

BEAVERS MAY HAVE TWO 4-WEEK STAYS

Judge McCredie Believes His Draft of Schedule Is One Adopted.

OPENING HERE IS LATER

Owner of Portland Club Thinks by Delaying Play Until April 18 Possibility of Rain Is Less.

Although complete details of the 1916 Coast League schedule will not be known until Walter McCredie returns from San Francisco, it is believed that Portland will have baseball four weeks at a stretch in mid-season this year.

In former years three weeks has been the longest continuous time any of the Beavers.

"Judging from the opening and balling dates set over the telegraph wires, my opinion is that the schedule will be as follows: Portland, Feb. 20, 1916, McCredie yesterday.

"This will give us only two weeks after September instead of three weeks which would minimize the chances of raining out."

Opening day in Portland will fall on April 12. Last year it rained on April 12, which was the date set for the opening, and the year previous rain on April 12 likewise insured an attempt to break the Coast League attendance record.

"Opening on April 12 will enable us to dodge the rain," declared Judge McCredie. "Traditionally it is little rain along about the 12th to 15th, but in the 11 years we have been connected with baseball here, it has never rained on April 12."

Although times are hard, I would like to see Portland smash the league record of approximately 19,000 paid admissions. San Francisco holds this record when the new park was opened a few years ago."

Portland fans appear to be highly enthusiastic at the acquisition of Frank Chance as part owner and manager of the Los Angeles Coast Leagueers.

"Chance was born at Fresno, Cal. 27 years ago. He began his career with the Chicago Cubs in 1904, following which he played for the Boston Braves and the New York Yankees.

Chance succeeded in the management of the Chicago Cubs in 1908, following which he was a catcher for the Chicago National League, and then for the St. Louis American League.

Chance was able to quit and go to New York to become a manager of a minor league team.

With these spoils he purchased a fruit ranch near Los Angeles and he returned to this country in 1910 after a disastrous experiment at New York.

Chance is said to have paid Tom Donnelly considerably less than he worked over for his one-third interest in the Angels.

Waiver rule may stretch National Commission Yet to Settle Club-Whale, Brown-Terrier Angles.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 7.—August Herrmann, chairman of the National Baseball Commission, said that the question as to whether Charles Weegman, who is the prospective purchaser of the Chicago National League, and Earl Miebush, of St. Louis American League, could dispose of their former Federal League players without asking for waivers from the leagues of which they were members has not yet been decided.

The question will be taken up next week at the National commission meeting, Mr. Herrmann said.

"These are the men who were on the Chicago National League team and the St. Louis American League team before they were sold," he said, "and the old rule applies; that is, waivers in that league must be obtained before they can be disposed of out of that league."

Hockey franchise is \$20,000 High Price Set by Canadian Athletic Club of Montreal.

MONTREAL, Jan. 7.—It probably will be somewhat of a revelation to people in the United States to learn that the professional hockey is taken so seriously in even these war times in Canada that the Canadian Athletic Club of Montreal demanded \$20,000 for the hockey franchise in the National Hockey Association of Canada, which contains six clubs.

BIRDS FED BY SPORTSMEN

Sherwood Rod and Gun Club Scatter Food While Snow Lasts.

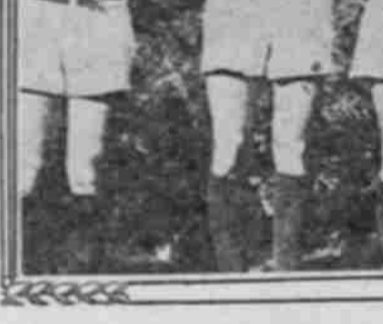
SHERWOOD, Or., Jan. 6.—(Special.)—Through efforts of the Sherwood Rod and Gun Club of this city, more than a ton of food has been distributed to the game and song birds of this vicinity during the recent heavy snow.

One of the members donated the use of his automobile and others volunteered their services to collect and distribute the food. A systematic census of the city was made and stale bread, meat scraps, wheat, oats, mill feed, etc., were donated for the purpose.

GOLF STICKS NOT OBTAINABLE Manufacturers Find Dearth of Proper Kind of Hickory.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—A serious problem now faces golfers, and year after year its importance is being more forcibly impressed upon them. This is the scarcity of good golf shafts. Complaints are being heard daily from many clubmakers that they cannot get the proper growth of hickory needed to supply the demand, and, as with the

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players, there is a necessity for some relief of the situation. This will not be easy to find. Hickory shafts are barred by the railways or to make up shafts and to date no substitute for wood has been perfected.

There are a number of men now experimenting to overcome this lack of wood shafts by providing a substitute that will not be a mechanical contrivance, but unless arrangement is given to them, they will not be successful. It will be a long while before definite results will be achieved. Naturally, every high-class clubmaker is anxious to get the best hickory shafts available, and the situation is such that they are forced either to accept inferior quality. They cannot obtain the hickory shaft they need.

