INTEREST KEEN AS EVER IN FOOTBALL

Attempt at Reform Has Not Lessened Love for the Gridiron Game.

SOME SCHOOLS DROP OUT

Others Accept Modified Rules, and Have Teams in Field—English Game Gains Small Favor Among Players.

August, baseball and the beach season will soon be past and then with the coming September will come the regular pre-season football arrangements. Despite of the reform wave which swept over the land at the close of last season, the great college game is still on the boards in most parts of the country, apparently as popular and deep-seated in the affections of the people as ever. College presidents, moralists and women's clubs together found the hold of the gridiron on the American people immovable. Indeed, in a few schools and universities a ban has been placed on the game which for years has been the winter delight of schoolboy and statesman, but no serious defection need be expected from the ranks of either scholastic institutions or universities when the time for making up the season schedule arrives.

Harvard, Chicago, Stanford and California seem to be the only large universities where the game may not be played this year, and indeed even here when the time comes for Fall training to begin once more student and popular indignation may be too strong for the faculty and other authorities to withstand who are trying to kill the game. In the East no substitute has been offered for football, but at the California universities the faculty athletic boards when they sounded the knell of football offered the game of Rugby as a substitute. There is no way to predict what will be the outcome of the faculty decree in California. Until the day for training to begin students nor faculty know what will be played, or if the faculty be inexorable in its decree against the old game, whether any will turn out to learn the English sport.

In the Northwest the modified game will be played, as it will throughout the East. Oregon, Washington and Idaho universities and athletic clubs will have their teams in the field as of old. Already many of these institutions are preparing their schedules and recruiting players for the season. It is yet early to select favorites, for the Northwest colleges and clubs will no doubt be as evenly matched as ever.

The University of Oregon will miss its annual California trip because as affairs now stand at Stanford and California, no games can be scheduled. This early Fall trip has always been a source of great pleasure to the Eugene boys and its absence will make quite a hole in their schedule. However, without the California games, perhaps more can be arranged with other Northwest colleges. Both Willamette University and Oregon Agricultural College went South last Fall and these schools, too, will be cut out of an interesting and beneficial trip.

Multnomah Club will have on hand most of the old favorites who have done yeoman service, but, as they have for many succeeding seasons, these battle-scarred veterans are loud in their declaration that they have donned the mole-skin for the last time. But it is hard to wean the knight of the gridiron from his favorite pastime, and probably the same old faces—Murphy, Pratt, Woodruff, James, Overfield and Horan—will be seen in and behind the red and white shirted line as before. Dave Jordan, who last year proved himself a thoroughly popular and competent captain, will again direct the Multnomah squad, and John Horan has been chosen manager. Already games have been set with the University of Oregon for Thanksgiving Day, Seattle Athletic Club for Christmas Day at Seattle and New Year's Day here. The University of North Dakota is also negotiating for a date to be included in the Western itinerary which it is considering, and Corvallis, Willamette, Pullman, Idaho and other smaller institutions will soon be placed.

Among the preparatory schools the season does not bid fair to be nearly so exciting and interesting as usual because of the withdrawal of Portland Academy from the field. Following the example set by some of the universities of the country, Principals Johnston and Wilson decided to prohibit the game for one year and to attempt to interest the students in some other amusements. The Portland High School, Columbia University and Hill Military Academy will be in the field as usual, but the absence of Portland Academy from the scholastic schedule will deprive the school season of a great amount of ginger and healthy rivalry which it has always had. The academy has won the pennant for years and around the High School-Academy game has always centered the keenest interest.

FOR $100 AND GATE RECEIPTS

Schillers and Portland Trunk Company Do Battle Today.

The Schillers will either forge another link today in their claim to the amateur baseball championship of the state or will get their first defeat. The Portland Trunk Company team will try to down the cigarmakers this afternoon on the league grounds at 3 o'clock. The game will be for a side bet of $100 and all the gate receipts. The rivalry between the two teams is intense, and the money consideration has served to heighten the interest greatly.

