

# SPORTS

## Finishes Are Close at Irvington—Seattle Has Good Start in Second Half of Baseball Series.

### DIAMOND RING

#### Gossip of the Ballplayers and the Boxers.

### SEATTLE HAS GOOD START

#### Angels Are in Poor Way for the Second Half, While Tigers Appear to Be Holding Back.

The Portland bunch of crickets inaugurated a second half of the season by winning the first game, but failed to keep up the good work by dropping the next three. With Mitchell and Schaefer out of the game and the defection of Pitzer French, the local team is in bad shape, and a few defeats on the road at the start were to be expected. When they return home next Tuesday the two men on the hospital list will be expected to resume their positions, and in addition to these it is rumored that two new men will join the team here in the persons of Jay Hughes and Arthur Hoffman. Hughes is the pitcher about whom there is a dispute between the local and the Seattle club. The veteran is still capable of twirling in fast company, and his services will prove of great value to the team. Hoffman is the crack infielder, who has been with the Chicago Nationals, and is rated as one of the cleverest infielders in the business. He has been playing utility roles for the Cubs, and if the report is true as to the local manager having landed him, the local fans will see a corking good man covering around the third sack, for it is to be hoped that he will be successful in landing the player, who will strengthen his club materially, for with the next few weeks at home the Giants should be well up among the leaders.

Russ Hall, the manager of the Seattle club, has been quietly adding to his club, until now at the start of the second half he has a team that should prove a formidable contender for the honors. The bunch of pitchers on Rusty's payroll are as good as any in the league, and will undoubtedly keep the Swashes out of the cellar. Each of the five pitchers has a different style of delivery, for with Charlie Smith, who is a right-hander, and world of speed; Fireman Fitzpatrick and his crossfire; Charlie Hall, a right-hander, with as much steam as the southpaw; Roscoe Miller and his excellent control and curve, and the Roach with his dinky-dinky, Rusty's slab artists present the most puzzling style of delivery from day to day.

The Angels have got off badly as a starter of the second half, and are not as strong a team as they were last year, for the services of one Ceslous J. Newton are sadly missed by Jeems Morley. The Angels have a fairly good staff of twirlers, but among the bunch only one can be compared with the best in the league, and that is Big Warren Hall. The Angels, even under the captaincy of Frank Dillon, are not much more than a second division club, unless they secure a few more good ones. In this respect they are lacking, and can be rated with the Oakland club, which is the poorest hitting team in the league. The Angel teamwork will win them a few games, but they are not as good as formidable a club as in the past two seasons. Dillon and Smith are the only men in the club who have a respectable batting average.

For the first time in two years, Mike Fisher's Tigers have dropped the opening game of home base, but it is of no significance, for they can be depended upon to show in the first division right along. The Tigers are not extremely anxious to capture the second half, and are evidently desirous of playing out for the championship with some other club, but in any event they are capable of giving any club a strong battle for the honors. It has been rumored that Cleveland has decided to dispose of Bobby Keefe, his star twirler, and this is probably true, for by selling the pitcher at this time the Taoms club has secured a big haul in figures that it would secure were he to be drafted at the close of the season.

While the Highlanders deserve all the credit that can be given to them for the gallant fight which they are making to climb in spite of a casualty list which would discourage the most sanguine manager, there is another team in the league which has surprised baseball followers by making the strongest kind of fight against misfortune. With Lajoie, captain, manager, best infielder, hitter, and in general the backbone of the team, the hospital list, Cleveland has been making the best of an insufficient substitute, and by the strongest sort of team work has hung on to the first position, notwithstanding the fact that he has a lead greater than before its captain's defection.

When Lajoie was injured Chicago was tied with the blues for first honors, and even Cleveland's most ardent supporters grudgingly said, "Now, I'm afraid the slide is greased." It was greeted to a certain extent by Cleveland's loss by figures in the average column, but the foothold which Chicago and Philadelphia had on the second and third runs had a great effect on the confidence of the Cleveland perch, for the closest rivals of the blues have also gone down enough to keep the Clevelanders on top.

This is where the ability of the clubs in the second division has had its effect on the standing at the top. The closing up of the last five clubs on the first three has pulled Chicago and Philadelphia down, opening a gap between them and the leaders which should keep Cleveland the strongest kind of a pennant possibility—Exchange.

