

SPORTING EVENTS OF THE WEEK AS THEY APPEARED TO THE CARTOONIST



FIGHT FANS SORRY THEY STAYED AWAY

Attel-Reagan Mill Was Tidbit Too Good to Miss, But Nobody Expected That.

BASEBALL SEASON OPENS

Arrival of White Sox Signal to All Lovers of Game to Get Out in the Bleachers and Root—News of Coast Players.

BY HARRY B. SMITH.
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 27.—(Special).—Once more the wise fight fans of San Francisco were fooled. They stayed away from the Monte-Attell-Jimmy Reagan match because they thought the two bantamweights would peek at each other for 20 rounds, and when they heard the story of what actually happened, they were thunderstruck. There was probably not more than \$100 in the house, and barring the Ketchel-Thomas fight of many months ago, it was the most sensational encounter that has been witnessed in San Francisco of late years.

It was lucky for the little Hebrew that the fight ended the sixth round and that his seconds could drag him to his corner. They fixed him up in the best shape they could in the 60 seconds time allowed and sent him out to stall. And how he did stall. Three times he was knocked down, as he staggered around the ring almost unconscious, but he had presence of mind enough to hold on when he could. Reagan, instead of setting himself for a punch that would do damage, swung aim high at his man, attel not only lasted out the round but was quite fresh when the seventh closed.

Then in the eighth, came the next surprise. Reagan had apparently shot his bolt, for Attel, with renewed energy, put his man down with a right to the jaw. Reagan got up, and another right to the stomach sent him off his feet. He was practically counted out as he sat there, but the referee didn't understand the timekeeper and the fight was allowed to proceed. Reagan, instead of being discouraged, he had things pretty much his own way. Reagan was groggy every round, but try as he would, Monte could not stay away the wily little Oaklander, who took his beating, but was there at the finish.

The crowd was chiefly surprised in Attel and his showing. He had been counted to have a streak of yellow in him, but he was game enough that day to suit everyone. There was more of the Abe Attel science in the fight and altogether, he made quite a hit with the crowd that was against him at the start. The next thing is to arrange a fight between Attel and Johnny Coulton, the Chicago champion bantamweight, who has promised to come West. Coulton has agreed to 115 pounds, at 3 o'clock on the day of the fight—a weight that Monte can make.

At Neil, once an old Portland favorite in the fighting game, came back with a rush the other night when he defeated Kyle Whitney in the 14th round of a 16-round fight at Dreamland rink. Al was losing all the way, but in the 14th, he took advantage of an opening, swung a right, and put the negro down with a suddenness that was perplexing even to the crowd.

Boxing promoters, who were somewhat worried lest the Legislature pass an anti-fight bill, are feeling better now. The fact that no action has been taken on the bill that was introduced by Senator Willis and that the Legislature will soon adjourn is comforting. It begins to look as if the reform was started and ended with the racetrack measure and that the other sports will not be troubled for a time.

They will illustrate how a few of the punches famous in ring history are delivered, and then they will don their fight gear for a couple of rounds.

As they will arrive on Broadway a few days in advance of their opening, which is set for March 5, the theatrical manager has devised a clever bit of advertising. He plans to deck Jeffries and Berger out in frock suits and silk hats and let them promenade the avenue arm in arm. That will surely startle New Yorkers.

Although the regular season of the Pacific Coast League is not scheduled to commence until March 30, the baseball interest will start with the arrival of the White Sox special, which is due in San Francisco next Monday. On this train will be a lot of the players belonging to the Coast League clubs, and as they will open their training camps at once, the fans will have all they want in the way of baseball nourishment. The White Sox are not scheduled to open their series until Thursday, when they start against the Seals, but they will do what training they can on the local grounds. The Oakland Club will have its headquarters at Hayward, one of the suburbs of Oakland, while the Seals will have their own diamond, which is in good shape, in spite of the 40 days of rain.

Long has been adding a number of players to his list and will have a number of new faces for the local club. He has at last been assured that he will have Tennant, the Three I first baseman who was drafted by Comiskey and turned over to San Francisco. This relieves the situation and makes it certain that Nick Williams will assist Claude Berry behind the bat. McCredie has been playing so well at shortstop that he will probably be used in that position. If this is done, Mundorff, the Vancouver shortstop, will be used at third base and Kid Mohler will have his old station at second.

