NINTH INNING RALLY WINS FOR BEAVERS

Blue Gallops at Will in Salt Lake Pasture.

SCHROEDER TAMES BEES

Portland Slams Out 12 Hits and Makes Series Stand Two and One.

Pacific Coast League Standings.

	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
Oakland	3	0	1.000	Salt Lake	1	2	.333
Portland	2	1	.667	Seattle	1	2	.333
Vernon	2	1	.667	San Fran.	1	2	.333
Sacramento	2	1	.667	Los Angeles	0	3	.000

Yesterday's Results.

At Salt Lake—Portland 5, Salt Lake 4.
At San Francisco—San Francisco 7, Vernon 3.
At Los Angeles—Oakland 3, Los Angeles 1.
At Sacramento—Sacramento 4, Seattle 2.

SALT LAKE, April 8.—(Special.)—Failure by Salt Lake's Keystone combination to cover second in the ninth inning of today's game enabled Lew Blue to race from first to third, immediately afterwards to score with the winning run. The score was 5 to 4 for the Beavers, and gave the Mackmen two victories in the three games played.

Byler's throw to head off Blue was perfect. Since there was a right-hand hitter at bat, the error for neglecting to cover second is charged against Krug. It was an exciting ball game, the best yet.

Triple Features Game.

A triple play, the first of the season, was an outstanding feature. It was engineered by Krug, Johnson and Sheely, starting with Johnson's one-hand spear of Kingdon's high liner in the fourth inning. Koehler on second and Cox on first were thrown out before they could scramble back to safety.

Lefty Schroeder held the alleged hard-hitting Bees to five widely scattered bingles during his reign of a little more than seven innings, he was opposed by "Spider" Baum, who was, under the new order of things, forced to throw spitless baseball. The Spider got along excellently until the sixth. In that inning the Beavers touched him for four hits and in the seventh for three. Doubles by Koehler and Schroeder were the most damaging of the lot.

Beavers Tie Score.

The Bees made one in the first and another in the third. In the sixth the Beavers tied the score with two doubles singles by Wisterzil and Schaller, a double by Koehler and a final single by Kingdon. They made two more in the seventh. Schroeder led off with a double and scored on Blue's single. Blue later scored when Sand erred on Maisel's grounder.

Rumler took the bath out over the fence for Salt Lake in the seventh with Johnson on, tying the score again. Juney relieved Schroeder in the eighth after Sand hit safely.

Portland Wins in Ninth.

In the ninth Juney started off with a hit to left. Blue attempted a sacrifice, but forced Juney at second. Blue streaked for second and kept on to third when Byler's throw was permitted to go to the outfield. Wisterzil's hit to right, sent Blue home with the run that won for Portland. The Bees were unable to rally in the ninth, thanks to good fielding.

The score:

Portland—	BR	H	O	A		Maggert,m..	BR	H	O	A
Blue,l.....	5	2	1	0		Johnson,s..	3	2	1	5
Wisterzil,3	4	1	3	3		Krug,2.....	4	0	2	3
Maisel,m..	5	0	0	3		Runnier,r...	5	1	1	2
Schaller,1..	5	1	3	0		Sheeley,1...	2	0	7	0
Koehler,c..	3	0	1	2		Reilly,l.....	4	0	0	3
Cox,r.....	4	0	1	1		Sand,3.....	4	0	1	2
Kingdon,s..	4	0	1	2		Byler,c.....	2	0	0	3
Spranger,2	4	0	0	3		Baum,p.....	4	0	0	2
Schro'd'r,p	3	1	1	0		Mulligan*...	0	0	0	0
Juney,p....	1	0	1	0						
						Totals....	31	4	6	27
Totals...	38	5	12	27						

Salt Lake—
*Ran for Sheeley in the ninth.

Portland	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	—	5
Salt Lake	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	—	4

Errors, Spranger, Schroeder, Johnson, Krug, Sand. Stolen bases, Blue, Johnson, Byler, Rumler. Home run, Rumler. Two-base hits, Koehler, Schroeder. Sacrifice hits, Byler, Krug. Bases on balls, off Baum 2, off Schroeder 8, off Juney 1. Struck out, by Baum 3. Innings pitched, Schroeder 7, Juney 2. Runs responsible for, Baum 4, Schroeder 3. Triple play, Krug to Johnson to Sheely. Credit victory to Juney; defeat to Baum.

