

EIGHT-CLUB COAST LEAGUE IS ASSURED

McCredies Leave for Seattle to Attend Special Meeting.

VANCOUVER PROXY HELD

Pacific Coast International Will Be Voted Out of Existence, If Plans Materialize.

BY JAMES J. RICHARDSON.
Judge McCredie, owner of the Portland baseball franchise in the Pacific Coast International League, accompanied by his nephew, Walter McCredie, former manager of the Portland team, left last night for Seattle, where they will be on hand today for the special meeting called by President Blewett to act on the request of the Pacific Coast League to acquire the Portland and Seattle franchises, thereby expanding the class AA league to an eight-club circuit.

Had Fred N. Bay, owner of the Vancouver, Wash., franchise, cared to pull a "Bolshevik" at the last minute, instead of handing Walter McCredie his proxies, the plans of Judge McCredie and David Dugdale, owner of the Seattle club, might have been seriously interfered with.

If the scheme of Judge McCredie and David Dugdale run true to form at today's Seattle session, the gathering will resemble a funeral obsequy rather than a baseball meeting.

Dynamic Placed Under League.

Judge McCredie wants again to share his baseball destiny with the Pacific Coast League. David Dugdale is of the same frame of mind, and is sending dispatches from the North. Walter McCredie will cast the vote for Vancouver, Wash., and it will be up to the Sullivan brothers, who financed the Aberdeen club last season, to follow suit.

In other words, the action of the Pacific Coast International League at today's gathering, will be dynamic in their own organization, and from the debris will follow the best brand of baseball in the country outside of the major leagues.

Yesterday afternoon, Fred N. Bay, owner of whatever territorial rights Vancouver, Wash., possesses in organized baseball, handed Walter McCredie the following proxy:

"To the Pacific Coast International League:
"Gentlemen: Being unable to attend the special meeting of the board of directors of the Pacific Coast International League, to be held at the Hotel Seattle, Seattle, Wash., beginning at 11 o'clock A. M., Tuesday, January 7, 1919, I hereby give my proxy to Walter H. McCredie, for him to vote for me and in my stead at said meeting or any adjournments thereof, hereby approving any and all votes he may make."

"In case there is a vote taken to accept the invitation of the Pacific Coast League to have Portland and Seattle join that league, I desire that my vote be cast in the affirmative, and the fans in my town are in favor of a Pacific Coast League."
(Signed) FRED N. BAY."

Portland Gun Club Notes.

THE entertainment committee composed of Mrs. John G. Clemons, Mrs. P. Polohan, H. Pollack, R. Dorney and F. Friedlander are to be found each Sunday morning at the club. The welcome of newcomers is especially cordial.

Dr. Cathey says he spent a quiet New Year's and was thus enabled to break it out over Sunday's shoot. He advises Hy Everding and the rest of the younger set to follow his New Year's example.

Bill Bristol was "there" in his new coat. His shooting was like his golf. The constable of Gresham was a visitor at the club Sunday. He wanted to know who ran the calf to death.

Squirrel Food.

Bumma Staff.

Because Wladek Zbyszko's two straight falls over Steve Savage in New York the other night were secured by toe holds, the famous grip

Originality!

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define it. There is no blend of tobacco so imperial in quality, so distinguished from all others. It challenges imitation.

has been given the "raz." Why not try the "fit" hold on the "rasslers?"
Famous Places to Go.
Crazy.
Stomping.
Gunning.
Divorce courts.
Sleep.

This is Good.

According to Captain Dinny Upton's logic you can get a cow upstairs, but not down—without blindfolding the beast and sliding it from the attic to the basement.

Sleeps Sideways.

When Judge McCredie tried to hide his 267 pounds of anatomy in a Pullman berth last night en route to Seattle, he backed in and then rolled over with a list to starboard.

Attention, Carl Cooley.

It is predicted that Eastern Oregon cowboys soon will be chasing cattle in aeroplanes and that a prominent Portland bachelor contemplates purchasing a 200-horsepower monoplane to check up on his "stable."

The Nicest Thing I Know.

If the reports that rents soon will come down. Let's hope they come faster than a Hall street car goes up.

TROOPS EAGER TO RETURN

K. BARTLETT, FOOTBALL STAR, SAYS PARTY IS OVER.

Ninety-first Division Soon to Be on the Water; Argonne Fight Gives Thrills.

Kenneth Bartlett, former University of Oregon star football player and now in France with the 91st Division, is eager to get back to the Beaver State, and in a letter sent the sporting editor of the Oregonian, received yesterday, wishes all of his friends New Year's greetings.

