

BEAVERS DRAWING IMMENSE CROWDS

Prove Popular Among Fans at Bay City, Because of Winning Streak.

M'CREIDIE IS CRITICISED

Accused of Taking Unfair Advantage in Drawing on Colts to Help Beavers—Long Confident of Winning the Pennant.

BY HARRY B. SMITH.
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 21.—(Special.)—San Francisco and Portland, when the returns are counted up after the Sunday games, bid fair to exceed all records from the standpoint of attendance, judging from the way the two clubs have been drawing the early part of the week. Across the bay in Oakland last Tuesday, there were 2500 people on hand to watch the game and fully 800 of them came from the San Francisco side of the bay. The Tuesday game is always a good indication of how the teams will draw the rest of the week and the managers of both clubs are duly encouraged. Portland has always been a good card in San Francisco and, as the club this week must take a clean sweep of the games if the victorious Seals are to be brought down to its level, that has been a large factor in the interest that is displayed.

Conney's Warm Reception.
Phil Conney was given the warmest reception of any player that has come to San Francisco. When he showed at the bat for the first time last Tuesday, the applause started. In the second inning he gave an exhibition of fielding that would be hard for any infielder, except Zeider, to duplicate and thereafter never an inning passed without applause for Conney. Certainly, he has strengthened the Beavers and, had he been with the club all the season, they might have been more of a factor.

McCreddie, by the way, is coming in for no inconsiderable criticism because he has been permitted to strengthen his club of crickets by drawing on his Northwestern club. It gives him an unfair advantage and, while Ewing is disposed to be more lenient with McCreddie than would ordinarily be the case, there is no reason, so say the fans, for allowing Walter to overstep all bounds and juggle his players about as he pleases.

Long Sure of Pennant.
Long is firmly convinced that he as good as has the pennant won for San Francisco, although with any kind of a slump Los Angeles and Portland would be right up with the leaders in the fight for first place.

"There are ten more weeks of baseball," said Long, "and we have seven weeks at home and three away from home. There are three series to be played with Vernon and that will give us a big advantage. Unless there is some unforeseen slump, there is not a chance in the world to lose."

The local fans, having been without a pennant winner for nine years, mean no means as certain as Long, and for that reason they would gladly see the Seals just as far out in front as possible.

Zeider Sold for \$5000.
The San Francisco club pulled off a neat financial transaction when it sold Rolfe Zeider to the Chicago Americans for \$5000 cash and two class A players to be given to the club next Spring. Comiskey wanted Zeider to report at once, but Long told him there was no chance for that. It was lucky for the Seals management that there was no attempt to sell Zeider at present, for what a howl would have been raised?

Last year Zeider was sold to Comiskey, but the manager of the White Sox decided they had too many infielders. Every other major league club had a crack at Rolfe for the usual waiver price, but they passed him by. Then Rolfe was returned to the Seals, and his development this season has been the chief factor in the way the locals have won their ball games. Zeider has been sold outright to the White Sox and after the way he has handled himself this season, there is not the slightest chance that he will again be returned to San Francisco.

Why Deal Was Made.

The deal between Oakland and Sacramento was reported to the North. There is a question whether Sacramento or Oakland has the best of the deal by which Jansing and Jimmy Byrnes were traded to Oakland for Mickey Langelong. There were reasons, however, for a switch. Jimmy Byrnes was anything but popular with the Sacramento fans and Bill Reidy had had some little friction with Langelong. That in part would account for the deal. More than that, Reidy wanted to rid himself of Steve Ragan, whose work has been a disappointment, and needed another infielder. Jansing will fit in at shortstop, while Terry McKune will be shifted to second base.

Hildebrand Is Released.

George Hildebrand, who has been a cripple all season, has been turned loose by Graham. Hildebrand, it will be remembered, injured his leg last Fall. He went to the Orient with the Reach All-Americans but was not able to play. He was then given to the Sacramento club, but did not help it. Of late he has had on a uniform and participated in a few games, but has been of very little use to the team. Hildebrand will not attempt to play baseball this year, but will endeavor to get into shape for next season.

Oaks' New Outfielder.

The Oaks have a new outfielder coming, who will arrive in about a week. His name is Maggart. The Springfield club telegraphed that Maggart was ready to start for the Pacific Coast. Reidy certainly needs some outfield talent to help him out for the next two months.

"Portland has always kicked about never getting any money on the road," said Nick Williams the other day. "The best week we had was in Portland the last week we were there. But Los Angeles beat that all hollow and exceeded the receipts in Portland by \$200. Henry Barry tells me that it was the best week Los Angeles ever had." Which shows that Los Angeles is enjoying the increased interest shown this year in baseball on the Pacific Coast.

Some Thrilling Finishes in Various Events of Amateur Athletic Union Games, A.-Y.-P. Fair



NELSON, SEATTLE ATHLETIC CLUB WINNING JUNIOR 100 YARD DASH, COURTNEY, ALSO SEATTLE, IS SECOND.



