COAST LEAGUE MAY BE 8-CLUB CIRCUIT

Magnates Plan Expansion in 1916 if Salt Lake Succeeds, Says McCredie.

SCHEME FULLY DISCUSSED

Seattle, Ogden, Walla Walla, Sacramento and Spokane Considered for Teams—Beaver Release of Chinese Recalled.

BY ROSCOE FAWCETT.

If Salt Lake City makes a success of its shrift in Class AA baseball, 1916 will witness expansion of the Pacific Coast League to eight clubs.

W. W. McCredie, back yesterday afternoon from the annual session of the Pacific Coast League directors at San Francisco, dropped this information and admitted that the eight-club question had occupied a great deal of the magnates' valuable time.

The Portland owner made several other interesting announcements.

Among other things the Judge vouchsafed the information that he had recalled the release of his Chinese-Hawaiian outfielder and would have Akana in Spring camp.

"Umpire Jack Carthy looked me up specially about Akana," explained Judge McCredie. "He had read about our releasing him and he said it was the mistake of our lives. Jack recently returned from Honolulu. He declared Akana was as white as many Caucasians and that no Coast League player could object on color lines.

Jack Has Praise.

"'He is as good an outfielder as there is in the Coast League,' Jack insisted, 'and can hold his own right today.' So Walt and I have decided to hold onto him and ask him to report at camp."

That Portland would be the second club to show in Salt Lake City was another morsel dropped by the jurist-magnate. Portland will open the season at Los Angeles March 30 and will swing over to Salt Lake the second week and into Portland the third week, opening April 13 against Venice.

"Nearly all the jumps to Salt Lake are arranged on this triangle basis," added the Judge. "In one or two cases one of the southern teams will jump to Salt Lake City and then double back home, but those cases will be rare.

"I disagree from Fielder Jones and Nephew Walter most radically about Salt Lake City as a 'weak sister' in the league. I believe that Salt Lake City is destined to be one of our strong franchises. It is in a country by itself and it has the right sort of men behind the team."

Eight-Club Plan Discussed.

"But tell us more about this eight-club expansion scheme," was asked of the Judge.

"Well, it was discussed at some length," he replied. "We went over the ground thoroughly and raked up all sorts of possible combinations. One suggestion was for teams at Ogden and Walla Walla, these cities to take from seven to ten weeks apiece and play the rest of their home schedules in Salt Lake City and Portland.

"Another possible combination was Sacramento and Seattle; another Seattle and Spokane, and still another Ogden and Sacramento. Of course, all these plans necessarily are contingent upon Salt Lake City's success as a Coast League city, but I am highly optimistic."

Salt Lake City did not pay the money owing to the Coast League at the annual session, but telegraphed that most of its proposed stock issue had been subscribed.

Tucson Asks More Time.

Two telegrams of some import were waiting for the Portland magnate upon his return home. One was from Happy Hogan, accepting the terms for the purchase of Pitcher Hi West, of the Beavers. The other was a message from Tucson, Ariz., begging more time for the raising of a guarantee for the Portland club to train there.

"To be candid, I had almost given up thought of training at Tucson," said President McCredie. "The Commercial Club promised to write to us a fortnight ago and had not done so. One offer made at San Francisco appealed strongly to me. That was for us to do our conditioning at Calexico.

"That city is located on the Mexican border in Southern California and derives its name from its peculiar geographical position. Calexico is a member of the Imperial Valley Winter League, and we could arrange several good practice games in the Valley.

Tucson's Request Granted.

"However, we have granted an extension of time to the Tucson people, and if they come through with the desired guarantee the Beavers will train there."

Walter McCredie did not divulge the amount of the West sale price, but it is believed to have been in the neighborhood of $500 or $600. West was a member of the Beavers for two years and pitched great ball when his arm was right. He injured his salary flipper in the Fall of 1913, however, and it has never been right since then.

"Doc" Schmieder, Portland trainer, spent many an anxious hour over Hi's wing last season. Schmieder, by the way, will train the Beavers again in 1915, said Manager Mack.

TWO NEWSBOYS' TEAMS WIN

Jefferson High Juniors and Jefferson Midgets Are Defeated.

