TEAMS EAGER FOR AFFRAY TOMORROW

Marines and 91st Divisioners Groomed for Great Battle at Pasadena.

BEZDEK'S MEN SHOW DASH

New Jerseys Are Spurned, Old Ones to Be Worn—Captain of Army Eleven Sees Victory for His Men.

BY JAMES J. RICHARDSON.

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—While the 91st Division football team was snoozing comfortably this morning, Head Coach Stanton ordering the squad to observe a quiet Sabbath, Hugo Bezdek hustled the Marines out to Tournament Park, where they went through two hours of strenuous practice, the last heavy work-out before Tuesday's game.

Today was hotter than yesterday, if the thermometer is correct. Bezdek had the squad in uniform and on the turf gridiron at 8 o'clock. After one hour's kicking, sprinting and forward passing, Bezdek ordered the team to run signals. When the boys made for the showers at 1 o'clock they were wringing with perspiration.

Effects of Long Training Seen.

Mitchell's right knee is giving him considerable trouble and Trainer Bill Hayward is making every effort to have the Marines' star end in shape to start Tuesday's game.

While the Marines showed plenty of dash in this morning's workout, it looks as though the boys are a bit stale. They have been in training since September, the longest known time that any football aggregation ever trained.

Johnny Beckett pulled out of today's fracas with a sprained ankle, but Bill Hayward said he would have Johnny fixed up for Tuesday's game.

Lieutenant Best, athletic officer of the Marines, purchased new jerseys for the team to wear in Tuesday's battle, but the boys asked that they be allowed to wear the old ones they have been winning in. They are all superstitious.

Captain Cook Is Hopeful.

Captain Cook ordered the 91st Divisioners to appear at Tournament Park for a grueling workout Monday morning. The boys rested today, and with the exception of a few suffering from colds, the team is in great shape.

"We are down here to win, and the boys will work right up until Monday," said Captain Cook, athletic officer in charge of the 91st Division team. "The boys have a lot of plays and we let them rest today, but they will be out for a stiff two hours' practice Monday."

Walter McCredie, manager of the Salt Lake baseball club, visited the Marines last night before boarding a train for Portland, where he will stop off a few days before going to Salt Lake.

TURF PATRIARCH ACTIVE

BEN WALKER, PIONEER DRIVER, GETS HORSES IN TRIM FOR 1918.

Change in Design of Sulkies to Make Light Harness Racing More Safe Is Suggested.

Ben Walker is wintering at Macon, Ga., and is getting Auto Zombro and Helen Q. ready for the fray in 1918. While Walker is near the patriarch's limit in the matter of age he still is active and can sight a high-class performer as well as he ever could. Many of the present-day drivers were riding hobby-horses or rolling hoops when Ben made his first appearance on the grand circuit, and while he has been located in California for a number of years he will make his presence felt when he starts on another trip over the tracks along the Atlantic seaboard or through the Middle West if his engagements take him that way.

An effort is being made to have the manufacturers of sulkies develop a vehicle on which the wheels are placed so that a horse cannot step into them during the progress of a heat. It has been suggested to widen the bow at the side of the sulky and place the wheels on the inside of it. This would have a tendency to make the present sulky a little wider, but it would also make light harness racing safer than it is at present on both the mile and half-mile track, and especially when a large number of horses take the word in the same event and by so doing require a second tier.

B. A. Bulkeley, of Southport, Conn., has a stock farm at Goshen, N. Y., with Bingara at the head of it. For several years he has been confining the most of his racing to the matinees in Orange County or the public races over tracks in that vicinity.

Every man who adopts the training of trotters and pacers for a profession expects some day to find a horse that will be good enough for a trip over the mile tracks. A few of them come back to these courses year after year while others pop up for one trip and disappear forever or swing into line again for a meeting or two at the tail-end of the season. At present a horse that is good enough to win at a first-class half-mile track meeting, when legged up for the long stretch, can give a good account of himself on any mile track in almost any company.

Denver Quits Western League.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 29.—Any doubt that might have existed as to the extension of a Western League baseball team in Denver was definitely ended today when Hugh Jones, owner of the local Western League franchise, telegraphed to the owners of the baseball park here waiving his option on a renewal of the lease of the park. This will be the first time in more than 20 years that Denver has not been represented in organized baseball.

Amherst Tennis Man Wins.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Edward H. Hendrickson, of Amherst and the Haworth Country Club, of Haworth, N. J., won the junior National indoor singles lawn tennis championship today at the Seventh Regiment Armory. He defeated Harold L. Taylor, of the Brooklyn Prep. School. Cecil Donaldson, of Brooklyn, won the boys' National singles.