WEST HAS RECOGNITION

DR. STEWART SAYS PULLMAN VICTORY OPENED EYES OF EAST.

Oregon Aggie Coach Is on Collegiate Board and Bohler Is Chosen as Basketball Rules Body.

Two officers out of 19 covering the entire United States in the National Collegiate Association were awarded to the West at the 19th annual meeting of the organization held in Hotel Astor, New York, December 22 and 23. Dr. E. J. Stewart, head coach of the Oregon Agricultural College, was elected representative of the eighth district and J. Frederick Bohler, director of athletics at Washington State College, was made a member of the basketball rules committee.

Dr. Stewart arrived from the East yesterday and will leave early this morning for Corvallis. The Aggies are scheduled to meet the University of California basketball team Wednesday afternoon at 8 o'clock in the gymnasium. Coach Stewart wants to get back to school to handle the boys the last few days.

"The West gained more recognition than ever before," said Dr. Stewart last night, "and it all happened because of the showing made in football. The Brown University, Washington State College game at Pasadena last Saturday had a great deal to do with opening the eyes of the Easterners."

A Nightmare for Him.

"Falling," says the fond wife, "I dreamed last night that you gave me a diamond necklace for Christmas."

"You did?"

"Yes and I woke up laughing like a child."

"Fish. If I'd dreamed that I gave you a diamond necklace I'd have wakened the whole neighborhood with my groans."

EXPERT LADS TEAM

Eckersall Says He Never Saw Better Eleyen Than Pullman.

CARL DIETZ GETS PRAISE Ability to Hold Feet on Slippery Field Amazes Washington Veteran.

Walter Eckersall, the former All-American quarterback, says Washington State College opened his eyes in the Browns game at Pasadena. Eckersall referred to the 1.0 Western victory.

"There is not a better football team in the country, barring not Cornell, Harvard or any of them," said Eckersall upon his return to Chicago. "I do not believe I ever saw a better one at any time. This fellow Carl Dietz hits the line harder than any man I have seen in years. These Northwestern

PROTECTION OF BEAR WANTED Hood River Sportsmen to Propose Bill to Prevent Killing.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Jan. 6.—(Special.)—If plans inaugurated by the Hood River County Game Protective Association materialize, the Oregon bear will be protected as a game animal. The local game club will endeavor to secure the co-operation of other similar organ-

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It will be a great season for the players, Tener asserted, because they were shown such consideration by the club owners in the settlement that they are sure to play at top speed.

The scramble for players continues with the Yanks in the field for Jimmy Archer, who may be out of a job when Joe Tinker takes hold of the new Cubs. Tinker, Charley Weegman's choice for manager, may retain Roger Bresnahan as his first base backstop. The Yanks also asked figures on Outfielders Flack and Zwilling.

TACOMA BOUTS TO CONTINUE Northwest Boxers Only Will Be Allowed in Ring.

TACOMA, Jan. 4.—Although announcement to the effect that the lid would go on the boxing game January 1, along with the prohibition law, was made several weeks ago, it became known today that local affairs between Seattle and Tacoma boys and boxers living in this section will be permitted by the authorities.

BERKELEY FINE HERE

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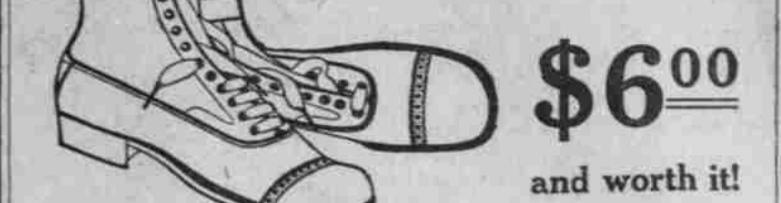
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STROUD GOES EAST FOR COACH Several Football Stars Applicants for Job at California.

BERKELEY, Cal., Jan. 6.—Graduate Manager John A. Stroud, of the University of California, left last night for the East for the purpose, it was announced, of engaging a football coach for the varsity squad next season. His first stop will be Chicago.

It was said that a number of well-known Eastern coaches had applied for the position, but that their names would be kept secret. Stroud will meet some of the men in the East and will canvass the field thoroughly, he said, before making any recommendation.

Change in Rules of Basketball for Interscholastic Play Proposed.

At a meeting of the coaches of the various basketball teams in the Portland Interscholastic League in the Washington High School last night, Charles Ertford, of Reed College, was selected as the referee for the 1916 basketball season. Final ratification of the selection will be made this afternoon, when the board of directors of the circuit meets in the committee room of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club.

A suggestion was made that a change be made regarding the calling of personal fouls, to cover the local situation. At present the rules say that after four personal fouls have been committed the player who has made the four penalties must be ejected from the contest. One or two of the local coaches wanted

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