The newsboys scored two victories in their gymnasium last Wednesday night, when the first team trimmed the Jefferson High juniors, 20 to 15, and the second organization downed the Jefferson Midgets, 32 to 14. In the preliminary contest Morris Rogoway and A. Weinstein were the big stars for the second string, while Denny Williams and George Weston did their best for the Midgets.

Alfred "Icky" Schilt was the big thing in the main event. The playing of the former Lincoln High star was what kept the first team in the running. Shandeling and Bresy were the stars for the Jefferson High juniors.

The lineups:

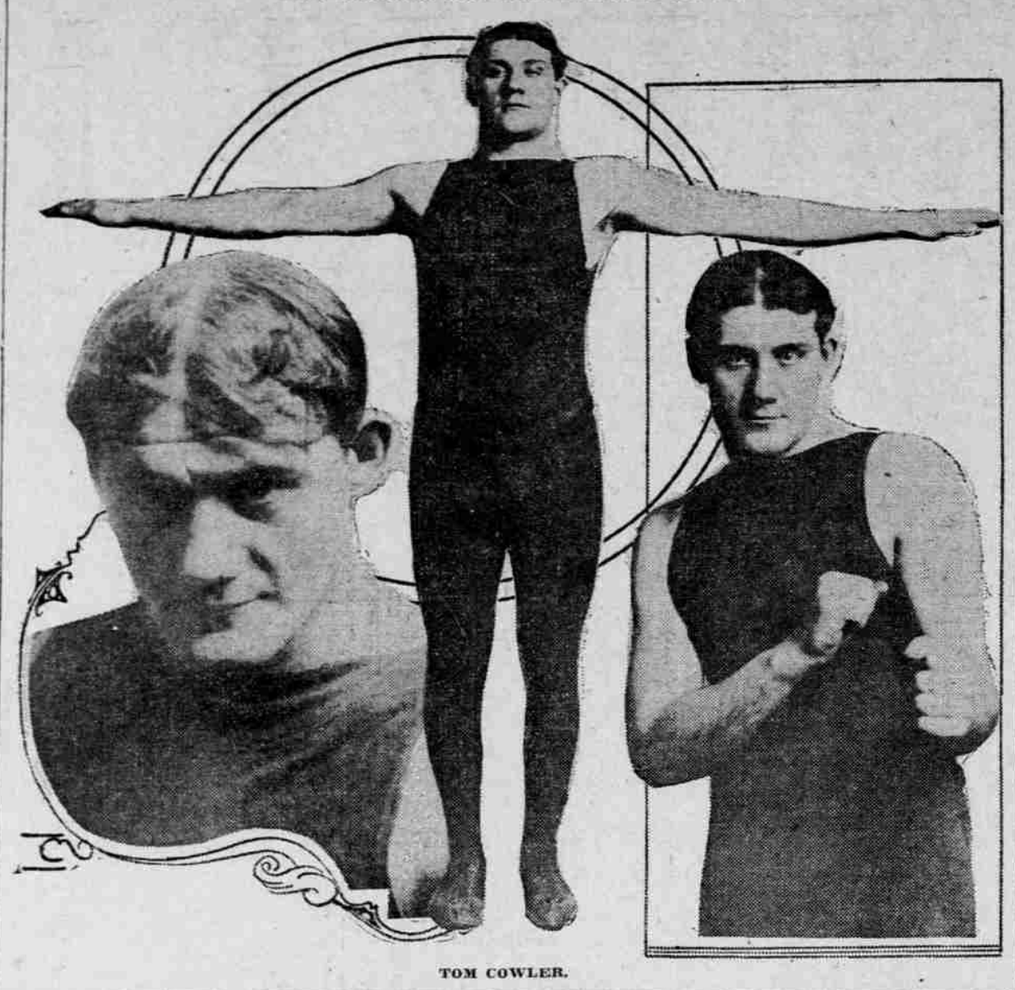
First team (20)		Juniors (15)
Schilt	F.	Shandeling
Aurbuck	F.	Base
Kanter	C.	Choate
Hafter	G.	Muirhead
Farness	G.	Bresy
Popick	Spare	
Second team (32)		**Midgets (14)**
Aurbuck	F.	Rau
M. Rogoway	F.	D. Williams
A. Weinstein	C.	Weston
B. Cohen	G.	L. Williams
H. Lewis	G.	Wintz
Nusbaum	Spare	

Referee, Weiser; umpire, H. Gevurtz.

