

# 4 RECRUITS LOOK GOOD TO McCREDIE

## Salt Lake Manager Writes That Portland Men Show Up Well in Training Camp.

### NUCLEUS FOR TEAM GOOD

#### Promising Youngsters and Players to Be Released by Bees Give Beavers Good Foundation on Which to Work in Building Team.

BY JAMES J. RICHARDSON.  
At least four of the youngsters the Portland ball club has signed for the 1918 season are very apt to grab on to jobs as regulars with Manager Bill Fisher if the judgment of Walter McCredie counts for anything.

In a letter Judge McCredie yesterday received from the Salt Lake manager the work of players Morton, Gomez, Sands and Cox is highly praised. The quartet mentioned are the property of the Portland club and were instructed to report at Porterville where the former Bees manager might give the lads the "twice-over."

Cox, the Pasadena youth, whom McCredie landed last Fall, is the big prize according to the manager. Cox was commended as a catcher and outfielder but has been playing third base for the Bees and getting away like a champion.

In a number of the Yammigan games Cox has tried his hand at each of the infield positions, but has a tendency to linger in the vicinity of third base where Walter Henry says he gathered in everything that came his way. And the way that "baby" hits the ball is a caution, if McCredie's dope on the youngster is accurate.

Sands is improved.  
Sands, the young San Francisco infielder, has been holding his own with the regulars and is a vastly improved ballplayer over the form displayed last season when he floundered with the Bees a few weeks during the fog end of the season.

From the tone of McCredie's letter Sands did not look so good last season, displaying noticeable nervousness in the few games he managed to break into. He has played shortstop for the Yammigans at the Bees' training camp and, according to McCredie, looks the equal of Billy Orr, who has been working around the shortstop for a number of years.

Morton, pitcher, is destined to become the "iron man" of the Portland hurling staff. He is said to be a big, husky lad, with a world of stuff and is a willing worker. Morton is expected to hold his place on the mound in the Regulars-Yammigan games and has held his own with the experienced veterans of the Salt Lake pitching staff.

Gomez is the catcher the McCredies have had under cover for quite a while. He has been pegging to the bases with accuracy and his work has been compared favorably with the Salt Lake catchers.

Portland May Get Outfielders.  
While Walter McCredie failed to mention definitely what players the Portland team will be allotted from Salt Lake he took occasion to give his uncle some news regarding the ability of Outfielders Sullivan and Smith. Sullivan is from the New York State League and is showing up fairly well in training camp. Smith has been holding his own with the rest of them, but does not yet have the experience to make a go of it in Class A. A. according to McCredie. Both of these players will probably be turned over to Portland.

Cookwright and Arkenburg, pitchers, and Pope, New York State League infielder, are very apt to be tagged for the Portland team. Cookwright and Arkenburg are twirling prospects and Pope is said to be a diamond in the rough.

If Portland gathers the above aggregation it will have the nucleus for a good team in the Pacific Coast International League. Salt Lake may decide to carry their layers mentioned above for a few extra weeks, in which event they will not report to the Pendleton training camp until the middle of April.

Gomez, Sands, Morton and Cox are the property of the Portland team, and will be wired transportation to Pendleton as soon as the date is set to open the training camp.

Henry Lay, semi-pro pitcher, whose work around San Francisco in the Winter League has brought forth considerable praise from the "scouts," was written Judge McCredie asking for his release today. The reason for the khaki uniform of Uncle Sam, so he writes, and wishes to be declared a free agent. It is not likely that Lay's request will be granted, because there is always a chance for a slipup, and if it should later happen that Lay is rejected by the government the Portland club would be missing his services if McCredie complied with his present request.

President Farr, of the Spokane ball club, yesterday telegraphed Judge McCredie inquiring if the Portland manager would be at home today. McCredie answered immediately in the affirmative and expects a visit from Farr sometime in the near future. The entry of Nick Williams, last season's Spokane manager, into the Columbia-Willamette Shipyards' League is thought to be the chief reason for Farr's expected visit to this city. If Spokane stays in the Pacific Coast International League the coming season, which is a matter of conjecture at this time, Williams' services will be missed if he decides to manage the St. Helens team in the Shipyards' League.