JACK NELSON SEATTLE, WINNING FIRST HEAT 100 YARD DASH.



JOE BALLARD OF BOSTON ATHLETIC ASSN. WINNER OF MILE RUN BREAKING JUNIOR AND COAST RECORDS.



BILLY MARTIN OF SEATTLE, BEATING FURLINE OF MISSOURI ATHLETIC CLUB IN 220 YARDS RUN.



MC CONNELL, VANCOUVER, B.C. WINNING BROAD JUMP.

Chick Gandil, who has been relegated to the Sacramento outfield because Ralph Myers insisted upon playing first base when he jumped the State Leaguers to join the Senators, is "sore" all over. Gandil does not think he has been treated right and hasn't been afraid to express his opinion. He belongs to Comiskey and Graham has offered to let the White Sox owner have Gandil at once, if he desires. So far, no word has come from Comiskey.

CLEVELAND MANAGER PICKED

James Macguire, of Boston Americans, Will Get Place.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 21.—James Macguire has been appointed manager of the Cleveland American baseball team to succeed Napoleon Lajoie, who recently resigned. Macguire was formerly manager of the Boston Americans. For the last year he has been doing scout duty for the Cleveland team.

Macguire will take charge of the team next Wednesday. The announcement of Macguire's appointment was made by Secretary William Bernhard, of the Cleveland club, at the beginning of the game this afternoon.

Magneto Wins at Hurst Park.

HURST PARK, England, Aug. 21.—The 2-year-old selling plate of 200 sovereigns, five furlongs, was won today by Magneto. Wings and Pansy were second and Noodland third.

The championship sprint handicap of 500 sovereigns for 2-year-olds and upwards, five furlongs, was won by H. B. Duryea's Mexican. August Belmont's Priscilla failed to secure a place. The maiden 2-year-old plate of 100 sovereigns, five furlongs, was won by H. P. Whitney's Handspan filly.

The Tathwell Lassie colt was second and Amadeth third. Eleven horses started.

COMPANY EVENS UP SCORE

Stockholm Strikers Taken Back at Minimum Rate Only.

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 21.—The local street railroad company has scored a complete victory over those of its employees who joined the strikers the beginning of the month. Now that the strike is at a failure the men have applied for their old positions, but only a few of them, who formerly received the maximum wage, have been taken back at the minimum rate and they were compelled to sign a personal contract to furnish bonds guaranteeing their full loyalty to the company.

On the other hand, the strikebreakers have been rewarded with the best-paying positions the company has.

Brother Takes Up Search.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 21.—O. Callaghan, of Philomath, Or., brother of T. Y. Callaghan, of West Seattle, who is believed to have lost his life with J. W. Stevenson in a blizzard on Mount Rainier, last Saturday, arrived in Seattle yesterday. After consulting Sidney Sherman and Miss Nellie Sherman, of 1508 Forty-sixth avenue southwest, with whom his brother resided, and Louis M. Sterling, clerk in United States Customs Office, who last saw the missing man alive, Callaghan announced that he would leave for Mount Rainier, where he will prosecute a determined search for the unfortunate mountaineer.

One Revolutionist Freed.

OREL, Russia, Aug. 21.—Decisions have been handed down in the case of the 26 Socialist-Revolutionists recently placed on trial here on charges of promulgating their views among the peasants. One of the prisoners was sentenced to death, 21 sent to penal servitude, and one was acquitted.

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FIGHT GAME IN BAD

Outlook Pessimistic Through Petrain's Glasses.

SAD STATE IN BAY CITY

Call for Anyone Who Will Put On Gloves Goes Forth—O'Brien Cannot Get Match—Jeffries' Chances Problematical.

BY W. J. PETRAIN.
Fistic promoters down San Francisco way are again in a turmoil over the lack of willing maulists to participate in a fistic encounter for the annual Labor Day and Admission Day programmes usually staged at the Bay City.

The dearth of available fighting material has become so alarming they have sent out a general call for assistance and have gone so far even as to talk of matching Philadelphia Jack O'Brien. Thus far "Jack the Confessor" has had some difficulty in being taken seriously by the other scrappers. Managers or scrap promoters, though, are anxious to stage him with some other burly contender. The loose shekels to be corralled on the holiday dates are not lost to them entirely.

However, Al Kaufman, to whom the proposition of matching O'Brien was tendered, shied at the offer most industriously. In fact, Al dodged the O'Brien proposition in a clever manner than he ever did the fist of an opponent, and even Stanley Ketchel has been backward about taking on the Philadelphia beau brummel and capitalist. Kaufman declined the invitation on the ground that O'Brien desires the rules to provide for clean breaks, which, in the wise opinion of Kaufman, would mean that the other fellow would have to chase the Quaker representative of the fistic enterprise about the ring for 20 or more rounds. Nat-

urally Kaufman is inclined to do the Marathon only when in training.

What Has Kaufman Done?