Bartlett played one of the tackle positions on the famous Oregon team of 1916, which defeated Pennsylvania at Pasadena, score, 14 to 0. His letter, in part, follows:

"Now that the big party is over, we are all desirous of a quick return to dear old Oregon and the U. S. A. I am writing this from Gesham, Belgium, but when you receive it we will be in France on our way home—at least, we hope so. Our friends and parents send us clippings from the Oregonian, and suffice to say they are decidedly welcome.

"The 91st Division, of which we are a part, first received credit for an offensive in the St. Mihiel district. We were in reserve there from September 11 to 13. We next moved to the Argonne Woods, where the division for the first time went 'over the top.' I'll say right here that it was tough going, and, although I was not with the doughboys, I was near enough to experience all of their thrills. An aerial raid one day sure made us seasoned veterans in the art of concealment."

CALIFORNIA SHOOTERS ELECT Golden Gate Gun Club Makes Plans for Coming Year.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6.—(Special.)—The Golden Gate Gun Club members held their annual meeting last night, and the following officers were elected for the season of 1919: President, George Thomas; vice-president, H. C. Peet; treasurer, E. G. Garratt; secretary, E. O. Kolb; directors, C. H. Lindemann, C. A. Hight, H. E. Vallejo, A. M. Gearhart, E. B. Thorsing; groundkeeper, Pete Ashcroft; director of shoots, W. H. Price.

If the programme for the coming year is carried out in accordance with the directors' plans, the trapshooting season of 1919 will be a very successful one.

1918 PRIORITIES OF CLUBS RECOGNIZED

National Baseball Association Makes Decision.

ELECTION IS POSTPONED

Schedule Committee of National and American Leagues to Hold Meeting Today.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 6.—Requests that changes be made in the draft provision of the National agreement, as well as in the provision concerning optional agreements on baseball players, made by a committee from the National Association of Baseball Clubs, was the chief business before the National Baseball Commission here today.

The National Commission did not hold any election today. Chairman August Herrmann, in his annual address, recommended that a reorganization of a one-man commission could be definitely determined.

Before the commission adjourned this afternoon, the committee on the National agreement ballplayers who, before the completion of the full term of their 1918 contracts, were given their releases and now contend that they are free agents.

"This action by the various National agreement clubs was taken with the sanction of the National Commission, because of the work or fight order. The schedule committee of players are notified that the priority of their respective 1918 clubs to retain them for this season as reserved by the various clubs will be respected in order that the resumption of the game can be effected without impairment to the interests of clubs or players."

International Athletics to Start.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Jan. 6.—(Special.)—Intramural athletics will start at the college this week.

CALIFORNIA BIRDS 108 DISTINCT TYPES.

BERKELEY, Cal., Jan. 7.—(Special.)—When the California sportsman goes hunting for game birds he has just 108 distinct types of fowl toward the capture of which he may direct his energies. Such is the assertion of Joseph Grinnel, Harold Child Bryant and Tracy Irwin Storer, authors of a volume, "The Game Birds of California," published by the University of California Press. The book deals comprehensively with every one of the 108 native game birds and contains a number of color illustrations.

GORDON ON CAMP'S ELEVEN

CALIFORNIA MAN ONLY COAST PLAYER AMONG ALL-STARS.

Selection of Service Team Is Postponed by Gridiron Expert to Later Date.

Gordon, the big colored guard on the University of California 1918 gridiron team, was the only Pacific Coast football player to secure a place on one of the three all-American teams which are annually selected by Walter Camp. He is included in the current number of Collier's. Camp reviews the college football season, leaving to a future time the selection of the best players who entered the service of their country.

Boxing Referee Dies.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 6.—John J. McGuigan, a widely known boxing referee and matchmaker, died today at the Norris Hotel. He was 42 years old. McGuigan was, until recently, director of the National Athletic Club in this city.

National League Becomes Dentist.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 6.—Fred Anderson, New York National League pitcher, announced today that he would quit baseball permanently to practice dentistry here.



PRINCE ALBERT

The national joy smoke

Scrub up your smokedecks and cut for a new pipe deal!

SAY, you'll have a streak of smoke-luck that'll put pep-in-your-smoke-motor, all right, if you'll ring-in with a jimmy pipe or the papers and nail some Prince Albert for packing!

Just between ourselves, you never will wise-up to high-spot-smoke-joy until you can call a pipe by its first name, then, to hit the peak-of-pleasure you land square on that two-fisted-man-tobacco, Prince Albert!

