

BEAVERS TO REPORT CAMP MARCH 14

Bartholemey and McGinnis Are Dropped to Cut List to 25 to Train at Sacramento.

BOTH AT SPOKANE CALL

Because of Shortage of Catchers on Philadelphia Nationals, McCredie Promises to Let Fish Train With Phillies.

BY ROBSON FAWCETT. Portland's Coast League ball talent will be reported on Saturday morning on Tuesday, March 14, for spring training. Manager McCredie made this announcement yesterday, as he dropped a few heads from his training squad in an endeavor to bring the bunch down to a limit of at least 25 players.

Two of the youngsters who will not be asked to report to training are Al Bartholemey, Portland City League backstopper, and McGinnis, a waterharm shortstop who gained the sobriquet of star at Santa Clara College.

Both these young phenomena will be placed at the disposal of the Spokane club of the Northwestern League.

Bartholemey Has Nerve as Plenty. Bartholemey caught a couple of games for Portland last fall and looked like a good bet. One thing sure—Bart has acres and acres of nerve. He showed this by his stellar work against the Seattle champions in last inter-league play at Seattle. It was his first appearance behind the pad for the Beavers, and the ordinary youngster might have been expected to lose his nerve.

The only "blowing" the big City League did, however, was to blow a two-base hit over Hinky Shaw's head about midway in the game and a couple of runners. Bart's throwing arm was well used, too, for not even the redoubtable Jack Smith dared venture more than a few inches off the base.

Shortstop McGinnis has never appeared here, but it is said to be a lightning flasher and promising. He is a Beaver Squad Cut to 25.

The elimination of these two young fellows brings the Beaver squad down to 25 men. McCredie still has several vacancies to fill. He has called for a call in the office of Harry Houdini and a couple of army surgeons to keep within his estimate of 25 grub-sluggers.

As it stands up now, not including Loeber and Derrin, who are still Portland chaffers, the 1916 Portland roster is as follows: Catchers—Fisher and Carlin; holdovers; Fish; Philadelphia; Black, San Francisco youngster.

Pitchers—Higinbotham, Lush, Joyce and Kruse; holdovers; Paak, Sacramento Valley League; Hartman, Washington State College; South; Indian twirler from Headaburg, Cal.; Fuwelder, California youngster, and Smith, a second baseman from Portland youngster came called out by Nick Williams.

Third base—Stump, holdover; Hollick, Kook; holdover; South; holdover; Wolfner, Portland High School star; Cullen, San Rafael, Cal.; youngster came called out by Nick Williams.

These May Not Report in Spring. Three of the above may not report in Spring camp, as, by judgment of the coach, they are unable to get by on only 25 breakfasts every breakfast.

Fish, Hartman and Oulsto are the players not expected to report to a shortage of catchers on the Philadelphia Nationals' staff. McCredie has promised to let Fish do his training with the Phillies in the latter part of the season. He is expected to report to Portland shortly before the Coast season opens on April 4.

St. Mary's Wants to Keep Guleto. St. Mary's College officials are said to be exerting every influence possible to prevent Guleto, the star athlete, deserting them in favor of out-and-out professionals. If Guleto reports McCredie may endeavor to convert him into an outfielder.

Southpaw Hartman already has declared himself. In a letter received yesterday by James J. Richardson, the Washington State manager, he would be unable to report to the Beavers before June 1. He is captain of the college ball team and doesn't want to leave the Pullmanites in the lurch.

Hartman has put on about 20 pounds within the last year and now weighs 160 pounds, striped.

HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHTER WHO HAS BEEN SIGNED TO MEET JESS WILLARD.



Fred Fulton Underwood Photo

WILLARD IS PUZZLED

Champion Finds Fans Critical. No Matter What He Does.

CIRCUS WORK IS DERIDED

Heavyweight Fighter Declares "It's a Funny Game" When Both Open Offers and Retirement From Ring for Time Displease.

