

HOPPE RUNS AWAY FROM ENGLISHMAN

At Balkline Game Youth of 27 Shows Finesse in 500-60 Game.

ARTISTIC IS EXHIBITION

British Billiard Champion Admits Balkline Play More Difficult Than English Game, Which He Hopes to See Grow in Favor.

Melbourne Inman can double discount Willie Hoppe at English billiards, but when it comes to 18.2 balkline—well, that's another matter.

His runs in the first match were 78, 55, 3, 117, 27, 5, 145, 8 and 12.

Hoppe gave an artistic exhibition of tickling the ivories at the McCredie Billiard Palace yesterday when he trimmed Inman at balkline 500 to 60 in the afternoon and 500 to 65 last night.

The American champion ran out the 500 points in the afternoon session in 10 innings for the healthy average of 50 per frame, but during the last appearance Hoppe made the required number in 15 periods for an average of 33-1/3 per inning.

The high run of the afternoon was 165 and in the evening he scored a run of 95 unfinished. He was going strong at the conclusion and had the balls working his way. The two champions will be seen in action this afternoon at Eugene and then they will meet their manager, R. B. Benjamin, at San Francisco.

Fifty wasn't anything like the 167 he averaged against George Sutton last year in defending his title, but his performance was sufficient to send about 150 fans away nodding their heads in approval.

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Hoppe, like most experts, seldom uses English, but manipulated the dead ball and his second kisses with remarkable finesse. Oddly, nearly all of his caroms were counted on one end of the table. Occasionally they would get away, but always the 27-year-old wonder had them back along the eastern edge of the green to the top.

Hoppe's world's record run is 622 billiards made against Louis Cure at Paris in 1910. It took him one hour and 15 minutes to make the run.

Hoppe says he doesn't like English billiards, although he thinks he could master it if he kept at the game long enough. Inman called him Tuesday in two games 150 to 439 and 750 to 340.

Balkline More Difficult.

The English master admits that balkline is more difficult than the English game, but he believes English billiards eventually will become popular in the United States.

"Spokane furnishes an example," said he. "They had one table there for years and recently eight others were installed and they are getting good play."

R. B. Benjamin, manager of the tour, left yesterday for San Francisco to arrange for the exhibitions next week. Benjamin said that the team had done well financially in every city except Seattle and Portland.

"Times must be rather hard in the Northwest," he remarked.

POWER BOAT CLUB TO MEET

Pacific International Sessions to Be at Spokane, December 8.

President Perkins of the North Pacific International Power Boat Association, has called the annual meeting for December 8 at Tacoma and representatives from all over the Northwest are expected to be on hand, as several important matters, as well as protests, will be decided at the gathering.

C. V. Cooper, local representative, is unable to get away, so Commodore W. H. Gray, of the Portland Motorboat Club, has appointed George W. Kelly, of the Portland Rowing, Light & Power Company, to fill the vacant position. It is not certain whether Mr. Kelly will be able to make the trip, but he will make the journey, but everything will be settled before Saturday night.

One of the main protests to be decided is about the race that took place in 1913. Both parties interested in the race from Seattle and Tacoma. After the regular meeting Tuesday the Commercial Club will hold a banquet in honor of the visiting delegates.

EASTERN ALL-STARS NAMED

Baker Has Five Men on Eleven From Interscholastic Players.

BAKER, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Coaches and newspapermen in the Eastern Oregon district have chosen an All-Eastern Oregon Interscholastic All-Star football eleven. The teams considered were in the far Eastern Oregon district—Baker, Wallawa, La Grande, Pendleton, Union and Prairie City.

Baker leads with five players; La Grande gets three players; Wallawa two, and Pendleton, which was defeated by all the teams in the district, one.

Following is the lineup of the all-star eleven:

End—Gardner, Baker; Conkey, La Grande.

Tackles—Swan, Baker; Russell, Pendleton.

Guards—Bishop, Wallawa; W. Langrell, Baker.

Center—J. Rosenbaum, La Grande.

Quarterback—E. Rosenbaum, La Grande.

Halfback—A. Langrell, Baker; Hayes, Wallawa.

Fullback—H. Miller, Baker.

HARNESS NOTES

AFTER considerable wrangling it has at last been decided to hold one grand meeting at New Orleans, starting January 1, and lasting 41 days.

Famous thoroughbred farms all over the country are expected to go to the post as a result of this good news.

Just to show the public that the much advertised gathering at New Orleans, the Business Men's Racing Association of the Crescent City has taken it upon itself to finance the affair, and see to it that it is not a "blower," as some other gatherings have been.

With the reopening of New Orleans to horse racing it is certain to knock a big blow to the other winter racing resorts now that California has been put off the turf map. The Southern city is ideally located and has all possible accommodations. The climate is in its favor and things begin to appear as if the Louisiana center will again be looked upon as the winter home of half the racing contingent of the United States.