Tiger Purchase Enlists to Fly.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 30.—H. S. Ellison, first baseman, who was purchased by the Detroit Americans from the St. Paul club last Fall, has enlisted in the aviation service. Ellison's home is at Ola, Ark. Ellison finished last season with the Tigers.

NO COMMISSION WANTED SOUTH BY SLY PUGS AND PROMOTERS

Present Suspected Method of Evading California Law, Which Permits Only Medals to Be Given Fighters, Is Regarded as Good Enough.

BY HARRY B. SMITH.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—One of the San Francisco evening papers the other day printed a story of the coming this way of Walter B. Honeyman, member of the Portland boxing commission. It was suggested that Walter would be able to give us a lot of inside dope on boxing commissions and perhaps help us to form something of the sort for ourselves.

But the one who wrote that story had the wrong steer. We want to keep as far away from boxing commissions as we can. Stick a commission into San Francisco or California and there would be no more boxing in this neck of the woods. You know—or you may not know—that we have a strict law on the books, voted by the sovereign people of the state, which has abolished anything but simon pure amateur bouts.

Now, the chances are we have overstepped the law. Understand, I'm just hinting that perhaps such is the case. Possibly we have used professionals or boys who have been professionals. And possibly, as well, they have received something better than $35 medals for their services.

Let's assume, for the sake of argument, that such has been the case. Wouldn't we be in a nice pickle with a boxing commission of upright citizens? They'd have to study the law and then enforce it. The consequence would be limiting our fistic endeavors to the amateur brand, and the amateur style of scrapping isn't calculated to create a world of enthusiasm.

So, having given this tip to some of the faithful, the chances are there will be no further remarks in the Golden West anent a boxing commission. It's one style that we can nicely do without.

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Harry Foley remarked the other day that he felt satisfied, if somebody wanted to go through with the proposition it would be easy to knock out the present boxing measure that has put a ban on the fight game.

"Lawyers have told me," he remarked, "that the law is unconstitutional. They say it is illegal because it goes back of the enactment of the law to say that men who have been professionals cannot reform."

Harry was asked if he meant "retroactive," and remarked that was the word he had in mind.

Really the Foley statement probably has a world of truth in it. It is a hard proposition to say to a fighter that because he once accepted money he is forever damned. In short, if a professional of the days gone by wants to reform and be an amateur he ought to be given that opportunity.

But the trouble in getting such a law declared unconstitutional is that all of the judges would duck the responsibility. It comes on pretty good authority that one of them who was asked about the law, scratched his head, remarked that it was probably unconstitutional, but that he wouldn't take the responsibility of reversing the will of the people.

That was not, as you remember, a legislative-made measure, but rather the voice of the people. And the will of the people, whether or not it is constitutional, is not to be lightly regarded.

No, kind friends, no matter what we may think, I can't see anybody stepping forward to save the grand old game.

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San Francisco sports lost one of their "since-the-fire" hangouts when Graney's billiard parlors went up in smoke the other night. Of course it is going to be rebuilt, but it will likely not be the same.

Graney will be out of business for some little time, since his parlors were entirely ruined by the fire that occurred at 4 o'clock in the morning. Sooner or later, however, he will be back and stronger than ever.

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Willie Hoppe, who is making another tour of the Western country, will be in San Francisco the fore part of January. Only this last week he completed a series of exhibitions in Los Angeles. He is scheduled to open at Wright's, in this city, on January 7, and will put in the days intervening playing the tank towns and the like.

Hoppe is accompanied on this trip by Charles Peterson, a fancy-shot artist. Of course the irrepressible manager, R. B. Benjamin, is on hand getting as much advertising as possible for his champion.

Hoppe, they say, is better than ever when it comes to his favorite game—18.2 balkline billiards—and just as hard to beat. He outclasses his opponents so far there is nothing to the exhibitions save an opportunity to see Willie perform.

Young Jake Schaefer, who has been playing at the Graney, set up a new continuous record at red-ball billiards last week, when he made a run of 49. The previous record was a straight 45. Young Jake first of all ran 47 to break the record and then broke his own record with a 49 that will likely stand for some time to come. Incidentally, it might be remarked this is a world record and worthy of your notice, if you happen to be a devotee of the green cloth.

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Though Jimmy Coffroth is still in Washington, D. C., trying to arrange it so his Tiajuana track can open for business, no reports have been received to indicate that Jimmy will have his way. He has written friends that he is hopeful of success. At the best it is a mighty slow proposition. A lot of strings will have to be pulled.

