DATE FOR WILLARD FIGHT IS CHANGED

Champion Now Scheduled to Meet Moran at New York March 25.

ILLNESS THOUGHT RUSE

Promoter's Agent Unable to See Champion, Said to Be Unable to Reach Phone, but Lewinsohn Learns Willard Was Up.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—Dave Lewisohn, Chicago representative of the promoters of the Willard-Moran boxing match, stated tonight that Saturday, March 25, had been tentatively selected as the date to which the fight will be postponed. Willard is said to have refused flatly to fight on March 8, the date originally set.

Chicagoans connected with the promoters of the Willard-Moran fight do not believe that the champion is ill enough to prevent his training. They are of the opinion that Jess realizes that he will have a harder fight on his hands than he first believed, and that he is scheming for more time to get in condition.

Lewisohn called up the Willard residence by telephone and was informed that he could not talk to Jess because he was sick in bed. Lewisohn learned later, he says, that Jess was up and around when he made his call. Dave asked Mrs. Jones what Willard's street address was. He wanted to go out and see him. Mrs. Jones told him that it was not necessary for him to call, and refused to tell him the street number.

Rickard called Lewisohn by telephone from New York tonight and said that March 25 was the latest possible date that the fight could be staged, if the postponement was necessary.

Willard lost several days of training a week ago because of the cold, which has settled in his throat. Then he went at it again but lacked vigor, and yesterday and today remained at home.

Willard, Lewisohn admitted, owing to recent illness from a cold, needs more time for conditioning.

"I suggested the new date in a telephon conversation with Tex Rickard at New York today," said Lewisohn. "Tom Jones, Willard's manager, was with Rickard while he talked and neither objected to this date."

$1000 OFFERED FOR MATCH

O'Connell Challenges Kletonen at Any Time at 158 Pounds.

A writer, signing as "Junias," wrote to a Portland newspaper recently, declaring that Wino Kletonen defeated Walter Miller, the middleweight wrestling champion of the world, at Duluth, Minn., some time ago. Eddie O'Connell, wrestling instructor at the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club, says that he wrestled Kletonen about two years ago at Worcester, Mass., and that Kletonen is a light-heavyweight.

O'Connell says that he will wager $1000 and wrestle Kletonen in Portland on any date if Kletonen will make 158 pounds. "Understand now," said Eddie, "he has to make that poundage, for he is a big fellow and a capable grappler.

"I don't know whether Miller ever met him or not, but if he did and lost it is nothing to his discredit. Kletonen can never make 158 pounds," continued the Winged "M" mentor.

OREGON PITCHERS START WORK

Rathbun, Kennon, Tuerck and Bullock Are Likeliest Mound Men.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Coach Bezdek today continued his programme of light practice to put his baseball men in early condition. While 20 or more were put through the sprints on the diamond, the battle among the pitchers began.

With Holcomb and Huntington as catchers, Rathbun, Kennon, Tuerck and Bullock started pitching. Each is experienced, although Tuerck is the only one with real varsity work.

Leo Furney and others are yet due to try out for the mound, and while Bezdek has, he thinks, some good quality in every one of the men, it will be difficult to develop a good pitcher.

The squad this afternoon was increased to about 30. A large number are trying out for outfield positions.

CLEVELAND AMERICANS SOLD

Johnson Announces Deal, but Will Not Say Whether Murphy Is Buyer.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—The sale of the Cleveland American League club has been practically completed, according to a statement made tonight by President Johnson, of the league, who declined to confirm or deny various rumors that C. W. Murphy, former Cub owner, was to be one of the stockholders or that Chicago capital was interested.

The change in ownership is likely to involve no change in the management, according to Mr. Johnson. Lee Fohl, who led the club the latter part of the 1915 season, has signed a contract for the coming year. It was reported that George Stovall would take the management.

ARMY-NAVY GAME SWITCHED

Big Contest to Be Moved to New York for One Year at Least.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 15.—New York will be the scene of the Army and Navy football game next Fall and unless Philadelphia provides a stadium with a seating capacity equal to that of the Polo gounds, the spectacular contest, which had its origin here, will be lost to the Quaker City forever.

This announcement was made tonight by Dr. J. William White, chairman of the University of Pennsylvania committee on the Army and Navy football game, after a conference with Lieutenant W. T. Smith, chairman of the executive committee of the Navy Athletic Association.

