

FACTIONS IN CAST BASEBALL ALIGNED

Salt Lake Vote Likely to Decide Salaries-Berry Is Non-Committal.

TIE REGARDED POSSIBLE

Seal Owner Says "Between You and Me and Gatepost" He Doesn't Think There Will Be Any Change From \$4500.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—It will in all probability be up to Salt Lake to cast the deciding vote as to whether the Pacific Coast League, having decided on a \$4500 salary limit, will now disregard, or rather abandon, that resolution, and boost the ante to \$5000.

Henry Berry, San Francisco owner, who returned today after one of his frequent visits to the Southland, while refusing to take any decided stand, certainly gave the impression "that to say the least he does not object to an increase."

Judge McCredie, of Portland, together with Leavitt and Cook, of Oakland, are on the side of the present system of things. Ed Maier, of Vernon, and Johnny Powers, of the Angels, are just as assured in favor of giving their managers a little more money.

Berry says he is for League. Berry might be the balance wheel, but he is apparently anything but eager to come out in the open and declare himself. Interviewers who have given Henry the once over as well as the up and down are convinced that when Berry does vote it will be to string with the Southerners. He leaves you with that impression, even though there is no definite word one way or another.

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McCredie must have had one of his weekly "peevish," said Patterson. "He should know that Berry is not interested in the Vernon club in the least way. His statements were made because Mr. Baum wants to raise the monthly salary limit of the Coast League, while the McCredies are opposed to it."

John E. Powers, of the Angels, laughed at the Portland story. "You can say that Berry does not own a single share of stock in the Los Angeles club," said Powers. "The rest is scattered among a half dozen stockholders."

"Practically all the stock in the club last year was owned by Tom Darmody and myself. Chance has 750 shares and I have 1500. The rest is scattered among a half dozen stockholders."

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DREW TIES RECORD

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gathered up their luggage and started West. This morning they will reach the end of their journey in Portland, for Portland is the northernmost extremity of the Southern Pacific route of way. They will be here at least a day, but if John M. Scott, general passenger agent of the road in Portland, has his way about it, they will be here three or four days.

The party consists of 13 men and two women. The men are representatives of the Southern Pacific in various Eastern cities. Two of them are accompanied by their wives. They are traveling in a special car. It is the purpose of the trip to acquaint the people with the Western country, particularly the territory traversed by the Southern Pacific.

The personnel of the party is as follows: G. H. Vogel, Buffalo, N. Y.; J. R. Ranspacher, Philadelphia; George B. Brown, Boston; J. A. Blaser, Boston; Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Anderson, New York; Mr. and Mrs. J. Kiphaunt, New York; Thomas Ashton, New York; J. M. Mauden, St. Louis; L. B. Banks, St. Louis; George H. Seibert, Cincinnati; L. E. McFarland, Kansas City; W. H. Steer, Birmingham, Ala.; H. F. Starke, Pittsburg.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—Howard P. Drew, running for the University of Southern California, equaled the world's record made by himself of 7 1-5 seconds in the 70-yard dash at the annual indoor track and field games of the Millrose Athletic Association in Madison Square Garden tonight. Drew finished only inches ahead of Roy W. Morse, of this city.

In the two-mile handicap walk, George Goulding, of Toronto, to world's champion at this distance, started at scratch and was unable to overtake Edward Benz, of this city, who had a handicap of 40 seconds.

Dave Caldwell, of Boston, won the 600-yard scratch race from J. E. ("Ted") Meredith, of the University of Pennsylvania, by two yards.

The summary: Special, 70-yard dash.—Won by Howard P. Drew, University of Southern California; Roy W. Morse, Bates; Crescent A. C., New York, second; Joseph G. Loomis, Chicago A. C., third; Frank L. Stephenson, Brooklyn, fourth. Time, 7:1-5 seconds; equis world's record.

70-yard dash, handicap.—Won by C. W. Lewis, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (4 feet); I. T. Howe, Boston U. M. A. C. (2 feet); James R. Meredith, Brooklyn, third. Time, 7:2-5 seconds.

