

FANS PACKED BY OPENING DAY FEVER

Only Dark Spot on Horizon Now Is Cloud Threatened by Weather Observer.

BIG PARADE ALL PLANNED

Governor and City Officials to Participate in Ceremonial Introducing Beavers and 20,000 Boosters Are Expected.

Facts About Today's Game. Teams—Portland vs. Venice, Coast League. Parade—Leaving at 1 o'clock. Game—Called at 2 o'clock.

BY BOSCOE PAWETT. If the much-abused weather prognosticator does not fulfill his threatened "showers and southerly wind" concoction, there will be a ball game this afternoon at Pacific Coast League Park.

Inasmuch as it will be the opening game of the year in Portland, with Venice as the champions' moral, some few score thousand fans are going to bite their tongues off at the roots if it does rain and spoil the party.

Promptly at 12:15 o'clock or thereabouts the Beavers will be met at the Union Depot. They will be rushed to the ball park for a change in attire and rushed back for the Boosters' Club parade, which will leave Fifteenth and Morrison at 1 o'clock sharp.

In this pageant will be Governor Withycombe, Mayor Albee, Judge McCredie and various other dignitaries of our fair city, who will attempt to keep their automobiles from stalling behind five hands afoot. All this noise and music will be escorted by a squadron of mounted police troop and United States Cavalry, in their natty uniforms.

Game to Start at 2. The game will start at 2 o'clock if all goes well. George S. Shepherd, former secretary of the Portland club, will host the 1914 pennant. It will be his fifth offense and will be accomplished with much finesse and little delay. First the Stars and Stripes will be raised, then dipped and the pennant attached, and both will be unfurled aloft.

No other waits will be tolerated this year. There will be a few motion-picture stunts. Governor Withycombe will be given a brand-new baseball bat which he will pitch out to the diamond, if his aim is good, from his private box in the grandstand. Two or three of Metzger's hot bats will then step on spectators' toes shrieking "beavers," the batteries will be announced, and the season will be officially launched.

If Portland triumphs, the expected will have happened. Everybody will go home happy and contented. If Venice wins, the reverse side of the picture will be shown. The same solid citizen who otherwise would be expected to be in his seat in ecstatic contemplation will pause at the nearest brass footrail to tell the bartender that somebody ought to get out on the berries ended. Krause or Johnny Lush to keep them from suffering further punishment.

Krause and Lush to Officiate. Krause and Lush, southpaws, have been nominated by Manager McCredie to do the pitching for the local hero. Irv Higginbotham was supposed to do this honor, but evidently Hig is suffering from a severe case of the flippers. Either Carisch, the new Cleveland blackstop, or the veteran Gus Fisher, will be behind the windup. Venice will produce an entirely new battery. Mitchell, St. Louis right-hander, will do the twirling and Tub Spencer, erstwhile San Francisco hurler, will receive the released. Biss and Yantz, so Spencer and Mitze are his catching mainstays.

Both teams will present a number of new faces. Portland's new blood consists of Catcher Carisch, late of Cleveland; Pitchers Coveleskie, of Spokane; Callahan and Leonard, of the Portland Northwest club; infielders Stumpf, of Cleveland; Cotrin, of the Northwest club, and Outfielder Kirchner, of Atlanta. Hogan has Spencer and Mitze behind the bat, the latter of the Oakland team; Pitcher Mitchell, of St. Louis, and West, of Portland; First Baseman Heischman, of Baltimore; Second Baseman Purcell, of Detroit; Shortstop Berger, of the Chicago Sox, and Third Baseman Helling, of the Oaks.

New Record Is Made. Portland's attendance record is 15,128, established two years ago, when the Angels played to a 1-1 tie on opening game and then walloped us four straight before the home crowd. H. Higgins, president of the Boosters' Club, which has charge of the fireworks, predicts a 20,000 crowd if there goes that "if" again—if it does not rain.

