

OREGON FEARS RAIN MAY HURT CHANGES

Battered Eleven Dreads Growing Possibility of Meeting Clubmen on Wet Field.

BEZDEK CHOOSES HIS TEAM

Signals Practiced, Hard in Final Preparation for Saturday's Game With Multnomah. Showers Bring Woe.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Sept. 23.—(Special.)—With a steady squall which half crawled, limped and groaned to practice, Hugo Bezdek, Bill Hayward and Captain Cornell were kept busy limbering up their battered gladiators this afternoon in preparation for the Multnomah game Saturday.

Two days of good, hard scrimmages were all that the Oregon contingent could stand and if the same thing were undergone this evening it is mighty doubtful whether or not Coach Bezdek could place a fit representation in the trenches when the football season makes its formal bow to the Winged M Invaders.

Scarcely a member of the regular staff is minus a bruise or two and Charley horses seem contagious.

Team Has Signal Practice. Signal practice was the one big feature today and both scrubs and varsity kept at it until dusk shaded the arena.

Yesterday the Oregon mentor sat on the bleachers and watched his candidates work unaided by the coaching staff.

It was a regular game, and Hugo made it such a never wear the field of play. However, as he watched he talked, and the following are his words:

"They haven't learned the signals. Get the blackboard and arc light," he shouted to a manager on the bleachers. "From now on we are going to do something."

When the "go-in" signal was flashed tonight a heavy rain was falling. This is a disadvantage, the local coaching corps figures, if the weather remains wet until Saturday. A heavy field will favor the straight plunging heavy hitting Multnomah backs, while the comparatively light collegians are seen at a handicap under similar conditions.

Consequently, the prayer for less rain. Officials and Team Chosen.

Officials selected are: Sam Dolan, former coach of the Oregon Aggies, referee; C. M. Johnson, Eugene High mentor, umpire, and Graham Mitchell, of the varsity faculty, head linesman. The following men will start hostilities Saturday:

Crossman, center; Cawley and Snyder, guards; Enslin and Beckett, tackles; Bartlett and Risley, ends. The backfield will line up with Monteith calling the signals, Bigbee and Bob Malarky working as halfbacks and Hoskins rambling in the role of full.

Chances are that Beckett will do most of the kicking and at the same time take shots from the field for place kicks. Johnny has developed into quite a toe artist, especially in goals after touchdowns.

Monteith's work will receive close scrutiny, as it marks his first step as a quarter and might solve the Cornell substitute puzzle.

FIELDER JONES' TEAM CLIMBS

St. Louis Federals Win and Go to Game and Half From Top.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 23.—The offerings of three visiting pitchers, Johnson, Young and Black, were slugged right and left by St. Louis and the locals defeated Baltimore, 10 to 2, closing a series in which they took four out of five games from the outsiders. Today's victory put St. Louis within a game and a half of the leaders in the Federal League pennant race. Score: R. H. E. Baltimore, 2 7 5; St. Louis, 10 14 1.

Batteries—R. Johnson, Young, Black and Owens; Plank, Willet and Hartley.

Chicago 2-1, Newark 1-2.

CHICAGO, Sept. 23.—Chicago and Newark split a double-header here today. Brown's pitching giving the Chicago Federals a victory in the first contest and Seaton winning for the visitors in the second by the same score. Scores:

First game: R. H. E. Chicago, 2 8 2; Newark, 1 6 0. Batteries—Enslin and Rariden; Brown and Wilson.

Second game: R. H. E. Newark, 1 2 0; Chicago, 2 8 3. Batteries—Seaton and Hubn; McConnell and Fischer, Wilson.

Buffalo 5, Pittsburg 4.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 23.—Buffalo easily defeated the Pittsburg Federals today, 5 to 2, owing to the good pitching of Schultz. Score: R. H. E. Buffalo, 5 7 3; Pittsburg, 2 7 1. Batteries—Schultz and Allen; Knetzer, Comstock and Berry.

Brooklyn 3, Kansas City 0.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 23.—By safe fielding and a batting rally the Brooklyn Federals shut out Kansas City, 3 to 0, in their final game on the local grounds this season. Score: R. H. E. Brooklyn, 3 8 0; Kan. City, 0 7 1. Batteries—Marley, De Jesus, C. A. Johnson and Brown.

PIGEONS TO BE PUT IN SHOW

Homing Bird Owners Decide to Join American Association.

At a meeting of the Oregon Homing Pigeon Club last Wednesday that organization decided to affiliate itself with the American Racing Pigeon Association, of Washington, D. C. A committee was also appointed to arrange for the annual banquet to be held in the near future and the club pledged itself to have at least 150 pigeons entered in the poultry show to be held in December.