OAKLAND TAKES THIRD GAME

Double Steal in Seventh Causes Angel Downfall.

LOS ANGELES, April 8.—Oakland made it three straight from Los Angeles with a score of 3 to 1. The game was won in the seventh when Zeider and Willie accomplished a double steal and scored on Miller's single to right.

The score:

Oakland—	BR	H	O	A		Los Angeles—	BR	H	O	A
Lane,m....	5	0	1	4	0	Killifer,m..	4	1	1	3
Zeider,2...	5	1	1	3	3	Haney,s....	4	0	1	2
Willie,r....	3	1	1	5	0	McDonald,l	5	0	2	1
Miller,l....	5	0	2	3	0	Griggs,1...	4	0	1	11
Knight,3..	4	0	1	1	1	Crawford,r.	5	0	2	1
Guisto,1...	3	1	2	6	0	Bassler,c...	4	0	0	3
Gingl'rd,s.	3	0	0	3	3	K.Cr'nd'll,2	3	0	0	4
Mitze,c....	4	0	1	2	1	Niehoff,3...	2	0	0	2
R.Arlett,p.	4	0	1	0	0	Thomas,p..	3	0	1	0
Totals...	36	3	10	27	8	Totals....	34	1	8	27

Oakland	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	—	3	14
Los Angeles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—	1

Errors, Haney 2. Stolen bases, K. Crandall, Zeider, Willie. Three-base hit, R. Arlett. Two-base hits, Killifer, Guisto, Thomas. Sacrifice hits, Guisto, Gingiardi. Struck out, by R. Arlett 2, by Thomas 1. Bases on balls, off R. Arlett 1, off Thomas 3. Runs responsible for, R. Arlett 1. Umpires, Phyle and Anderson.

MIDDLETON KNOCKS IN FOUR

Senator Puts Pill Out of Park, Winning Game.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 8.—Roxy Middleton, left fielder for Sacramento, became the hero of today's game when he drove a home run over the right field fence with three men on bases in the eighth inning and won the game from Seattle 4 to 2. Gearin held Sacramento safe until the eighth when hits by Compton, Schang and Middleton, coupled with errors by Hartford and Kenworthy blighted the Siwashes' chance for victory. Kuntz, on the mound for the senators, was relieved in the final inning by Larkin. Larkin proved ineffective and Mails was called upon to finish the contest.

The score:

Seattle—	BR	H	O	A		Sacramento—	BR	H	O	A
Kopp,l....	4	0	0	2	0	McG'fig'n,2	4	1	4	3
C'ngh'm,m	3	0	0	3	0	Middlet'n,l	4	1	1	0
Bohne,3...	4	0	1	1	6	Compton,r.	4	0	1	3
Wolter,r...	4	0	1	1	0	Mollwitz,1.	3	0	0	1
Murphy,1.	3	0	0	11	1	Eldred,m...	3	0	1	2
K'nw'thy,2	4	0	1	2	2	Stumpf,3..	3	0	1	3
Hartford,s	4	0	2	2	1	Orr,s.....	3	1	0	3
Rohrer,c..	2	0	2	2	1	Schang,c...	3	1	1	2
Gearin,p..	3	0	1	1	0	Kuntz,p...	2	0	0	0
						Larkin,p...	0	0	0	0
						Mails,p....	0	0	0	0
						Sheehan,1..	0	0	0	0
						Hodges*...	1	0	0	0
Totals...	31	2	7	24	13	Totals...	30	4	6	26

*Grearing out, bunted foul on last strike.
†Batted for Kuntz in the eighth.

Seattle	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	—	2
Sacramento	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	*—	4

Errors, Kenworthy, Hartford, Kuntz. Two runs, 6 hits off Kuntz in 8 innings; no runs, 1 hit off Larkin, 2 at bat in ⅓ inning; no runs, no hits off Mails, 2 at bat in 2-3 inning. Runs responsible for, Kuntz 2, Geary 2. Home run, Middleton. Two-base hits, Eldred, McGaffigan, Wolter. Stolen bases, Hartford. Sacrifice hit, Rohrer. Bases on balls, off Kuntz 1, off Larkin 1. Struck out, by Geary 2, by Kuntz 2. Double plays, Orr to McGaffigan to Mollwitz, Hartford to Murphy, Stumpf to Mollwitz. Wild pitch, Kuntz. Credit victory to Kuntz. Umpires, Toman and Holmes.