Most of the grandstand has been reserved for the 1914 booster button wearers, but there's an open space at the west end, and, in addition, 2500 circus seats have been erected in front of the grandstand for the occasion. Gates will open at 12:30 o'clock, sharp, with three pay-as-you-enter turnstiles clicking merrily away for both the grandstand and bleachers. The entrance has been materially widened and W. W. McCredie does not look for much crowding.

Police Captain Circle will have an entire relief of 79 coppers on hand to steer the jam into the runways. For the convenience of the fans and to avoid confusion flags will be flown from the Oregonian and Journal flagpoles at 12 o'clock if the game is on. No flag, no game.

Wherefore, in the words of the late immortal Dave Bancroft: "Come on boys, let's go."

DRILLS HAMPER TRACK WORK. Some of Idaho Squad Leave for Encampment With Cadets.

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO, Moscow, April 12.—(Special).—Track work will be interrupted next week with the annual Spring encampment of the cadets. The squad has been rounding into shape rapidly and Idaho will have the most evenly balanced point-winning team in years. "Buck" Phillips will handle the weights, assisted by Brown and Lomasson. Phillips, throwing the javelin 180 feet every night, anticipates no trouble in annexing that event. Merriam, Idaho's star sprinter, will lower his mark in the 200 by at least one-fifth of a second. Betty is improved greatly in the sprint. Lehman, a freshman, has been showing speed post-



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SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—(Special).—The Oakland team breezed in from Los Angeles today and Manager Christian will line up his forces tomorrow against the Salt Lake sluggers.

One of the important utterances of Christian was that the Angels did not loom up any stronger than the Seals, in spite of the fact that the Oaks were beaten out of the series after holding the locals to an even break.

"It looks, however, as if San Francisco and Los Angeles are the teams Oakland will have to beat out of the pennant," he declared. Christian says he is satisfied with his team.

CATHLAMET NINE BEATS PORT COLUMBIA

CATHLAMET, Wash., April 12.—(Special).—The Cathlamet ball team won the first game of the season here when it defeated Port Columbia 9 to 4.

Major League Training Games. Boston.—Boston Nationals 7, Harvard 3. St. Joseph, Mo.—Chicago Americans 4, St. Joseph Westerns 1.

College Baseball. Philadelphia.—Williams 2, Pennsylvania 1.

AMATEUR ATHLETICS

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The Piedmont Juniors won a double-header on the Peninsula Park grounds Sunday. The Foresters of America fell, 10 to 5, in the first game, and the Overlook nine lost, 8 to 6. Sid Williams struck out ten in the first game for the Juniors, and his teammate, Prescott, whiffed 14 overruns.

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The Columbia University baseball team will go to Salem, Or., Saturday morning to play the high school nine of that place. Coach Father Cunningham has selected a likely-looking squad and he is going out enthusiastically for the 1915 title of the Portland Inter-scholastic League.

Irv Niles is proving himself quite a sensation with the Lang & Co. baseball tossers. He stole three bases and brought in five runs, being largely responsible for the 10-to-8 defeat handed to the Vancouver Soldiers Sunday.

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SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—The Philadelphia Country Club polo team defeated the Boise, Idaho, four today on the San Mateo polo field by a score of 17 to 10 1/2 goals in the second round for the Polo Association cups.

Boise was conceded seven goals to start by handicap, and during the first two periods scored three goals to their opponents' two. In the third period, however, the Philadelphians braced up and scored five times. From that time the Easterners goaded with regularity, the only score to the credit of the Boise team coming in the fourth period, when Hastings, by a fine piece of horsemanship and mallet work, carried the ball with three successive strokes down the field for a goal. This was the most brilliant work of the entire game.

The finals for the San Mateo cups will be played tomorrow on the Panama-Pacific Exposition field between the Midwest Freebooters and San Mateo.

MAJOR LEAGUE TRAINING GAMES.

Boston.—Boston Nationals 7, Harvard 3. St. Joseph, Mo.—Chicago Americans 4, St. Joseph Westerns 1.

Providence, R. I.—Philadelphia Nationals 10, Providence Internationals 3. Princeton, N. J.—New York Americans 11, Princeton 2.