"They can talk about Hanlon, McGraw and a few managers being the greatest ever," said Jack Taylor, the St. Louis Cardinals' pitcher, "but this man Seale of Chicago has all of them beaten when it comes to finding out for just what position a man is fitted. He has developed more stars away from the regular positions than any manager that ever handled a team. Take his aggregation as it lines up now: there is scarcely a man on it who is playing in the position in which he originally attracted attention. "Joe Tinker, counted as one of the best shortstops in the business, came to Seale as a third baseman. After having seen him play that position for a little while, Seale came to the conclusion that Tinker was too fast on his feet for the place, as he frequently overran hits, and so he switched him to short, where he became a star. Johnny Evers was a better stop when Chicago got him. His throwing in that position was bad, so Seale placed him on second, where he is today one of the greatest performers the position ever has known. "Chance was a catcher, but now ranks as a leading first baseman; Maloney and

## HARRY MURPHY SKETCHES THE ATHLETES AT THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES



COE, OF YALE THE RECORD BREAKER

RALPH ROSE, THE CHICAGO GIANT

KERRIGAN WHO ADDED ANOTHER VICTORY TO HIS UNBROKEN STRING.

### FINISHES TOO CLOSE

#### Many Spectators Pick the Wrong Horses.

### RULINGS ARE QUESTIONED

#### Starter Mulholland Does Excellent Work at the Barrier—Graham Rides Nine Winners in Five Days.

By C. L. MCCARTHY.

Delightful weather, new equine blood from Eastern race courses, good starting and many exciting finishes caused the turnstiles to show a big increase in attendance at Irvington Park during the past week. In fact, the racing we have been witnessing at the four-cornered track has been of a high order ever since the meeting opened. The only complaint heard has been over a few close finishes, in which the horse finishing on the outside failed to catch the judge's eye first. The angle of the finish at Irvington is very deceptive to the spectators at the left of the judges' stand. If one would like an excellent illustration of this deception to the eye, stand two oblong blocks on a table and place them on exactly even terms, but with about a foot of space between them. Then stand back from the table and view your home-made finish from different angles and see the result. You will make no mistakes about which "horse" wins this finish, as your nerves will be in a normal state, and neither of the blocks will be carrying any of your "worldly goods."

Starter Mulholland has been doing excellent work with the barrier, and but few bad starts are recorded against him. Neakly every well-played horse has had an even break, and this, of course, gives speculators lots of confidence. One of the features of the past week's racing has been the riding of little

Graham, who rode nine winners in the first five days of the week. The jockey table shows that he won 21 per cent of his mounts, which is an excellent average. And it cannot be said that Graham is riding the best horse, as in the nose and head finishes in which he has taken part he has gained the decision in a majority. He is very alert at the post, and has been off in the first four on all but a few occasions. He rates a horse very nicely and seldom comes wide in the stretch, nearly always finishing on the rail, thereby saving a lot of valuable ground at the last turn.

A League has also done some clever work in the saddle and he but two races behind Graham. Benny Powell is another boy who has more than held his own. The heavier boys—Ly Powell, Old, Minder and T. Stewart—have not done very well, although they have had but few mounts. "Handriding" Frank Kelly expects to commence riding this week, and Eddie Walsh, a very clever rider, will be here from Cincinnati this week. Walsh will ride for the stable of S. M. Williams, a recent arrival from the East.

The race run by Judge in the MacRae Handicap, a week ago Saturday, proves that horses partial to mud run better over the Irvington track. The black son of Atheling is at his best on a soft track, and will be a hard horse to beat in the handi-cap.

Horsemen who raced at Denver are very enthusiastic over Flying Fox, a sprinter that won most of his starts at Overland Park meeting. They consider him a wonder, but he would have troubles of his own if he should meet Billy Mahan at four or five furlongs. The roan gelding can beat any horse here at four furlongs, and 56 per cent of them at five furlongs.

Laddie, the best sprinter at Seattle, seems to be of no account over the Irvington track, as the short stretches make it impossible for him to get fully in his stride.

Epicure is, without doubt, the hardest luck horse here. He should have won the sixth race Tuesday by a couple of lengths, but Jockey Ivy Powell underestimated the staying qualities of Estella J., and thought he could take the lead from her whenever ready. He allowed her to open up a gap of seven lengths in the first half-mile, and when he made his run in the stretch he was unable to get up in time. Epicure was running over Estella J. at the end, and should have won as he pleased. This is about the fourth race in which Epicure looked a certain winner, only to have something happen to "delay" him.

Good Cheer was another horse that should have won her race. She was unfamiliar with the Irvington turns and Clark made his move entirely too late. Good Cheer came to the extreme outside entering the stretch, and rushed by the others in the last sixteenth as though

they were standing still. But, like Epicure, she was a trifle too late.