Meantime, of course, as many of the horsemen as possible have pulled stakes for other sections where they can race their horses and the speculators who are necessary for the financial welfare of a track have folded their tents and stolen away more or less quietly.

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It may not be any news, but the members of Johnny Beckett's U. S. Marines football team will be mighty glad when the New Year's game with the Camp Lewis soldiers is over and they can return to Marining.

These boys have had the longest season of any football team in existence. It seems like months to them since they were organized, and, though they realize that publicity is a good proposition for Marine Corps enlistments, the boys themselves feel they would be better off with some soldiering.

Practically all this time they have been doing nothing but keeping in trim. Having an unbeaten record to date they want to keep that intact. So Beckett and Coach Bezdek have not the slightest difficulty holding the boys to their training.

However, after next Tuesday, the first chap who mentions football to this faithful band will come in for something of a beating.

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Eddie McGoorty, the Wisconsin middleweight who arrived the other day from Australia, left San Francisco without giving the fight fans a chance to see him in action. Eddie was offered a New Year's day match with Battling Ortega for the tented city in Emeryville, but refused, saying that he could not possibly train himself into condition in such a short time. Eddie has hardly donned a glove for six months, and is smart enough to realize that he will need a lot of work to put him right. Moreover, Ortega is some speed burner, and a defeat here wouldn't be a boost for Eddie in the East.

FAST CRAFT TO VIE

Motorboat Club to Hold Annual Regatta Tomorrow.

VOGLER BOY III TO PERFORM

Special Feature Will Be "Bang-and-Go-Back" Event—Following Races Members Will Work on Site for New Clubhouse.

In spite of high water and anything else that may happen, the Portland Motorboat Club will hold its annual regatta tomorrow morning, beginning at 11 o'clock. The Vogler Boy III will give an exhibition of speed in a mile dash against time.

The principal event of the regatta, and one that is looked forward to with a great interest, is the "Bang-and-Go-Back," which is open to all motorboats and in which one boat stands as good a chance to win as another.

In performing this stunt the boats all start from the line as in any other race. Then, at the sound of the starter's pistol, all wheel and race back to the starting line. The faster a boat travels, the farther it will have to go on the return trip.

The following boats have been listed as entries in the "Bang-and-Go-Back," and several more are expected to enter before the time of the race:

Coremardo and Wanderlust (Fred Vogler), Elsinore (Milton Henderson), Naughty Girl (W. H. and E. Von der Werth), Matgus (Gus Flemming), Carmen (Leslie Graham), 12 P. M. (Howard Hinckley), Neverin (William Parham), Spear II (Ray Neuberger), Leslie S. (Hallinan), Artisan (C. W. Booth), Keno II (James Smith), Windemuth II, Lou Woodward, Elena and Lotus.

After the regatta the party will have luncheon and then equip themselves with overalls and axes for a visit to Hardtack Island, where they will put in several hours' work cleaning up the site of the new clubhouse. This part of the party will be a stag affair.

WATER POLO TITLE IS STAKE

Dreadnaughts and Destroyers Will Battle for Northwest Honors.

The Dreadnaughts and Destroyers, now tied for first place, will battle to a finish next Saturday night for the water polo championship of the Northwest. Each of these teams has won every game played, with the exception of one game lost by each team to the other.

Considerable interest in this contest is developing at the Multnomah Club, especially among the women, who will be given an opportunity to watch the match. The game will start at 8:15 o'clock, and will be preceded by an exhibition swim by Norman Ross, and followed by a social swim.

The teams will line up as follows:

Destroyers.		Dreadnaughts.
Ross Roller (Capt)	L F	Frank McHale
Lock Webster	R F	"Shorty" Oliver
Ed Humphrey	R G	A. E. Morris
William Enke	L G	Hosford (Cap.)
E. Spamer	G	George Grandy
Stinson	G	Paul Potter
George Gould	Goal	G. W. Smith

PERFECT SCORE IS MADE

H. B. NEWLAND WINS PORTLAND GUN CLUB'S HANDICAP SHOOT.

Fifty Straight Targets Broken; Cathey and Downs Tie for Second Place, Each Missing One Shot.

H. B. Newland won the free-for-all handicap shoot on the Portland Gun Club's range yesterday afternoon with a perfect score of 50 targets. C. F. Cathey was second, with 49 targets, and A. K. Downs third with another score of 49.

The clay pigeon artists tried a new wrinkle on the handicap by adding birds before the shoot in proportion to the various contestants' previously established percentages. Thus, P. J. Holohan, because of his well-known prowess, was allowed no extra birds at all, while A. K. Downs, C. F. Cathey and E. G. Hawman, who have been shooting about 94 per cent, were permitted three extra birds apiece. W. C. Bristol, with his 20-gauge gun, was given a handicap of 12 added birds. The new handicap system worked out equitably and brought the averages up to such an extent that the lowest score was 45.