Two-mile handicap walk.—Won by Edward Benz, Toronto, Canada, (scratch), second; Richard Reiner, New York, unattached, 40 seconds; James R. Meredith, Goulding's time was 13:50-2-3, which was 11-4 seconds behind his own world's record of 13:38-2-3.

150-mile run, scratch.—Won by J. W. Gordon, Yale, unattached; W. F. Gordon, New York A. C., third. Time, 6:33.

600-yard run, scratch.—Won by Dave S. Caldwell, Boston, second; Joseph T. Higgins, Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass., third; Homer Baker, New York, unattached, fourth; Thomas J. Halpin, Boston A. A., fifth. Time 1:14.

PAROLE RELEASE ASKED

DUTCH EX-VICE CONSUL MATTHEWS REPAYS SHORTAGE. Official Formerly Stationed in Portland Now Member of London Contracting Firm.

Contending that restitution totaling \$20,000 has been made by the family of J. W. Matthews, ex-Vice-Consul of the Netherlands in Portland, to the International Mortgage & Banking Company, of Appeldoorn, Holland, and that Matthews now is a director in a large London firm, Attorney Wallace McCann yesterday filed in the Circuit Court a petition for the discharge of Matthews from his parole.

For irregularities as agent for the Holland concern, Matthews was sentenced on December 18, 1914, to from one to 10 years in the penitentiary by Judge McGinn, who admitted the prisoner to parole out of consideration for his wife and two daughters.

Since that time, it is alleged in the petition for discharge, Matthews' family have made many sacrifices to make good the losses he was responsible for, and have paid to date \$20,000 to the Holland firm. In the meantime, Matthews is said to have entered the contracting business in London.

RAIL AGENTS VISIT WEST

SOUTHERN PACIFIC PARTY COMES FROM EAST OF MISSISSIPPI. Object of Four in Special Car That Arrives Today Is to Acquaint Employees With Territory.

"See America First," said the Southern Pacific, along with other railroads that hustle for business and advertising.

"Huh!" ejaculated a host of Southern Pacific agents in the Eastern part of these United States who never have crossed the Mississippi river.

"That's nice, consistent doctrine for us to be preaching to others when we never have seen it ourselves," they commented.

"See America First." This time the slogan became a command and the Southern Pacific agents in all the territory between Boston and St. Louis

BOOZE CONTENTION LOST

COURT HOLDS TRANSFER COMPANIES NOT COMMON CARRIERS. Test Case Is Decided in Favor of Railway—Owner Secures Beer by Calling in Person.

"Common carriers," as considered by the dry amendment, are interpreted by Circuit Judge Kavanaugh to include railroad, express and steamship companies, but not local transfer companies.

The demurrer to the writ of mandamus secured by Rudolph Wilhelm, of the Wilhelm Transfer Company, to compel the Southern Pacific Company to deliver to him beer consigned to J. P. Ryan, of 55 Ninth street, but routed "via" the transfer company, was sustained by Judge Kavanaugh yesterday after the action started, as a test case.

Though the beer in dispute in the case before the court could not be delivered to the transfer company if the mandamus had been upheld, as it had already been turned over directly to the consignee, who called at the railroad office, it was determined to continue with the action started, as a test case.

Eight shipments of beer were being held by the Southern Pacific pending the decision of the case, the railroad refusing to turn the beer to the transfer companies by which the consignments were routed. The railroad held that such action would be illegal under the law.

Companies engaged in transporting goods between fixed points were held by the court to be the common carriers intended by the dry law.

Y. W. C. A. IS TO BANQUET

Annual Membership Jubilee to Be Held Saturday.

The annual banquet and rally of members of the Young Women's Christian Association will be held Saturday evening at 6:30 in the auditorium of the association.

As this is the jubilee year for the Y. W. C. A., a special effort is being made to have a large number of members present. A special table is to be reserved for them.

The annual membership banquet is always one of the big events in the local association work and a large attendance of the present members is expected.