Balk-Line Tournament Date Set.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The National class A 18.2 balkline American amateur billiard championship tournament will be held in Philadelphia beginning Monday March 1. The executive committee of the National Association of Amateur Billiard Players so announced today.

JAMES J. CORBETT'S "WHITE HOPE" BOXER, FOUND HERE, WHO WILL BE TAKEN TO AUSTRALIA AND GROOMED FOR HEAVYWEIGHT CROWN.



TOM COWLER.

SALT LAKE WANTS 8

Negotiations for Players Are Entered Into.

CALIFORNIA CAMP LIKELY

Members of Rotary Club Take $5100 Worth of Stock, Making Amount Sold More Than $49,000. Relf May Head Club.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah., Jan. 7.—(Special.)—The Salt Lake City team in the Pacific Coast League will establish Spring training quarters in Southern California if plans under consideration are carried out.

Cliff D. Blankenship, manager of the Salt Lake City team, is negotiating with major league managers and expects also to sign about eight players in a month. The players on the reserve list of the 1914 Sacramento team will form the nucleus of the local team and will be ordered to report for Spring practice late in February.

Just when some of the backers of the Salt Lake baseball club were becoming a bit discouraged over the prospects of raising the $50,000, members of the Salt Lake Rotary Club took $5100 worth of stock. The amount now subscribed is more than $49,000 and it was said last night that the Rotary Club probably would take the remainder of the stock.

"Some of the bigger interests which will be directly benefited by a Salt Lake City club in the Pacific Coast League have failed us," said George Wasson, chairman of the club, "but we expect to have the remainder of the stock subscribed within 24 hours. I expect to call a meeting of the stockholders within a week and then the permanent organization will be completed and officers elected."

Cliff Blankenship said that $12,000 had been placed at his disposal and would be given over to the organization of a ball club that would make Salt Lake a contender for the Coast League pennant.

A. Van Devanter, managing editor of a local newspaper, is taking an active part in the organization of the club and is slated for the secretaryship. George Relf, president of the Salt Lake City team in the Union Association, probably will be elected president, but who the other officers will be is doubtful.

FEDS HAVE $50,000 AT STAKE

One Object of Suit Is to Protect Salary Advances, Says Gilmore.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—Club owners of the Federal League have paid out $50,000 in 1915 salary advances to major and minor league stars who deserted organized baseball for the Federals, according to a statement today by James A. Gilmore, president of the Federal organization. Protection of this money, he said, is one of the objects of the league's suit filed against organized baseball, charging it with operating in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

"The league proposes to fight to a finish to protect this investment," Gilmore said. "In the event of a repetition of legal controversies which impaired the 1914 season, when litigation caused several of our star players to sit idly on the bench all season, this money will be tied up in a knot that will take months to disentangle. We propose to make ourselves certain of the results before the playing season begins."

The Federal League executive cited the cases of Hal Chase, who deserted the Chicago Americans for the Buffalo Federals; Pitcher George Johnson, who jumped to the Kansas City Federals from the Cincinnati club of the National League; Armando Marsans, who also quit the Cincinnati club for the St. Louis Federals, and the cases of players who have joined the ranks of the Federals since the close of the 1914 season.

All of them have received advance money on their 1915 salaries Gilmore said. Pitcher Walter Johnson heads the list with $6000 and others have received sums ranging from $1000 to $3000.

Brief Bits of Sport.

Hobey Baker, the football star, is the whole show on the St. Nicholas hockey team in New York. St. Nick beat the Vics of Montreal 6-1 the other night and Hobey received a bad bruise on his leg.

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Speaking of the decline of the drammer, Dave Warfield said the other night that Battling Nelson had returned to vaudeville.

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Football, baseball and track titles were won by the University of Illinois teams in 1914.

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Interest in hockey at Columbia is so great this Winter that a big outdoor rink is being planned by the athletic association.

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Work has been begun on the big athletic park of Fordham University.

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A British sporting publication advises Englishmen to enter the golf tournament for the amateur championship, providing Detroit gets the course, saying the links are more like British courses than any other in America.

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Seventeen thousand dollars will be distributed among the winners at the race meeting at New Orleans.