Washington.—Washington Americans 4, New York Nationals 2. Brooklyn.—Philadelphia Americans 11, Brooklyn Nationals 9.

Indianapolis.—Indianapolis American Association 2, Pittsburg Nationals 1.

COLLEGE BASEBALL.

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MATTY PICKS REDS AS EARL LEADERS

Pennant Race Late in Year, However, Said to Lie With Giants and Braves.

AMERICAN FLAG ANYBODY'S

Boston, Chicago, Athletics, Washington and Detroit All Regarded as Contenders; Christy Thinks Baker Will Rejoin Team.

BY CHRISTY MATHEWSON, The Giant's Famous Pitcher. NEW ORLEANS, La., April 12.—(Special).—When the races in the big league started last Spring only two clubs seemed to have chances to win—the Athletics and the Giants, and the Giants failed to come through in their own society, while the Athletics were dumped in the world's series. The prospects are for an open race in both leagues this season. Each circuit appears to be well balanced and the chances are against a runaway in either league. The upsets of last Summer have made this possible.

I look to see both races decided in the stretch, with some outside contender in each league jumping away in the first few weeks and causing a lot of false enthusiasm, only to weaken and fall back. I would not be surprised if the Cincinnati club sets the pace in the National for a time. I understand that Herzog has his team in tip-top shape for the start. But, when you stand at the head of the parade next Fall you will probably be looking at the Giants and the Braves fighting it out.

The American Race Wide Open. The American League race is even more open than the National, for the crumbling of the Athletics, with the strengthening of some other clubs, has made possible Boston and Chicago certainly have excellent chances in the going, with the Athletics and Washington as strong contenders and Detroit, if the Cincinnati club sets the pace in the National for a time. I understand that Herzog has his team in tip-top shape for the start. But, when you stand at the head of the parade next Fall you will probably be looking at the Giants and the Braves fighting it out.

There is a persistent rumor by the underground route of big league gossip that the Athletics won't be as much weakened this season as experts have been predicting because of a change in the attitude of one John Franklin Baker. In fact some baseball gossips go so far as to say that Frank is preparing himself for a return to the Maryland farm and that he will pull a Billy Sunday entrance when the time is ripe. In other words, that he will come back to the game when his entrance will attract most attention.

"Connie" Mack was a constant complainer last year because, though he has been Philadelphia's winning club, Philadelphia refused to give him enough support throughout the season to make the investment a profitable one. They turned out better for "Billy" Sunday over there than they did for "Connie."

Mack Told to Get Color. "What you need is more color, more advertising, more rumpus," advised friends when "Connie" rumbled. "Encourage your players to argue with the umpires once in a while. Cure the fans the old-fashioned way and they are coming to Shibe Park just to see ball games."

The rumor is that C. Mack is not worrying too much over Baker, being of the opinion that he will not attract a little attention to the Athletics if he returned just when everyone had given him up for lost and thus could be regarded as a "come-back" man. Then, with Lajoie at second, the "knockers" would lose a chance to hold as they'd like to because Collins has been solid. The return of Baker would blind them to this. The great third baseman is the sort of man who takes the greatest care of himself and is in condition. Winter and Summer and a little workout on his Maryland farm would put him fit to break a lot of fences without any springing season.

The Purulia Blues, representing the Bhumara-Frank Drug Company, played their first game of the season yesterday, which was only for Newark and Portland Pickups by the score of 7 to 2. Manager Ronk expressed himself as being satisfied with the initial appearance of the team. The games are open for games and details can be arranged by calling Manager Ronk at Main 3441.

LEE MAGEE DRAWS \$50 FINE

Brooklyn Fed Manager Accused of Rowdiness in Opening Game.

CHICAGO, April 12.—Manager Lee Magee, of the Brooklyn Federals, was notified today by President Gilmore that he had been fined \$50 and suspended for two days on charges of rowdiness in the opening game of the Brooklyn Saturday. According to reports to Gilmore, Magee, after being put out of the game, returned to the coaching lines six times.