FORECAST OF STANDINGS OF COAST LEAGUE CLUBS MADE

Beavers Expected to Be Going Strong by May 15—Seals and Oaks Appear Weak and Tigers Strong.

BY ROSCOE FAWCETT.

Baseball is a very uncertain proposition, and owing to the drastic changes that are made in the playing personnel of the rival clubs, the April favorite sometimes pulls up and does the Brodie about mid-summer. For the sake of discussion, however, I am going to hazard the following standings of the clubs for the Pacific Coast league on the dates shown:

May 15 Forecast.

1. Vernon.	5. Portland.
2. Salt Lake.	6. San Francisco.
3. Los Angeles.	7. Seattle.
4. Oakland.	8. Sacramento.

July 1 Forecast.

1. Vernon.	5. Seattle.
2. Salt Lake.	6. San Francisco.
3. Portland.	7. Oakland.
4. Los Angeles.	8. Sacramento.

The Vernon pennant winners are back with nearly all of the important cogs of last year's machine, and must be made the favorites. I saw them trim the Seals in the opener at San Francisco and the Bay City news writers seem to share the opinion that the Tigers have a good ball club. "Red" Smith at third will not quite fill Meusel's shoes. Essick has been short on first-string pitchers, but his purchase of Shellenbach and the promise of two new hurlers from New York this week will strengthen the Tigers in the slabbing department.

Portland and Seattle open the season away from home, and for this reason, and others, the two northern teams will be getting off fairly well if they do not both come home in the cellar.

Beavers Need Strengthening.

The Beavers will not be a first-class ball club until Manager McCredie reinforces to the extent of probably three or four players—an infielder, an outfielder and one or two pitchers. Young Spranger at second base has done his bit thus far and we wish him well, but it is hardly to be expected that the cadet will do regularly at the keystone.

By May 15 the Portland club should go strong.

Salt Lake opens at home and ought to pull out on the first road trip close to the top of the heap. Rumler, Sheely, Johnson and Krug are especially effective in the tiny hat-box ball park in the Utah metropolis. Rival managers aver that the Bees would win the pennant if all their games were played at home.

Los Angeles has a good pitching staff, but a slow, lumbering club with a fair amount of punch.

The Oaks and Seals have strengthened a little bit, but not a great deal. Connolly, a Western league .300 hitter, is expected to add bat strength to the San Francisco outfield. The Seals looked terrible in the opener. They handled the ball as if it were a smallpox germ.

Dope Easily Scrambled.

Sacramento may come stronger than some of the so-called wiseacres expect. Mollwitz is a first-class first baseman and should hit close to .300. On the whole, though, the infield does not shape up as a whirlwind in either offense or defense. Should Bill Stumpf begin clouting the ball at his former .300 gait it would make a lot of difference in the Rodgers crew. Sacramento's pitching corps is particularly weak.

As has oft been warbled, "There's many a slip twixt the hip and the lip," and slips also may be numerous between April 6 and May 15 or July 1. Major league clubs will begin unloading their surplus stars in another fortnight or three weeks and the addition of two or three men to any of the coast league teams might scramble all the advance dope.

SEALS WIN ON RAGGED PLAY

Seven Runs Scored Off Schneider Before Taken Out.

OAKLAND, Cal., April 8.—In a game marked by ragged fielding, the Seals won from the Vernon Tigers today, 7 to 5. It was the first victory of the series for San Francisco.

The hits were evenly distributed, each side pounding out 10 safeties. Seaton, twirling for the Seals, however, tightened up in the pinches and worked his way out of several dangerous holes. The Seals made all of their tallies and won the game in the first four innings.