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Song by Welsh.

I love those dear Wisconsin laws,
And New York's, too, somehow;
For if it were not for those codes
I'd have no title now.

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According to Curley the Johnson-Willard fight date is undecided. What's the matter with April 1?

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Germany Schaefer probably wants to join the Cubs just to prove that it is possible for a fellow to play on that team and still have a laugh left.

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The United States having decided to publish a daily paper, we hereby apply for the job of sporting editor.

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The news that the Federal League batters hit left-handed pitchers hard last season will come as welcome information to Joe Tinker, whose team occasionally got a base hit off one when he grew careless.

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We certainly would like to see Win Loo, the Chinese infielder, last long enough with the Sox to sit in one of their 10-cent limit poker games.

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An amateur, according to John Brown, Jr., is one who competes for pleasure and the physical, moral, intellectual and social benefits derived directly therefrom. Let's see; what mental, moral and social advantages does an amateur wrestler derive?

15 ATHLETES TO GET LETTERS

At Sixth Annual Dance Tonight Lincoln High Pays Honors.

Fifteen athletes of the Lincoln High School will receive first-team football letters at the sixth annual football dance, to be given in the school gymnasium tonight. Second-team letters will be given to 14 students this morning at a general assembly.

Ray Groce, captain of the 1914 football eleven, Wednesday was re-elected to head the 1915 contingent after a meeting of the letter men. Lynn Oliver, former Washington High player, was the only opponent of Groce's and he declined in favor of the popular last season leader.

The coming year will make Ray's fourth and last fling at local interscholastic football, and like his brother "Rusty," who now attends the Oregon Agricultural College, he has been a star each year. Captain Groce, along with Coach Borleske, Manager Josef Lillard and E. R. Holt, will speak at the formal assembly of the West Siders this morning.

Following are the players who will receive the nine-inch block "L": Clifford Druschell, Frank "Hercules" Busch, George Busch, Charles Johns, Karl Boehmer, Captain Ray Groce, Lowell Page, Monica "Dutch" Livingston, Lynn Oliver, Erle Freeman, William Muir, E. R. Holt, Walter Tannensee and Manager Josef Lillard.

NEW TRI-STATE CLUBS LIKELY

League Soon to Meet and Two Teams May Be Added to Circuit.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 7.—A meeting of the directors of the Western Tri-State League, which last year included the towns of Walla Walla, North Yakima, Pendleton and Baker, will be held about the end of this month. According to the present plans of the directors of the league, all the former towns will be in the league this year, and negotiations have been begun to add Lewiston and Boise.

The league, which last year was made up of players dropped from the Northwestern League teams and recruits picked up largely from the territory covered by the league, plans to obtain players in the same manner this year.

Yankees Get Caldwell Back.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Ray Caldwell, the pitcher for the New York Americans, who left the team last August, shortly after which it was announced that the Buffalo club of the Federal League had secured his services for next season, will rejoin the Yankees the coming Spring, according to announcement by President Ban Johnson, of the American League, here yesterday.

CENTER IS NEEDED

Discovery Alone Required for Aggies to Have Big Year.

COACHES AND FANS WORRY

Conference Season Opens Soon and Practice Games With Multnomah and Archer & Wiggins Aggregations Are Sought.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Or., Jan. 7.—(Special.)—"Wanted—One tall, husky, speedy basketball player, with elementary experience at least, to play center on the Beaver basketball team. Apply to Dr. E. J. Stewart, Director of Athletics, Oregon Agricultural College."

The foregoing appeal expresses Coach Stewart's heartfelt wish in the troublous days preliminary to the opening of the conference basketball season. The Aggie squad is devoid of a first-class center, and the coaches as well as fans are becoming worried. With two forwards and two guards from last year's team, and an abundance of substitute guards and forwards, the discovery of a big whirlwind center of the class of Darling or Fenton or Savage is seemingly all that stands in the way of a big year for the locals.

Selberts and Dewey Safe.

Selberts and Dewey look like fixtures in the forward positions. Captain "Billie" King looks better than ever at guard. His eye seems good and he is playing his customary fierce, aggressive game.