Kaufman says he prefers to mix it in the clinches, and perhaps he does relish that style of a scrap, though he has never been accused of furnishing more than a mediocre exhibition of any kind of fighting. Kaufman is a big, strong-looking young fellow, who has been seriously touted by some promoters as a possible world's champion, yet in six years of participation in the game he has not yet demonstrated more than passing ability. If he ever amounts to much he should not have any qualms about meeting a man of O'Brien's caliber at any old kind of game. Kaufman may prove a winner, but the chances are decidedly against him, or he would have shown class long before this.

When the game today is looked at fairly and squarely, it looms up like the racing of bangtails without betting—nothing to it. There are no good fighters left, though Jim Jeffries stands a possible chance of disproving this, but the chance is a slim one. At anyone near his own form he should trim Johnson handsily, but can he get anywhere approaching that form? That is the question which is agitating pro and con arguments over the heavyweight championship situation all over the fistic world. Jeff in condition is the peer of all fighters, but out of condition he has no more chance against a fighter of half his own merit than an untrained logger. For that reason, and that alone, he has gone to Carlsbad in Germany to try to regain his old strength. He may do it, but the possibility is problematical, for others have tried in the past and failed. One thing, however, is in Jeff's favor. He is younger than others who tried it, and youth may favor the big fellow, in which case he will again prove himself the peer of all gladiators and the idol of the American lovers of the sport.

High living and more or less dissipation are all that have prevented Jeffries from entering the arena before this, and the enjoyment of an easy life has also marked Jack Johnson's career, though the extent may not have made such inroads on him as on the big white man.

Langford Only Fair.

Still Johnson's excesses cannot have done him any good, and for that reason he is likely to fall before any good man month ago, just before he disappeared, came here today and identified remnants of clothing and a suitcase found near the body, containing automobile tools, as the property of Cook.

Into a fighter of more than passing interest.

Yet even in Langford's case it is merely the security of real pugilists that has brought him into prominence. He has won no battles from disciples of the game who are worthy of being placed in the same class with Bob Fitzsimmons or men of his kind, and still the colored boy is called a "comer." Sam Langford is a fighter of the bulldog type, and for that reason is credited with being a good man. Ten years ago Langford was in the arena, and aside from a few mediocre scraps about Philadelphia and Boston, where limited bouts are, or were, permitted, he had done nothing to warrant being taken seriously.

It was the same with Tommy Burns, who took advantage of the retirement of Jeffries to boost his own claims. Burns never was a heavyweight and never had the slightest grounds for claiming the world's championship. He simply entered the limelight at a time when good big fighters were noticeable for their lack of numbers and won a little fame by trimming a few English second-raters of little or no ability at all. At least none of the men whom Burns beat on the continent have ever made the showing of even James J. Corbett, who was more of a boxer than a fighter at all stages of the game.

"War Claims" Are Paid.

A terse resume of the entire fistic situation reveals only one solution, and that is there are no fighters like the men who entered the ring ten years or more ago.

Auto Man Eaten by Coyotes.

REDONDO BEACH, Cal., Aug. 21.—The bones found gnawed and scattered about by coyotes near here Thursday, are believed to be those of William Cook, formerly a garage owner of San Diego. Persons who knew Cook and who saw him a month ago, just before he disappeared, came here today and identified remnants of clothing and a suitcase found near the body, containing automobile tools, as the property of Cook.

KAISER RETURNS HOME

HAS COMPLETED SUMMER CRUISE TO NORTH.

German Ruler Now Will Follow Out Programme of Military Reviews and Visits.

BERLIN, Aug. 21.—(Special.)—The Kaiser will arrive in Berlin to welcome North Cape. The Emperor told his friends in Berlin that he expected to "relax absolutely" on the northern cruise. He surrounded himself, as usual, with a company of 15 or 20 particularly congenial spirits, in addition to his regular household suite. One of his traveling companions was the celebrated German political professor, Dr. Schiemann, who was His Majesty's guest on the famous excursion to Tangier in March, 1902.

The Kaiser will now take up residence at his castle of Wilhelmshohe, celebrated as the place of arrest of Emperor Napoleon III after Sedan. A number of hunting and military engagements will fill his Majesty's programme during the remainder of August. He will also find time to dedicate a magnificent new royal opera house at Cassel, the design of which were completed under his personal supervision.

During the last week in August the Kaiser will arrive in Berlin to welcome Count Zeppelin, who has undertaken to come here in the "Zeppelin III." It is reported that conspicuous honors await the "Conqueror of the Air." One report says they will take the form of making him a Prince.

Early in September the Kaiser goes to Wuerzburg to direct the annual "Kaiser maneuvers" of three of his army corps, and later in the month he will go to Austria to play at war for a week with the Archduke Franz Ferdinand in the annual maneuvers of the Austrian-Hungarian Army.

46-Mile Journey for Aid.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 21.—Shot while deer hunting in the Liberty Hills near Calabasas, Miss Clara Mueller, a young woman of this city, rode eight miles horseback and was driven 38 miles in an automobile before receiving treatment. The girl's rifle was accidentally discharged and a bullet nearly severed part of her right foot.

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