

THE MYSTERY STILL MISLEADING TO FANS

Strange Twirler Is Walker of Giants, According to Latest Identification.

LONG REBUKED BY PITCHER

Coast League Directors Accomplish Little at Meeting—Double Umpire System Is Not Favored. Boxing Game Very Quiet.

BY HARRY B. SMITH. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 24.—(Special.)—We think that we've solved the mysterious Mitchell puzzle. You'll recall the story of the effect that Chicago's pitching writers have identified Mitchell as being Fred Walker, who pitched for the University of Chicago in 1908 and this year signed up with the New York Giants. Walker had some trouble in New York and suddenly left the Giants. He disappeared and that was all that was known of him. Mitchell has been identified by pictures that were taken of the twirler at long range at Recreation Park.

In spite of all this, which would naturally put a stop to the talk, we are still wondering. You see, Mitchell will not admit that he is right and consequently the organization has been identified by pictures that were taken of the twirler at long range at Recreation Park.

Mitchell Hugs Up. "I will not answer that question," was the only answer he would give. "I wish you wouldn't bother me. Just leave me alone, that's all I ask." And thereupon, he hung up his telephone.

It is generally believed that the guess is right but before going further into the mystery, we are awaiting the receipt of some photographs of Walker taken when he pitched for the University of Chicago. If they tally up with Mitchell, perhaps there will be an end to all this foolishness.

Of course the press dispatches carried the story of the reception that was accorded the new twirler last week. In my time I haven't seen anything that would equal it in the baseball game and Dugdale, who saw the session, is quite agreed.

Mitchell, let it be said, was not responsible for the runs piled up on that occasion but all the same the Hooglaans were hitting him hard and Long thought it advisable to put in another man.

Fans Cheer Pitcher. And the howl that went up lasted until the end of the game. Kid Mohler was reviled, Danny Long was the butt of much sarcasm and even Hogan, who had to replace Mitchell, came in for hissing and hooting. From pulling for the Seals to win, the crowd went to the other extreme and yelled for the Vernon club.

They may say that Mitchell doesn't like notoriety but he proved that he is as gregarious as his actions after he was taken out. He went directly to the clubhouse, slammed the door to show that he was sore and dressed faster than any ball player ever dressed at Recreation Park. He took the longest way out of the grounds and as he passed the left field the bleachers bowed and scraped as the fans yelled for him. And thereupon, he wanted to be towed out of the park, he went into the grandstand and dwelt in the center of all eyes. Nobody cared any more about the game. The fans wanted to see Mitchell and cheer him.

The new sensation then walked into the business office and when he was called upon for a speech, he said: "I certainly have the San Francisco fans going some."

Mitchell Calls Down Long. Danny Long says that he doesn't believe Mitchell is a pitcher of any experience and cites what happened in that Saturday game. The score was 6 to 2 in favor of the Seals and there was a man on third, another on first and no one out. Killy Brashear was at bat and Mitchell walked the man deliberately, although he is by long odds the slowest runner on the team.

Long expostulated with his player when he came to the bench. "Now, see here," said the autocratic Mr. Mitchell, "I want you to keep still. I don't want any suggestions. I have worked under men who managed pennant winners and know my own business. (Missy Mathewson) told me that was the thing to do."

Suffice it to say that Long was properly snubbed by Mitchell. Between hissing reporters, Mitchell puts in his writing songs and being interviewed by vandeville managers who would like to have him so much per week to appear at their playhouses.

But I guess that's all about Mr. Mitchell at one sitting.

Little Done by Directors. The Coast League special meeting didn't amount to very much. In spite of the appointment of a committee to consider league expansion, it is evident that the two clubs are not inclined to an agreement will never compromise. The Coasters want only two additional cities in the North while McCredie and Dugdale are strong for three, in order to give them equal representation.

VERNON MANAGER, WHO IS DEAN OF COAST LEAGUE PLAYERS.



"HAPPY" HOGAN.

but was in danger of going stale. When the Senators were bundled off to Los Angeles to meet the Angels in an important series, Graham told Baum that he might take a rest. As Los Angeles does not figure to win the pennant, Graham cannot be accused of showing any undue cordiality. When the Senators meet clubs that figure, you can rest assured Baum will be in the thick of the game and will beat them if he can.