MULTNOMAH TEAM IS BUSY

Quintet to Practice Tomorrow for Willamette Game.

Captain Ray Toomey has issued orders to have his Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club basketball players on hand tomorrow night for a hard workout in the Winged "M" gymnasium in anticipation of the game against Willamette University in Portland Saturday night. The two teams were matched for a game earlier in the season at Salem, Or., but the snow storm was responsible for calling it off.

The Cardinal and White athletes have been going great, winning four games and losing none so far during the 1916 campaign. The contests staged in the Multnomah Club gymnasium this year have been the most sensational in years. Every one of them has been decided by from two to five points.

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Because of the dance at the Young Men's Hebrew Association gymnasium Monday night, the game between the Y. M. H. A. Seconds and the Christian Brothers' College Junior Alumni had to be postponed to later in the week. It will be played in the Christian Brothers' College gymnasium. The college athletes want to play it any day this week except Saturday, and it is up to Manager Eddie Cohn, of the Y. M. H. A. quintet, to settle it.

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Two of the Franklin High School basketball teams lost hard-fought games Friday afternoon in Portland. The first squad lost 14 to 19 to the Vancouver High first tossers, and the second aggregation was defeated by the Vancouver Seconds, 16 to 15. Elbert Hoskins, of the Franklin High, was referee for both matches. The Portlanders made more field baskets than the visitors, but fouls took away all the glory.

M'GINNITY QUITS BUTTE

BASEBALL FRANCHISE FOR MONTANA CITY UNCERTAIN.

Tacoma Manager Returns Home Saying He Will Not Go Back to Butte Until Mixup Is Settled.

BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Despite all the work that has been done in the past few weeks to raise funds to put a Butte baseball team in the Northwestern League, conditions were more uncertain today than since the movement started. In fact, Joe McGinnity, who returned from Great Falls last night for the express purpose of signing with the officials of the Butte Baseball and Athletic Association, became so disgusted that he left today for his home at Tacoma. As he stepped on the train he told a member of the legislative board that he would not return to Butte until he was sent for, and he would not even come then unless he was assured that the way was clear for him to take charge.

The problems which have been troubling the local baseball men for the past few days have not been made public, but it is known to be something over which they themselves have no control. Technicalities have appeared which for the present have barred Butte's taking a franchise in the league. Just what these technicalities are the board refused to give out, but they said that they are powerless to act until the problems have been satisfactorily adjusted.

LINCOLN SOCCER TEAM WINS

Franklin High School Loses, 3 to 0, in Second Game of Season.

Interscholastic Soccer Standings.

	W.	L.	P.C.		W.	L.	P.C.
Lincoln	1	0	1000	Port. Acad.	0	1	.000
Jefferson	1	0	1000	Franklin	0	1	.000

Lincoln High School's soccer team trimmed the Franklin High eleven, 3 to 0, on the East Twelfth and East Davis streets grounds yesterday afternoon. Preston Holt was the star of the match for the Railsplitters, scoring two goals, while Captain Walter Tannensee put through the third score.

R. M. D. Rankin, coach of the Washington High School squad, refereed. The lineups:

Lincoln (3)		Franklin (0)
Effinger	Goal	Popham
Williams	R B	Martin
W. Wright	L B	Arnett
D. Wright	R H B	Green
Mills	C H B	Drake
Twining	L H B	Bonidac
Solyam	O R F	Kerns
Tuerck	I R F	Foote
Tannensee	C F	Byers
Holt	I L F	DeMent
Youman	O L F	Mackie

Referee, R. M. D. Rankin; linesmen, Casey Jones and Bill Williams.

RIFLEMEN TO HAVE HANDICAP

Club Shoot to Be Staged Soon After March 1.

The Portland Rifle Club will hold a handicap tournament among the members soon after March 1. S. S. Humphrey, president of the club, plans to allow each contestant 50 shots at the one sitting.

To arrange the handicaps the club indoor range at the Hill Military Academy Armory will be open to those who want to practice. Five shots at each of four targets is on the practice programme. So that an entry will not be able to make a poor score in practice in hopes of obtaining a good handicap, President Humphrey has issued orders that the final score, to count, cannot be more than 5 per cent better than the practice score.

JOE CORBETT SIGNS AS SEAL

Old-Time Pitcher of Two Decades Ago to Try to "Come Back."

