

SEASON ON COAST TO CLOSE TODAY

Los Angeles Victory in Pennant Race Largely Due to Dillon.

PORTLAND HAS STAR TEAM

Individually Beavers Are Stronger Than Angels, but Management Was Unable to Maintain Harmony in the Ranks.

BY W. J. FERRAIN. With the games played at San Francisco and Los Angeles this afternoon the Pacific Coast League pennant race of 1908 will close with Los Angeles again represented by a champion club. The Angels have been victorious because they have enjoyed the tutelage of Frank Dillon, admittedly the best minor league general in the country.

McCredie Lacks Aggressiveness. Walter McCredie seems to lack the one essential feature of a manager in Dillon's makeup, and that is aggressiveness that stimulates the players and does not antagonize them.

Danzig Has Great Ability. For instance, if Hal Danzig had played on a team under a manager like Dillon the youngster today would be regarded as the successor of Hal Chase.

Each Club Led League. A resume of the Pacific Coast League season shows that every club in the league occurred during the season. San Francisco usurped the lead at the expense of Portland during the first week of play.

Portland in Second Place. On May 10, Los Angeles defeated Oakland in two games of a double-header and displaced the Athenians from the lead. Oakland dropping to third place because of a victory by San Francisco over Portland.

Rube Waddell Gets Stung. Rube Waddell, who is not setting the world afloat these days pitching the ball that he did in former times, is still the same zealous person, though, when it comes down to going after the long green.

When Beavers Last Led. On July 1, while Portland still occupied first place, the peculiar and almost unheard-of situation of the fall-end team having won more games than the leading team occurred. The standing of the clubs on that day was:

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Members of Los Angeles Team, Coast League Champions, Season of 1908



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Novel Test for Autos. CHALMERS DETROIT TO HOLD ELECTION SWEEPSTAKES. In 115 Cities, "Thirty" Car Will Be Sent 200 Miles Non-Stop Against All Conditions.

Strong Demand for Harness Horse. After all, the truest barometer of the light harness horse world is the price these horses bring.

Attell to Meet Jim Driscoll. Abe Attell, the clever feather-weight champion, will probably have another international match for the title on Thanksgiving day afternoon before Jimmy Coffroth's arena at Colma.

American Horses for English Turf. As a result of the anti-racetrack feeling in the states, there will be an opportunity next season to see how the best horses of America compare with the best English horses.

Billiards. The Waldorf, 7th and Washington. Banker Found Not Guilty. PITTSBURG, Oct. 31.—William C. McKee, cashier of the Farmers' National Bank of Emmonson, Pa., charged with abstraction and misapplication, was found not guilty today.

Greedy Owners at Fault. Greed killed the game. Greed among those who followed the game as gamblers and greed among those who owned the racing plants, in their keen anxiety to get all of the money in sight, these men have overlooked public sentiment.

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RACING GAME'S EFFECT OF GREED

California One of Few States Where Sport Is Now Flourishing.

ITS FUTURE IN JEOPARDY

Plunging and Long Meetings Have Done Much to Bring Distavor on the Track in Big Eastern Cities.

BY WILL G. MACRAE. Racing in California will begin next month, and unless the reformers get into action during the meeting, the patrons of the game at Emeryville and Los Angeles will enjoy a season of the greatest racing in the history of the Pacific Coast.

Breeders to Sell Horses. The mere fact that they have decided to race in England is an admission in itself, for all of the men who recently shipped their stables have raced in England before.

Bookmakers Themselves to Blame. Like the history of the closing up of open gambling, public sentiment has never closed the game out. The death blow has always been a blow among the gamblers themselves.

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