It is a rare occasion when a horse can win two good races in one day, but such was the case at a meeting in Goshen, Ind. Myrtle Strathmore won the 2:17 and 2:30 paces, and five heats were re-

RAMSHACKLE BALL PARK REGULAR JINX

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Rodgers Leads in Double Plays Starting

Second Baseman Holds Unique Honors, as Does Also Dick Bliss of Venice, in Similar Plays From Outfield.

BILL RODGERS, of Portland, managed to start as many double plays from second base as two Venice second sackers and as many as six Sacramento second sackers, and thus these three clubs finished the season in a tie for first honors in double plays started from second base. Portland, Venice and Sacramento second basemen started 38 double plays for each club during the season; San Francisco second basemen started 29 double plays, Los Angeles, 25, and Oakland, 23, as follows: Portland, Rodgers, 38; Venice, Green, 31; Harper, 1; Brasher, 1; Oakland, Nees, 19; Dowling, 4; Murphy, 2; Menges, 1.

Dick Bayless, of Venice, started more double plays from the outfield than any other Coast Leaguer in 1914, but he was shifted back and forth from center to right field so often that he does not appear as the leader in either of these positions. Bayless started seven double plays from right field and five from center field, a total of 12. But Wheeler, of Los Angeles, led the right fielders with nine double plays started and Maggett, of Los Angeles, leads the center fielders with seven.

But Bayless had a good teammate in center field, Johnny Kane started six double plays from center field, and thus Venice leads the other clubs in center field with 11 double plays started there. Sacramento center fielders started ten double plays; Oakland, 8; Los Angeles, 7; Portland, 6 and San Francisco, 4, as follows: Venice, Kane, 4; Bayless, 5; Sacramento, Moran, 5; C. B. Ewing, 2; Oakland, Zacher, 6; Middleton, 2; Los Angeles, Maggett, 7; Portland, Ryan, 3; Speas, 2; Doane, 1. San Francisco, Tobin, 4.

SCHOOLS MAY PLAY HOCKEY

Representatives Visit Hippodrome and League Is Favored.

Ice hockey representatives from the Lincoln High School and the Jefferson High School were out on the Portland Ice Hippodrome rink Tuesday afternoon between 5:30 o'clock and 6:30 o'clock. All the boys present "took to the ice" and the sentiment is that the schools will be represented in a league to comprise the Portland interscholastic league.

Although the big Portland ice hockey team practices every day, it does not prevent the use of the rink for skaters. The squad practices between sessions and does not interfere with the regular time for skaters between 3 and 5:30 o'clock.

ATHLETES TO HAVE BANQUET

New Schedules for Y. M. C. A. Leagues to Be Prepared.

As a brilliant finish of the athletic program that has just closed, the Young Men's Christian Association will give a banquet in the association auditorium at 6:15 Saturday night.

At the meeting the formation of the new leagues and the new athletic schedule to be outlined will be discussed.

The Monday, Wednesday and Friday noon class also is preparing a new schedule of games that will run for the next five weeks.

Football Managers to Meet

All managers of the heavyweight section of the Archer & Wiggins football league are requested to meet President Clyde Kupper at the store tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Judges Can't Change Decisions.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Racing judges have no power to change a decision after a formal announcement has been made from the stand. This rule was made by the board of review of the National Trotting Association, which met to dispose of cases brought before it for adjudication. There are 116 cases on the docket of the board.

Corvallis Postal Receipts Grow.

CORVALLIS, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Corvallis postal receipts for the month of November, 1914, show an increase over the corresponding month of last year of \$392.92, an increase of 39 per cent. The office shows an increase of 19 per cent for the first 11 months this year over the corresponding months of last year.

Swigert Gets His "H" at Harvard.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—November 27 E. J. Swigert, Harvard, '15, son of Charles F. Swigert, of Portland, in the recent Harvard-Yale football game at New Haven, won his "H" by playing on the varsity football squad. Swigert is a graduate of Milton Academy, Milton, Mass.

Clark Elected Pullman Captain.

FULLMAN, Wash., Dec. 2.—Asa Clarke, of Pullman, was elected captain of the Washington State College football team today. He played center on the team. He is a member of the Snohomish, was elected captain of the cross-country team.

His Gift

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Cal's Oakland connections, of course, were kept rather "sub rosa" with Ed Walter, a bayside banker, acting the role of the Oakland Good Samaritan. Walter also transacted a lot of Ewing's confidential business. Walter acting in this capacity Walter got wise to the fact that Ewing's lease on old Recreation Park was due to expire along about 1915 or 1916.