I. P. Oehler Cited by Court.

Irving P. Oehler, whose latest charity scheme resulted in his arrest and conviction of fraud, must appear in the Circuit Court and show cause why the parole granted him for previous offenses should not be revoked, according to an order issued yesterday. The "Christian Relief Society" expose resulted in a fine of \$50 by District Judge Dayton, and the present action is to have Oehler committed for a year in the County Jail for the larceny charge on which he was paroled by Circuit Judge Gantenbein in October.

Six-Year-Old Girl Missing.

Helen Subertich, 6 years old, has been missing for several days near the limits on the Linton road since Tuesday morning, when she started to school. The little girl's mother fears that the child has been kidnaped by relatives, but she spoke English so brokenly that the police were unable to learn why the mother thought so.

Woman's Hip Hurt in Fall.

Mrs. J. S. Winnie, of the Brown Apartments, fractured her hip last night by falling on the sidewalk at Broadway and Taylor streets. She was taken to the Good Samaritan Hospital by the Ambulance Service Company.

MOLLIE BOWERS IS BAKY AND IN JAIL

Brother Also Is Locked Up. Woman Faces Charge of Abducting Own Child.

MARIAN PREFERS MOTHER

Small Cause of Much Trouble Practices of Runaway Trip—Hearing Before Grand Jury Is Set for Today.

The child prattling of the kindness of the probation officer who bought her candy and peanuts on the train ride to Portland, the mother making no attempt to conceal her anger and the brother nonchalantly explaining that he had nothing to do with the kidnaping, Mollie Bowers, five-year-old Marian Bowers and Clell Stump arrived in Portland yesterday afternoon from Aberdeen, Wash.

They were apprehended in that city Tuesday, after a search beginning last Saturday with the abduction of the youngster, who was a ward of the Juvenile Court.

"I want to go to jail! I want to be behind the bars!" stormed the pretty divorcee, whose last chance to secure possession of the child for whom she has been fighting in Oregon courts for two years probably was ruined by the kidnaping, when Mrs. A. E. Cosgriff, head of the home-placing department of the Juvenile Court, offered sympathy.

"I didn't have anything to do with the kidnaping—I only followed Mollie to Aberdeen, Wash., from trouble. Stump, the brother, tried to explain to H. M. Dukes, probation officer.

"It was lots fun traveling," demurely explained little Marian. She stood upon a chair, smiling and chatting with attaches of the Juvenile Court, all of whom were old friends of the youngster who has seen much of courts in her life. The disposition of the child, planned at the conclusion of the trial January 15, when Judge Cleiton offered the mother another chance, was, Marian was to go to the home of Mrs. L. B. Saxton, at Barton, Or., where she was to have been kept until Mollie Bowers proved to the satisfaction of the court that she could live a straight life. Could she convince the court at the end of the trial that she was a fit and proper person to care for the child, she was to be awarded her daughter.

It is expected that indictments charging Mrs. Bowers and Stump with child-stealing will be returned by the grand jury today. Meanwhile they are both held in the County Jail in lieu of \$1000 bond.

The child has not known her mother, as a mother, for long. "Would you like to go back to Mr. and Mrs. Grant's probation office?" Dukes asked Marian. The Grants had the care of the child in Dallas and became much attached to her.

"No," she pouted, and stamped her little foot. "Why not? Weren't they nice to you?"

"Yes, they're nice." "Who do you want to go to?" "I want to go to Mollie Bowers!"

As a disguise, Mrs. Bowers took with her last Friday some of her oldest clothes and dressed the child in shabby garments. With permission from the Juvenile Court officers, Mrs. Bowers appeared at the Fraser Detention Home at 1 o'clock today. She took the child to her room in the Courthouse.

Instead she hurried the youngster into a waiting taxi and drove to Vancouver. There she telephoned for her brother to join her.

Frank Thrasher, probation officer, located the runaway in Aberdeen. There the girl was picked up by a mother and returned to Stumps, who planned to leave for Portland. The girl threatened to fight extradition, but could not secure a lawyer for less than \$50.

The money she gave up for the idea of fighting.

PAROLE BREAKER NABBED

Searchers for Escaped Convict Find Man Who Didn't Report.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—While looking for George Clark, the escaped convict, Chief Engineer Barlow, of the Albany Police Department, yesterday found a parole-breaker, here today. Wilson was putting in wood at the City Recorder's office and had been doing several odd jobs for the city. He was returned to the Penitentiary.