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 15.—"Joe" Corbett, brother of James J. Corbett, once world's champion fighter, was signed today as a pitcher for the Pacific Coast League San Francisco team. Corbett will have a tryout to determine if he can come back."

He played with the Baltimore Orioles in the National League 20 years ago.

Mitchell and Callahan Matched.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 15.—Ritchie Mitchell, of Milwaukee, and Frankie Callahan, of Brooklyn, were matched here today for a ten-round go on February 25 in Milwaukee.

"HOME RUN" BAKER SOLD TO YANKEES

Connie Mack Turns Over Star Third Baseman to New York Americans.

3-YEAR CONTRACT SIGNED

Price Is Reported to Be $25,000, but Baker, Mack and Donovan Are Silent as to Salary and Price Paid for Slugger.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—John Franklin Baker, former star third baseman of the Philadelphia American League baseball team, has been bought by the New York Americans, according to announcement made by Manager William E. Donovan, of the Yankees, tonight.

Baker signed a three-year contract with the Yankees today.

The negotiations were ended today at a conference between Manager Connie Mack, of the Athletics, and Captain T. L. Huston and Jacob Ruppert, owners of the Yankees. While the price paid by the New York club was not announced, it has been reported several times that Mack was demanding $25,000 for Baker's release.

Before the opening of the playing season last Spring Baker demanded a larger salary than that called for under his contract with the Athletics, which had another year to run. Mack refused to grant the increase, and Baker retired to his home at Trappe, Md., remaining out of professional baseball all season. Mack was quoted during the season as saying that he would refuse to sell Baker until his contract expired.

"Home Run" Baker began his big league career with the Athletics in 1908 and developed into one of the most formidable batsmen in the game. He was the star in the world's series in 1911, when he bore out his reputation as a home-run hitter by making two circuit drives, which fairly gave his team the championship. In 1914, his last season, his batting average was .319.

MACK TO SELL NO MORE MEN

Athletics' Manager Says He Will Quit Game Before Selling.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 15.—"I have sold my last ballplayer," declared Connie Mack, veteran manager of the Philadelphia American League team, here tonight, in confirming the announcement from New York that J. Franklin Baker, the home-run hitter and hero of several world's championship contests, had been sold to the New York Americans.

Baker, who was here tonight, also confirmed the announcement, and said that he signed a three-year contract with the New York team here today. Neither he nor Mr. Mack would disclose the amount of Baker's salary nor the purchase price.

Mack explained his statement by saying that when he disposed of Eddie Collins last year he had no intention of selling other players.

"Circumstances, however, forced me to change my mind," said he. "I decided then to reconstruct my team with young players, but if the time ever comes again when I cannot agree with my star players I will give up the game. I have sold my last ballplayer."

WINGED M TO PLAY POLICE

Jefferson and Lincoln Hockey Teams Battle in Second Tie Game.

Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club will send its ice hockey team against the Portland police septet in the Portland Ice Hippodrome tonight in a regular game of the Portland Amateur Ice Hockey Association.

Lincoln High and Jefferson High played their second 1-to-1 session in the local ice arena Monday night. The Railsplitters' point was scored by Kaufman, while Jefferson High attributes its mark to Stansberry. Three-minute penalties were handed to Freeberg, Kaufman and Johnson, of Lincoln, and Wilcox, Stansberry, Frisbie and Green for Jefferson. Del Irvine refereed and Charles Uksila was judge of play.

Following are the lineups:

Lincoln (1)		Jefferson (1)
Youmans	Goal	Henderson
Mallet	R D	Giebisch
Freeberg	L D	Wilcox
Wolff	R	Coon
Kaufman	C	Stansberry
Bingham	R W	Frisbie
Johnson	L W	Green
Steffen, Sichel	Spare	Encke
O'Reilly	Spare	Lodell
Charter	Spare	Bittner

GREAT FALLS IS AFTER PARK

President of Club and Business Men Discuss Getting Site.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Feb. 15.—President R. L. Blewett and a committee of business men last night met with members of the park board to discuss the procuring of a site for a baseball park. The members of the board as a majority favored the proposed site, but the question of the board's right to dedicate it to athletic purposes must be settled before definite action can be taken.

The first donation, $500, toward baseball was made.

President Blewett left here for Butte and Coast cities.

GREAT WESTERN DATES SET

Trotting Circuit Votes $250,000 in Purses and Drops Dallas.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—The annual meeting of the Great Western trotting circuit here today voted purses aggregating $250,000 for next Summer's events.