A great many of the locals think that Baum ranks as one of the leading pitchers of the league and I don't know but what they are right. Certainly he has performed wonders when you consider that he is with a tail-end team.

Boxing Game Still Quiet. The boxing game is still quiet and the doesn't seem to be any chance for an uplock. Louis Holt, who holds the September permit, will give a card of ten-round bouts. Sammy Keller and Jimmy Carroll will furnish the headliner. In addition, there will be two other ten-round events and, perhaps, 20 rounds of scrapping unless there is a knockout. The Riot card will take place at Dreamland, Rik, Friday night.

It is said to be anxious when he got down to the business end of his proposition, he discovered that the two champions wanted the earth. Accordingly, Griffin threw his hands high in the air.

Fandom at Random

THAT was a very nice way for the Portland players to treat Manager McCredie after he had consented to let them play against Spokane tomorrow, and especially so after Representative Casey had promised them each a \$10 bonus if they win.

It might have been Phil Cooney's presence in the grandstand that caused Casey to perform like a busher, for Phil has made several bets that Spokane would beat Portland Monday, and Casey is said to be anxious for Phil to put up some more coin. He would like to see Cooney walk back to that "dear old New York."

Buddy Ryan's homer as a starter of the game looked mighty fine to the fans, for with Gregg pitching, it looked like a clinch bet that Hogan would win. However, when first-class players behave like bushers there is no telling what will happen in nine innings of baseball.

Happicus Hogan imagined himself a speed marvel and tried to beat out an infield bunt in the third inning, and when Finney called him out, Hag protested so vigorously that the official called his bluff and ordered him from the park. Had Finney followed the rule the name would have been forfeited to Portland as Hogan took more than the allotted three minutes to leave the scene.

After fanning out the first two times yesterday while batting left-handed, Walter Carlisle tried it right-handed against Gregg, and fanned for the third time. Gregg hit this clever player completely buffaloed when it comes to batting.

Danny Shea, catcher, and Phil Cooney, shortstop, of the champion Spokane Indians, both of them former Portlanders, occupied seats in the stands at yesterday's games. Cooney and Shea came down in advance of the balance of the Spokane club, as that team had the pennant clinched a week ago, and Joe Cohn gave his stars a few extra days off.

West Portland to Play St. Helens. The West Portland's baseball nine, better known as "Roberts' Rubes," will leave this morning for St. Helens to play the home team there for a side bet of \$100. A fast game is expected as Collis Dugdale, the big leaguer, will pitch for the St. Helens team.

HOGAN LEAGUE DEAN

Vernon Manager Longer With Coasters Than Anybody.

CASEY IS CLOSE SECOND

Hogan, Enlisting First Under Mike Fisher's Banner, Left Fresno for Los Angeles and Then Took Over Vernon Team.

BY W. J. PETRAIN. Happpicus Hogan, the excitable leader of the Vernon baseball team, is the oldest player in the Pacific Coast League. Not in the matter of age, mind you, but simply in point of continuous service under the standard of the Coast organization to handle Portland's team by the expansion in 1907.

Of course, in 1907 Portland was not included in the league, which at that time was known as the California State League. Old-time fans of Happpicus can claim the honor, as Norman Brashear and George Wheeler have been continuously among the Coasters since the expansion in 1907.

The Vernon leader takes a keen delight in boasting of his continuous service, and gets added pleasure out of the fact that Perle Casey, of the Portland team, was also on the Sacramento team of 1907, but as the Beaver captain dropped out of the Coast organization to handle Portland's Northwestern League team in 1909, Hogan disputes Casey's right to any consideration whatever when the "western" thing is up for discussion.

Hogan and Casey Make Debut. Both Happpicus Hogan and Perle Casey joined Mike Fisher's Sacramento California State League team in 1907. Hogan coming from Santa Clara College and Casey from Ogden, Utah. Hogan antedated Casey as a member of the team by starting the season with Fisher, while Casey did not become a Senator until June of that year, and even had the Portlanders remained in the Coast League last year, Hogan would claim the honors anyway, for Happpicus only needs the slightest presence in the grandstand to cause Casey to perform like a busher.

