

M'GREE DOESN'T FEAR VERNONS

Paterson's Team Not Regarded as Better Than Last Year's Club.

PITCHERS NOT RELIABLE

Berger and Kane Likely to Be Sorely Missed—Chadbourne May Yet Revert to Braves—Portland Sorry to Lose Hoff.

BY RONCOE FAWETT.

Eddie Mauer has spent his money lavishly to get a winner for Vernon in 1916 but somehow Walt McCredie can't see his team as a championship prospect.

McCredie doesn't think the new Tiger team, Ham Patterson, has as good a chance as "Doc" White pitched to fourth in the Coast League last year.

"I may be mistaken, but I think Los Angeles, Portland, San Francisco and Salt Lake will finish ahead of Vernon this year," pronounced Mauer yesterday, stern-faced in his team-building pitch.

"I asked 'Doc' White one day last fall who were his most valuable players and he replied: 'Kane and Berger. Neither of these men will be with the team under Patterson. McCredie may develop a few pitchers, but that's all. He may fill Berger's shoes. Ray Bates may do as well as second, although I doubt if he will hit as well as he did last year.'"

"As a unit, though, I am not particularly impressed with the Vernon team. Mauer used to be a strong pitcher but he was in a slump last year and may not emerge. Personally, I like the Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland and Salt Lake outfielders better than Vernon's."

Ray Hill, Johnson, Fromme and Mitchell will be the Vernon pitching mainstays, with Berger and Chadbourne the latter of Boston, billed for the backstop.

FEDERAL LEAGUE INFIELDER, WHOSE CONTRACT WAS FORWARDED TO PORTLAND FROM ST. LOUIS YESTERDAY.



BOBBY VAUGHN, SECOND BASEMAN ST. LOUIS FEDS.

finding Abel R. Kiviat and Harry J. Smith, New York track athletes, guilty of professionalism, it was announced tonight.

Baseball, Football, Boxing Personal Touches in Sports.

CHARLIE SCHMIDT, the big first-baseman of the Boston Braves, has not been in the best of health.

Jack Curley is said to be considering the possibility of leaving the Boston Braves to join the New York Yankees.

On one occasion, a line in the days of 1908 Cap Anson hammered a ball over the fence, but refused to advance further than first base.

John McEwen is strong for lead-entitled pitcher and posses on starting National League game again this season at home.

WILLARD WILL GET \$47,500 FOR BOUT

Champion Signs Contract to Box Moran 10 Rounds on March 17.

OPPONENT GETS \$20,000

First Payment is Made and Big New York Match is Assured. Seats Will Sell at From \$5 to \$25 Each.

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—Jess Willard, heavyweight champion, will be paid at the rate of \$1583.33 a month for his 10-round fight with Eddie Moran in New York March 17.

Moran's activities in the New York ring will be compensated at the rate of \$20,000 from the promoters. These sums constitute the largest purse ever offered for a 10-round contest.

Tom Jones, manager for Willard, received a check for \$2500 from Dave Lewinsohn, representing Rickard and McCracken.

ELDERLY TO HELP GOVERN

China Patterns After System of Japanese. Distinguished Members of New Bureau to Enjoy Special Privileges and Solve Issue of Etiquette.

PEKING, Dec. 24.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—China is to have a bureau of elder statesmen much after the Japanese plan.

This body of elderly notables should be useful to the president in avoiding questions of precedent which may arise as a result of his former subordination to many of the elder officials now in the government.

ART SEEN IN FINLAND

CIVILIZATION MARCHES ON IN SPITE OF WAR.

HELSINGFORS, Finland, Jan. 4.—Civilization is marching on in Finland unchecked by war. Three art exhibitions are being held at the same time, and sane, wholesome and vigorous work is shown.

For Jones has the knack of getting the best people together. He is a man of few words, but he is a man of many ideas.

HOCKEY MEN LEAVE

Game Tonight Has Important Place in League Race.

LEAD RINGS ON OUTCOME

Tuesday's Contest With Vancouver in Portland May Be Postponed if Weather Conditions Get No Better.

Unless the present weather conditions are better, the Vancouver-Portland ice hockey game scheduled for Tuesday night may be postponed.

Dr. Earl Smith, the club physician, gave his athletes the usual check-up yesterday noon and he reported that all were in the best possible condition.

HIGHER TARIFF FAVORED

Democrat Admits Wilson Will Have Hard Sailing With Plans.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—"There can be no doubt that the country at large does not approve all of the Administration's program," said former Representative A. W. Taylor, a Democrat, of Colorado.

MR. FORAKER'S PRIDE HURT

Ex-Senator Would Not Humiliate Himself by Asking Permission.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 29.—Ex-United States Senator Foraker in a statement recently declared his annoyance over the efforts of well-wishers to have him run for Congress.

EXTRA FINGERS CUT OFF

Five-Year-Old Girl Had Six Digits on Each Hand.

WILMINGTON, Del., Feb. 1.—Physicians at the Delaware Hospital amputated a finger from each hand of 5-year-old Elsie Mills.

MEN WHO BUY THEIR CLOTHES ON CREDIT

have a big advantage over those who pay cash for their clothes, for this reason: The men who make use of their credit to buy their clothing on installment look well dressed at the time.

Get the point? Suppose you yourself have \$10 tomorrow to spare for new clothes. Where can you go and get a suit half-way decent for that money?

Rule 51, the first section, makes it appear that the umpire has nothing to do in the matter unless the mistake is discovered before a ball has been pitched to the batter.

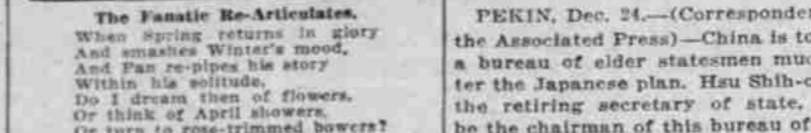
The umpire should be given the right to call a runner out on a play that is not a play at all.

It is worth trying out, don't you think? CHERRY'S store has an enormous stock of clothing and has grown steadily, until today it is one of the most popular shops in town.

Don't forget their address, 389-391 Washington street, in the Pitcock block—Adv.



BOBBY VAUGHN, SECOND BASEMAN ST. LOUIS FEDS.



The Fanatic Re-Articulates. When Spring returns in glory and smashes Winter's mood.

For Spring's the open season, Not only of the score, But of the heart's desire.

Which reminds us that Spring is now only a yawn or two away; and yet it was only a day or two ago that Duffy Lewis and Harry Hooper took charge of the National championship for 1916.

Fleider Jones. Fleider Jones still remains one of the great leaders of the sport.

James E. Ten Eyck, coach of the famous Duluth rowing team, is a Portland visitor.

Portland Entry Wanted. Zenith City Trying to Get National Championship and Tutor of Teams is Enlisting Interest Throughout West.

Portland for the 1916 events," said Ten Eyck, "we have great respect for the Portland rowing club in 1916 to the National regatta at Worcester, Mass.

Art Seen in Finland. Civilization marches on in spite of war. Helsingfors, Finland, Jan. 4.

Great Winter Event is Festival for Fiftieth Birthday of Noted Composer, Jean Sibelius.

Indians Defeat Collegians. Mount Angel College, Mount Angel, Ore., Feb. 3.—(Special)—The Chemawa Indian school basketball team defeated the locals here last night, 12 to 14.

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