The score:

Vernon—	BR	H	O	A		San Francisco—	BR	H	O	A
Mitch'l,s	4	0	1	3	2	Fitzg'd,r..	5	2	3	1
Chad'n,m	4	1	1	1	0	Corhan,s..	4	1	1	3
High,l....	3	1	0	3	0	Caveney,2	5	0	1	1
Rumler,r..	4	0	2	1	1	Koerner,1	3	1	2	11
Fisch'r,2.	4	1	3	6	4	Connolly,l	2	0	0	1
Borton,1.	4	0	3	8	0	Schick,m..	2	2	1	2
Smith,3...	1	0	0	0	0	Kamm,3...	3	1	2	3
Devor'r,c	4	0	1	1	5	Anfinson.	3	0	0	5
Schnel'r,p	1	0	0	0	0	Seaton,p..	4	0	0	1
Morse,3...	3	0	0	0	0					
Hill,p....	2	0	0	0	1					
*Long...	1	0	0	0	0					
Totals	35	3	10	24	14	Totals	31	7	10	27

*Long batted for Hill in ninth.

Vernon	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	—	3
San Francisco	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	x	—	7

Errors, Horton, Schneider 2, Koerner, Kamm, Seaton. Runs 7, hits 10, at bat 34. off Schneider in 3 plus, taken out, one on, no outs; charge defeat to Schneider. Stolen base, Fitzgerald. Corhan, Seaton. three base hit, Fitzgerald; two-base hit, Kamm, Keerner and Fischer. Sacrifice hits, Corhan, Connolly. Bases on balls off Schneider 2; off Seaton 1; off Hill 5. Struck out by Seaton 4; by Hill 1. Left on bases, San Francisco 8; Vernon 6. Double plays, Anfinson to Koerner, Caveney to Corhan. Passed ball Anfinson. Time of game, 1:45. Umpires Byron and Eason.

TAR HEELS SEE SHORE PLAY

6800 Homefolks See Yankee Pitcher Defeat Robins.

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., April 8.—The homefolk of Ernie Shore, New York American league pitcher, turned out 6800 strong here today to see the Tar Heel perform in big company and on the old lot where he played as a kid.

The player's people were amply paid. He turned back the Brooklyn Nationals for five innings without a score. In the rush to get up close the crowd incidentally robbed Babe Ruth, Shore's teammate, of three home runs owing to ground rules.

The score:

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
New York..	3	8	2	Brooklyn...	0	7	0

Batteries — Shore, Shawkey and Ruel; Conlan, Miljust and Miller.

Giants Humble Red Sox.

NORFOLK, Va., April 8.—Though outhit in an exhibition game here today, the New York Nationals beat the Boston Americans 7 to 5. The score:

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
New York.	7	9	2	Boston.....	5	12	4

Batteries—Toney, Nehf, and McCarty, Gonzales; White, Harper and Walters, Vine.

Shreveport Shuts Pirates Out.

SHREVEPORT, La., April 8.—The local team of the Texas league today shut out the Pittsburg Nationals 4 to 0 in five innings of baseball called on account of rain. The score:

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
Pittsburg..	0	2	2	Shreveport.	4	7	0

Batteries—Wisner and Clark; Napier and Vann.

Louisville Defeats Phillies.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 8.—In an exhibition game here today the Philadelphia Nationals dropped a 7 to 2 game to the local American Association team. The score:

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
Louisville..	7	8	1	Phila.....	2	6	5

Batteries—Koob, Decatur and Kocher, Meyer; Causey, Weinert and Withrow.

Griffmen Trim World Champions.

ROANOKE, Va., April 8.—The Cincinnati Nationals allowed the Washington team of the American league 19 hits in an exhibition game here today, the Senators winning 13 to 4. The score:

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
Wash'ton.	13	19	2	Cincinnati..	4	8	1

Batteries — Johnson, Shaw and Gharrity; Fisher, Smith and Wingo.

Browns Win at Home.

ST. LOUIS, April 8.—The American league team beat the Cardinals in an exhibition game here today 7 to 3. The score:

	R.	H.	E.		R.	H.	E.
St. Louis...	7	12	1	St. Louis....	3	7	0

Batteries — Gallia and Severeid; Haines, May, Tuero and Dilhoefer.

Aggie-Pullman Game Nov. 13.

PULLMAN, Wash., April 8.—November 13, the date of the Washington State college-Oregon Agricultural college football game here, has been set as "home-coming day" by students at the college, it was announced today.

SWIMMING TO BE TAUGHT

SPECIAL WEEK SET ASIDE BY RED CROSS BOARD.

Pools to Be Thrown Open to Public and Competent Instruction Furnished Free.