Seriously, however, Happpicus Hogan, or Wallace L. Bray, as he was christened, is a most likeable chap and, despite his clownish tactics, which have been cut out to a great extent since the managerial mantle dropped across his shoulders, he is a much more serious individual than the average fan gives him credit for being. As a matter of fact, Happy Hogan has a well-developed set of brains, and is able to use them advantageously. The buzz who thinks Hogan anything of the sucker ought to try to land him in some "skinkinate." At the conclusion of such a trial it is a cinch bet Hogan would have the change and the other fellow the experience.

Hogan Quits Fresno. After playing under the standard of Mike Fisher for five seasons Happpicus Hogan was turned over to the Los Angeles club when the Fresno team was abandoned at the close of Hogan's desertion of the Pacific Coast League, which made it necessary to curtail the circuit. This was in 1907 and during that season as well as the race of 1908, Hogan sprouted whisks alongside of "Pa" Dillon, and when the Pacific Coast League expanded once more he was in good enough among the Angel fans to be placed in charge of the new club installed at the Pacific Coast League, which was taken into the fold to give Los Angeles continuous baseball a la San Francisco.

German and Swiss manufacturers control the large watch and clock import trade of the United States, selling about \$2,500,000 worth a year.

ORANGE SERIES OF VITAL IMPORT

Pennant Race May Be Determined in Scheduled Games This Week.

PORTLAND GOING STRONG

With Pitchers Working Well and Players All on Edge, Beavers Have Fine Chance for Making Runaway Finish.

BY W. J. PETRAIN. With the bargain day matinee this afternoon when two games will be played between the Portland and Vernon clubs, Walter McCredie and his Beavers will wind up the first week of their final home stand, and will then prepare to meet Harry Wolverton and his Oakland challengers in what will undoubtedly prove the deciding series of the pennant race, for Oakland is the club the locals seemingly have to beat for the flag.

The Vernon series seems to have been fruitful of fine baseball and has been satisfactory in every respect. Both teams have played glib-edged baseball, and the result could not be otherwise than pleasing to the faithful and the fans are more than ever inclined to think that Portland will win the pennant.

The Oakland club, which comes here next week, is the one best bet against Portland, and if the Beavers wallow the Commodore series which commences Tuesday their march to the championship should be unimpeded, for Portland stacks up against the Oaks no more after next Sunday's double header. This week should see the Beavers get at least four out of the seven games, and if they should be successful enough to down this hard-hitting aggregation from Oakland.

Referring to the Oakland series it might be well to compare the work of the two series pitchers of both teams. Eugene Krupp has gone against the Oakland club on nine occasions this season and has not yet won a game, but seven after next Sunday's double header, he had not been defeated by either Los Angeles or Sacramento. Many fans have scouted the effectiveness of Krupp's pitching, but the Oakland club has not had a defeat registered against him by the Oakland team, while Vern Gregg has won eight and lost seven after being pitched against eight times out of nine trials against the Beavers, while the remainder of the Oakland staff, except Christian, has not been pitched against once, have broken even with Portland.

Gene Krupp is going to make a determined effort to defeat the Commodore series pitcher, but he has lost to the Wolverton contingent. A number of games Krupp has dropped the Oakland club, but he has lost a buck variety, yet when a pitcher loses every time to the same club it seems that he is not going to pitch it to the limit, despite the fact that he has lost so many games to the Oakland bunch that team has hardly averaged five hits a game and he has pitched against them eight times out of nine trials against the Beavers, while the remainder of the Oakland staff, except Christian, has not been pitched against once, have broken even with Portland.

Gene Krupp is going to make a determined effort to defeat the Commodore series pitcher, but he has lost to the Wolverton contingent. A number of games Krupp has dropped the Oakland club, but he has lost a buck variety, yet when a pitcher loses every time to the same club it seems that he is not going to pitch it to the limit, despite the fact that he has lost so many games to the Oakland bunch that team has hardly averaged five hits a game and he has pitched against them eight times out of nine trials against the Beavers, while the remainder of the Oakland staff, except Christian, has not been pitched against once, have broken even with Portland.

Gene Krupp is going to make a determined effort to defeat the Commodore series pitcher, but he has lost to the Wolverton contingent. A number of games Krupp has dropped the Oakland club, but he has lost a buck variety, yet when a pitcher loses every time to the same club it seems that he is not going to pitch it to the limit, despite the fact that he has lost so many games to the Oakland bunch that team has hardly averaged five hits a game and he has pitched against them eight times out of nine trials against the Beavers, while the remainder of the Oakland staff, except Christian, has not been pitched against once, have broken even with Portland.