Johns, a substitute for two years, and Jordan, also a second-stringer last year, are leading aspirants, along with Mix, for the other guard berth. Ray, of Roslyn, Wash., and Phillips, of Ashland, are two freshmen who are playing the part of understudies for Dewey and Selberts at forwards, and Hogan and Allen, centers on the freshman team, are stacking up with Smyth and Blagg for the pivot job.

Practice Games Sought.

The conference season opens January 22 in Seattle, with the University of Washington as the opponent of the Aggies. In the intervening two weeks a number of games will be procured if possible, in order to whip the locals into shape. The Archer & Wiggins team, of Portland, and the Multnomah Club team are two aggregations with which Everett May is trying to arrange games for next week.

May is somewhat downcast after having watched the practice, but looks for an improvement.

"The men do not seem to be able to get to going right, and we have a big problem to face in finding a center," said May yesterday.

Captain King said also: "We are far from right, and we will have to show a lot of improvement in order to figure against Washington in Seattle, but I think we have a lot of good material."

Philadelphia May Get Whitted.

DURHAM, N. C., Jan. 7.—George Whitted, Boston National outfielder, left today for Haddock, Ga., to confer with Manager Stallings and President Gaffney. He said they would discuss a proposed trade with Philadelphia, whereby he would go to that team in exchange for Sherwood Magee.

MACON, Ga., Jan. 7.—George Stallings, manager of the Boston Nationals, tonight denied reports that George Whitted, the Braves' fielder, would be transferred to the Philadelphia Nationals in exchange for Sherwood Magee.

Ruppert Takes Over Yankees.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Final details of the transfer of the New York American League baseball club franchise were completed here today. Colonel Jacob Ruppert and T. L. Huston, the new owners, assumed control with the passing of stock by Frank J. Farrell, the former executive.

Platt Adams to Get Hearing.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Platt Adams, the Olympic athlete, will get an opportunity Wednesday night to disprove the charge of professionalism made against him last week. The registration committee meets at that time and will take up his case.

Racing With Wily Opponent.

Atlanta (Ga.) Constitution.

"Forever and forever people will try to whip the devil 'round the stump, when if they'd run a fair race with him on a straight road they'd stand a chance of finally getting somewhere."

CORBETT STRONG IN PRAISE OF COWLER

Jim Says His Protege, Signed in Portland, Is Best of All "White Hopes."

ENGLISHMAN IS SPEEDY

Polish in Boxing and Footwork Lacking but ex-Champion Declares His Man Will Learn Fast—Record Is Good One.

WHAT THE TAPE SHOWS.

Cowler.		J. J. Corbett.
6 ft. 2½ in.	Height	6 ft. 1 in.
81¼ in.	Reach	74 4-5 in.
18½ in.	Neck	16 in.
15 in.	Biceps	15½ in.
14 in.	Forearm	14½ in.
9 in.	Wrist	6 4-5 in.
43½ in.	Chest	40 in.
36 in.	Waist	32 in.
25¼ in.	Thigh	17 in.
18 in.	Calf	17 in.
10¾ in.	Ankle	8⅝ in.
215	Weight	182

Although James J. Corbett admits that his new white hope, Tom Cowler, has a lot to learn before he will be ready to lick Jack Johnson, Corbett declares the English protege he signed in Portland Wednesday already has it all over Jess Willard, Porky Flynn and the rest of the flock of present "hopes" now barking at Lil' Artha's heels.

"Willard and Flynn both wanted me to manage them," said "Pompadour Jim" after his act at a local theater yesterday afternoon. "I turned them down because I did not think they had the stuff. I met this Cowler here early this week and his looks impressed me. Our little boxing seance at Mike Butler's club convinced me that Cowler is far and away ahead of any of the 'hopes,' even though he lacks boxing polish.

Cowler Has Speed.

"I intend to take him to San Francisco with me, and if he continues to show improvement he will be with me when the wife and myself sail for Australia February 16. Cowler is one of the fastest men I have ever boxed. He is a fine specimen of manhood and as soon as I teach him boxing and footwork I think he will be able to win the world's heavyweight crown.

"At present he does not know how to use his hands to the best advantage and is lacking in many other essentials. This, however, it will not take him long to learn, as he is quick and apt and has the fighting heart."