Dick Williams, owner of Good Cheer, Alencon, Loyal Front and other fast ones, furnished shining example of the uncertainties of horseracing. On his arrival here he was anxious to dispose of Watercure, and found a ready customer in Tom Davies, owner of Eleven Bulls. Then Dick grew enthusiastic over the race run by Dixie on Wednesday, when she won pulling up by three lengths. So he purchased Dixie and entered her in the sixth race Friday, in which it happened that Watercure was also a starter.

A number of handicappers and betters, knowing the good record Watercure had done in the past, thought him one of the contenders in the race and a possible winner. But when some of them went to Williams for information as to Watercure's recent form in the East, he threw cold water on their hopes by declaring that Watercure was of no earthly account, and that he was absolutely certain of being beaten by every other horse in the race. As a consequence, the bookmakers posted 6 to 1 against Watercure, although they felt certain the price was entirely too long, and finding no takers, carried the odds to 8 to 1, and then to 10 to 1. At this last figure a few of the faithful couldn't resist the temptation of 10 to 1 against a one-time high-class horse, and took a chance to get even on Watercure. The result of the running of the race showed how often horsemen are more at sea in their opinions than the public. Watercure followed Blisfait, the bookmaker, very closely to the last turn, and in a hard drive through the stretch managed to win by a head. Dixie, Williams' recent purchase, was a distant fourth, with little or no excuse to offer.

Watercure is about 8 years old, and in 1901 he finished second in the Suburban and Brighton handicaps, two of the richest races run in America. He was a good breadwinner for Green B. Morris, and the late Caesar Young, and won a number of races in Los Angeles last winter, but he was a better horse in the morning than when the money was up. He completely outclassed the field he was meeting in a hard drive over the stretch.

Faltered, a stable horse, is running well here, and he leads the winning owners by a fair margin. The following is a list of the owners who have won over each, and the number of races won by each:

Owner	Winnings of owners to August 4 inclusive	Races Won	Amount
J. Pelter	1	7	\$1255
C. E. Gravel	1	7	823
E. J. Ramey	1	7	721
C. E. Gravel	1	6	650
J. O'Toole	1	5	635
Baker City Stables	1	5	586
E. S. Clifton	1	4	580
Gill Summers & Co.	1	4	549
Mrs. F. Gabriel	1	4	470
F. J. Clifton	1	4	440
L. C. Williams	1	4	440
W. S. Rodgers	1	4	435
George Strickland	1	4	420
A. Goodin	1	4	425
W. H. Lynch	1	4	400
George Strickland	1	4	380
Mrs. L. McLaughlin	1	4	350
Mrs. L. Hall	1	4	325
H. Stove	1	4	320
J. Wolf	1	3	350
Fleur de Lis Stable	1	3	310
H. Stove	1	3	295
T. A. Davies	1	3	270
A. Neal	1	3	250
G. L. Clifton	1	3	230
I. Brown	1	3	250
A. Lynch & Co.	1	3	250
H. Stove	1	3	250

Graham leads the jockeys, with Louque and Benny Powell close up. Johnny Chad has done very well, considering the number of mounts he has had, and has won just one-third of the races in which he has ridden. The following table shows how the boys stand:

Jockey	St.	3d.	2d.	1st.	Unpl.	Mts.	P.C.
Graham	10	8	11	25	55	249	24.6
Louque	10	8	11	25	55	249	24.6
B. Powell	10	8	11	25	55	249	24.6
J. Clark	10	8	11	25	55	249	24.6
T. Sullivan	6	1	3	15	24	50	19.0
J. Clark	6	1	3	15	24	50	19.0
T. Sullivan	6	1	3	15	24	50	19.0
H. Stove	3	4	5	8	39	69	20.9
Herbert	3	4	5	8	39	69	20.9
W. R. Butler	3	4	5	8	39	69	20.9
C. Williams	3	4	5	8	39	69	20.9
Minder	1	4	1	7	13	23	19.1
R. Butler	1	4	1	7	13	23	19.1
Wright	1	3	1	10	14	26	19.2
T. Stewart	1	3	1	10	14	26	19.2
C. Williams	1	3	1	10	14	26	19.2
Crosstwhite	1	1	1	4	2	14	14.3
O'Leary	1	0	2	6	8	11	11.1
Sinnett	1	0	0	3	4	8	11.1
H. Smith	1	0	0	4	5	9	11.1

### New Record for 12-Pound Shot.

STEDNEY, C. B., Aug. 5.—In the Summer carnival sports here today Simon P. Gills, of New York, threw the 12-pound hammer 132 feet five inches. This, it is believed, beats the record by four feet three inches, and a record will be applied for.