The following schedule was adopted: July 17, North Randall, O.; July 24, Detroit; July 31, Peoria; August 7, Galesburg; August 14, Burlington; August 21, Omaha; August 28, Des Moines; September 4, Hamline, Minn.; September 11, Milwaukee; September 18, Springfield, Ill.; September 25, Sedalia; October 2, Albuquerque; October 30, Phoenix, Ariz.

The circuit will not include Dallas this year, it was announced.

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MANAGERS SIGNING ARTICLES FOR THE WILLARD-MORAN CONTEST IN MADISON-SQUARE GARDEN.

With half a dozen bottles of wine opened and spread before them, the managers, one principal and promoters of the much-talked-of heavyweight battle signed the articles of agreement at the Claridge Hotel, New York, February 9. Reading from left to right: Tom Jones, manager of Jess Willard; Tex Rickard, promoter; Bob Vernon, Sam McCracken, promoter; Moran's mascot, Ike Dorgan, who is looking after Moran's interests; Abe Attell, ex-featherweight champion of the world; Frank Moran, challenger. Below in the insert is the latest photograph of Jess Willard, heavyweight champion of the world.

LEADERS WIN AGAIN

Washington Five Beats James John High, 39 to 11.

VICTORS' DEFENSE STRONG

Beaten Team Scores Only One Field Basket—P. W. Lee Resigns as Portland Academy Coach. Game Scheduled Thursday.

Interscholastic Basketball Standings.

	W.	L.	P.C.	For	Points Agst.
Washington High	4	0	1000	191	59
Columbia University	2	0	1000	76	46
Lincoln High	1	1	.500	70	55
Jefferson High	1	1	.500	44	53
Franklin High	1	1	.500	58	74
James John High	1	3	.250	91	135
Hill Mil'y Acad'y	0	1	.000	10	39
Portland Academy	0	1	.000	22	40
Benson Tech.	0	2	.000	36	97
Totals	10	10		598	598

One more basketball game was wiped off the 1916 schedule of the Portland Interscholastic League yesterday afternoon in the Washington High School gymnasium. The James John High quintet put up a hard, aggressive match, but they lost to Coach Dr. W. A. Fenstermacher's Washington High hoopers, 39 to 11.

Washington High School is now credited with four wins and no defeats and leads the circuit. Columbia University also has not been defeated this year.

Captain Archie Roth was high man yesterday, scoring 11 points for the winners, all by converted fouls. Eugene Hiatt was the best scorer for Coach Reynold's representatives. Hiatt made nine markers, all from three throws. The only field basket credited to James John was put through by Drott Larsen just 10 seconds before the game ended.

Walter Fearnley and Carl Rickson each recorded 10 points for the Central East Siders. The lineups:

James John (11)		Washington (39)
Phillips	F	(10) Fearnley
Jower	F	(10) Rickson
Hiatt (9)	C	(6) Snodgrass
Cunningham	G	(11) Capt. Roth
Capt. Wrinkle	G	(2) Peterson
Larsen (2)	Sp	

Officials: Ray Conway, referee; A. H. Burton, of Washington High, and Alan Rutherford, of James John High, timers; Campbell and Kincaid, scorers.

Substitutions: Larsen for Phillips, of James John High.

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P. W. Lee, who has coached the Portland Academy basketball and track and field teams for several years, has resigned active coaching. Because of his interests in Alaska, Mr. Lee has been unable to give his full time to the private school athletics for the last month.

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Lincoln High School and the Portland Academy will furnish the next basketball game of the Portland Interscholastic League. The match will be played tomorrow afternoon in the Portland Academy gymnasium. Franklin High was to have met Hill Military Academy this afternoon, but the cadets have not been together since the Spring term opened.

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Two games will be played tonight in the B'nai B'rith gymnasium by the Young Men's Hebrew Association quintets. So far this season Captain "Icky" Schilt and his athletes have not been defeated. For games call Main 3088.

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Coach Dewey and his Franklin High School basket shooters left last night for Medford, Or., where they will play the high school quintet of that place tonight and tomorrow night. Then they will play the Ashland, Or., hoopers Friday and Saturday nights.

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As a result of defeating the Young Men's Hebrew Association second team last Wednesday the Christian Brothers Business College Junior Alumni are claiming the 125-pound championship of Portland. The Christian Brothers are out for the state title and will meet any team averaging between 125 and 135 pounds.