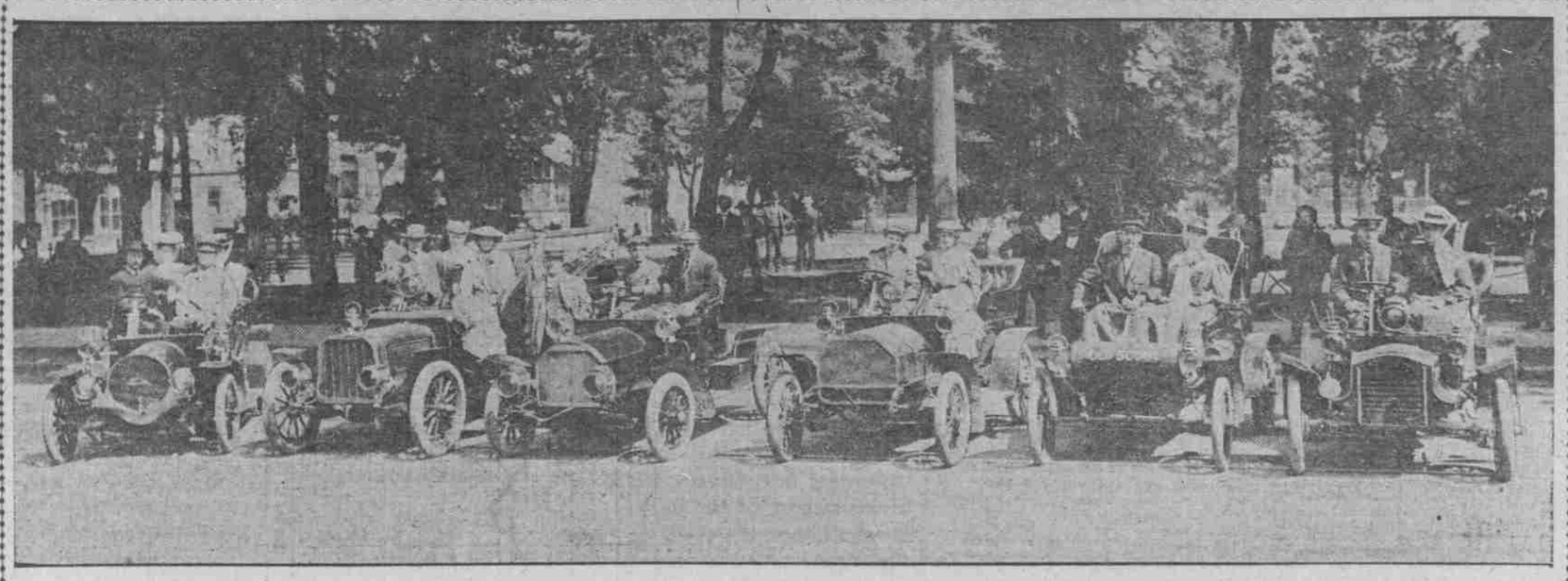
The Trunkmakers are relying on their clever twirler, Taylor, to bring victory their way, while Rich Parrott is expected by the Schillers to pass over a collection of unsolvable curves. Taylor is a speedy southpaw, and has made a good record to date. Parrott has not lost a game since he went in the box early this season. Slavin will catch the lanky fellow, while Antoine, at one time the star battery man of Notre Dame University, will be behind the bat for the Portland Trunk Company. The line-up of the two teams is:

Schillers.	Position.	Trunkmakers.
Slavin	C	Antoine
Parrott	P	Taylor
A. Parrott	1B	Jamieson
Patterson	2B	Brown
Houston	3B	Day
Fay	SS	McClellan
Myers	LF	Van Nortwick
Chapin	CF	Briggs
Oliver	RF	Dorner

Miss Sutton Wins Two Matches.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE, England, Aug. 4.—In the ladies' singles at the Northumberland tennis championship contest today Miss May Sutton, of California, beat Miss H. Atchison, 6-2, 6-1.

In the mixed doubles, open championship, final, G. Hilliard and Miss Sutton beat H. Laws and Miss Atkinson, 6-0, 6-4.



PORTLAND AUTO CLUB LINED UP BEFORE STARTING ON RUN TO MT. HOOD.

OREGON CREW IN GOOD CONDITION

Portland Oarsmen, Bound for East, Continue Training on the Cars.

REGATTA NEXT SATURDAY

Coast Athletes Not Overly Confident, But Are Hopeful of Making Showing Against Eastern Cracks.

The senior crew of the Portland Rowing Club, under direction of Coach Murphy, will in a day or two be working out on Lake Quinsigamond, at Worcester, Mass., where the regatta of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen will be held next Saturday. Letters from members of the crew en route state that all are in the best of condition physically, and while not overconfident, they are hopeful of making a creditable showing against the pick of the oarsmen of the country. All are overjoyed at securing the opportunity to test their prowess against the Easterners, and are determined to go the limit when the crucial time arrives.