An extensive programme for water safety has been adopted by the executive committee of the Portland chapter, American Red Cross and by the board of examiners comprising swimming instructors of the various pools and clubs and city departments. The board of examiners are holding weekly meetings every Thursday noon at which time swimming and life saving matters are discussed. Miss Mille Schloth, swimming instructor in the Portland public schools, is chairman of the women's examining board, and Emil Vodjansky, former northwest swimming champion, is chairman of the men's board. Other swimming instructors of the city, who are taking active part in the work are Mrs. Grace De Boest, swimming instructor of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club, Miss Lillian Hansen, swimming instructor of the Y. W. C. A., Miss Alice M. Ludgate, Miss Lucile Bronaugh, C. F. Werner, swimming instructor of the Y. M. C. A., Jimmy Burke, of the public schools, and F. Douglas.

Among the plans which this committee are working out are a safety map of the waterfront showing the drowning areas and a city-wide Red Cross free swimming campaign to be conducted during the first week in May. During the "learn to swim week" in May, the swimming pools of the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Couch and Shattuck schools and the Portland natatorium will be thrown open for the purpose of giving everyone who desires a chance to learn to swim. These tanks will be open from 10 o'clock in the morning to 10 at night. The only place where admission will be charged will be at the natatorium. The city has promised 2000 swimming suits to be used by the swimmers and competent instructors will be on hand during the swim week to look after the beginners. The slogan which has been adopted by the American Red Cross first aid division for the learn-to-swim campaign is "The Greatest Mother in the World wants her children to learn to swim this week."

TACOMA TO START TRAINING

New League Squad to Report at Crockett Camp.

TACOMA, Wash., April 8.—(Special.)—Tacoma's Tiger baseball team in the Pacific International league will start training at Crockett, Cal., Sunday afternoon, according to word sent north by Bobby Vaughn, manager of the club and former McCredie star on the Portland lot. The Portland club trained at Crockett last spring.

Vaughn has summoned his players, all but two of whom have been signed in California, to report for duty Sunday. This will give two weeks' training before the season opens May 5. Lee Kierstead, Tacoma shortstop, and Abrams, a Seattle port-wheeler, left for the south today. They are the only lads to be picked from this section.

STANFORD WINS DUAL MEET

Southern California Loses Second Time in Season.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, April 8.—The Stanford university track team defeated the University of Southern California 77 to 45 in their second meet of the season today. Paddock, U. S. C. sprinter, won both the 100-yard and 220-yard dashes, the feature events. Captain Wells of Stanford, with a total of 11, was the biggest winner on points.

Baseball Summary.

How the Series Stands.

At Salt Lake 1 game, Portland 2 games; at San Francisco 1 game, Vernon 2 games; at Los Angeles no game, Oakland 3 games; at Sacramento 2 games, Seattle 1 game.

Where the Teams Play This Week.

Portland at Salt Lake, Seattle at Sacramento, Vernon at San Francisco, Oakland at Los Angeles.

Where the Teams Play Next Week.

Portland at Sacramento, Seattle at Salt Lake, Los Angeles at Vernon, San Francisco at Oakland.

Beaver Batting Averages.

	AB.	H.	Av.		AB.	H.	Av.
Sutherland.	4	4	1000	Maisel.....	14	4	.286
Wisterzil...	14	8	.572	Spranger...	12	3	.250
Koehler....	8	4	.500	Cox.....	13	3	.231
Juney.....	2	1	.500	Kingdon....	9	2	.222
Baker.....	5	2	.400	Poison.....	1	0	.000
Schaller...	13	5	.384	Barnabe....	1	0	.000
Schroeder..	3	1	.333	S. Johnson...	1	0	.000
Blue.....	14	4	.286				

EAGLE SMOKER TONIGHT

Eleventh and Alder, 8:30. Boxing, wrestling, vaudeville, political speaking. Eagles and friends invited. Everything free.—Adv.

WILLAMETTE ENTERS THREE MEN IN MEET

Zeller, Fisher and Ganzans Will Compete.

AGGIES MAY WIN AGAIN

Multnomah Appears Real Class in Distance, Vaults and Jumps on Past Performances.