BY H. M. WALKER.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—(Special.)—"It's a funny game, boxing," volunteered heavyweight Champion Jess Willard, while here recently. "Nothing a champ does appears to suit the crowd."

"Lookin' what Jones and Curley started out to land a match for me with Jack Johnson. All the sport writers called me a dud, and I was panned and jawed at for being a quitter. I heard a crowd of a chance with the big ding.

"I was fortunate to win, and that put me in good—for the time being. Then I was roasted for jumping into the circus game. The fact that I was making more money than any boxer ever made outside the ring in the same length of time wasn't taken into consideration. Why, often I made as high as \$2500 in one day.

"After a long run with the Wild West show I came to California to rest for a month. Remember, I hadn't been with my family for almost a year. The crowd thought it was time for me to start fighting again, and I was criticized for taking this short vacation.

"In New Orleans I signed a blanket set of articles to meet any opponent I liked. I did the boxing game the old-fashioned way. No, they just started nagging all the heavyweights in sight, and talked of my next match as a 'winker' fight.

"Now, look over the heavyweights—Gunn, Hollick, Coffey, Moran and Flynn. Taken as a bunch they're a bit trayed at the edges. Here's Fulton, a boy of the ring who's been in the last three fights with clean knockouts. Doesn't it look as though I was taking on the most promising boy in sight? Isn't it the history of the boxing game that the old champ, when he finally loses, is whipped by a young man who is 'coming up'?"

"I win from Fulton in March they'll call him an 'easy mark.' If I lose the title the critics would say, 'Willard never was any good; he was simply lucky.' So, what I mean is, 'Here's one I've been saving for you. How many new heavyweight champions ever got back in the ring and defended their title within a year after winning it? Here I am booked up to meet a tough young boy and I haven't enjoyed the honors of being a champion 12 months yet.

"Jim Corbett won the championship in 1892 and he never stepped a foot inside the ring again until 1894. "Lookin' ole Bob Fitzsimmons the grandest ole puncher that ever broke a set of ribs. Bob dropped into the title rights in 1897. And he never showed up at the ringside again until 'way up in June, 1900.

"Jeffries was the exception. He fought as early and often as they allowed him the title. But the majority of champions waited two years before taking a chance. "I rushed my show stuff into 30 weeks of get-the-money work and then took a vacation. I got in good shape and stepped into the ring with the best man to be found.

"Well, I don't seem to be able to please the critics. Nothing I have done seems to suit the crowd. "It's a funny game, boxing."

LONG ISLAND IS PLANNING TO SEND A POLE TEAM TO ENTER THE POLE TOURNAMENT IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA NEXT MONTH.

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3 SEPTETS MAY TIE FOR LEAD TONIGHT

If Victoria and Vancouver Win, Uncle Sams, Seattle and Aristocrats Rank Equal.

CAPTAIN OATMAN NOT WELL

Portland Leader May Not Be Able to Be in Game at Hippodrome. 'Mickey' Mackay Out of Game Since He Got Bump on Head.

Pacific Coast Hockey Standings table with columns for Team, W, L, T, Pts, Goals For, Goals Against.

There is a bare possibility that three teams will be tied for the leadership of the Pacific Coast Hockey Association after tonight's game. The Portland Uncle Sams are billed to oppose the Victoria Aristocrats in the Portland Ice Hippodrome, and at the same time the Seattle Ice arena will be housing the Seattle Vancouver City team.

Victories for both the Canadian septets would cause Victoria, Portland and Seattle to share honors for first place, with three wins and two defeats apiece.

Manager Frank Patrick, of Vancouver, is slated to get in the game against Seattle, and this will add to the Victoria-Captain Oatman game of Portland, and Manager Lester Patrick, of Victoria, are on the sick list for the game here, so this appears to be some sort of a stand-off. Both contests will start promptly at 8:30 o'clock tonight.