Even while on the train East the oarsmen have not neglected their physical welfare. Pemberton, the big fellow who rows No. 3, writes that he and his teammates exercised daily on the cars at shadow boxing, and that at every stop where they had time they took a run. Such persistent training cannot but bring results, and local enthusiasts are hopeful that the crew can win better than place in the several races in which they will be entered.

At Spokane, while returning from Nelson, the Portland boys were given an enthusiastic reception. Although they have the magnificent Lake Coeur d'Alene near at hand, the Spokane people have never organized a rowing club, and when the Portland crews rowed several exhibition races on the big mountain lake, Spokane was at once taken with the rowing fever, and plans laid for the formation of numerous boat clubs. Special inducements were offered Ed Gloss, the Portland single sculler, to engage in a match race with his old rival, DesBrisay, the Columbian, on Lake Coeur d'Alene. Now that Alex Pape has again appeared in the field and taken up Gloss' defi, if a race should be arranged between the local man and the Coast champion and neutral water picked for the course, the plum would in all probability fall to Lake Coeur d'Alene. Spokane people would be delighted with such a proposition.

The Portland boys arranged a full aquatic programme for the amusement of their Spokane hosts, including canoe races, tilting contests and the like, all of which have long ago become commonplace on the Willamette. The Washingtonians were so delighted with the work of the Oregonians that they had struck off a number of special medals and distributed them as souvenirs of the occasion among the winners of the different events.

In speaking of the day's sports on Lake Coeur d'Alene, the Spokane Spokesman-Review says:

On choppy waters, with a strong breeze to handicap the oarsmen, the first rowing regatta was held yesterday on Lake Coeur d'Alene. The Portland Rowing Club, 10 athletes altogether, were the guests of the Coeur d'Alene Boat Club, and the Spokane Amateur Athletic Club all day yesterday, and the regatta was given rather as an exhibition of the sport than as a programme of races.

The regular Coeur d'Alene cars and a special train at 1 o'clock bore 300 or 400 interested sightseers from Spokane, and the beautiful newly equipped docks of the Coeur d'Alene Boat Club were crowded with the throng during the programme of races and contests yesterday afternoon. The steamer Beneta, the gasoline launches Virginia and Tilacum, and various other water craft followed the racers over the half-mile course to the finish line near the boat club docks, but were rarely able to keep up with the speedy oarsmen from Portland.

To the great majority of spectators it was a new thing, and there was more curiosity than enthusiasm apparent in the reception accorded the oarsmen at the finish of their races. However, the spectators generally seemed so well pleased with the afternoon's programme that it is quite evident that the sport would prosper, and talk of forming rowing clubs, both at Coeur d'Alene, Leon and Newman Lakes, was rife on the club docks and depot platforms yesterday.

The Portland boys are magnificent-looking athletes, bronzed with the sun and muscled with the long three months' training. They are watched over with eagle eye by their veteran coach, Dan Murphy, whose skill as a teacher of the art of rowing has been ably manifested in the success of the Stanford and Portland Rowing Club crews at various regattas this Spring and Summer.

First Year for a Western Crew.

Few Westerners are acquainted with the so-called National and International regatta of the American Association of Amateur Oarsmen on some Eastern course, for the sole reason that never before this year has a Western crew been entered.

This regatta is to oarsmen what the annual meeting of the American Athletic Union is to track athletes. Such famous crews as the Vespers, of Philadelphia; the Argonauts, of Toronto; the crew of the New York Athletic Club and the world's record-holders from Winnipeg are entered every Summer. Last year at Patapsco River, Baltimore, both the National and international senior fours were won by the Seawanhaka Boat Club, of Brooklyn, N. Y. The time made in the international race over a mile and a half was 8:21 2-5. The record held by the Winnipeg crew is 8:15 2-5. Often in practice the Portland big four has made under 8:20 on the mile and a half straightaway down the Willamette, and it is this fact which leads Murphy and the Portland Rowing Club directors to hope that the local boys can get a place well to the fore.

Turn Will Be a Handicap.