Cowler had a number of fights in England before heading off to Canada. His last bout in Great Britain he lost to Frank Moran on a foul in seven rounds. He knocked out Boer Rodel, the former champion of England. Cowler stowed the former British champ away in six rounds.

Contract Is Signed.

On coming to Canada, Cowler went to Vancouver, where he signed a 10-year contract with John McMahon, who was at that time staging bouts at Vancouver, B. C., but is now in Portland. Cowler appeared in three contests in Vancouver and in each case put his opponent to sleep.

His first meeting was with Jack Daniels, an unknown heavy who had aspirations to Johnson's crown. Cowler put Daniels on the floor in the first round. His next bout was with Denver Ed Martin and he conditioned himself for the fight with Ed by working in the coal mines at Nanaimo, B. C. Martin should have won the fight, according to one who witnessed the battle, but he didn't. After the Denver battler had floored Cowler in the first round, Corbett's hope came back in the second round and knocked Martin out.

Cowler Weighs 215 Pounds.

In size Cowler towers above Corbett and Jim is no lightweight any more. Cowler stands more than 6 feet 2 inches in his stocking feet and tips the beam at an even 215 pounds. He came to Portland several weeks ago and has been conditioning at Jack King's.

"I matched him up with Larry Madden one afternoon and he convinced me of his future," remarked Jack last night. "Cowler is the fastest big man I have ever seen and you take it from me he'll wade through the other white hopes.

"Corbett knows a good thing when he sees it and he is strong for Cowler. After his workout with the big fellow Jim said to him: 'Those the best clothes you have?' 'Yes,' replied Cowler. 'Times have been hard with me lately.' 'Well,' replied Jim, 'here's $100. Go and outfit yourself.'

"Cowler took only $50, but I guess that shows what Corbett thinks of his new protege."

Fistic Record Given.

Cowler's fistic record follows:

England, 1912.		Rounds.
Charlie Wilson	K.O.	4
Jack Gibson	K.O.	1
Kid Jackson	K.O.	4
F. Drummond	K.O.	2
Harry Croxton	K.O.	6
Seaman Parsons	K.O.	8
G. McMurray	K.O.	2
Ben Taylor	K.O.	4
Gunner Hewitt	K.O.	3
Bom. LeGassick	K.O.	2
Bom. Wells	N.D.	4
Gunner Rawles	K.O.	2
Andy Goddard	K.O.	4
Bob Scanlon	Won	15
Jewy Smith	K.O.	9
"Iron Hague"	K.O.	8
George Rodel, Boer	K.O.	8
"Young" Johnson	Won	15
Frank Moran	L.P.	7
Bob Armstrong	N.D.	4
Canada, 1914.		
Jack Daniels	K.O.	1
Denver Ed Martin	K.O.	2
Casey Jones	K.O.	4
Chet McIntyre	K.O.	10

Sidelights and Satire.

BY ROSCOE FAWCETT.

GEORGE THACHER'S services will not be required in the unraveling of that great mystery surrounding the whereabouts of Rube Maxmeyer. Rube's brother called up yesterday and excitedly exploded the whole story. Rube, he confessed, is farming on 160 acres of prairie land near Battle Creek, not Michigan, but Washington. He is the proud parent of a little girl, whom he has named Agnes in honor of Ducky Holmes' wife.

Quick, Watson, the needle!

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A New York golfer is out with a scheme for a golf course on ice. He has the course laid for a six-hole links. The game ought to go good in Iceland or up around Moose Jaw and Saskatoon. Personally we would like to get a crack at one of those devilish little gutta perchas on ice and we wouldn't worry whether we topped it or not.

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Cuban sportsmen are not the original lightning rod purchasers after all. They are wiser than some boxing promoters imagined. It had been taken for granted that a Johnson-Willard bout at Havana would draw around $200,000, but the sport cartoons in the Cuban newspapers don't prove it.

One comic sheet shows Cuban sport fandom guzzling a light guitar, beneath a watermelon tree, while only a few yards away the promoters are barking frantically before an empty arena. Another cartoon represents the characters talking thus:

Senor Tomasco Jones—Caballero, this fight will be superb.

Senor Jack Curley — The greatest thing, gentlemen—and only $50 a seat.

The Cuban Public—Haw, haw!

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One New York writer refuses to list Fromme or Cole as pitchers. "Throwers" he calls them.

