

PORTLAND'S FINE RALLY

PULLS OUT A HARD GAME FROM BUTTE—SCORE, 6 TO 5.

Visiting Team Goes to Pieces at Critical Time, and Loses on Errors.

NORTHWEST LEAGUE.

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Portland & Butte, 5.

A high-scoring game of baseball between these teams yesterday afternoon. Butte had the game well in hand until the fifth inning, when Portland got a batting rally and tied the score. In the seventh, Sam Vigneux presented Butte with a run, but in the eighth two errors and a passed ball gave the game to Portland, after Vigneux had thrown it away. Umpire Cunningham was off color in calling balls and strikes, but was no harder on one pitcher than on the other. A number of his decisions at the bases were close and many were questioned by McCloskey, while the crowd yelled to the umpire to give him. But nothing but a warning was given.

Donnelly started the game in the box for Butte, but appeared to have no control, so was removed in the middle of the second inning and Carter put in his place.

Engle started out the game by issuing a pass to Kane, and then soaking Ward in the back with the ball. Errors by Engle and Mahaffey put Marshall and McIntyre on the bases. Kane was put out at second. Zearfos bunted to Engle, who could not handle the ball in time to keep Ward from scoring. However, he got Zearfos at first. Ward scored on Portland in the second inning. He got to first by being hit in the leg by a pitched ball and scored on a hit to left field by Vigneux.

In the third inning Ward made first on a safe bunt and went to second on Marshall's hit. McIntyre hit to Deisel, who threw to Anderson and caught Marshall.

McIntyre was retired at first. With two men out Hupp came to the bat and sent the ball over to the right-field fence, where Treadway climbed up the bank but couldn't get it. This scored one. Ward and left Hupp on second. Ward followed with another two-bagger and scored Hupp, tying the score, while the grandstand and bleachers set up a great cheer. Mahaffey flew out and retired the side.

In the sixth Treadway reached first on Mahaffey's error. Carter tried to sacrifice, but instead knocked a pop fly to Engle, who whooped it into the air to prevent nothing further happened until the first of the seventh. Ward was put out at second and Marshall got to third on a fielder's choice and a hit by Zearfos.

With a man on third and one on first, Vigneux for some unaccountable reason threw to second, where there was no one covering the bag. Deisel ran for the ball and caught it. He then threw to first to prevent Marshall from scoring. Third, Vigneux's face showed that he was not saying good things to himself, and he kicked one of his little, short legs back as if in an effort to keep his temper. The Buttes were retired without further scoring, but they were one run in the lead.

How Portland Won.

In the eighth Portland made a final rally, and the game that had been thrown away by its manager was won back again through the errors of the other team. Hupp and Weed both drew out, and with these two out it looked like it was all over in a dozen plays with Portland. Mahaffey made a hit to left field, and Vigneux put the ball in the center garden. A passed ball by Zearfos gave each of them an extra base. Engle hit to Carter and he fumbled the ball, allowing Engle to hit base and Mahaffey to put the score. Muller followed by putting the ball in Ward's hands. Ward threw to the ever-present McIntyre, but he dropped the ball. Engle reached second and Muller first, while Weed drew out. Ward then played for the run that won the game. Deisel flew out and Butte came to the bat with Portland one tally ahead.

In the ninth inning Butte failed to make connection between the willow stick, the ball and the score board. Ward did his part and sent out another hit, but his colleagues were not equal to the task. So Butte lost the game and by that the series.

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