However, there is one condition which the Portland crew must cope with which may tend materially to lessen their chances for first-place honors. The course on Lake Quinsigamond, in fact, almost all the courses in the big Eastern regatta, are rowed over a turn. The Portland four has never practised rounding a buoy and it is feared that they will experience considerable difficulty in accustoming themselves to making a turn in the race. But with the several days' practice they will be able to get on Worcester Lake, they may overcome this handicap.

It is probable that some of the races will be held on Friday, thus making the big regatta a two-day affair.

At the meeting of the North Pacific Association held in Nelson, B. C., during the week of the races it was decided to hold all future regattas of the association on Lake Washington, varying this rule every sixth year, when Nelson will be the scene. Lake Washington has been urged for a long time as the logical place for the Northwest races, since it is central to all the cities of the association. It is hoped by next year to have Seattle, Tacoma and perhaps Spokane represented in the North Pacific regatta.

RIFLE SHOOT IS FINISHED

Captain Steale in Lead in Competition at Monterey Presidio.

PACIFIC GROVE, Cal., Aug. 4.—The Army rifle-shooting competition for the Pacific Coast division, which commenced on Monday last, at the Presidio of Monterey, was concluded today. Next Monday and Tuesday a pistol-shooting contest will take place. The ten highest scores follow:

Captain Henry L. Steale, Artillery Corps, 754; Private Ernest Marshall, Engineer Corps, 721; First Lieutenant W. B. Wallace, Twentieth Infantry, 719; Corporal M. Rohr, Engineer Corps, 719; Second Lieutenant S. A. Harris, Thirteenth Infantry, 708; Private L. Trusson, Twenty-second Infantry, 697; Sergeant S. Cox, Company C, Artillery, 693; Sergeant J. Foulkerod, Twentieth Infantry, 691; Sergeant W. H. Spree, Company F, Fourteenth Cavalry, 679; Sergeant W. K. Carsell, Twentieth Infantry, 674.

Wrestler Here Seeking Match.

Joe Heinrich, a wrestler from Spokane, is in the city looking for a match. Heinrich has cleaned up all aspirants for mat honors about Spokane, and he is ready and willing to meet any man at his weight, 175 pounds. Perhaps Simmonds, the O. W. P. street-car conductor who claims the city belt, may be induced to meet the Spokane crack. Heinrich is willing to wrestle for a side bet of $50 or $100. He gives as his address the Modern Confectionery Company.

TENNIS AT TACOMA

North Pacific Tournament to Commence Next Tuesday.

LEADING EVENT OF COAST

Portland to Be Represented by Three of Its Best Players, Who Will Meet Puget Sound and British Columbia Cracks.

The leading tennis event of the Pacific Coast will be played on the courts of the Tacoma Lawn Tennis Club, commencing next Tuesday and continuing throughout the current week.

The occasion will be the annual North Pacific international championship tournament, and jointly with that, the Pacific Northwest open championship. Portland will be represented by its three best players, tried and proved in the many local tournaments which have continued throughout the Spring and early Summer, Walter A. Goss, Dan Bellinger and Brant Wickersham. These men will be the joint entries of the Multnomah and Irvington Clubs. Goss will be relied on mainly to uphold the singles supremacy of Portland, while Bellinger and Wickersham will be the doubles team from the Rose City. Against them will be pitted the best-talent from these clubs: Tacoma Lawn Tennis Club, Seattle Lawn Tennis Club, Spokane Country Club, Olympia Tennis Club, Vancouver, B. C., Lawn Tennis Club, Victoria Lawn Tennis Club and the James Bay Athletic Club.

The North Pacific International Lawn Tennis Association was organized in 1904, the first annual tournament being held that year at Victoria, B. C. R. B. Powell was winner in the singles class, and the same player and Goward carried off the doubles honors. During the Lewis and Clark Fair last Summer the Multnomah courts were the scene of the tournament for 1905. At this time representatives were entered from all over the Coast, some coming from so far south even as Los Angeles. W. A. McBurney, of Spokane, after a gruelling series of games, finally made his way to the top in the singles, and Schwengers and Macrae, of Victoria, B. C., proved the best of the doubles entries. The men's singles in this tournament carries with it possession of the Multnomah Club, presented by the Multnomah Club last Summer. This year the Tacoma Club, on whose courts the play will be held, has offered a similar trophy to be competed for in the doubles.