COLLEGE ATHLETE TO MARRY  
Lee Bissett and Miss Huldah Gilbert to Wed at Newberg.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, March 20.—News was received on the Oregon Agricultural campus today that Lee Bissett, former football captain and captain-elect of the college basketball team, will be married to Miss Huldah Gilbert in Newberg next Sunday.

Mr. Bissett is eligible for one more year of intercollegiate athletics at Oregon Agricultural College, but the probability of his returning do not look very favorable now. Before coming to college Bissett starred at the Newberg High School, where he first met Miss Gilbert. Miss Gilbert is a popular Newberg belle and has been prominent in girls' athletics. The couple intend to make their home in Portland.

Kentucky Boxing Bill Falls.  
FRANKFORT, Ky., March 20.—A Senate bill, which would have legalized boxing in Kentucky, failed to pass the lower house of the general assembly, 44 to 42, here tonight.

# BATTLING PORTLAND MIDDLEWEIGHT WHO WILL MEET FRANK BARRIEAU, MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION OF CANADA, AT 11TH-STREET PLAYHOUSE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27.



"FIGHTING" JIMMY DARCY (VALLEY TRAMBITAS).

## SOMMERS TO LEAVE

### Boxer to Fight Last Bout for Some Time on Coast Tonight.

## BUSINESS MATTERS CALL

### Portland Middleweight to Go to North Dakota to Settle Affairs and Will Go From There to Cincinnati to Take on Easterners.

Al Sommers, the aggressive Portland middleweight, will make his last Pacific Coast appearance for some time at least in Tacoma tonight, when he will clash over the six-round route with Frank Farmer, in the main event of the Eagles' smoker. Fred Gilbert, the Portland welterweight, will meet Marty Foley, of Tacoma, in the semi-main event, which is also scheduled to go six rounds.

After his bout with Farmer Sommers will leave for his home in North Dakota, where he will clean up some business matters that are calling his attention. When he has completed his work at home Al will go on to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he has been offered several top-notch matches by "Biddy" Bishop. In case the Eastern bouts do not materialize, Al will make another trip to the Coast. He may stop off at Boise, Idaho, on his way home.

Sommers and Farmer should put up a rattling good bout, as both men are regarded mizzers and fight on the same order. Al is in good shape, and will try hard to win his battle tonight.

Fred Gilbert will be tackling a boy that is twice as wicked as he is in the stacks up against Mart Foley. Foley is a native of Tacoma and was raised in the wilds on the outskirts of the city. He has nine straight knockouts to his credit, and has risen from a curtain-raiser to within striking distance of main events. Tonight's battle will be a tough one, as Gilbert can hit like a mule and is a pretty fair boxer.

While in Seattle Gilbert signed to box Mike Pete in rounds at Aberdeen, Wash., on April 1.

## SOMERS-FARMER BOX TONIGHT

### Tacoma Fight Card Arousing Interest Among Sound City Fight Fans.

TACOMA, Wash., March 20.—(Special)—Frank Farmer and Al Sommers, who meet here tomorrow night before the Eagles' Club, are training hard for their bout, which is arousing considerable interest.

Fred Gilbert is another Portlander of Judge Flanagan's stable who will perform in the show. He is to meet Marty Foley, who has sprung to the fore during recent months because of his exceptional showing against local boys. He fought preliminaries for months and now he has advanced to the underlined position on the card.

Harold Jones, of Ruston, and Johnny Moore, of Seattle; "Wildcat" Leonard, of Seattle, and Jack Hartford, of Tacoma, and Jack Thompson and "Battling" Bunker will mingle in the same party.

## SOLDIER TEAMS TO COMPETE

### Inter-Company Baseball to Begin at Camp Lewis Soon.

sin about May. There will be about 20 teams in this race, which is expected to be one of the most exciting staged in any military camp in the United States. It is expected that the presence of more real baseball stars than any other camp, it is said.