## REST FOR THE PONIES

#### Crowd Journeys to Irvington, but Sees No Races.

### HORSEMEN HEAVY LOSERS

#### Week's Postponement of Racing, While Legal Battle Is On, Will Hit the Pocketbooks of Many Owners.

Not only the horsemen were disappointed by the granting of the injunction against the Multnomah Fair Association, but the large Saturday crowd that journeyed to Irvington track, in addition to being disappointed, was exceedingly wrathful. Captain F. W. Spencer's ears must have tingled, because he was the topic of conversation, not only among the horsemen, but among those who were denied seeing the thoroughbred chase each other around the track.

The officials of the association will not let the matter rest with the preliminary injunction which Judge Fraser granted Captain Spencer yesterday morning. Late in the afternoon attorneys for the association filed a motion to dissolve the injunction, and the time set for the hearing of the motion is Monday morning. If this motion fails, in all probability the case will be taken at once to the Supreme Court and fought out to the bitter end. The closing of the race meeting just at this time will work a awful hardship upon the owners who have brought their horses to Portland. All told, there are over 400 horses stabled at Irvington, and there are about 500 men and boys needed in caring for these horses. These owners and trainers have shipped their stables into the Northwest at a great cost, and by the time they have returned to California for the winter racing, they will have spent with the railroad companies something like \$50,000. If racing is stopped altogether, it means ruin to many of them.

At the same time the intention of the association officials to raise out yesterday's card and pay the purses, without selling pools. They would not have been prevented by the injunction had it been deemed it best to trash out the matter in the courts, so the races were postponed for a week. Horsemen, in spite of the fact that it will prevent them from dividing the \$10,000 which the association distributes weekly among the various horses that ran each day in the money, were willing to accept the postponement. They came here to race, and were exceedingly glad to get away from Seattle, and while they realize that each day of delay means added financial loss, they are already carrying, they were willing to wait.

When it became known at the track that the races were postponed, owners and trainers hurried to the city to spend the day at the Exposition, or taking in the sights of the city. Most of them are here for the first time and spent the day in looking around.

### FARMERS WANTED TOO MUCH

#### University of Washington Looks Elsewhere for Opponent.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Seattle, Aug. 5.—Manager Grinstead has had a hard time straightening up the matters of the football team of the University of Washington by the resignation of R. H. Evans as graduate manager of athletics, last month, without having finished the football season games. For a time the Thanksgiving day game was regarded as sure to go to the Oregon Agricultural College, but the managers of the two teams have been unable to come to terms, and it begins to look as though Washington would have to look elsewhere for an opponent for the big game of the year.

The University of Washington athletic authorities have endeavored to secure the University of Oregon for an annual Thanksgiving day game in Seattle, but the manager of that institution has refused to make the annual game at the Multnomah Athletic Club in Portland on that date. Negotiations were then opened up with the O. A. C., but the University of Oregon has refused to accept, and as the Thanksgiving game is the one big event on which the Washingtonians rely to make the expenses of the season, Manager Grinstead has refused to make the University of Idaho or the Washington Agricultural College will probably be substituted.

At a recent conference between Manager Grinstead, Coach Cuts and Captain Tom McDonald, it was decided to maintain a training table and sleeping quarters for the squad in the Park Hotel, the only building scheduled for the season in Seattle after October 7, Whitworth College, October 14, Whitman College, November 12, Sherman Indians; November 18, University of Oregon.