The free-for-all handicap was followed by two team shoots between W. C. Bristol's Wildcats and E. B. Morris' Slippery Lizards. The Wildcats won both events. Each shoot consisted of 25 targets.

The scores were:

Wildcats: Holohan, 25, 24; E. DeWitt Connell, 24, 25; E. G. Hawman, 22, 24; W. B. Hare, 14, 14.

Lizards: E. B. Morris, 19, 24; C. B. Preston, 20, 19; A. K. Downs, 19, 20; H. B. Newland, 24, 24; E. G. Chandler, 18, 14.

The detailed results of the free-for-all were as follows:

	Added birds	15	15	20	Ttl.
H. B. Newland	3	15	14	18	50
C. F. Cathey	3	14	13	19	49
A. K. Downs	3	14	14	18	49
P. J. Holohan	0	15	14	20	49
W. C. Bristol	12	9	13	14	48
E. DeWitt Connell	4	12	13	19	48
C. P. Preston	7	12	13	15	47
E. B. Morris	2	13	12	19	46
E. G. Hawman	3	13	14	16	46
A. W. Strowger	4	14	11	16	46
L. A. Spangler	10	12	11	13	46
W. B. Hare	10	10	9	17	46
E. G. Chandler	10	9	11	16	46
E. H. Keller	1	13	14	17	46

Paskert Traded for Williams.

FITCHBURG, Mass., Dec. 30.—Manager Moran, of the Philadelphia National League team, has announced that George H. Paskert, Philadelphia center fielder, had been traded for "Cy" Williams, center fielder of the Chicago National League club.

A loan fund of $10,000 for helping poor students is one of the features of Henry Kendall College, in Oklahoma. No more than $200 a year is lent to any student. The borrower must be a high school graduate.

BOXING HISTORY IN 1917 KALEIDOSCOPIC

In Shifting of Championships, Ring Titles Are Won by Four Clever Fighters.

LEONARD SHOWS CLASS

New Yorker Makes Good as Lightweight Titleholder—Pete Herman, Ted Lewis and Mike O'Dowd Win Ring Honors.

RING CHAMPIONS OF 1917.

Flyweight—Jimmy Wilde.
Bantamweight—Pete Herman.
Featherweight—Johnny Kilbane.
Lightweight—Benny Leonard.
Welterweight—Ted Lewis.
Middleweight—Mike O'Dowd.
Light-heavyweight (in dispute)—Title lies between Tommy Gibbons, Battling Levinsky, Harry Greb, Billy Miske.
Heavyweight—Jess Willard.

The year of 1917 proved a disastrous one for the champions, no less than four titles changing hands. The new titleholders are: Pete Herman, bantamweight; Benny Leonard, lightweight; Ted Lewis, welterweight, and Mike O'Dowd, middleweight. Hardly a year has past but that one champion has been tossed into the discard, but 1917 probably was the first time in ring history that four new champions have been unearthed.

Pete Herman won the bantamweight championship of the world from "Kid" Williams at New Orleans last January, and has defended it against all comers since that time. Pete has done no sidestepping, accepting matches where the terms were right without insisting for no-decision contests in order to protect his crown.

Benny Leonard copped the lightweight title by virtue of his defeat of Freddie Welsh on a technical knockout in New York last May. Leonard has made good as a champion and rapidly is becoming one of the most popular ringsters that the game has ever known. He has refused to accept stage engagements, being satisfied to earn money by actual ring combat. Since winning the championship Benny has taken part in 18 contests, scoring knockouts in 12 of them. Leonard now is a boxing instructor in the United States Army, and is stationed at Camp Upton, New York. At present it looks as though he will not do any fighting for a while, as it is difficult for him to get leave of absence to box.

Ted ("Kid") Lewis was proclaimed welterweight champion of the world by defeating Jack Britton, after more than a dozen battles with the latter. Lewis did not box like a champion when he was out on the Coast last month, but a San Francisco paper says that he showed enough to take care of the poor class of welterweights now appearing before the public. When one stops to look the field over it looks as though there are quite a few good welterweights in the game at present. There are a few of the best: Jack Britton, Bryan Downey, Joe Eagan, Marty Cross, Johnny Griffiths, Johnny Tillman, Eddie Moha, "Soldier" Bartfield and Walter Mohr.