The basketball race for the camp honors will begin next week in the new Butte building, the most complete athletic gymnasium in the United States Army camps.

There are 14 teams in the race. It will be an elimination contest, because the season is so short now. Basketball is in charge of Captain Cook and Sergeant Eddie Kelnholz, former Washington State College star athlete.

## EX-TENNIS CHAMP IN FRANCE

### W. A. Larned, 44, Seven Times Title-Holder of U. S., Now in Army.

W. A. Larned, seven times National tennis champion, is 44 years old, yet he is at the front in France with the Signal Corps and was given a desk job.

He had been a Rough Rider under Roosevelt, so that desk did not suit him and he got a transfer. Maurice McLoughlin succeeded him as National champion, and he, too, is in the service.

## Benson Athletes to Compete.

"Doc" Wells, who is coaching the track squad at Benson today, has had his boys out for about 10 days now and is already getting a line on the material that he will have for the annual inter-scholastic track meet which comes in May. In order to give the track candidates a real tryout, Wells has arranged for an interclass track meet at Benson on Friday afternoon, April 5. A regular list of amateur events will be run off, and a pennant will go to the class that wins the meet.

## Billy Miske Loses Admirers by Demands.

### Guarantee of \$20,000 for Bout With Fulton Considered Absurd.

THE report that Billy Miske demands no less than \$20,000 for a return match with Fred Fulton has cost him many of his admirers. Sidney Wayne writes an interesting squib on the subject.

"Speaking in modern parlance, Billy, where do you get that stuff?" "It must be conceded that Billy is the best of the light-heavyweights, and that he ranks higher than many of the best heavyweights, but where he fits in demanding \$20,000 for a fight is beyond me. I doubt if he could duplicate this performance. Something was decidedly off-key in this bout, for, from subsequent rumblings with Tom McMahon and Frank Moran, Fulton demonstrated his marked superiority over all his rivals. Even now as one who has been following the doings in the roped arena for years, and who has observed both Fulton and Mike in action, I cannot see where the pompadour one can compare with the elongated plater, except in fighting spirit, and even in this, judging from Fulton's performance with Moran in the Crescent City recently, I do not think that he has anything on Frederick in this respect.

"Fulton has a o. d. Charley Weinert, Tom Cowler, Sam Langford, Tom McMahon, Gusman Smith, Frank Flynn, Texas Tate, Frank Moran and scores of lesser luminaries, a record of which no heavyweight has ever boasted since the debut of the Marquis of Queensberry in the fistie pastime. Jess Willard's, in comparison, is a typical Hippodrome (apologies to the institution) job."

"We all will concede the ability of the chap from the saint part of the Twin Cities, but we will not agree about I do not believe that he would be such a terrible proposition for the Rochester platerer to overcome. However, on this point there will be undoubtedly scores whose opinions will not coincide with mine. Oh, well, we're all entitled to our own opinions."

# WHEN HIS BOXES INGLE IN SEATTLE

## Portland Boy Thought to Deserve Draw by Many Fans Who Witness Match.

## LANGFORD BATTLES WELL

### Colored 130-Pounder Gives Chet Neff Stuff Argument and Nearly Lands Bacon—Other Portlanders Show Up Well on Sound.

There is a good deal of rivalry between Portland and Seattle referees, and in order to even up the Portland-Seattle score Pat Scott gave a close one to George Ingle in his bout with Neff Bronson in Seattle Tuesday night. Of course, all of the members of the Seattle Athletic Club and some others were well pleased with the decision, but there were a lot of those present who thought that the Portland lad was entitled to a draw, as he clearly outboxed Ingle and did nearly all of the leading.

If Bronson had been content to wait for Ingle to lead and start things, he would have been waiting for Ingle to fight exactly the same way against Bronson the other night that he fought in his bout with Alex Trambitas here Sunday night.

Ingle landed several sound wallops on Bronson, and it was on these that Scott gave him his decision. Ingle butted Bronson over the eye in the fourth round and opened up a deep cut which caused the blood to stream down over Neff's face. Bronson stood toe to toe with Ingle, and showed an inclination to stand up and battle, and had a little the better of it in many of the sallies. Bronson argued the case for a draw, but he was on the job at the Foundation shipyards bright and early today.