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Walter immediately scurried out, and so the story goes, secured a continuance on this lease and then calmly informed Mr. Ewing that he must "come across." Walter's ultimatum called for some \$10,000 in stock in the Oakland club, about \$10,000 cash and \$300 or \$400 a month rental in excess of his contract.

"Fay or not play," said Confidential Friend Walter.

Cal's Roar Like Unto Lion.

Hall Columbia—the real Hall—broke out immediately and Cal's roar echoed and reverberated among the Rockies and Cascades for several weeks hand running.

Cal said he'd be darned if he would give Walter one penny. In rage he exposed his friend's alleged trickery and Walter was summarily fired from his fiduciary position with his bank.

In retaliation Walter exposed the "syndicate ball" attachments of Mr. Ewing and Cal just had to sell the Oaks to Frank Leavitt and Jack Cook to satisfy public opinion.

This was ball club No. 1 gone.

Ewing Sets Hot Pace.

Cal would have had the best of the argument right here had he set about building a new park in a calm and business-like manner. But instead of waiting until his Recreation Park lease was about to expire, Ewing set out in haste to get away from the Recreation hot spot.

Last Winter Cal bought his new park and invested nearly \$85,000 in a magnificent stadium. It was and is a palatial institution, but Cal, in consulting the ocean fogs. Spectators refused to sit at ball games where they couldn't see second base and where one had to take an oil stove or electric foot warmer along to drive off the chillblains and pneumonia.

Attendance dwindled carefully. Walter McCredie, of Portland, says the Beavers drew \$30,000 in 1913 at San Francisco and \$9000 last year in a corresponding period of time. Some of this loss was due no doubt to hard times, but most of it to the location of the new park.

Some say Mr. Ewing had to sell the park from under, but more probably Cal became disgusted with his luck and decided to quit. At any rate Cal put the club on the block a few weeks ago, and, after a mad scramble, Henry Berry, Los Angeles magnate, now has been declared the successful bidder.

Berry's transfer from Los Angeles means a change at the cafeteria city so that three Coast League clubs can point to that old San Francisco ball park jinx and warble "You done it!"

T. J. DARMODY BUYS ANGELS

Henry Berry Released to Close Deal With Ewing for Seals.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—President Al Baum, of the Pacific Coast Baseball League, received word today that the Los Angeles Club had been purchased by Thomas J. Darmody, of Los Angeles, and others, thereby releasing Henry Berry, the former owner, and permitting him to close his purchase of the San Francisco club.

Sounding the Sport Reveille

DAMON and Pythias again. Now that Dan Howley is manager of the Montreal team of the International League, his bosom pal, Jack Gilligan, expects daily to hear of a trade between Minneapolis and Montreal. Gilligan and Howley have been buddies for years. When they were with Portland in 1912 Jack's arm was bad, but Walt McCredie didn't know it for weeks. Catcher Howley kept telling him that Jack had a lot of stuff on the ball, and he couldn't see why they were binging them off his delivery.

Tex Vernon, Northwest feather, will have to start all over again. "Red" Dolan knocked him out in the eighth round at New Orleans the other night, and it was particularly tough, because Tex was just trying to break into the stronghold there.

Already the horsemen are beginning to prepare for the San Francisco races next year at the Expo. Al Whitney, of Chicago, shipped the pacer, Dr. Burns, Jr. (2:04 1/4) and the trotter Bessie Custer (2:29 1/4) to Los Angeles a few days ago in charge of Jack Travis. Dr. Burns, Jr., is being groomed for the \$20,000 2:35 pace, to which he is eligible under the new rules. As he was timed in 2:09 1/2 last season he stands a much better chance than Doc Yak or Maud the mule.

It is possible to score ten points in one stroke of the cue at English billiards. Melbourne Inman, the English champion, says it is possible to make 18 points in two shots, but that is get-



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Seats Now on Sale at Ice Hippodrome 21st and Marshall

Ducks come nearly as high along the Illinois River as they do along the Columbia. The natives fronting the Illinois, who own every foot of ground, have organized to such an extent that it costs the hunters on the average \$5 a duck for the shooting privilege.

Here is a real all-American team: Black Hawk, left end; Sitting Bull, left tackle; Chief Multnomah, left guard; Pontiac, center; Powhatan, right guard; Rain-in-the-Face, right tackle; Sockalexis, right end; Bender, quarterback; Hauzer and Thorpe, halves; Guyon, fullback.

Want Ad—From this date henceforth I decline to pay debts incurred by my baseball wife, Frank Dillon, as I have left my bed and board at Los Angeles. Signed, Hen Berry, owner San Francisco baseball club.

Amherst Elects Halfback Captain.

AMHERST, Mass., Dec. 2.—Stuart William Rider, of Amherst, Mass., has been elected captain of the Amherst football team for next year. His position is right halfback. His work this fall has featured in nearly every game as a member of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity, and he has proved the most consistent territory.

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