Willamette University is the latest school to send in its entries for the 16th annual indoor track and field meet which will be held at the Columbia university tomorrow afternoon. George G. Dewey, general manager of the meet, received entry blanks for three of the Bearcat track men yesterday. Zeller will represent Willamette on the 50 and 220-yard dashes. Fisher is entered in the 50-yard dash and the 880-yard run and Ganzans will compete in three events, the 50 and 220-yard dashes and the 50-yard high hurdles.

Aggies Won Last Year.

The Oregon Aggie track squad carried off the honors in the meet last year with Multnomah Amateur Athletic club a close second. The chances for the wearers of the orange and black athletes again walking off with the meet tomorrow are exceedingly good, as practically all of the men who competed last year will be seen in action again this season.

The work of Maurice Snook, Oregon Aggie sprinter, is going to be watched with a great deal of interest by the track fans. Snook, who is a former Jefferson high school athlete, was a member of the Oregon Agricultural college freshman team last year and carried off the honors in the 50 and 220-yard open events. His time for the half-century was 5 3-5 seconds and he covered the distance in the 220 in 24 2-5 seconds. Hayden, Swan and Kellogg all placed first in the meet last year for Oregon Agricultural college and will be entered again this year. Hayden won the 16-pound shotput with a heave of 39 feet 8½ inches; Swan placed first in the mile and Kellogg walked off with the 440.

Winged-M Looks Good.

Multnomah Amateur Athletic club seems to have the class in the entries in the distance events, with Floyd Payne, Ralph Coleman and Vere Windnagle. With Ralph Spearow, Sam Bellah and Webster entered in the pole vault and jumps, the Winged-M club has an excellent chance of carrying off the majority of places in these events.

St. Helens high school will enter a full team in the academic events, bringing the total number of outside prep schools to four. Lebanon, Corvallis and Beaver are the other out-of-town entries, in addition to the nine local high schools. The high schools may enter as many men as they like, but only three can compete in any one event.

The indoor track at Columbia is in the very best of shape and it is expected that some of the records now standing will be lowered.

FRESHMEN BALL TEAM WINS

Upperclass Men's Nine Defeated by 4-to-2 Score.

The freshmen baseball team of the North Pacific Dental college defeated the upper classmen in the second game of a three-game series on Holladay field Wednesday afternoon. The score was 4 to 2. The first game, which was played earlier in the week, resulted in a two-to-two tie when the contest was called in the eighth inning on account of darkness.

The upper classmen were without the services of their star twirler, Quixzenberry, but Wiprude, who performed on the mound for the seniors, pitched good ball and held the freshmen to four hits. Merrill, freshman pitcher, kept the upper classmen's hits well scattered.

The North Pacific Dental college varsity team will probably play a double-header Saturday afternoon, weather permitting. Games with Chemawa Indian school, Pacific university and McMinnville college have been arranged and others are pending with the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club, Multnomah Guards, Hammond Lumber company of Astoria, Willamette university and Reed college.

Baseball on the Inside.

INTERFERENCE by the catcher with the batsman deserves a severe penalty, because it puts the batter out of the play. The playing code provides a penalty for such an offense, but for years the justice of the penalty has caused much comment.

The rules state that when the catcher interferes with the batsman, he shall be entitled to first base, regardless of what happens. It makes no difference as to the act of the batsman. If he should hit a home run, be retired on a fly, thrown out at first base, or not even strike at the ball, his acts would not enter into the decision as laid down by the rules. The batsman would simply go to first base, because of the catcher's interference. On the surface that appears to be a perfectly proper ruling, and eminently fair.

What about the base runner or runners? Shall they be entitled to advance because of the interference of the catcher? The rules say no. When such a happening takes place, no runners can advance unless forced to do so to make room for the batsman. That, in a way, seems perfectly correct, since runners are never allowed to advance on interference plays of such a nature. However, of late years brainy catchers have taken advantage of this rule, and pulled a play that has worked to the benefit of their team, and of course to the detriment of the team at bat.

The play or plays I have reference to relate to those in which a runner from third attempts to score, through a steal of home, or via the squeeze play. If a wise catcher feels positive the runner's chances of getting home are greater than the chances to retire him at the plate, all he needs to do is resort to a bit of rough-house strategy, interfer with the batsman and forget all about the base play. The moment the catcher interferes with the batsman play is suspended. The batsman goes to first base, to which he is entitled under the rules; but what about the base runner on third who seemed certain to score. The rules say he must go back to third, as no runners can advance unless forced to make room for the batsman. In the last five years I have seen a wise catcher pull such a play half a dozen times, greatly to his benefit. Thus in a way the rules place a premium on the catcher's interference, instead of inflicting a penalty.