Langford Fights Well.  
The wires must have gotten twisted some way in the returns of the Chet Neff-Young Sam Langford fight, for if ever a boy put up a battle and deserved a draw for his efforts it was Langford. The colored 130-pounder stepped in and rapped Neff from the start, and kept shoving his mitts so thick and fast at Chet throughout the four rounds that the Seattle boy thought he was boxing a mowing machine instead of a man. Langford boxed 50 per cent better than he has ever done in Portland, and he looked like a stronger fighter last night. The crowd bore the decision, and a draw would have satisfied the fans much better. Neff fought the first two rounds and used rough tactics to gain the advantage. He held Langford with one hand and punched him with the other, refusing to let Neff get in with his right hand, and had Sam fought like he did in his last battle here he would have gotten a fine lacing. Neff looked slightly better at the match, but he will rest up for several days and then limber up again and get in real form for his match with Alex Trambitas here next Wednesday night.

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predictions about his team's finish for the coming season, owing to uncertainty due to the war. Jones simply says that his team should win more games than the Bees in 1917, but will not predict a higher position for his team.

Horace Milan, of the Washington team, now is taking a course of instruction at the naval aviation station at Charleston, S. C. He has not been in the air as yet.

Frank Dubbs, of Shamokin, Pa., who accompanied the Giants to the training camp at Marlin, was at one time a pitcher in the old Pennsylvania League and later was an umpire in the Atlantic League.

It may be a case of "Marge singled and scored Marge" in the reports of games played by the Reds next Summer. Marge now has Lee Marge and Sherwood on his team.

If Bodie, Marzoni and Gilbooley win positions as regulars in the Yankee outfield, Huggins will have an Italian, a Cuban and an Irishman as fly chasers.

## WOLFER MAY PLAY HERE

### ILLNESS AT HOME BRINGS PLAYER FROM SACRAMENTO.

Outfielder Asks to Be Allowed to Join Portland Team, as He Will Not Return to Senators.

Ike Wolfer, the Portland youth who journeyed to Sacramento for a trial with the Sacramento team, returned home Sunday from the Senators' training camp, on account of illness in his family. Wolfer will not return to Sacramento, but instead has asked Judge McCredie to try and arrange it so he may play out for the Portland team in the Pacific Coast International League. Wolfer played with Vancouver last season.

Judge McCredie will most likely sign Wolfer for the Portland club on a wage fight against the "gentlemen's agreement" made last season by the club-owners of President Blewett's circuit when that organization hit the rocks. The magnates agreed that they would not sign any player belonging to any other club in the league.

The fact that Wolfer later signed a Sacramento contract ought automatically end his connection with the Pacific Coast International League, and if he comes back to Blewett's circuit he should do so free to sign with whatever club he so desires.

When Judge McCredie attends the league meeting Wednesday at Seattle he will no doubt have trouble on his hands, because Bob Brown, manager of Vancouver, will try to dynamite Judge McCredie's argument.

## NEFF TO FIGHT INGLE

### SEATTLE BOY TO GET FIRST CRACK AT TITLE.

Farrell to Meet Nelson in Smoker to Be Given in Tacoma Tuesday Night. Bout With King Wanted.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 20.—(Special)—A Seattle boy will get the first crack at George Ingle's newly won coast title, Chet Neff, who has won from Young Sam Langford in handy fashion Tuesday night, was today matched with the conqueror of Bronson for the main bout of next Tuesday's boxing programme.

On the same card, Seattle fans will be given the chance to see the highly-touted Marty Farrell, one of New York's best middleweights, perform. Farrell has been clamoring for a chance to meet Mick King, and Matchmaker Dan Sall will give the Easterner a chance to show his wares here against Al Nelson, the San Francisco man who has just won the coast title. If Farrell disposes of Nelson in a satisfactory manner, he will be pitted against the Northwest champion.