The club will enter in this show all winners of races during the past season, and a complete set of racing paraphernalia. Those at the meeting were E. H. Bauer, G. V. Adams, Jimmy Dunn, E. Kinderman, Charles De Jesus, C. A. Miller, Elad Shaw, Verne Johnson, Adam Jorge and Ralph Warren. Three new members, William Constantino, Charles Trenovoy and E. A. Schaeffer, were elected to membership. A luncheon was served after the meeting.

Answer to Query.

Q. I notice in a Tacoma paper an account of the recent game between Portland and Seattle. The report, coming from Seattle, states that by winning the game "the Portland Coast Leagueers partly evened up for their defeat sustained at the hands of the Northwesters one or two seasons ago." What

are the facts? How many times has Portland met the northern team, and what has been the result? W. T. H. A. The Portland Beavers have played four games with Northwestern League teams since 1910. Two years ago, with Carl Mays pitching, the Portland Colts drubbed the Beavers. In other games the Beavers won from the Colts and defeated Spokane and Seattle.

FAST PLAY IS EXPECTED

Lincoln to Meet Astoria in Season's Opener Tomorrow.

Speed will be featured tomorrow afternoon in the Lincoln High-Astoria high football game if Coach Stanley Borleske has anything to do with it. Last night he gave his Ralleplitters the hardest scrimmage so far this season and all the boys reported in good condition, outside of a few bruises and bumps.

Tomorrow's match is the opening game of the 1915 season in Portland. Manager McTarnahan, of the Lincoln High School, has been working overtime with speeches and rallies at his institution. Many members of other schools will be on hand to give the West Siders the "once-over" before the league season is officially opened.

No inside "dope" has been sent up from Astoria relative to the representatives of the fish metropolis, but taking past contests into consideration, the locals can expect a hard battle. The last game at Astoria resulted in a 6-to-0 battle in favor of the Portlanders.

The game tomorrow will start promptly at 2:30 o'clock. The officials for the inter-city battle will be William Schmitt, referee, and E. Plowden Stott, umpire, with the head linesman to be selected on the grounds. The visitors will arrive in Portland early tomorrow morning, according to present plans.

The Tahoma football club, representing the Tahoma Athletic Club, of Tacoma, Wash., is organized and ready to do battle. Manager John Cromwell has sent a challenge to any club in Portland that would like to meet his team.

The Lincoln Park team will again be in action Sunday morning on the Lincoln Park gridiron in Albina. Several recruits will have a trial with the squad.

The threatening weather brings smiles to the faces of local gridiron enthusiasts, who have looked with dismay on the continued dry spell.

HARNESS MEN PROTEST

PROPOSAL TO HOLD BACK RACES FOR BASEBALL STIRS HORSEMEN.

Official Says Events Must Be Put on at Scheduled Time—D. A. Lively Suggests Compromise.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—(Special.)—The plans of William F. Humphrey, Bill Lange, Sam Rucker, Ben Berry, A. T. Baum, et al., to bring out the contestants in the world's baseball championship for a series of exhibition games at the exposition race track has stirred up quite a protest from the light-harness horsemen, who have a 13-day meeting scheduled to start over the mile course on Saturday, October 30. It has been proposed to start the seven-day baseball series on Thursday, October 28, which brings about quite a conflict of dates.

A practice shoot was held today, and tomorrow the crack shots will contest for the championship cup of Southern Oregon. Visitors are loud in their praise of the appearance of Medford, the business streets being strung with electric lights showing the lodge colors—purple and white—while huge searchlights play continually over the elaborate lodge decorations, the banners and slogans.

Dinner for 1000 Arranged. The visitors will be taken on an automobile tour of the city and valley tomorrow morning, and in the afternoon a formation of the Elks state reunion association will be effected. The climax of the celebration will come tomorrow night, when a venison banquet will be held in the new clubhouse, accommodations for 1000 guests having been provided. The Medford lodge will put on a vaudeville show which promises to be one of the most successful ever given here.

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FETE CONTINUES TODAY

After Big Gun Shoot, Banquet Will Be Given for 1000—Entertaining and Sightseeing by Guests From Afar in Full Swing.

MEDFORD, Or., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Medford Elksdom tonight dedicated its new \$50,000 temple on North Central avenue with impressive rituals of the order in the presence of 1500 Elks and friends.

United States District Attorney Clarence Reames, of Portland, past exalted ruler of the Medford lodge, delivered the welcoming address while in an eloquent speech I. E. Vining, of Ashland, formally dedicated the new building. During the programme musical selections were rendered by the Elks orchestra and their accompaniment Miss Florence Hazelriggs sang the "Star-Spangled Banner."