Last year the two major leagues worked the same way on such a play, although neither adhered to the strict interpretation of the rule. It was decided that whenever the catcher interferes, the batsman should have the right to go to first base, while all runners should be entitled to advance a base, whether forced or not. Such a ruling seemed to have removed any premium for the catcher to interfere. Yet all major league umpires do not agree on such an interpretation. One veteran arbitrator claims a wise batter can purposely stick his bat into the catcher and create an interference. However, I have always believed an umpire ought to be able to differentiate between a catcher's interference and a premeditated interference by the batter. All that would be necessary in such a case would be to call the runner coming from third out, if there were less than two men out, when the batsman attempted such rough-house strategy. It is a play that is open to argument.

OREGON NOT FOR MEET

COLUMBIA FAILS TO OBTAIN VARSITY SQUAD.

Hayward to Save Men Until After Dual Meet With Multnomah Club.

EUGENE, Or., April 8.—(Special.)—The University of Oregon will be represented in the Columbia indoor meet, to be held Saturday at Portland, only by a freshman team, Trainer Bill Hayward having decided not to send his varsity crew into action until the Multnomah dual meet.

Tryouts for positions on the freshman team were held tonight, and 12 men have been selected to represent the Oregon first year class. They are: Arthur Tuck of Redmond, sprints and weights; Rutherford Brown of Baker, broad jump and weights; Ivan McKinney of Petaluma, Cal., high hurdles and high jump; Scanlon Collins of Portland, 440 and relay; Forest Wyatt of Baker, 440 and relay; Arthur Larson of Eugene, 440 and relay; Del Oberteuffer of Portland, 220 and broad jump; Earle Coburn of Dayton, 220 and relay; Tom Watters of Marshfield, polt vault; C. N. Ingle of La Grande, pole vault; Gaylord Peltier of Eugene, 880 and mile, and Guy Koepp of Eugene, 880.

Arthur Tuck, Redmond phenom, who created a stir in track and field circles last season, will enter his first meet under Oregon colors. Tuck is in the pink of condition, and many are wondering what he will be able to do. The javelin, Tuck's long suit, is not to be in the Columbia meet.

The freshman team, as selected, will also meet the Oregon Agricultural college rooks on May 15 as a feature of the Oregeon junior week.

Bad weather, which prevented the varsity from getting into suitable condition, is given as the reason for not entering Oregon in the Portland indoor meet. Tryouts for the varsity will likely be held in the near future.

HELD ON NORTHERN CIRCUIT

"Red" Ump to Handle Indicator for International.

TACOMA, Wash., April 8.—"Red" Held of Los Angeles, former coast league umpire, has accepted President Louis H. Burnett's terms to umpire in the Pacific international league. According to a wire received here, he has forwarded his signed contract and will report in Tacoma about April 26, a week before the season opens.

Held completes the league staff. Van Shafer of San Francisco and Leo McQuarry of Tacoma have already turned their contracts in and are ready for duty. President Burnett will hold a conference with all umpires about May 1.

COLLEGE BOXING POSTPONED

Aggies Set Date Back When Indoor Meet Bothers.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, April 8.—(Special.)—The inter-class boxing tournament, which was scheduled for the O. A. C. gym for Saturday, April 10, has been postponed until some time during the following week. The reason for putting the tournament off is that some of the entries are on the track team and will be in Portland this week end participating in the Columbia indoor meet.

A goodly number of men are taking boxing for their gymnasium credit, which warrants their turning out twice each week.

Willamette to Play Chemawa.

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, Salem, April 8.—(Special.)—Willamette will open the season against the Chemawa Indians at Chemawa tomorrow afternoon if the weather permits. According to present indications Jackson and Brown will form the battery to oppose the Indians, while the probable infield line-up will be: McKittrick, first base; Davies, second base, Paige, shortstop; Irvine, third base. Austin and R. Dimick seem certain of outfield berths, while Catin of the freshman class looks to be the most likely candidate for the open position. Two contests with O. A. C. have been scheduled for next week-end. The Aggies will come to Salem for the first game on Friday, while the varsity will travel to Corvallis for the second one.