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F. C. Farr, president of the Spokane ball club, ran into a bundle of misfortune last Sunday. A young lad coasting down hill, steered into Mr. Farr's automobile and was instantly killed. "I will never be able to erase from my mind the frightened, staring eyes of that little 6-year-old baby dashing to his doom," said the big-hearted Spokane magnate afterwards, brushing away a tear.

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Grantland Rice, clever New York sport writer, has switched from the Evening Mail to the Tribune.

"Therefore, from job to job I've moved along;
Pay couldn't 'old me when my time was done."

—Rudyard Kipling.

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Lee Magee, the new manager of the Brooklyn Federals, is getting a lot of publicity in the Eastern press because he is only 25 years old. Lee had better get it while the getting is good, because he is going to age considerably in the next 12 months.

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Cornell students appear to possess strong endurance qualities. Ithacan teams are winners in chess and in cross-country running.

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If he attends strictly to business James J. Corbett may come out all right as manager for Tom Cowler, the new white hope. Although rather inexperienced in ring matters, Corbett is studious and quick to pick up the fine points of anything he undertakes.

Managing pugilists is a skilled occupation. First of all a good fight manager must be a lawyer. Jim proved himself equal to the occasion by hiring somebody else to draw up his initial contract. Second, a fight manager must be a good publicity agent. Corbett seldom gets more than a column a day in the newspapers wherever he is playing, but he may overcome this bashfulness. Third, to be successful, the fight manager must be a fiscal agent, an encyclopedia on pugilistic records and eccentricities of fighters. Thanks to Tom Andrews' record book Corbett may pull out all right as a fiscal agent. Last, but not least, the top notch manager must be a good forecaster, and that's where Corbett shines. Well do we recall how accurately Jim horoscoped the outcome of the Jeffries-Johnson fight at Reno about five years ago. Jim insisted that Jeff would win hands down and it was such a picnic for Jeff that Jeff fell asleep along about the 15th round.

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Anyway, Tom Cowler is not the worst fighter in the world. He beat Denver Ed Martin in two rounds.

ROYAL ROSARIAN BACK

PHIL S. BATES EXTOLS HOSPITALITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Excursion Greatest and Most Beneficial Ever Sent by Oregon, Declares Traveler—Fair Is Praised.

Phil S. Bates, one of the advance guard of returning Royal Rosarians, who arrived home yesterday, is loud in his praise of the people of California, and says that the reception extended to the Portland boosters at every point visited by them exceeded all previous hospitality. The excursion, says Mr. Bates, was the most successful ever undertaken by a Portland delegation, and as a result an immense amount of excellent advertising was obtained for the city and state.

"One of the things that impressed me most was the unity of spirit manifested by the people in all California cities to boost their home towns," said Mr. Bates. "Everywhere there were evidences of genuine hospitality. We were made to feel right at home and nothing was overlooked for our comfort and entertainment.

"The San Diego Exposition undoubtedly is the most striking and beautiful ever held. The buildings, all of Spanish mission design, are handsome and present a solid-looking front, as they were put up to be used permanently. The exhibits of California products are the finest I have ever seen. That Oregon has no official exhibit or building at the San Diego Exposition is almost a disgrace to the state. The Washington State building is used as a meeting place for visiting Oregonians."

Near-Gresham Homes Burned.

The homes of W. G. and Harvey Lawrence, about three miles east of Gresham, were burned Wednesday afternoon. It is believed the fire was caused by an over-heated stove. The loss is estimated at $6000, with small insurance. A box containing $285, obtained by the sale of potatoes, was lost in the fire. The Gresham volunteer firemen made the run to the fire in automobiles, but arrived too late to be of any service.

—I'M IN THE OREGONIAN BUILDING

—where no landlord can rob me

—i don't pay "fancy rent."

—no $500 monthly rent to give me a headache—no sir-e-e—$60 a month is all i pay—i'm upstairs where rent is cheap and fresh air is free.

—the downstairs merchant must charge from $5 to $10 more than i do for each garment—he simply can't compete with me—he doesn't dare—it would mean suicide to him and his business.

—if i paid more rent, i'd have to charge more.

—come up now and see my "crack-style" suits and overcoats at $14.75 and $18.75.