Gene Krupp is going to make a determined effort to defeat the Commodore series pitcher, but he has lost to the Wolverton contingent. A number of games Krupp has dropped the Oakland club, but he has lost a buck variety, yet when a pitcher loses every time to the same club it seems that he is not going to pitch it to the limit, despite the fact that he has lost so many games to the Oakland bunch that team has hardly averaged five hits a game and he has pitched against them eight times out of nine trials against the Beavers, while the remainder of the Oakland staff, except Christian, has not been pitched against once, have broken even with Portland.

Gene Krupp is going to make a determined effort to defeat the Commodore series pitcher, but he has lost to the Wolverton contingent. A number of games Krupp has dropped the Oakland club, but he has lost a buck variety, yet when a pitcher loses every time to the same club it seems that he is not going to pitch it to the limit, despite the fact that he has lost so many games to the Oakland bunch that team has hardly averaged five hits a game and he has pitched against them eight times out of nine trials against the Beavers, while the remainder of the Oakland staff, except Christian, has not been pitched against once, have broken even with Portland.

Gene Krupp is going to make a determined effort to defeat the Commodore series pitcher, but he has lost to the Wolverton contingent. A number of games Krupp has dropped the Oakland club, but he has lost a buck variety, yet when a pitcher loses every time to the same club it seems that he is not going to pitch it to the limit, despite the fact that he has lost so many games to the Oakland bunch that team has hardly averaged five hits a game and he has pitched against them eight times out of nine trials against the Beavers, while the remainder of the Oakland staff, except Christian, has not been pitched against once, have broken even with Portland.

Gene Krupp is going to make a determined effort to defeat the Commodore series pitcher, but he has lost to the Wolverton contingent. A number of games Krupp has dropped the Oakland club, but he has lost a buck variety, yet when a pitcher loses every time to the same club it seems that he is not going to pitch it to the limit, despite the fact that he has lost so many games to the Oakland bunch that team has hardly averaged five hits a game and he has pitched against them eight times out of nine trials against the Beavers, while the remainder of the Oakland staff, except Christian, has not been pitched against once, have broken even with Portland.

Gene Krupp is going to make a determined effort to defeat the Commodore series pitcher, but he has lost to the Wolverton contingent. A number of games Krupp has dropped the Oakland club, but he has lost a buck variety, yet when a pitcher loses every time to the same club it seems that he is not going to pitch it to the limit, despite the fact that he has lost so many games to the Oakland bunch that team has hardly averaged five hits a game and he has pitched against them eight times out of nine trials against the Beavers, while the remainder of the Oakland staff, except Christian, has not been pitched against once, have broken even with Portland.

WRITE FOR 1910 CATALOGUE ANGORA COAT SWEATERS

WE ARE READY FOR THE FALL CAMPAIGN



ATHLETIC GOODS OF MERIT FOOTBALL—BASKET-BALL INDOOR BASEBALL SOCCER FOOTBALL

WE ARE COAST DISTRIBUTORS FOR A. G. SPALDING AND BROTHERS

And are making special inducements and quantity prices to club, school and independent teams that are being organized.

- FOOTBALLS HEAD HARNESS FOOTBALL PANTS SHIN GUARDS MOUTH PIECES SWEATERS BASKETBALLS INDOOR BASEBALLS INDOOR UNIFORMS CANVAS SHOES JERSEYS JACKET SWEATERS

We carry a large stock of Pennants and make special Monograms to order on short notice at reasonable prices.

GOLF GOODS

OUR DISPLAY OF GOLF CLUBS, CADDY BAGS IN LEATHER AND CANVAS, BALLS AND GOLF SUNDRIES HAS BEEN SELECTED BY EXPERTS AND WE SUBMIT THEM FOR YOUR INSPECTION

Honeyman Hardware Company

Fourth and Alder Streets Portland, Oregon

TY COBB IS LEADER

Detroit Man at Top of American League Batsmen.

LAJOIE IS SECOND MAN

Tiger's Lead Over Cleveland Star Is Small—Hal Chase and Duffy Lewis, Former Coast League Stars, Experience Slump.