'Mickey' Mackay, the stellar Vancouver forward, received such a bump in the last game against Victoria that he has been unable to do much since, and as a result Manager Patrick does not know who will be substituted should the occasion arise.

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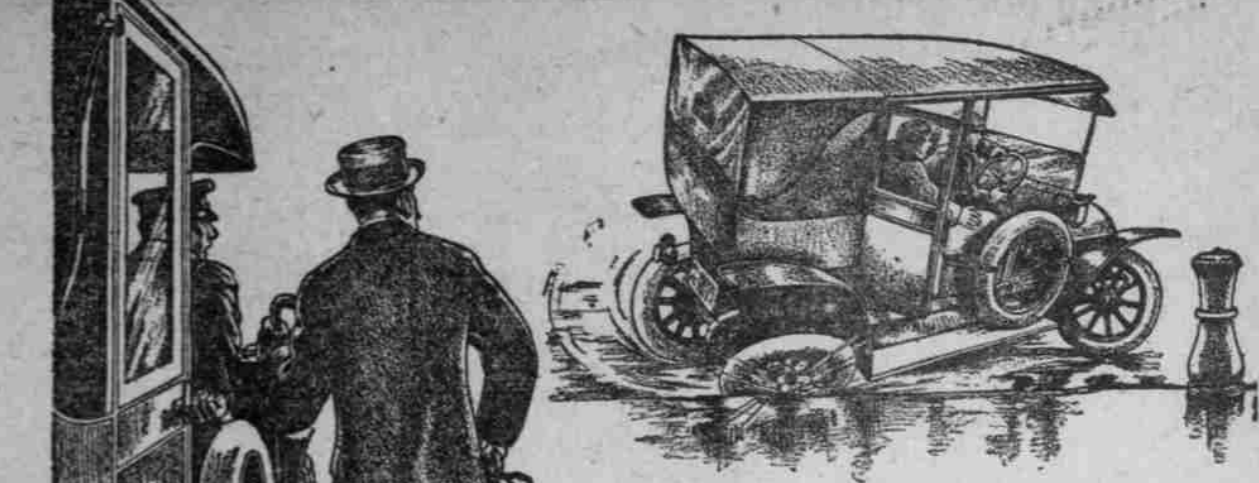
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DARCY TO GET BOUT

Go With Somers Expected in Near Future.

PORTLAND BOY HAS CHANCE

Good Showing in Match in Portland January or February With Australian Middleweight Expected. Root and Bonds May Meet.

BY EDWARD HILL. A bout that may be staged at one of the Portland boxing clubs the latter part of January or in February that should attract considerable attention is the one between Les Darcy, the Australian middleweight, and Al Sommers, the Portland milt artist.

The Australian fans Sommers looks like the goods. It is admitted that he is as yet just a green kid. Still he shows enough for a youngster to merit watching. The bout with Darcy can do him a great deal of good and little or no harm.

Should he make a good showing with the Australian, or, better still, score a victory, his name will be made and his manager, Bobby Evans, will have his hands full taking care of the youth.

Although nothing definite has been given out by the officials of the Rose City Athletic Club, it looks like the first card to be staged after New Year's will have Joe Bonds, the Tacoma heavyweight, and Jack Root, Ted Lom's heavy, as the main attraction.

It is noted that Tex Vernon is still claiming the featherweight championship of the Northwest. A bout was recently staged in Tacoma between Young Turkey and Tex, which was billed as being for the feather title of the Northwest. Evidently Tex has forgotten how Billy Mascott so neatly trimmed him here a short time ago.

At any rate there is a question as to whether or not Tex ever held the first card to be staged after New Year's will have Joe Bonds, the Tacoma heavyweight, and Jack Root, Ted Lom's heavy, as the main attraction.

There will be more than 12 feet of fighters in the ring when Jess Willard and Fred Fulton meet in New Orleans. They are the tallest boxers that ever stepped into the ring in pairs. The champion measures six feet six inches, while Fulton stands six feet five inches in his bathrobe. This makes a total of 12 feet 11 inches.