When Neff meets Ingle two boys who have been popular in Seattle for years will settle old scores.

## FIGHTERS TO SIGN SOON

### AGREEMENT TO BE REACHED AT CHICAGO TUESDAY.

Terms and Plans for Fight Satisfactory to Willard—Site of Battle Still Undecided.

CHICAGO, March 20.—Final articles of agreement for the world's championship fight between Jess Willard and Fred Fulton July 4 will be signed here next Tuesday, according to an announcement made today after a conference had with the Willard and Fulton representatives.

"The terms and plans for the fight are satisfactory to me, and the contract will be signed in Chicago next Tuesday," said Willard. "We expect at least three bids for the fight. At present I have no idea where the battle will be staged."

I. H. Herk, a local theatrical manager associated with William Koenig, announced he would offer \$125,000 for the fight. Herk and his partner, it is said, will hold the fight in the opera air in Minneapolis if their bid is accepted.

## CLUB TO USE GIRL CADDIES

### Oak Ridge Golfers to Pay Buses in Form of Thrift Stamps.

At the executive meeting of the Oak Ridge Golf Club, of Crestwood, N. Y., recently, a patriotic and novel plan was decided upon to be put into effect this season. Briefly, it is that in the future the Oak Ridge Club will employ girls to act as caddies; and to pay bonuses to the girl caddies in the form of thrift stamps.

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## SPHERES ARE LACKING

### OREGON MEN IN FRANCE WANT A SUPPLY OF BASEBALLS.

Chaplain Gilbert Writes That Dishcloths Are Needed—None of Third Regiment in Trenches Yet.

What are France and glory without occasional game of baseball? Letters received by the Oregon Army and Navy Auxiliary from Chaplain Gilbert, of the Third Oregon, indicate that the itch for the National game is as pronounced as ever.

"The Y. M. C. A. is willing to give only two balls at a time," writes the chaplain, "and we need more balls. Will it be possible to send some by parcel post? Baseball season is on over here, and the boys' best form of sport and recreation is baseball."

Mrs. George M. Nolan, president of the auxiliary, with headquarters at 412 Morrison street, said yesterday that the organization is hopefully expecting prompt pledges of baseballs. The Oregon troops are in need of more dozens of dish towels, and Mrs. Nolan asks public aid on this score as well.

"Our troops are scattered from London almost to Spain," concludes Chaplain Gilbert's letter. "Right here we have 450 and are very comfortably situated. The climate is as mild as Spring. Rather expect to be held about as we are for a month or so yet, anyway. Some of our regiment is at the front."

Divorce Given Wife of Pugilist.  
LOS ANGELES, March 20.—Florence Camille Sharkey has been granted a divorce from Tom Sharkey, the former pugilist. Sharkey is now in the East and was formerly the manager of the James J. Jeffries cafe in Los Angeles.

An artificial coffee is being made in Austria from figs, dried either in the sun or evaporating pans, ground into powder and then compressed into tablets, to be dissolved in hot water when desired.

## ARE YOU CHOKED UP WITH CATARRH?

### No Joysous Spring-Time for Those Who Can Hardly Breathe.

If you are in the grasp of Catarrh, your experience should convince you that the disease is beyond the reach of sprays, douches, jellies, balms, salves and other locally applied remedies.

When the air passages become so stopped up that every breath you take is difficult, when the throat and nose are so clogged up with offensive mucus that you are constantly hawking and spitting in an effort to clear your nostrils, every effort you make to get relief by the use of sprays and douches is promptly followed by new accumulations, so that no heady whatever treatment toward getting rid of the disease.

If you want to get rid of Catarrh, throw your sprays, atomizers and other local treatment to the winds and pay heed to the voice of science. Realize that Catarrh comes from a germ which infects the blood and that the disease cannot exist when these germs are routed from the blood. The rational and successful treatment, therefore, is one that reaches the blood and cleanses it of every trace of impurity and rid it of these tiny catarrh germs. Of course no local remedies can reach the blood supply, and that is why Catarrh is not cured by sprays and lotions.