The day's programme was concluded by a grand ball in both halls of the Natatorium, music being furnished by a brass band and string orchestra and more than 500 couples being on the floor.

Visitors Are Welcomed Early. Medford arose early to meet the incoming delegations and with a uniformed guard headed by a band the visitors were escorted to the new clubhouse while gaily decorated cars escorted the many automobile parties that came in during the day from all points in Southern Oregon from Roseburg to Klamath Falls.

At noon a venison luncheon was served in the club banquet hall and at 2 o'clock the cornerstone services were held. Owing to inclement weather, the services were held in the clubhouse instead of on the lawn as originally planned.

District Deputy T. E. Daniels laid the stone and Judge R. E. Butler, of The Dalles, State Senator from Wasco County, delivered the address, accompanied by the solemn ceremony participated in by others of the lodge. Practically every lodge in the state was represented at the meeting. More visitors will be arriving with every train tomorrow.

Big Shoot Will Be Held Today.

An interesting feature of the celebration is a gun shoot under the auspices of the Medford Rod and Gun Club, participated in by well-known Elks from all parts of the country. The shooting delegation is headed by Tom Marshall, of Chicago, champion wing shot marksmen; Pete Holman, C. W. McKean, Ed Morris, Jim Reed and J. R. Converse, of Portland.

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ALL VICTORS FAVORITES

EVERY GRAND CIRCUIT RACE IS WON IN STRAIGHT HEATS.

Etawah Lovers His Record for Trotting Mile to 2:03, Despite Breeze in Face in Stretch.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 23.—Pronounced favorite not only won the four races on today's Grand Circuit programme, but they did so without the loss of a heat. Not a driving finish was seen. The time average was the best of the week and Etawah found the track fast enough for the lowering of his record, 2:03 flat, after having come the first half in less than a minute. A breeze hindered him and all the other horses through the last quarter.

Queen Abbas, winner of the 2:10 pace, showed her quality when she stepped the final heat in 2:04½. Napoleon Direct made the fastest time of 2:22.

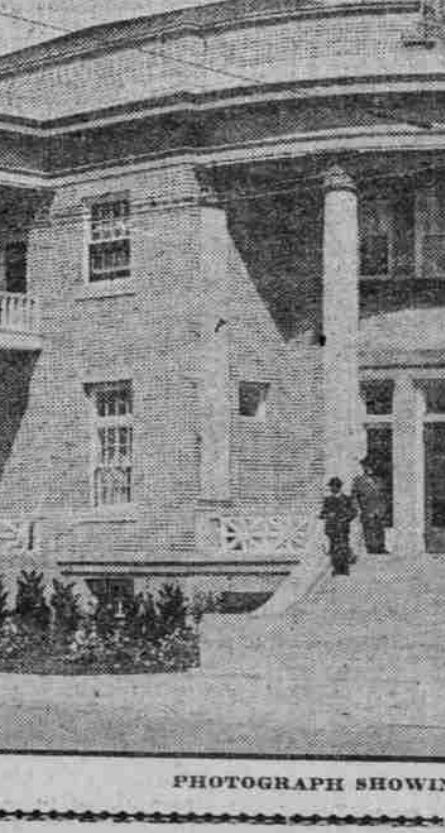
Lutroux McKinney, b. g. (Rodney)... 6 2 4
Fern Hal, Ross Keith, Texas Jim, Kate McKinney, Hal Mapees, Tommy Direct, Lord Seymour, All Direct and Clara Walker also started.

Time, 2:07½, 2:04½, 2:04½.
Capital City stake, 2:08 trotters, 3 in 5, \$3000—
Lizzie Brown, b. m., by The Bondman (Washington)... 1 1 1
Lucille Spier, b. m. (Slaughter)... 2 2 2
Lulu Lumine, b. m. (Murphy)... 2 2 2
Luchessa, Wilgus, Lady Gratton and Bonnington also started.

Time, 2:04½, 2:04½, 2:07.
Free-for-all class pacing, 3 in 5, \$1200—
Napoleon Direct, ch. h., by Walter Direct (Geers)... 1 1 1
Earl Jr., sr. h. (Geary)... 2 2 2
R. N. Brett, b. g. (Grady)... 2 2 2
Walter Cochato and Anna Bradford also started.

Time, 2:02½, 2:02½, 2:03½.
2:10 class trotting, 3 in 5, purse \$1200—
Ames Albingen, b. h., by Albingen (McDonald)... 1 1 1
Darin, b. g. (March)... 2 2 2
Tommy Todd, b. g. (Snow)... 2 2 2
Idora, Worthy, Pony Express, Princess Margaret, Adrey Grey, Harry Potter, Miss Crocena, Zulie Maid and Regardless also started.

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