Despite the fact that boxing benefits have sort of wearied the ring followers, there were more than 1900 fight fans at the benefit given "Kid" Lavigne recently in New York. The reception tendered the "Saginaw Kid" who had seen Lavigne battle in London and brought the world's championship to these shores, was quite an affair, according to the New York press.

Among those gathered were men prominent in all walks of life. There was also present a number of the old guard, who had seen Lavigne battle in his prime. He received a rousing reception when he stepped into the ring and then proceeded to take a few incidents of his life as a boxer.

The value of boxing as a training stunt is fast being recognized by the colleges of this country. No less than 47 now allow boxing in the gymnasiums.

AMERICAN LEAGUE CLUB WANTS TO BUY CATCHERS ARCHER AND FISCHER AND OUTFIELDERS FLACK AND ZWILLING, OF THE AMATEUR CUBS AND WHALES, ACCORDING TO A TELEGRAM SIGNED BY COLONEL JACOB RUPPERT, OF THE YANKEES, RECEIVED TODAY BY CHARLES WEEHMAN.

BENEFIT RECEIPTS IS PUZZLE

Meeting of Red Cross Soccer Game Committee Is Called.

"Scotty" Duncan is having a hard time trying to find out just how much was raised at the benefit soccer game for the British Red Cross fund. The game was played almost two months ago between the Dreadnoughts and the Invincibles on the Vaughn-street grounds.

"Scotty" has called a meeting of the committee which had charge of the affair to meet him at Bowie & Caldwell's, in the Pittock block, tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. Those who have unsold tickets must be present to make a report, according to Duncan.

AMATEURS PLAY TOMORROW

Ice Hockey Schedule for Hippodrome Again Is Changed.

Another change has been made in the date for the official opening of the Portland Amateur Hockey Association 1915-16 season. Because of the Victoria-Portland game in the Portland Ice Hippodrome tonight and the annual

New Year's dance under the auspices of the O. W. R. & N. Employees' Club Thursday night, the first contest of the amateur league will be played in the Portland Ice Hippodrome tomorrow night, the original date.

Jack Ogilvie, one of the best players in the amateur circuit last year, will play in his old position at rover for the O. W. R. & N. septet against the Waverley Country Club aggregation tomorrow. Both teams have a large following and considerable rivalry exists between the two clubs.

LOOK OF A Grouch.

Achison Globe. The most painful expression is that of a chronic grouch trying to look pleasant.

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Prices, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25. Seats ordered and not paid for will not be held after 7:30 the night of the game.

Portland Ice Hippodrome 21st and Marshall Take W, 23d, 16th or Lovejoy Cars.

Advertisement for W-B CUT Real Tobacco Chew, featuring a cartoon illustration of a man and a dog, and text describing the product's quality and availability.

WASHINGTON SOCCER MEN OUT Bob Hankin Will Coach High School Eleven in 1916. Bob Hankin, who played on the two state championship Mount Scott soccer teams in 1912 and 1913 and who later played with the Rangers and managed the Thistles in the Portland Soccer Football Association, has been selected to coach the 1916 Washington High School eleven. He had his athletes out yesterday afternoon on the East Twelfth and East Davis streets grounds for a workout, and 14 responded, although this is the holiday season. The first contest for Washington High is against Jefferson High on January 17, but before that he wants to obtain several practice games for the Washingtonians. To reach Coach Hankin call Taylor 376. The boys will practice again this afternoon on the same grounds.

Bits of Sport CHARLES BRICKLEY, the great Harvard football star, being honored as a probable champion by the University of California football team during the 1916 campaign to succeed Jimmy Schaefer. The manager has been making over the record of the former Harvard athlete and from all accounts is being favored. One of the drawbacks for the position is that he has a limited experience as coaching. A tip for the Chicago statisticians who are great on telling about the statistics of each campaign has been given by an Eastern critic. He says take the case of Vincent Hunt,