The championships of the Pacific Northwest will be decided at the same time. This tournament is one of the fixtures which has been awarded for 17 years to the Tacoma Lawn Tennis Club by the United States National Lawn Tennis Association. In this tourney there are five open events, men's singles and doubles, ladies' singles and doubles and mixed doubles. The men's singles carries with it possession of the famous Thorne cup, which has been played for during the past 12 years, and bears the names of all the best-known players in the Northwest—Foulkes, Powell, Freeman, Hurd, Russell, Breeze and Walter Goss, who is the present holder. The cup has at different times been the property of representatives of Victoria, Seattle, Tacoma, Portland and California.

Additional prizes will also be offered this year by the Tacoma Club in the way of cups to the winners of the men's and ladies' doubles, to become the permanent property of the teams winning them three times.

The site of the Tacoma Lawn Tennis Club is one of the beauty spots of the Northwest country. The grounds are laid out on Tacoma avenue, at the head of the new City Park, overlooking Puget Sound. The club now owns two city blocks in the heart of the best residence section of the city, and the most complete and commodious tennis clubhouse west of Chicago. Visiting players are guaranteed a pleasant and delightful week.

The first-class men expected to participate in these tournaments are: Schwengers, Macrae, Rithet, Cornwall and Hunter, of Victoria; Farquhar, Beecher and Hilton, of Vancouver; Russell, Tyler and Paschall, from Seattle; McBurney and Walker, of Spokane; Payne, Remington and Armstrong, of Tacoma, besides the Portland entries already mentioned. Olympia, Port Townsend and Everett will also be represented, and one of the well-known Sutton girls, of Pasadena, is contemplating entering the women's events.

WINS BRIGHTON DERBY EASILY

Accountant Justifies Gamblers in Making Him Strong Favorite.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—James B. Brady's Accountant, with 126 pounds up, won the $5000 Brighton Derby at a mile and a half, at Brighton Beach today. The Brady colt so overwhelmingly outclassed his field that he was held at the prohibitive odds of 1 to 5. At no time of the journey was he in danger of defeat. The Brighton midsummer meeting came to a close today. Results:

Five and one-half furlongs—Frank Gill won, Somnus second, Caveadsum third; time, 1:08 2-5.

Steeplechase, about two miles—Tom Cogan won, New Amsterdam second, Come In third; time, 3:49. Warpaint finished second but was disqualified for fouling.

The Brighton Derby, $15,000, mile and a half—Accountant won, Samson second, Albert F. third; time, 2:27 1-5.

One mile and one-sixteenth—King Cole won, Red Leaf second, Wrenne third; time, 1:47.

Six furlongs—Jacquin won, Bohemia second, Gold Sifter third; time, 1:14.

Six furlongs—Aviston won, Cederstrom second, Varieties third; time, 1:14 4-5.

At Seattle.

SEATTLE, Aug. 4.—Results of races at The Meadows:

Seven furlongs—Alice Carey won, Procrastinate second, Marie H. third; time, 1:27.

One mile—Rosario won, Legal Form second, Belasco third; time, 1:40¾.

One mile and 50 yards—Dixelle won, Bessie Weldy second, Redwald third; time, 1:44¼.

Five furlongs—Native Son won, Grace St. Clair second, Meelitah third; time, 1:00¾.

One mile—Martinmas won, Ed Sheridan second, Colonel Jewell third; time, 1:40¾.

Six furlongs—Titus II won, Little Buttercup second, E. M. Brattain third; time, 1:13¾.

Five furlongs—James A. Murray won, Misty's Pride second, Lureme third; time, 0:59¼.

Militiamen Hold Shoot Tournament.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 4.—(Special.)—Thirty members of the Oregon National Guard, comprising those making the highest scores at the recent state militia shoot, in the individual matches, will assemble here Monday morning to contest on the State range for places on the team to represent the State at the National shoot at Sea Girt, N. J., this Fall. It is probable that the members of companies outside of the city, attending the shoot, will proceed to American Lake, Wash., from here with the local company.

BOATHOUSE OF THE NEWLY-ORGANIZED PORTLAND CANOE CLUB.

PLANS REPAIRS TO MOUNT HOOD ROAD

Automobile Club Trying to Interest Two Counties in Scenic Highway.

ROAD IS BADLY RUN DOWN

Members of Club Left Portland Yesterday for Observation Run. Spending Own Money to Make Improvements.