Wilson was sent up from Eastern Oregon on a charge of horse stealing for from one to ten years. After serving the first year he was paroled but failed to report each month.

FAIR GROUND PAVING ASKED

Preparation of Roads Advocated by Salem Commercial Club.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—An effort to obtain the paving of the Fairgrounds road before the next State Fair will be made by the Salem Commercial Club. The matter is now in the hands of a committee that will interview owners of adjacent property along the road to obtain their consent to the road's construction.

An attempt to pave the road was made last year before the fair, but inability to induce all the property owners to help pay the cost led to the project being dropped.

HOP SALES ARE CONFIRMED

Purchase by T. A. Livesley Also Announced and Demand Grows.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The Oregon Hopgrowers' Association today announced that it had sold a large block of its holdings to T. A. Livesley, of San Francisco, and also considerable amounts to T. A. Livesley and Louis Lachmund, of this city. The amounts and prices were withheld.

The market here for the last few days has been especially active with an increasing demand apparent for good quality hops from buyers representing Eastern and foreign firms.

CLACKAMAS CAMPAIGN OPENS MONDAY

OREGON CITY, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The first of a series of political rallies in Clackamas County will be held at Etacada next Monday at 1 o'clock, when George C. Brownell, of Oregon City, and E. D. Olds, of Oak Grove, will be the principal speakers. Both men are Republican candidates for the Legislature.

FIRST ANNUAL AUTOMOBILE SALON

Multnomah Hotel January 24th to 29th 2 to 10:30 P. M. PACKARD DODGE CADILLAC JEFFERY DETROIT ELECTRIC No Admission Fee COVEY MOTOR CAR CO. FRANK C. RIGGS COMPANY

TREATY GROUND BLASTED CASE TO PROTECT INDIAN RIGHTS MEETS ODD TURN. Navigation Improvements May Have Eliminated Entirely "Accustomed Fishing Place" on River. Did Indians of the Yakima Nation lose the fishing rights they may have had under the treaty of 1855 at Lone Tree Point, just at the head of Three-Mile Rapids in the Columbia River above The Dalles, when the Government, between 1890 and 1898, in the interests of navigation, blasted away the point where it jutted into the stream?

HEILIG Tonight 8:15 TOMORROW BARGAIN Mat. Sat. 2:15 "The Bird of Paradise" 6 Nights Next Monday Walker Whiteside

BAKER THEATRE The Baker players score another big winner 7 KEYS TO BALDPATE Geo. M. Cohen's great mystery play. Everybody is talking about it. All the best bargains, Friday, Sat., 2:00. Evening, 7:30. Next week, "In Wyoming," by William Mank.

ALBANY MERCHANT DEAD James Lewis Tomlinson Victim of Sudden Illness. ALBANY, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—James Lewis Tomlinson, one of Albany's most prominent business men, died suddenly today at the age of 50 years. He was apparently in the best of health yesterday.

REGISTRATION DROPS ANEW Snow Storm Holds Number Signing Up in Books to Week's Lowest. Registration took another body-blow from Boreas yesterday, the snow storm of the morning limiting the number of citizens to register at the Courthouse to the lowest of the week.

OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS Members Portland Osteopathic Assn. Barrett, Dr. H. Lester, 415 Morgan Bldg. Phone Main 420. Heald, Dr. I. W., 910 Selling Bldg. Main 2212. Kelleher, Dr. William G., 908 Taylor Bldg. Phone Main 554, 544. Lewis, Dr. H. H., 101 Morgan Bldg. Phone Main 100, 201. Leonard, Dr. H. H., 101 Morgan Bldg. Phone Main 100, 201. Llewellyn, Dr. Virginia V., 612 Morgan Bldg. Phone Main 1497. Moore, Dr. F. E., and H. C. F., 908 Selling Bldg. Main 610, 2460. Northrup, Dr. H. H., 101 Morgan Bldg. Phone Main 100, 201. Walker, Dr. E. S., 124 East 24th St. North. Phone East 2829.