Mike O'Dowd owns a title that is causing disputes all over the universe. There are any number of fight fans who look upon Mike Gibbons as the real champion—and they are probably right—but the fact remains that O'Dowd won the title when he knocked out Al McCoy in six rounds in New York last month.

McCoy won the championship when he knocked out George Chip after the latter had stopped Frank Klaus, the Pittsburg bearcat, twice. Klaus was looked on as the champion following the death of Stanley Ketchell.

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Johnny Kilbane still holds the featherweight title, despite his defeat at the hands of Benny Leonard. They boxed at the lightweight limit. The Clevelander has announced that he will not re-enter the ring for some time, perhaps never again. At any rate, he will not take a chance of losing the title until he has finished his duties as boxing instructor at one of Uncle Sam's camps.

The light-heavyweight championship is up in the air. It seems to lie between Tommy Gibbons, Harry Greb, Billy Miske and "Battling" Levinsky. Many look on Levinsky as the best of this combination, but the record book shows that Miske won a 12-round decision over him this year, and Harry Greb beat Miske recently.

Jess Willard still is the heavyweight champion. He has never had a chance to lose it, and it probably will be some time before he is deprived of his laurels.

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San Diego promoters are figuring on a "Red" Watson-"Fighting" Jimmy Darcy (Valley Trambitas) contest. Watson has issued a challenge and asks for two weeks to get in shape. It is doubtful if "Red" could get in shape in six months. Billy DeCoursey, the featherweight, is managing Trambitas in the south.

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Tommy Simpson will stage a show at Emeryville, Cal., today. He has arranged a double main event for his card. Frankie Malone will meet Lee Johnson and Frank Barrieau will clash with Eddie Palmer, the colored middleweight.

BASKET BALL SEASON CLOSES

Anderson's Team Beats Morton's Quintet for Winged "M" Title.

The championship of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club was won Saturday night by Anderson's team in a post-season basketball game with Morton's team of the House League. Both teams were tied for the championship at the close of the regular season, each having met with but one defeat during the course of the season. Anderson's team won the championship by a 31-to-25 score in the play-off.

The club made a feature of the championship game. A large crowd turned out and enjoyed the battle. Members of the winning aggregation were presented with gold medals.

The teams lined up as follows:

Anderson (31)		Morton (25)
Stinson	F	Sharp
Anderson	F	Morton
Mix	C	Muthhead
Reisch	G	Toomey
Dranga	G	Royston

Referee, Harry Fischer.

COAST ATHLETICS CONTINUE

Swimming, Track Meets and Basketball Occupy Attention.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—Although Mars is making up the schedules and occupying the box-office, Spring sports on the Pacific bid fair to go along with the same old swing as of yore.

The swimming fans may expect to see Miss Fannie Durack, the wonderful Australian swimmer, contesting for the elusive 500-yard title with the Frances Cowells and the Mabel Greens of the Pacific slope. There is talk already of importing fast swimming teams to Honolulu and vice versa. Although Pacific Coast Conference regattas have been cut down in numbers, the trackmen will more than make up for the dearth of rowing. The basketball artists of Stanford University and the Universities of California and Nevada and many minor institutions are already whipping a schedule into shape.

ATHLETICS TO CONTINUE

FUNDS FROM FIELD SPORTS TO AID SOLDIERS' CAMPS.

Efforts Will Be Made to Urge All Kinds of Sports Among Troops During Coming Season.

BY CHARLES A. DEAN.
President Amateur Athletic Union of the United States.

The year 1918 is going to see more athletic competition than at any time in the history of our country. Most of it will, however, be of a different nature than the competitive athletics we have been accustomed to for many years. The United States Government is developing the greatest lot of athletics that the world has ever known and, although they may not have the systematic physical training that the Germans have had, it will not take this country many years to surpass them, if the athletic training in connection with the military training at our various Army and Navy camps is kept up the same as in the past six months.

It has been proven the past few months that athletic training and competition are as big an essential to military training as shooting or bayonet practice. Instead of our biggest competitive games and meets being open affairs this coming year, most of these are going to be in connection with Army and Navy camps. Nevertheless, just as many athletic meets should be held and, I believe, will be held as in former years. The performances may not be as classy, but we still have the athletes to draw from who are either under or over the draft age, besides the athletes now in the service and adjacent to centers where meets will be held.

As regards championships, all the National championships in every line of sport will be held and an endeavor made to have the 14 different associations of the A. A. U. hold all their sectional championships also. These championships, as well as all the big open athletic meets the coming year, should be, and 90 per cent of them will be, run for the benefit of athletic equipment funds for the different camps or for the camps of our soldiers across the water. The football season just closed has netted thousands of dollars for this fund for the different camps, and the indoor season, which is so much longer, should net thousands of dollars additional.