The Portland Automobile Club, which now has a membership of nearly 100, is making a stiff fight to have the Barlow or Mount Hood road put into fit shape for travel, a condition which it has not been in for some time. Failing in an effort to get the owners of the road to expend money in repairs, the club is now working to get county road funds applied to improvement of this road. The automobile people are even prepared to go further. With any kind of support, they are willing to expend their own funds in the proposed work, and in fact, even now they have gangs of men working on some of the rougher places in the road.

Yesterday as large a force as could be mustered of the club machines left the Courthouse at 1:30 on a run to the mountain. It was intended also on this trip to make a critical investigation of the road. Various individuals have spent considerable time figuring on necessary repairs, but heretofore no great number of the automobile owners have gone out over the course with the express purpose of studying conditions with a view to beginning an energetic campaign toward raising funds for the suggested improvements.

Dr. C. B. Brown, treasurer and one of the most energetic workers in the Automobile Club, has spent much time in the Barlow country, and in July he put in ten days investigating the situation and interviewing the owners of the Barlow road with the idea of securing their consent to improvements. He talked interestingly to The Oregonian of the Mount Hood road, the beauties of which he declares are familiar to few:

"I estimate that $2000 applied as a starter on the improvements next Spring would shorten the time between Portland and Mount Hood by one-half," said Dr. Brown. "The first 20 miles is as fine a road as can be found in Multnomah County. The road passes through beautiful land to Gresham, Orient and Pleasant Home, and then it enters a heavily-timbered country which the sun never penetrates. The climb begins here, and the scenery is beautiful. Logs and trees are covered with the thickest moss, which is now being utilized for market purposes. Leaving Cherrysville and resuming the climb, one encounters scenery which beggars word to describe. Stream after stream of the purest crystal pours down from the mountain of snow with a rush and a roar. At Salmon Postoffice is a hotel, and but a short distance back is the Salmon River hatchery. Six miles further is Welch's Hotel, and here without a doubt is an ideal camping spot for a Summer vacation. A stretch of 14 miles more brings one to Yocum's, or Government Camp, the stopping place for all mountain-climbers, and the end of as grand a road trip as one could wish for.

"The Barlow road was at one time the only outlet from Eastern Oregon to the Coast. Thousands of dollars were collected here as toll from immigrants. But of late years the road has been so neglected that travelers refuse to pay further toll when they must work their passage, as it were, to get through. Traffic now is from The Dalles by boat, and owners of the road declare that their road is now a losing proposition, since travel has been diverted from it, and consequently they cannot afford to expend any funds in improvement.

"The Portland Automobile Club has had in mind the improvement of this road for some time, and they are ready and willing to donate their own funds to the work if the two counties through which the road runs, Multnomah and Clackamas, will assist with their funds. The club has had a gang of men at work for some time smoothing out the rougher spots. With the expenditure of a little money and energy Portland will have an automobile road near at hand than which there will be no superior in the United States."

WAIDNER WINS AT TENNIS

Winner in Northwestern Tournament to Meet Collins.

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 4.—L. H. Waidner, of Chicago, easily defeated Nat Emerson, of Cincinnati, this afternoon in the Northwestern Tennis Tournament when the two experts met in the finals, Waidner taking three out of four sets played.

Waidner will meet Kreigh Collins, of Chicago, Western and Northwestern champion, for the 1906 Northwestern championship.

In the doubles today, Jayne, Minneapolis, and Love, Winnipeg, defeated Waidner, Chicago, and Emerson, Cincinnati.

Hunt, California, and Burton, Minneapolis, defeated Wheeler, Minneapolis, and Blennenworth, Omaha, 6-3, 6-1, 6-3.

Jayne and Lorvell meet Burton and Hunt Monday for the championship.

CLUBS WILL NOT ACCEPT RUGBY

Many Californians Stand by Intercollegiate Game of Football.

BIG COLLEGES ARE ALONE

Not Advisable for Oregon Teams to Make Matches in California for the Coming Season—San Francisco Sporting Gossip.

BY HARRY B. SMITH.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 4.—Rugby football will not have everything its own way in California, despite the stand taken by the faculties of the University of California and Stanford calling for the English game. You hear more or less in San Francisco of the enthusiasm of the coaches of both big colleges, who have studied the new game and think it is the only thing. That's all right. They have to talk that way, for as long as Rugby is the game they must work up enthusiasm. The University of Southern California, as well as Pomona College, the Olympic Club of San Francisco, the Los Angeles Athletic Club and the Reliance Club of Oakland, will stick to the intercollegiate game. In fact, the coaches of Berkeley and Stanford are somewhat puzzled as to where they will work up practice games.