Tyrus Raymond Cobb, the famous Detroit outfielder and hitter, has once more passed Napoleon Lajoie in the batting percentage of the American League, but his lead over the Cleveland player is so small that either man may yet head the procession which will entitle one or the other to an automobile. The American League averages are as follows:

Table with columns: Player and club, G, AB, R, H, AVE. Lists batting averages for various players like Cobb, Lajoie, Chase, Lewis, etc.

DUAL BOAT WILL CONTEST

Pacer II and Seattle Spirit Combined to Race Wolf II.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 24.—(Special.)—A motor-boat race to decide the championship of the Pacific Coast will be run in Vancouver harbor October 1 between the Wolf II and the Pacer II, and the Seattle Spirit, combined into one boat, to race the Pacer's engines and the Wolf Spirit's hull.

A prize of \$100 in cash has been offered by the Clark County Harvest Show committee.

Valuable Stud Brings High Figure. LEXINGTON, Ky., Sept. 24.—Sales of yearlings at a training and brood mares at Irving M. Wheatcroft's farm, James stud, the Kentucky branch of his British Columbia stud, and similar stock, by H. M. Zeigler, of Lexington, here today, resulted in the disposal of 67 head for a total of \$30,950, the best sales being: Chic, by Imp. Woolthorpe-Embrace, to L. C. Carter, \$2400; Green Seal, B. h., by Green-Gold Seal, to William Shields, \$2000; Marlborough, ch. e. (2), by Imp. Woolthorpe-Carson, to William Shields, \$2000; Union Jack, b. g., by Imp. Woolthorpe-Discard, to W. A. Cassidy, \$1200; Woodwinder, b. c. by Imp. Woolthorpe-Tiger, to William Shields, \$1500. The best from the Zeigler stable was a chestnut colt by Casarion, sold to P. Cogges for \$500.

CRAFT TO BE FAST

Wolf Offers to Build Boat to Go 39 Miles an Hour.

SPEED GUARANTEE GIVEN

For \$5000, Half of Cost in East, Builder of Champion Wolf II Says He Will Construct Motor-Boat for Local Company.

Guaranteeing to build a craft that will have a speed of 28 miles an hour, two miles an hour faster than that of the Dixie II, holder of the world's championship, J. E. Wolf has applied for the contract to build a motor-boat for the Oregon Speed Boat Company. Wolf is the owner and builder of the Wolf II, holder of the Pacific Coast championship for the past two years.

The Oregon Speed Boat Company was incorporated about a month ago with the purpose in view of building the fastest motor-boat in the world, to build yachts and to construct a boat for half the amount along the Pacific Coast. The men interested in the company are Captain George S. Shepherd, of the Oregon Naval Reserve, Elwood Wiles, Robert Cox and other sportsmen.

When the company was organized it was announced that a motor-boat would be built for it in the East at a cost of \$10,000. This boat was to be matched against the world's champion, touring the United States at the expense of the Portland corporation.

Now Wolf, whose skill as a builder of motor-boats has been demonstrated by the showing of the Wolf II, says he will construct a boat for half the amount the company planned to spend.

"I made the Oregon Speed Boat Company an offer to build the racing boat I wants for \$5000," said Wolf yesterday. "Furthermore, I will guarantee to build a motor-boat with a speed of 38 miles an hour. I will build it right here in Portland, of Oregon material, making it an entirely Oregon-made product. I have refrained from making this offer sooner because I desired to await the outcome of the Pacific Coast regatta in the race with the Pacer-Seattle Spirit, which the Wolf II won."

"I really think the object of the company is to build a craft to beat my boat. Since it was built my boat has been the fastest on the Pacific Coast. If a fast boat is wanted, the company should accept my proposal, but if it just wants to get a faster boat than the Wolf II, it is well and good for it to send East and add an additional \$5000 to the cost."

Wolf has held the speed supremacy in local motor-boat circles for several years. His first boat was the Vixen, built about six years ago. Then he built the Vixen II, still faster. The Vixen II was crowded by some of the other fast boats, and was supplanted by the Wolf, which held the championship for two years. Wolf's last effort was the Wolf II, brought out in 1908. At the Seattle exposition last year the Wolf II had things all its own way, and captured the Pacific Coast championship.