These camps are all badly in need of athletic buildings to play basketball, volley ball, hold boxing and wrestling and other sports. Everyone of the 32 camps have two or three of these buildings large enough to mark off at least three basketball courts. These buildings would probably cost in the neighborhood of $25,000 each. So it can readily be seen what a large amount of money will be required. These buildings are an absolute necessity, especially in the northern camps, where outdoor athletics cannot be indulged in for possibly six months out of the year. All competitive athletics should be kept up during this war, as we cannot afford to let our athletes lose even one year and deteriorate physically. This is President Wilson's wish, and we who are vitally interested in the welfare of amateur athletics are going to do everything in our power to keep the games up to standard.

I have been asked many times what will all these athletes that the Government is making do after the war is over. We will take care of them. Where one meet a week is held now, three or four a week will be held in all the large centers, and then when we get the much-needed universal service let physical education and competitive athletics be a part of military training.

BOWLING CONTEST IS STAGED

R. V. Jones Defeats George Crisp in Belated "Comeback."

After losing five games on the Portland Alleys and five on the Oregon Alleys to George Crisp, R. V. Jones rallied Saturday night and defeated his opponent in a third five-game series by a score of 980 to 940. Jones rolled the high score of the entire series of 15 games, dropping 226 pins in the 11th game.

The results of the series in detail were as follows:

On Portland alleys—

Crisp	218	203	208	172	179—980
Jones	181	192	173	188	147—881

On Oregon alleys, first match—

Crisp	191	192	199	198	191—971
Jones	186	187	191	183	173—920

On Oregon alleys, second match—

Jones	226	221	159	179	195—980
Crisp	163	188	181	212	196—940

The league will begin rolling the 1918 season Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

Italy's wine crop will be a bumper one of 40,000,000 hectoliters (1,056,710,000 gallons), as against 28,000,000 hectoliters (739,697,000 gallons) in 1916.

COMMERCE STAR ATHLETE, WHO IS COACHING BASKETBALL TEAM.

Morris Rogoway.

Morris Rogoway, who has been the mainstay of athletics at the High School of Commerce in every branch of sports since the school was organized, this year is coaching the basketball team.

Last year he made one of the all-star teams himself and is one of the most accurate basket-shooters in the league. Commerce defeated both James John and Hill last year, due principally to Rogoway's excellent work. Besides coaching the team, he will play a forward position again this season.

SPECIAL TRAIN SERVICE

ACCOUNT

HOLIDAYS

DEC. 31

Train 327, now running between Portland and Oswego, will be extended to Newberg on trip leaving Portland, Monday, Dec. 31, making usual stops between Portland and Oswego. Train leaves Portland City Ticket Office at 11:38 P. M., arriving Newberg at 12:55 A. M.

City Ticket Office, 131 Fourth Street.
Phones: Main 8800, A 6704.

JOHN M. SCOTT, General Passenger Agent.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES

MINOR SPORT GOOD

Billiards, Bowling, Skating and Auto Racing Thrive.

ALLEY RECORDS SMASHED

Vermont's Roll 1290 in Chicago in 1917, While Two-Man Team Sets Mark of 511 and One Pair Make 1346 in 3 Games.

Considerable attention was paid to the so-called minor sports during the year that is now drawing to a close. Billiards came in for a lot of interest, and frequent tournaments were staged throughout the country. A feature was the return of Alfredo de Oro to the world championship stage in three cushions, and he has now held the title for more than three months.

Arthur Staff, a Chicago lad, was the "big noise" among the amateur skaters. He has taken up the job where A. Anderson, Harry Kaad and Bobbie McLean left off. A number of championships belong to him.

Bowling went big in 1917, and several records were smashed. The 1290 score rolled by the Vermonts in Chicago during the Winter was something worth mentioning; 511 was set by a two-man team in the A. B. C. tourney in the Windy Cittiy, and another pair notched 1346 in three games.

Although it is rather difficult to select any speed champions among the auto drivers, Ralph De Palma seems to have the edge on the others and is entitled to the crown. His 112.4 miles per hour at Sheepshead Bay Speedway was considerable of a trick.

Following are some of the leading events of the year:

Billiards.

January 12—Frank Taberski retained world pocket billiard title at Pittsburg, beating James Maturo, 450 to 420.

February 2—Charles A. McCort, Pittsburg, won world's three-cushion title, beating George Moore, 150 to 122, at New York.

February 25—F. Taberski retained world pocket billiard title at Youngstown, Ohio, beating L. Kreutler, 450 to 399.