It has not yet been decided whether Curtis will be turned over to the Vernon Club. He has signed his San Francisco contract and states that he wants to remain here. Long is willing to keep him, but has promised Hogan that he would let him have an outfielder, and doesn't know just how it can be arranged otherwise.

Bill Hoffmuller is not satisfied with the contract that has been offered him by the Philadelphia Americans. His contract was waiting him when he returned from the Orient, but he sent it back signed with the hint that he would like more money.

The canvas covering that will be used to protect the new stadium at Recreation Park in case of rain has arrived. It is made up in four pieces, so that it will buckle together, and is specially prepared so that it will resist the rain. All told, it weighs about a ton, and cost \$1400. It takes four men to arrange it on the diamond, but as it will insure ball games, except when the rain continues of an afternoon, it is apt to save the club considerable money.

PLAN TO PLAY WATER POLO
Y. M. C. A. Will Have Two Teams for Aquatic Sport.

Water polo is to be one of the strong features at the Y. M. C. A. this Spring, and it is expected that Swimming Director Myers will have two good teams in readiness for matches with the Multnomah swimmers or other club teams. Similar preparations are being made at Multnomah Club, although E. T. Miller, chairman of the bath committee, has not yet got definite plans arranged.

PLAYERS GET BUSY

Leave Winter Quarters for Training Grounds.

HAS TWO CRACK CATCHERS

McCredie Greatly Elated Over Murray and Armbruster—Casey Wants to Get Into Training.

BY W. J. PETHRAIN.
While the actual opening of hostilities in the baseball world is yet 30 days off, the season may now be said to be on, for the ball-tossers from all parts of the country are climbing out of their winter quarters and hiking for the training grounds, where arms and muscles rendered soft from winter's inactivity are being gradually hardened to the strain of an arduous season.

The big league clubs are rounding up both old and young players and are working them out at different spots in the South, while in California the clubs of the Pacific Coast League are being augmented each day by the arrival of new players. Walter McCredie and several of his Portland players leave Portland tonight, bound for San Luis Obispo, whither the eyes of Portland fandom will be turned longingly after next Wednesday, the day when most of the players are expected to be on hand and don Portland uniforms, some of them for the first time.

The new men will interest the fans more than the old acquaintances, although the work of the favorites is always watched closely. While the training period usually seems a long time to those at home, it must be remembered only six short weeks are to elapse before Walter McCredie and his team, together with Charlie Graham's Sacramento squad, make their bow on the Portland diamond, for the initial game of the season here is at Vaughn-street grounds April 13. Portland opens the season at Los Angeles and plays another week at Sacramento, after which the Coastiers come North for a four-weeks' series, the California Senators being the opening attraction, with San Francisco, Oakland and Los Angeles following in the order named for the four-weeks' opening series. Happy Hogan

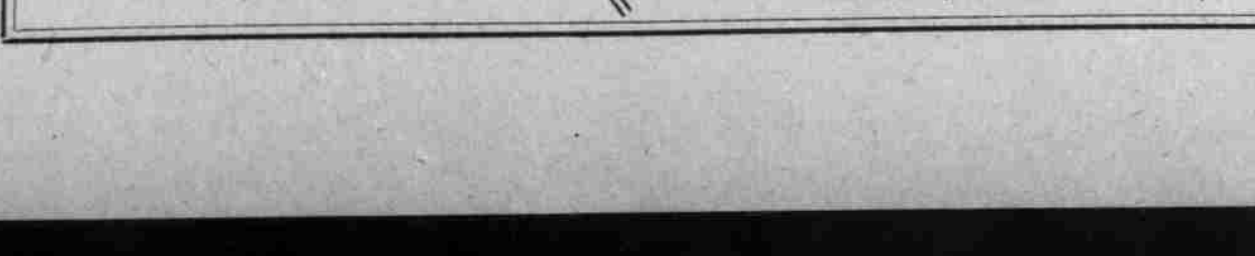
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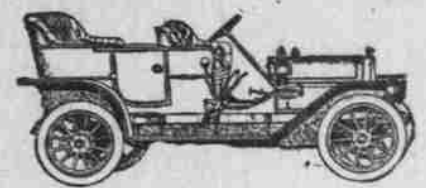
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