Yakima to Have Golf Tourney.

YAKIMA, Wash., April 8.—(Special.)—Yakima will entertain the interstate golf tournament this year, according to announcement made in Yakima golf circles yesterday. The date, it was announced, has not been selected, but assurance is given that teams from Washington, Oregon and Idaho will take part in the contests, which will be played on the links of the Yakima Country club.

BUILDING IS INSPECTED

Chicago Editor Thinks Portland Stock Pavilion Has No Superior.

After an inspection of the Pacific International Livestock exposition building yesterday afternoon, Ashleigh C. Halliwell, president and editor of the Shorthorn World, Chicago, declared that it has no superior in this country. He is registered at the Hotel Portland with Mrs. Halliwell. He was accompanied on his trip to the North Portland yards by C. C. Colt, G. A. Pierson and O. M. Plummer.

Mr. Halliwell expressed himself as particularly impressed with the excellent light of the building, which affords particularly attractive advantages for exhibition purposes, he said. He also complimented the management on the splendid prizes which have been given as encouragement to the stockmen.

School Show Is Tonight.

At the Joseph Kellog school tonight the third of a series of motion picture shows will be given by the patrons of the school. "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm" will be shown.

EVER HAMMER IS TO FIGHT SHANNON

Evans Signs Main Event for Armory Card.

FULTON TO SHOW AGAIN

Walker Has Five Stitches Taken in Cut Opened by Farmer in Wednesday Night's Bout.

BY RICHARD R. SHARP.

Ever Hammer, the bristling blonde of Chicago, who several years ago was a terror to all of the lightweights in the country, was signed yesterday by Bobby Evans, matchmaker of the Portland boxing commission, to meet Eddie Shannon of San Francisco in the main event of the Portland commission card at the Armory, April 16.

Hammer hammered Benny Leonard, Freddie Welsh and Johnny Dundee to a finish, but failed to stow any of these three famous battlers away. He fought Leonard 12 torrid rounds at Kansas City only to go down under one of Benny's famous left hooks in the final canto.

Record Is Stellar One.

Ever fought a 10-round no-decision bout against Dundee in East Chicago and lost a close verdict in 15 rounds in Kansas City to the jumping Scotch wop.

Hammer fought Welsh when he was champion of the world in a 10-round no-decision contest in Milwaukie and came near unseating the Englishmen from his crown. Hammer has also fought Joe Welling, Ad Wolgast, Johnny O'Leary, Milburn Saylor, Harvey Thorpe, Johnny Kid Mex, Charley Metrie, Pal Moran and many others of note.

Several months ago Hammer came out to the coast and after several fights in San Francisco left for Los Angeles where he is now located. His last fight in the south was against Eddie Mahoney, Jack Kearns' highly touted Irish lightweight champion. Hammer and Shannon both began fighting about the same time and have had an equal number of contests.

Hammer Is Lighter.

Eddie has not taken the lacings in his career that Hammer has because of the fact that he is a better than the ordinary boxer while Hammer has always been a fighter pure and simple. However the Chicago lightweight made better records against the top-notchers than Shannon. This is explained by the fact that Eddie took on Leonard, Dundee and Kilbane while he was still learning the ropes and was not ready to tangle with them.

The San Francisco boy made a great hit with the Portland ring followers when he polished off Freddie Anderson in 10 rounds at the last card here and loomed up as a really capable lightweight, Evans is now busily engaged in arranging the remainder of the bill.

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Hugh Walker, the Kansas City heavyweight who lost to Frank Farmer at the Milwaukie arena Wednesday night, had to have five stitches taken in the cut over his eye, which Farmer opened in the first round of their grueling 10-round scrap.

Walker's Beating Was Thorough.

The cut bled throughout the bout and according to his manager, Jay Thomas, the blood had Walker practically blinded in the later rounds of the bout. The cut on his head further hindered Hugh and at a doctor's examination after the fight it developed that one of the main arteries in Walker's forehead just over his eye had been severed.

Walker took the worst lacing that has been handed a boy here in sometime, but kept coming until the finish and tried vainly to beat down Farmer's unerring attack. His fight was nothing to what the fans expected him to put up and which he seemed capable of doing after his aggressive fight against Willie