved by a thread. The "Sword of Damocles" has been hoisted overhead. "Rube" Marquard, Mike Donlin, Empty Trained Fleas, the Bearded Lady and Ethelma Russell are about to be pushed out of the calcium.

George Chip went out as suddenly as he came in. Muggsy McGraw's fielding average for the past three seasons is 1.000. They don't seem to be able to get a hit by him. He stops everything, either with his chin or his right eye.

Joe Sugden and Bill James were fango-batted for the St. Louis Browns the other day when a peculiar thing happened. As Sugden lammed a line toward first base, James knocked a fly toward the left fielder. The two spheres met in the air with a terrific thud; the infield ball was caught by the center fielder and the outfield ball by the second baseman.

Catcher Ralph Kriets has gone into business at Dayton, O. Bill Bloomfield is pitching for Woodland in the California Trolley League. He ought to be a Mathewson in that company.

Seldom that a court decision pleases both sides, as did the Killifer pronouncement on "Peds" last week. A victory for them and the trust also is happy. Empire Bill Guthrie must have looked like a "bum" when he gave that decision robbing Portland of a game last week. Here is the Bulletin's version of it: Guthrie says Gus Fisher dropped the ball at the ninth as he tagged the runner in the ninth and Fisher says he didn't. Nine thousand fans will agree with Fisher.

That's plain talk, isn't it, from the home town? Speaking of umpires, nothing has been said in complaint, but Umpire Gerald Hayes robbed Portland of the opening game at San Francisco. Walter Doane was given credit for the defeat, because he dropped a fly ball with first and second base occupied and one out. But the batter was out by rights, any- way, the fielder's rule, because the ball hit on the skinned part of the infield just back of first base.

Walter McCredie couldn't protest because Doane's touching of the ball was declared an infield fly when the ball was in the air, thus changing two outs and saving another defeat. Two games in one week via the umpire route is a rather heavy toll, but that's what "home rule" did for the Beavers at San Francisco last week.

Colts Win at Chehalis. CHEHALIS, Wash., April 13.—(Special.)—Portland's Northwestern Colts won from the Chehalis club 5 to 3 this afternoon at Milllet Field before the biggest crowd that has greeted the team's tour in the Northwest. The grandstand and bleachers were well filled, both Chehalis and Centralia turning out big crowds.

Features of the game were the batting of Coltrin, of Portland, who got a home run, a three-bagger and a single in four times up. Callahan pitched the first six innings for Portland, and his appearance and that of Hausman, both of whom played here in the State League, added interest to the game.

The Giants got three hits, two of them singles and one three-bagger, in the first of Callahan, after which there was nothing doing. In the seventh Portland put Bromley, a California recruit, in the box, and the latter showed class, getting out of a tight hole in the ninth when the first man doubled, the next singled and the third was walked, hitting the bases.

Barber's sacrifice fly let in one run, but a double play by Melchior to McCune to Reames made two down. Taylor doubled, scoring Wade and nearly freed the bases, but Lloyd went out, Coltrin and Callahan ending the game. Scores: R. H. E. R. H. E. Portland 5 8 2; Giants 3 4 10 3. Batteries—Callahan, Bromley, and Coleman; Wade and Booker. Umpire, Adams.

Willamette-Aggie Game Billed. WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, Salem, Or., April 13.—(Special.)—After considerable correspondence between Dr. E. J. Stewart, athletic director of Oregon Agricultural College, and Manager Irvine, of the Willamette University football team, the teams will meet in football Saturday, October 17. Willamette University football management tried to schedule the game for Thanksgiving.

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but Dr. Stewart has decided to discontinue his football season with the University of Oregon game November 21. October 17 is the latest date open to the Salem school. The teams did not meet last season, but in the contests of the two preceding years the Aggies won out in hard battles by scores of 9-6 and 5-3. As both institutions will have probably the strongest teams in their history a close contest is expected.

Idaho to Fight Hog Cholera. LEWISTON, Idaho, April 13.—(Special.)—Hog cholera has spread to a considerable extent in several of the counties in this district. In connection with the fight against the disease it is assumed that a large portion of the money appropriated for the Department of Agriculture will be used to send experts into Idaho to show the farmers how to combat the pestilence, which has been disastrous to hog-raising in several counties. Large quantities of hog cholera serum already have been bought and the fight is being taken up locally.

Cottonwood Roads to Be Improved. COTTONWOOD, Idaho, April 13.—(Special.)—A move for paving the business district and improving the roads leading into Cottonwood had been launched by the business men and the Council, and it is expected the improvement work will be commenced sufficiently early in the summer to allow its completion before the bad weather sets in next Fall.

Centralia Tunnel Cut Through. CENTRALIA, Wash., April 13.—(Special.)—The tunnel for Centralia's municipal gravity water system was cut through the divide Saturday between Salzer Valley and the valley of the north fork of the Nawsukum. The work probably will be completed sometime this week, after which construction of the big dam will be started.

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SPORT HITS AND MISSES

Poor old Arthur Felkey has been knocked out again, Bill Lang doing the trick in Australia. Tommy Burns ought to be ashamed of himself by this time for telling Arthur he could fight. Patsy O'Rourke is now playing shortstop for Louisville.

The Chicago Cubs' training trip was more successful this year by eight inches of rainfall than it was last season. Louis Drucker went the rounds of the Coast League clubs last Spring, and when he found he was too wild to stick, he went back to the New York Giants this Spring at Marlin. McGraw tried him out, threw up his hands in disgust and turned him over to Montreal. Louis has now met the same fate with the Maple Leafs. It begins to look as if the injury sustained by Drucker in that New York subway accident.

MARLEY 2 1/2 IN. HIGH. an ARROW COLLAR. CLETT PEABODY & CO. TROY, N.Y.

Former Coaster and Northwestern League Pitcher Goes to Providence. DETROIT, Mich., April 13.—Pitcher Wallace H. Schultz, formerly of Sacramento and Vancouver, B. C., bought by the Detroit Americans last Fall, was released today. He will go to the Providence Club of the International League.

Multnomah Members Start "Hikes." The Multnomah Club is again to take up the old-fashioned pastime of "hiking." The first hike will take place next Sunday. These hikes will be a regular feature of the club's activities. The hikers will tramp several miles each Sunday morning and finish up with a plunge in the club tank. During the summer months the plunge will be taken in some cool hole in one of the rivers.

Eight Bouts on Program. With eight fast bouts on the card, the opening smoker of the Keaton Club, Russett and Greenwich streets, tonight promises to be a lively affair. The first bout will start promptly at 8:30 o'clock, with Costello, of Kanton, boxing Bloomberg, of Woodland, at 100 pounds. The main go is billed as the 148-pound Cronquist-Wagner bout.

Toledo to Have School Fair May 2. TOLEDO, Wash., April 13.—(Special.)—The business men are contributing premiums to be given away at a school fair to be held there on May 2.