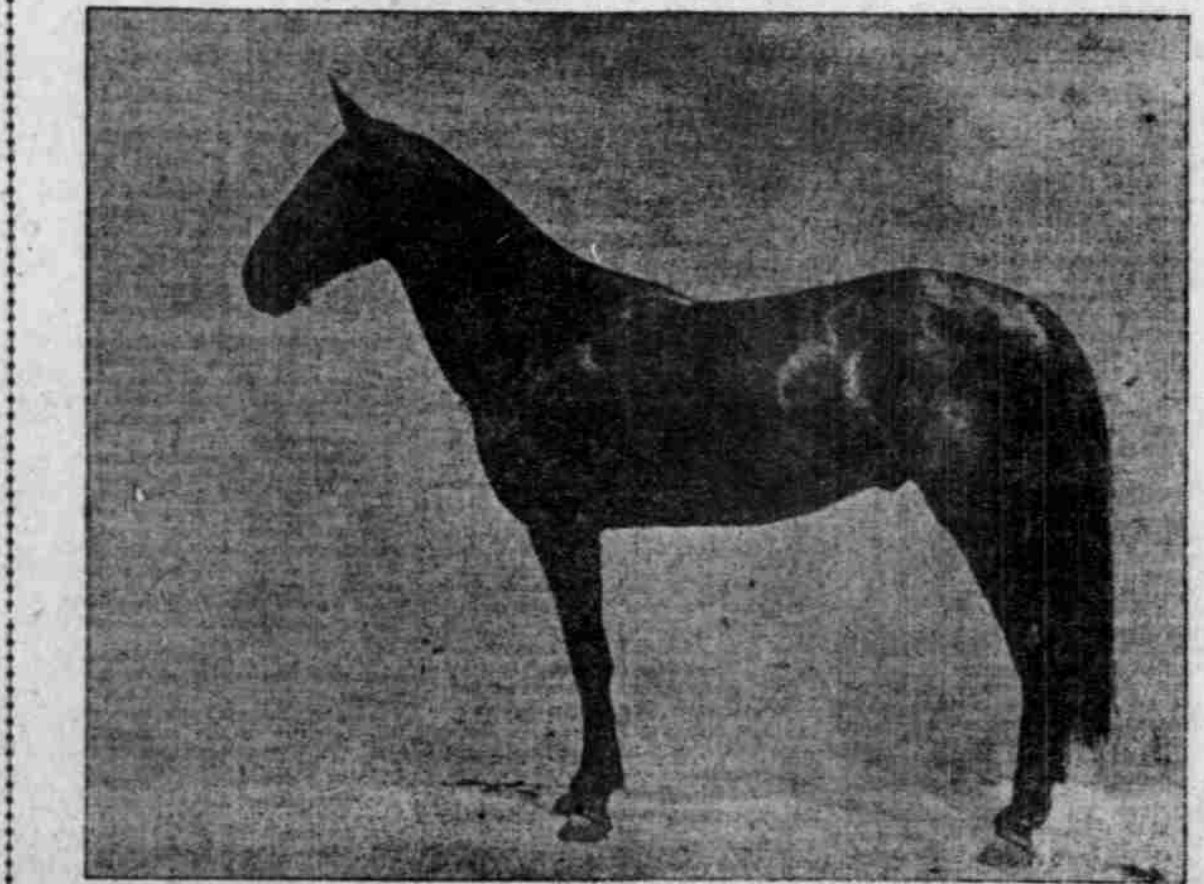
### STAR LACROSSE GAMES.

#### Annual Face-Off of Portlands and Seattles.

Hard checking and fast combination play will mark the championship lacrosse game to be played at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon on the football ground. Twenty-four and Vaughn streets, between the Portlands and the Seattles. There's little need to refer to the furious game when the two rival clubs last faced each other, except to say that it was one of the warmest athletic contests ever seen in the Pacific Northwest. The rivalry is by no means buried yet, and today's play will be worth watching. York and Williamson, at point and cover point respectively, for the Seattles, are about the best in the business in this country, not even excepting the equally famous combination of the Brooklyn N. Y. club. And they will be faced by an equally strong duo, Dan McNicholl and Tommy McDougall, of the Portlands. Another storm center will be where "Dew" Wallace and Jennings are opponents—they are determined, well-matched lacrosse artists. "Mike" McCance and Harue are also strong players, capable of tickling the grandstand. They are well balanced on the other side by Campbell, Hamilton or Stewart. It is safe to say that a similar game of the kind will not be seen here for years.

#### New York Cricketers Defeated.

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—By a low score of 26 to 121 for two innings, the visiting cricketers from the Marylebone Club of England, defeated the picked eleven from the club comprising the Metropolitan District League of New York today.



**PADISHAH FIRST TO BE ENTERED IN HORSE SHOW.**  
Padishah, the first horse entered in the Horse Show, which will be held in connection with the Exposition, is the property of Henry M. Tillman, of this city. Padishah is a very likely-looking 2-year-old and was bought by Mr. Tillman last Spring at the McCarthy & Son horse sale. He is a trotter with a splendid gait and has fine speed lines. He is out of Patience, 2:27 1/2, daughter of Constance, 2:21 1/4 (out of Lady Sherman, dam 3 in 2:30), half-sister to Judge Davis, 2:18 1/4.