

FRENCH FIND FUN PLAYING FOOTBALL

Portland Man Receives Letter Telling How Game Is Liked by "Poilus."

GRIDIRON IN GUN RANGE

Match Recently Back of Firing Line Between "Poilus" and "Blucets" Is Declared to Have Proved to Be Great Success.

Lelure hours of French soldiers are given over to competitive sports. The "poilus" and "blucets," youngsters and the more seasoned veterans, respectively, have taken to football with much enthusiasm and whenever opportunity offers they stage matches.

"Imagine an immense plain, in the center of which the football 'carrier' was indicated by a rectangle formed of 1000 French soldiers. At one end and improvised little grandstand, composed of fallen trees, had been made. The goal posts were regimental flags, and the army chaplain, who had tucked up his cassock to his knees, acted as referee and entered wholeheartedly into the sport.

"It was a great game, splendidly defended, but the 'poilus' defeated the 'blucets' in the match. After the game we had cross-country and target shooting exercises. The records were fine, some of the men throwing 50 yards. All this, mind you, while the German guns were roaring a few miles off.

"We had a modest banquet in the evening and I doubt if anyone ever spent more interesting or more instructive day than I. One cannot imagine how devoted the French officers are to their men, how the men love their superiors and how close the union is among all men under the colors."

Hal Chase got away with a clever play in a game the other day between Cincinnati and the Chicago Cubs. Rowdy Elliott was the goat. He loafed to first on a pop fly to Chase. Lestie Mann was on first at the time. Chase dropped the ball purposely, tagged Mann and completed a double play by stepping on first. Can't loaf in the big brush, Rowdy!

Despite the war and other things, the Terminal City Kennel Club of Vancouver, B. C., has the largest list of special prizes in the history of British Columbia dogdom, and probably a record for the Pacific Coast for its Spring bench show, scheduled May 24, 25 and 26. One hundred and seventy-five dogs were entered and the show is expected that the list will have grown close to 200.

From indications there will be about 200 dogs bunched with a total of more than 400 entries. There are more than 150 entries assured from the outside, from as far south as Portland and as far east as Regina, Saskatchewan, while negotiations are now going on with Los Angeles and San Francisco fanciers with a view of having some of the best California dogs present.

Fearing that he may get killed if allowed to take part in any more fights, the New York State Boxing Commission is thinking seriously of barring the English heavyweight boxer, Tom Cowler, who has been knocked out no less than six times since the first of January, and in each case he took the count in the early rounds of the battle. He is so easy for any boxer to hit that it is feared that someone will clout him so hard that death may result.

Bits of Shrapnel

IF THE WEATHER keeps up, all we will be able to raise in our gardens will be Christmas trees. In the Spring a young man's fancy used to turn to thoughts of love; Every maiden he encountered Was his true love's. Nowadays, however, Chancy, Harold, Bill and August jump On a car and, at the ball park, Root and root the team.

Persons who believe the weekly trap shooting is full of powder can read about the gunner on the Mongolia shooting the periacoff off a Prussian submarine. Turn a few thousand Everings and Seaveys and Kellers and the Germans and the allies wouldn't be long getting into Berlin.

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ZEROLENE The Standard Oil for Motor Cars ASPHALT BASE—THE CHOICE OF EXPERTS. Includes images of a Ford and a Studebaker car, and a testimonial from W. H. Wallingford.

LEAGUE TO EXTEND

Patriotic Service Campaign Will Cover All Oregon.

BRANCHES TO BE FORMED

Activities, Already in South, Will Be Extended to Central and Eastern Part of State—Letters Are Sent Out.

MAY DAY EVENTS PLANNED

Pacific College to Crown Its Queen on May 5.

MOHAIR THEFTS REPORTED

Benton County Farmer Reports Loss of 100-Pound Lots.

EXPERT TELEGRAPHER DIES

George Conkling Killed by Overturning of Automobile.

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\$1500 ASKED FROM CITY

Driver of Portland's Auto in Salem Also Defendant in Two Suits.

PRIVATE BARTON OUT OF DANGER.

Private Barton, one of the meningitis patients, is now considered out of danger. The other, Private Olin, whose condition had been serious, regained consciousness yesterday morning and is expected to recover.

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Spalding's Hackett & Alexander Tennis Racket. Includes image of a tennis racket and promotional text.

IRISH ACTION POSTPONED

Announcement of Proposed Solution Deferred by Premier.

HONOR GIRLS SECURE LOTS

Oakland Guard to Begin Preparedness Drive May 7.

NEED FOR ROADS REALIZED

Josephine County Has Sugar Beets and Ore for Market.

DOCTOR TELLS HOW TO STRENGTHEN EYESIGHT 50 PER CENT IN ONE WEEK'S TIME IN MANY INSTANCES

A Free Prescription You Can Have Filled and Use at Home. Includes detailed text about eye health and a prescription.