Well, sir, you'll be so all-fired happy you'll want to get a photograph of yourself breezing up the pike with your smokethrottle wide open! Talk about smoke-sport! You

wager-your-wad on P. A. and a pipe! Quality makes Prince Albert so different, so appealing all along the line.

Men who never before could smoke a pipe and men who've smoked pipes for years all testify to the delight it hands out! P. A. hits the universal taste. That's why it's the national joy smoke! And, it can't bite or parch. Both are cut out by our exclusive patented process!

Right now while it's good going get out your old jimmy pipe or the papers and land on some P. A. for what ails your particular smoke-appetite!

You buy Prince Albert everywhere tobacco is sold. Tippy red bags, tudy red tins, handsome pound and half pound tin humidors—and that classy, practical pound crystal glass humidur with sponge moistener that keeps the tobacco in such perfect condition.

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Long Prosperity Predicted.

SHARON, Pa.—Ten years of prosperity are predicted by the steel manufacturers of Shenango Valley. The forecast is based on the demands for steel for home consumption and export trade. The manufacturers say that millions of tons of steel are needed in this country today, not to mention the requirements of Europe. If there are not labor troubles manufacturers predict an uninterrupted run of many years for the plants.

Soldiers May Retain Sweaters.

CAMP CODY, N. M.—By order of Field Director A. G. Sims, of the Red Cross, all soldiers and officers having Red Cross sleeveless sweaters may retain them when returned to civil life and need not turn them in to the quartermaster depot with their equipment.

BASEBALL on the INSIDE

By Billy Evans

AT THE entry of the United States into the war the impression was somehow created that professional ball players were slackers. It was an erroneous belief, but it has taken time and effort to break down the opinion. A list of the American League players in service, recently given out by President Johnson, proves the younger league has done its bit, likewise a bulletin by President Heydler, of the National League, show the older organization in the same light.

Army Man Heads League.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Lieutenant David L. Fultz, United States Army, was unanimously elected president of the new International Baseball League at a meeting of club owners here tonight. At his own request the term was limited to one year.

Boxing

Do not forget five Star Boxing events, featuring Johnnie McCarthy vs. Kid Herman and Muff Bronson vs. Peter Mitche.

Held under direct auspices of the Portland Boxing Commission. All profits go to Oregon Boys' Emergency Fund.

Tickets now on sale at Heilig Theater only. Prices, 75c to \$2. Get your tickets early and avoid the rush.

The point I desire to make is that the professional ball players as a class are not slackers. They have answered the call nobly, and some of the boys have done star deeds, some of them, notably Hank Gowdy and Hugh Miller. Not only have the players done their share in putting the skids under Germany, but American sports as a whole, have been a determining factor in the outcome of the war. It would be a rather broad and strange statement to say sports are indulged in by the French, English, Canadians, Australians, Italians, Americans and others won the war, but you can rest assured sport played a worthy part in the success of the allies. The French are strong supporters of boxing and fencing. England is strong for soccer, boxing and cricket. In America most any sport that has plenty of action is popular. We have baseball, football of all kinds, hockey, tennis, lacrosse, boxing, wrestling and so on.

If you have any doubt as to what many Americans think about sport's part in the war, peruse the following excerpts from a letter I recently received from an American officer, who has seen plenty of action at the front and who is an excellent judge of men and their capabilities:

"Well, Bill, it is all over, the German entry just couldn't stand a rough ride when we hit the home stretch. Sports in general and baseball in particular, have done a great big bit toward winning the war. The superior 'pep' and fighting spirits of the American soldiers, can be traced unerringly to their participation in, and their devotion to sport. The square-heads in Germany have no sports such as baseball, football, wrestling and boxing to teach them how to think fast. The 'Yanks had it on the Huns from the jump-off. One Yank was worth about five Germans when it came to doing things. At Chateau Thierry the proportion was, one Yank worth about 10

AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'—BY BRIGGS.

WHEN YOUR COOK AT LAST DECIDES TO GO TO WORK IN A MUNITIONS PLANT AND YOUR WAITRESS ANNOUNCES SHE HAS A JOB IN A GAS MASK FACTORY - AND YOU GO FOR WEEKS AND WEEKS WITHOUT SUCCESS IN OBTAINING HELP - AND THE HOUSE GETS ALL Topsy-Turvy -

- IF ONE DAY JUST AFTER THE END OF THE WAR YOUR OLD COOK RETURNS AND ASKS FOR HER OLD JOB - AND A FEW DAYS LATER THE OTHER MAID RETURNS AND ASKS FOR HERS - BACK TOO -

OH-H-H-GURLS! AIN'T IT A GR-R-R-RAND AND GLOR-R-RIOUS FEELIN'?

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