March 8—Nathan Hale, Boston, won National amateur 18.2 title at Boston, beating T. M. Clarkson, Boston, 400 to 224.

March 15—Charles McCourt retained world three-cushion title at Cleveland, beating H. Lean, 150 to 144.

April 14—F. F. Taberski retained world pocket billiard title at Akron, Ohio, beating Bennie Allen, 450 to 448.

April 16—Charles McCourt set what was believed to be world's mark when he beat Hugh Heal, 50 to 17, in 36 innings of three-cushion billiards at Cleveland.

April 21—Bob Cannefax, St. Louis, beat Otto Reisali, 150 to 122, at Pittsburg in three-cushion tourney, in 136 innings—world's record.

April 25—Pierre Maupome, Cleveland, clinched interstate three-cushion billiard league title at Cleveland by beating Charles Ellis, 50 to 29.

April 28—Bob Cannefax won world's three-cushion title at Akron, beating Charles Mc Court, 150 to 135.

May 24—F. Taberski retained world pocket billiard title at Buffalo, beating Larry Stoutenburgh, Buffalo, 450 to 367.

September 7—Alfredo De Oro won world's three-cushion title at St. Louis, beating R. L. Cannefax, 150 to 146.

October 25—Alfredo De Oro retained world three-cushion title at New York, beating John Daly, 150 to 129.

Skating.

January 1—Arthur Staff, Chicago, won mile open at Sleipner A. C. meet in 3:19. R. McWhirter, second.

January 28—A. Staff won silver skates derby at Chicago in 5:42 4-5. Larsen second.

February 1—A. Staff won international indoor amateur title for seniors at Saranac Lake, N. Y., and Charles Jewstraw, Lake Placid, the junior title. Staff won the 440-yard dash in :40, the half-mile in 1:24 2-5 and the three-mile in 9:35 1-5.

February 25—A. Rogers set world's record for 26-mile marathon of 1:25:22 at Troy, N. Y.

March 8—A. Staff won quarter, three-quarter and three-mile indoor title at Pittsburg in :35 1-5, 1:56 3-5 and 8:21 2-5.

Bowling.

January 22—Vermonts, in three-game series with Musseys at Chicago, smashed all records with an average of 1150 2-5. Their scores:

	1st.	2d.	3d.
Johnson	238	278	299
Marnell	241	208	257
Argie	215	212	180
Wolfe	190	150	276
J. Miller	217	213	278
Total	1101	1061	1290

February 26—Frank Marnell, Vermonts, in Windy City League, rolled 300 score against Franks at Chicago.

March 16—Birk Brothers, Chicago, set two congress marks at A. B. C., Grand Rapids—3061 total and a 1102 average—first ever rolled above 1100 in big meet.

March 17—Nick and Ben Budinger, Chicago, bowled 1312 in two-man event of A. B. C. at Grand Rapids—world's record. Nick, 224, 247, 226; Ben, 231, 191, 193.

March 18—Frank McCaughan-Henry Peachey, Indianapolis, set world record of 1314 in two-man event at Grand Rapids. McCaughan, 210, 250, 201; Peachey, 207, 244, 202.

March 20—Rudi Myer and Louis Waldecker, St. Louis, set world's record of 511 in two-man single game at Grand Rapids.

March 23—In A. B. C. at Grand Rapids, J. F. Garrett, Kokomo, Ind., set world's record of 721 in doubles for three best games with unloaded ball.

March 24—In A. B. C. at Grand Rapids, Gus Satoris and William Holzshub, Peoria, set world's record of 1346 in two-man event. Satorius, 254, 214, 220; Holzshub, 186, 237, 235.

March 26—Birk Brothers, Chicago, won A. B. C. five-man event at Grand Rapids, when their 3061 was not touched.

March 27—Otto Kallus, Rochester, won A. B. C. singles title at Grand Rapids, with 698. A Rodes, Milwaukee, 697. Satoris and Holzshub took two-man title with their 1346.

May 21—Blouin-Brucks won five-man title of Illinois at Chicago, with 2954. Also got high team game of 1031. Brucketts second, with 2916.

Autos.

May 10—Billy Taylor in Newman-Stutz, won $10,000 trophy race at Uniontown, Pa.—112 miles—in 1:15:58, average of 88.8 miles an hour; Eddie Hearne in Duesenberg, second; Louis Chevrolet in Frontenac, third.

May 30—Louis Chevrolet in Frontenac won 250-mile race at Cincinnati in 2:26:48, average of 102.18; Ira Vail in Hudson, second; Gaston Chevrolet in Frontenac, third; Tom Milton in Duesenberg, fourth, and E. Cooper in Stutz, fifth.