Manager Schiavelli, of the Buffalo team, telegraphed a protest against the Brooklyn victory in the same game on the ground that Catcher Lando, surrendering his place on the base line to another runner, resumed his part in the game illegally.

AUTO RACE ENTRANTS TO MEET

Rules to Be Fixed Tomorrow for Portland Event at Speedway.

Robert A. Hiller, manager of the Northwest Automobile Association, has called a meeting of all the Portland owners and drivers of racing machines that will participate at the Rose City Circuit May 2, and for tomorrow night at 8 o'clock at the Imperial Hotel to discuss the distances and conditions for the two races for Portland owned and driven machines.

Among those who already have signified their intentions of entering are: C. C. Clinton, with his Blue Bird car; N. C. Smith, with White Bird; C. C. Bankhead and F. Linneman, with their Pope Special, and W. E. Stranhal, with his big Stoddard.

MELTNOMAH SWIM POSTPONED

Monthly Event Delayed Due to Lecture Being Set for Tonight.

The regular monthly social swim for the members of the Meltnomah Club, which was set for last night in the club tank, has been postponed until next Tuesday. This announcement was made yesterday by Jack Cody, swimming instructor of the club, when he found that there was another attraction scheduled for the same night in the clubrooms.

An illustrated lecture on the first trip to Mount Hood this season will be given tonight in the gymnasium, starting at 8:15 o'clock.

GILLETTE WEEK in PORTLAND NO STOPPING—NO HONING



Your Greeting for the Week—"I've Got Mine. Have You Got Yours?"

THE Gillette idea is in the air. Gillette windows all over town. Gillette displays in the stores. Gillette announcements in the newspapers.

Everybody in town knows it's Gillette Week. "No Stopping, No Honing" appeals to wide-awake men. They're strong for that "every morning, velvet-smooth Gillette Shave."

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BROOKLYN WINS AGAIN

BUFFALO FEDS USE FOUR PITCHERS, BUT LOSE 5 TO 7.

Wildness More Responsible Than Hits for Run, Latitte Alone Passing 11. Men—27 Are Left on Bases.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., April 12.—The Brooklyn Federals today won another long-drawn-out game from Buffalo, 7 to 5. The visitors used four pitchers and the locals two, wildness being more responsible than hits for the runs made. Latitte alone gave 11 bases on balls, and all told, 27 men were left on bases.

NEWARK FEDS WIN EASILY

Baltimore Gets 14 Hits in Game and Then Loses, 5 to 8.

BALTIMORE, April 12.—Although making fewer hits, Newark had an easy victory over Baltimore today, 8 to 5. Smith was only for Newark and retired in the sixth inning. Score: Baltimore...3 0 0 0 0 1 0 3—6 2 Newark...0 4 1 1 0 1 0 0—7 8 3 Batteries—Kraupp, Bedient, Woodman and Blair; Latitte, Upham and Land.

PITTSBURGERS ARE SHUT OUT

Cullop Allows 5 Hits, but Kansas City Wins, 3 to 0.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 12.—Cullop held Pittsburg to five hits and Kansas City won, 3 to 0. Score: R. H. E. Pittsburg...0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 5 1 Kansas City...0 1 1 0 0 1 0 0—3 8 0 Batteries—Hearn, Dickson and Berry; Cullop and Easterly.

Brief Bits of Sport.

Gerald Hayes, who was an umpire in the Coast League last season, is now calling 'em in the Texas League.

Someone in Denver has discovered that Jess Willard's real name is Arthur Brittingham. According to the latest dope, Jess' brothers haven't yet discovered that their name is not Willard.

Cricket is fast losing its hold in Australia, according to reports. Baseball is said to be replacing the ancient English pastime. Cricket still flourishes in British Columbia, however. At a recent meeting in Vancouver elab-

Advertisement for Peoples Clothing Co. featuring a portrait of a man and text: "Go to the Game Today in a Peoples Suit".

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