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Walter Hemphill, manager of the Los Angeles Athletic Club, who will be remembered in Portland as head of that misfit aggregation of Southern California Indians, has writen Pete Smith, of the Reliance Club, asking if he could take his team to Los Angeles for a game of intercollegiate ball some time before Christmas, and also stating that the southern team would like to play in San Francisco on Christmas Day. Smith says he would have no trouble in securing the players, but there is no place where a game could be played, as the large enclosed parks were destroyed by the fire. Smith wants to arrange a schedule with the southern club and the universities of Oregon and Nevada and has expressed himself as wanting a Thanksgiving Day game with Multnomah in the north. That, however, is probably out of the question.

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If the Northern teams will take my advice they will decline with thanks any offers for games with California teams, unless the teams want to make the trip into Oregon and take their chances. Stanford and Berkeley are the big drawing cards here. The club teams are not so good in that line. There is little chance for games being played in San Francisco this Winter and I fancy that Multnomah will do well to stick by a schedule in that part of the country. Another year, doubtless, the universities will be back at the old game and there will be a chance if games are desired.

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There is one thing refreshing to behold. The San Francisco papers have finally come to the point where they are willing to acknowledge that "made in Oregon teams" can play football. There is frequent reference, when the subject of football is mentioned, to the University of Oregon, Multnomah, Willamette and Oregon Agricultural, so you can see for yourselves that there has been some advertising worth while.

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Morris Levy, of the firm of Graney & Levy, prizefight boosters, late of the trust, is now in the East for the purpose of talking business with Battling Nelson in regard to a match with Joe Gans. Levy expected when he left San Francisco to connect with Nelson about the first of the month. He wants to sign the Chicago whirlwind for a match on Admission day. If that cannot be arranged, Levy may endeavor to tie up Sam Berger and Philadelphia Jack O'Brien. Levy will go as far as Chicago, and it would be no great surprise to hear the announcement that both matches have been corralled. It is claimed Berger has a six week's theatrical engagement, which would leave him free at the right time.

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The University of California will be crippled this coming year from the point of a strong track team. It is also feared that some of the baseball and football players will leave for various reasons, leaving the blue and gold in somewhat of a predicament. The fire has affected the fortunes of many of the parents of the students, which accounts for some of the changes. Trainer Walter Christie reports that he has received letters from two of his most promising men, in which they announce that they will not be back to college. One of them is James Reinhardt, who was one of the fastest short-distance runners in Berkeley. He was the star pitcher on the Varsity baseball nine and played fullback on the freshman eleven. The other man who will not return is Sydney Schwartz, the crack 100-yard runner. Schwartz is a junior and was expected to take the place in the sprints left vacant by Ollie Snedigar. He has done 10 1-5 seconds on several occasions and Christie has been expecting great things of him.

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Joe Gans arrived in San Francisco the first of the week, as per schedule. All his hopes center on a match with Battling Nelson, something the sports all along the line have appreciated. Gans has established himself on the other side of the bay, but he is in touch with Eddie Graney. He is very earnest about what he will do if he gets into the ring. He announces that he will put up the best fight he ever made, and that he wants the championship question settled once for all. He adverts to the fact that some of the fans think he is a faker and declares that this bout will be the best evidence.

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Jimmy Britt has come forth with a statement that he looks for Gans to win, if he should meet Nelson. Britt is anxious to hook up with Nelson, but says that if Gans should fight the Chicago boy and win, he will take him on. Then Windy Jimmy goes ahead to say that he looks to see Gans beat Nelson. Of course that is the very thing that Britt would like to see.

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San Francisco people are waking up to the fact that the Portland Beavers are really in the pennant race and with a mighty good chance of winning. The team has not been considered much of a possibility by the fans, but the good work of the boys in the north has aroused the 33d-degree fans to the point where they are looking for something to happen.

Oldfield Can't Beat Auto Record.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—Barney Oldfield in his gasoline car failed to lower his record of 53 seconds for a circular mile, his time being 1:09 2-3. In a grand sweepstakes race of 37 miles in heats, Oldfield defeated Eddie Bald. The best three miles were made by Bald in 4:05.