June 12—Arthur Kline set world's record of 30:47 for 25 miles on half-mile dirt track at Lincoln.

June 16—E. Cooper, Stutz, won 250-mile derby at Chicago in 2:25:28.8, average of 103.1; R. Muiford, Hudson, second. World's record set by Muiford, 150 miles in 1:26:29.4, and 200 miles in 1:55:11.15.

July 4—Ralph Muiford, Hudson, won 150-mile race at Omaha in 1:23:53, average of 101. Joe Thomas, Mercer, second; Walter Haines, Mercer, third.

July 4—Ralph De Palma in match race with Barney Oldfield at Detroit set world's record for 25 miles on circular one-mile dirt track of 21:02 2-5.

July 14—Ira Vail, Hudson, won 100-mile American Red Cross Derby at St. Paul in 1:02:20, average of 96.31; Dave Lewis, Hoskins, second; Earl Cooper, third.

July 25—Bill Rader, Packard, at Sheepshead Bay, set world's records—five miles on two-mile board oval in 4:55 4-5; 121½ miles an hour; two miles, 52:20, average of 123.88 miles per hour.

August 2—Joe Dawson, Chalmers, at Sheepshead Bay, set world's record of 1900 1-6 miles in 24 hours.

August 11—Barney Oldfield, in race with De Palma at St. Louis, set two world records—15-mile race in 12:04; 10-mile race in 7:58 4-5.

September 3—Ralph De Palma, at Chicago, set world's record for 20 and 50 miles for cars of 231 to 300 cubic inches displacement—11:02.7 (average of 108 7-10) and 28:09, (average of 106.5). He drove a Packard. L. Chevrolet in Frontenac won 100-mile race in 56:29.5, average of 106.5.

September 22—Louis Chevrolet, Frontenac, won 100-mile race for Harkness gold trophy at Sheepshead Bay in 54:28.98, more than 111 miles an hour—world's competitive record; De Palma, Packard, second.

October 29—Eddie Hearne, Duesenberg, won autumn classic, 168 miles, at Uniontown, Pa., in 1:49:02.83. Tom Milton, Hudson, second.

November 12—Ralph De Palma set world's record in trial at Sheepshead Bay—300 cubic-inch Packard—of 112.4 miles an hour. Former hour record was 107, made by Jean Chassaque in Sunbeam at Brooklands track, England, in 1910, with engine of 600 cubic-inch piston displacement.

November 29—Eddie Hearne won 50-mile Liberty sweepstakes at Ascot, Los Angeles, in 41:54 4-10, average of 71.5; Milton, second, and Chevrolet, third.

ROSS GIVES SWIM EXHIBITION

World's Champion, Portland Boy, Performs at Multnomah Club.

Norman Ross, the Portland boy who holds the world's championship in the 220-yard and 440-yard dashes, and Louis Balback, champion diver, gave an impromptu exhibition Friday night at the Multnomah Club tank. The audience was small but appreciative.

Ross swam 100 yards in 56 2-5 seconds and did a little fancy throwing with the water polo ball. Balback contributed a few two-and-a-half front flips, with other difficult stunts thrown in.

Ross established two new world's records recently when he did the 220 in 2:21 3-5 and the 440 in 5:13 2-5.

MORE PROTECTION IS ASKED

Representative Sinnott Urges Number of Parcel Post Packages.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 19.—Representative Sinnott today took up with the Postoffice Department the matter of investigating the advisability of numbering parcel post packages, and registering them at the sending and receiving postoffices. Complaints have been made that danger of theft of packages, especially on out-of-the-way routes is much greater than theft of a letter written to Mary Jones by Jack Smith, and that it would be well to have some sort of a check on the packages.

It is said that some star-route contractors leave parcel post in wagons unguarded and sleep away from their loads; and the temptation to commit petty thefts is too great to be resisted.

If contractors were held responsible for the loss of packages they would guard them more carefully.

"Bobbie Shaffer" Gets New Name.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Bobbie Shaffer henceforth will be known as Robert William Meinzer, a petition for adoption of the infant child having been filed by Oscar B. Meinzer, of the geological survey, and his wife, Mrs. Alice C. Meinzer. The petitioners state that the child was born November 7, 1913, and is a foundling in the Christian Home Orphanage of Council Bluffs, Ia., and that they intend to make him their legal heir. Attorney T. H. Linton represented the petitioners.

Miss Elizabeth Clark is the pioneer woman boarding officer of the United States immigration service. She is attached to the San Francisco district and is compelled to board all incoming foreign vessels that arrive at that port.