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The Sellwood Swastikas defeated the St. Helens Sunset Athletic Club, 27 to 25, at St. Helens, Or., last Saturday night. A return match will be played in the near future.

OREGON LOSES 2 STARS

MUIRHEAD AGAIN LEAVES EUGENE AND PAYNE STAYS OUT.

Hayward, With Only Two Veterans and Little Likely Material, Faces Hard Track Problem.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Feb. 15.—(Special.)—The track prospects for 1916 looked bad, then for a moment they seemed much improved. Now they look worse. Not a track man of high ability has returned to school and enrolled for the second semester. "Moose" Muirhead, ex-Columbia University star, a regular "moose" in the hurdles and jumps, last week came right in, turned right around, and walked right out again.

"Moose," too, is missing. Payne, the jackrabbit from Athena, has sent no word, and his present location is not known. "Moose" was at his best last year and in the two-mile cut his time gradually. There is a varied array of tried and untried material for the distances. If Payne fails to put in an appearance at all, the burden of the two-mile run will fall on Lee Bostwick.

In the mile Hayward is counting on Don Belding to win this year. Belding is a "demon" for work. Last season was his first experience at track work but he is cutting his time now.

In the weights there is no Sam Cook or "Heiny" Heidenreich material in sight.

Bert Ford will be relied upon in the hurdles. Outside of him scarcely any material is visible. The work of Hargraves in the broad jump was unknown last year until the interclass track meet.

Trainer Hayward figures that Martin Nelson will be at his best this year. During his freshman year Nelson broke the Northwest quarter mile record. Fee is beginning his fourth year on the cinder path.

CUE EXPERTS MEET TONIGHT

Inter-Club Matches to Be Played at Elks' Rooms.

Tonight at the Elks' Club two more matches in the Inter-Club 18.2 balkline billiard tournament will be played. C. A. Houghtaling, of the Elks, will meet William S. Walter, Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club, while Fred B. Newton, Elks, tackles E. J. Brown, Chamber of Commerce.

Monday night E. J. Brown, Chamber of Commerce, defeated Oakley Waite, Multnomah, in the only game played at the Chamber of Commerce. The scheduled game between E. E. Shaw, Chamber of Commerce, and Harry Lyons, Elks, did not take place, because Mr. Lyons failed to put in an appearance. This game will be played off in the near future.

Mr. Shaw did not take anybody's place in the tournament. The Chamber of Commerce team has no regular entrants and any member is eligible.

CAMP DATE IS SET

Beavers to Leave for Sacramento March 12.

TRAINING TIME IS SHORT

Shortstop Is Well-Fortified Position in Coast League This Year, Judging From Material Lined Up by Managers.

Portland ball athletes who reside in the Pacific Northwest are to leave for Sacramento Spring camp on Sunday night, March 12. W. W. McCredie poured forth this announcement yesterday. This will put the boys into the California capital Tuesday.

Players from other sections of the country will be notified to be on hand on this same day, so that actual workouts can be inaugurated on Wednesday forenoon.

The 1916 Coast League season is scheduled to open on April 4, so the Beavers will have a scant three weeks of training. Usually Portland has trained for four weeks and the rival clubs from five to six weeks. Under the new league rule no club will be permitted to open an official camp until March 15.

Shortstop is to be a well-fortified position in the Coast League this year, judging from the talent lined up by the various managers. San Francisco is the only club without an 18-centimeter shortpatcher. Wolverton has signed Sammy Bohen and Johnny Wuffli to fight it out for Roy Corhan's old berth, but without doubt Wolverton has some other trick up his sleeve.

Los Angeles appears to be particularly concerned about this important infield hole. "Husk" Chance already has four athletes on the list, namely, Fisher, Groeling, Butler and a bushee named Larson.

McGaffigan, Berger and Rader comprise the Vernon shortstop talent. Oakland has Bobby Davis, Joe Berg, of Milwaukee, and Frank Hosp. Billy Orr is a .280-hitting holdover at Salt Lake, while Portland will trot out "Chuck" Ward and a drafted youngster named Hollacher. Ward batted .269 in his 54 games with the Beavers after being pulled down from Tacoma, and that for a youngster was quite a feat. Hollacher batted only .229 at Keokuk in a Class B league and he will have to boost that mark, it is predicted, if he hopes to land steady employment on a Coast League club.

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