315-16-17 oregonian building

jimmy dunn

elevator to third floor

—"the clothier you ought to know."

FAIR RATES ARE FIXED

ROUND TRIPS BY RAIL TO SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO.

Special Terms of $26.75 and $46.50 Respectively From Portland Announced for Conventions.

Special low railroad rates to the two California expositions during 1915 will prevail, starting the middle of next month. Advices were received by local passenger officials of the Southern Pacific Company yesterday from John M. Scott, general passenger agent, who is in San Francisco conferring with other Southern Pacific traffic officials on the subject of exposition rates and arrangements. It is expected as a matter of course that corresponding reductions on account of the two expositions will be made from all points in the Pacific Northwest.

A fare of $35 for the round trip, good for 90 days from date of sale, with stopovers allowed at all points en route in both directions, is offered from Portland to the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco, and tickets bearing the same limit from points in Western Oregon will be sold at the following fares: Woodburn, $35; Salem, $35; Albany, $35; Corvallis, $35.25; Eugene, $33; Roseburg, $29; Grants Pass, $23.75; Medford, $22.50; Ashland, $21.50.

Tickets bearing a 30-day limit will be sold from Portland for $30 and from points in Western Oregon as follows: Woodburn, $30; Salem, $30; Albany, $30; Corvallis, $30.25; Eugene, $27.25; Roseburg, $24.75; Grants Pass, $20.50; Medford, $19; Ashland, $18.50.

For the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco to cover special occasions, such as large conventions, the following basis of rates will be made: From Portland, $26.75; Woodburn, $26.75; Salem, $26.75; Albany, $26.75; Corvallis, $27.25; Eugene, $25; Roseburg, $22; Grants Pass, $18.25; Medford, $17; Ashland, $16.50.

For the Panama-California Exposition at San Diego, tickets will be on sale daily, February 15 to November 30, inclusive, final return limit 40 days from date of sale, but in no case later than December 31, 1915, at the following rates: From Portland, $52.25; Woodburn, $52.25; Salem, $52.25; Albany, $51.25; Corvallis, $51.25; Eugene, $49.25; Roseburg, $46; Grants Pass, $41.50; Medford, $40; Ashland, $39.50.

On account of special occasions at the Panama-California Exposition, San Diego, because of large conventions and other gatherings, special round trip fares will be named as follows: From Portland, $46.50; Woodburn, $46.50; Salem, $46.50; Albany, $45.50; Medford, $35.75; Ashland, $35.

These tickets will have a three-day going limit with final return limit 21 days from date of sale, and will provide for stopover at any points on return trip.

BRIDE DUPED, SHE SAYS

Deformity Concealed and Examination Evaded Is Divorce Plea.

When Marie Krok discovered that she had married a hunchback, she left John Krok the day after their marriage in Vancouver, Wash., on June 22, 1914. Yesterday the woman filed suit for divorce, alleging that during their courtship Krok had carefully padded his clothes to conceal his deformity from her.

In the complaint Mrs. Krok, who wants to resume her maiden name of Marie Stuckert, alleges that Krok refused to submit to the medical examination required in Oregon for procuring a marriage license, and that he persuaded her against her will to go to Vancouver to be married. They were united by the Rev. H. S. Templeton, of that city. The next morning she left Krok and has stayed away from him ever since.

EXTENSION CLASSES SET

Illness of Dr. Schmidt Causes Postponement of German Study.

The following University of Oregon extension classes will meet in the Central Public Library January 8: Psychology, 8 o'clock, room H; calculus, 7:30 o'clock, room E; first year mathematics, 8:30 o'clock, room E; beginning public speaking, 7 o'clock, room B.

January 9, advanced public speaking, 7 o'clock, room H. The class in rhetoric will be held Monday, January 11, 7:30, room B.

On account of the illness of Dr. Schmidt, the classes in German will not meet this week.

The class in contemporary history will hold its next regular meeting on January 15, at 8 o'clock, in the story-hour room.

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Twentieth and Marshall.

Daily, 10 A. M., 2 P. M., 8 P. M.

Free Instruction. Prasp's Band.

BOXING

14 Clever Boxers, 2 Feature Bouts

Friday, January 8, 8 P. M.

MOHAWK CLUB,

Union Avenue and East Pine.