SEALS PICKED TO WIN HARD FIGHT

Harry B. Smith Figures Out Coast League Standing at End of Season.

PORTLAND CLOSE SECOND

San Francisco Sporting Writer Puts Angels Hopelessly Out of Game, With Vernon in Fourth Place and Senators in Fifth.

SMITH PICKS TEAMS.

How the teams of the Pacific Coast eague are picked by San Francisco baseball writer to finish the 1911 sea

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BY HARRY B SMITH. SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—(Special)—Forecasting the finish of a ponmant race that is seven months in ex-tent, with the element of luck that invariably enters into baseball, is no mean task. It savors, perhaps, of the fool who rushes in where the angel may fear to tread. For all that, the opportunity to watch every team in the league in action, with the chances that have come for sixing up the new men as well as the improvement of the players who have been in the league during the past season, make it less of a gamble than might ordinarily be the case—this selection of a winner. Unquestionably more so this year

than in 1910 it would appear that the six clubs are fairly evenly matched, and that if there be weak clubs, that weakness will be less pronounced. This in liself makes it more difficult to forecast the result, for while last year there were certain teams that stood ut as contenders in the race, those other teams that might have been classed as tailenders were liable to knock any one of the upper flight out

I have picked San Francisco as the prospective pennant winner, after a careful analysis of the material avail-able for the different clubs, and after having watched them play during this first month in the pennant fight. Opin-ion as to the strength of a baseball club is admittedly more or less an arbi-trary matter and a question of indi-vidual epinion, but in the mind of the writer the team that beats san Francisco will land the pennant.

Race Is Apt to Have Close Finish.

By this I do not mean to give out the impression that San Francisco will make a runaway race. The Seals will be lucky to finish in front, as they are certain of healthy opposition from practically all of the clubs in the league. The margin of difference in team strength between, say, San Franro. Portland and Cakland, is so all, that it would be easy to up-the calculations that have been

ner-up have lost considerably, particularly in their pitching departments, is Monte Pfyle may be a largely what has brought about the se-

ction of the home club for the honor. First of all, San Francisco most cer-dnly leads the other clubs of the league from the standpoint of inside baseball, which, in this modern age, is no small factor in the deciding of Signals that mean so much when a team is on the field as well as when that same team is at the bat have been highly developed, and it is not an unfair boast to say that the Seals will probably be able to secure more runs with fewer hits than any of the other

The pitching staff easily might be stronger, but it can hardly be than when the twirlers were crippled last season. Henley, as before, blds fair to maintain his position as the leading pitcher in the club if not in the league. He has only rounded into his form this week, but Henley has proved before that he is a consistent worker and with good control rarely in serious trouble. Frank Miller, Harry Suter and Willard Meikle promise to be the other mainstays. Browning, I fear, will not show the grave question as to whether Eastley has the physique. Three or four pitchers as good as the first four named, can do much for a club in maintaining its position in the race.

Vitt Should Make Good

The infield looks immeasurably bet-er. Tennant at first is as good a man ter. Tennant at first is as good a man for that position as there is in the league. Vitt shows the improvement that would be expected of a youngster who did such dashing work his first year out, and McArdle has absolutely no equal. He covers more ground than the other shortsops and is far more steady in fielding and throwing. His one weak point in the past has been his hitting, and if he can keep even close to the standard that he has set for himself as a batsman, there will himself as a batsman, there will be no one to touch him-

Danny Long made a great find when be gathered in George Weaver. g sticker, he has given evidence of late that his fielding is improving, and while Kid Mohler's early season form has been remarkable for a vetran, the chances are that as the Summer grows, Weaver will be found more and more at second base.

outfield can hardly be said to have improved, although in justice to Powell, the malaria with which the Southerner has suffered has unques-tionably hampered him. Last year's records show that Sun Francisco led the 1910 season in bitting, and with so many of the pitchers drafted from the major clubs, they may easily re-

pent that performance.

McCredle, whose Portland club has been selected as the runner-up, has a far better team than early impressions ild make one believe. heavily, it is true, by reason of the absence of Gregg. Krapp and Olson, the shortstop, but he has filled in many of his vacancies most acceptably. Just at present, his pitchers have not been going to their best form, but when they get a good start, look out for the

Beavers.

Above all, McCredte has an outfield that looks to the writer to be the pick of the league. Chadbourne, in right, is the new man of the Irio, but a man well worth while. He is well fitted for the post of leading off in batting and has showed himself a good hitter. is no more natural outfielder than Krueger in left, and with Ryan

FAMOUS TENNIS EX-CHAMPION, WHOSE FATHER SAVED HIM FROM BEING PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL PLAYER.



BEALS C. WRIGHT. ·····

stationed in center, McCredie could ask for nothing better. Infield Not So Weak.

His infield also is less weak than one would imagine. Peckinpaugh is not as aggressive as Olson and neither is he as good a batsman, but he will cut off many a run with his fielding and the throwing arm that is an steady as that of any short fielder in the Pacific Coast organization.

Rogers at short is a youngster, but boy who goes after every ball that mes his way. That's recommendation enough for any man on a ball field. He never shirks, and while he may wind up the year with many an error, he looks more than good to the eyes of the critics.

Seaton, Fullerton, Steen and Koest-ner promise to do yeoman work for the ner promise to do yeoman work for the Beavers when they are going well. All, save Fullerton, have had considerable experience, and the latter has shown so much that it quite overbalances his lack of experience. Portland might be stronger in the backstopping division as catchers go, but that weakness is by no means enough to stop the club from being in the race all the way.

The Caks do not appear as strong as when they made their last year's gallant finish. Hence their being placed third. First of all, the club is lacking in the pitching staff that did so much for the club. You can't replace men of the type of Lively and Moser in a hurry. Kitty Knight comes the closest to them and probably will give Wolvermade.

The Seals are certainly stronger than they were in 1910, and this, coupled with the assumption that the pennant with the assumption that the pennant with the distribution over the others have shown nothing over

Monte Pfyle may be a better fielde: than Cameron, but he will hardly hit as did the Scotchman. The balance of the infield is practically the same, save that Hetling likely will play third a good share of the time and make a most acceptable substitute. Hoffmar will doubtless add strength to the out-Hoffman field, but Bowser, unless he is fielding r below his average, will hardly do the Oaks want to keep going,

All in all, Oakland seems to have a harder row to hoe. They may, how-ever, prove a surprise, as the writer admits they surprised him last season force that must be reckoned with over and beyond the individual strength of

Second Division Puzzling.

In estimating the strength of the second division, the task is even more hard. Simply because the writer feels that Sacramento may be playing over its head while the Vernon Villagers have been correspondingly taken at too low a value. Vernon has been

placed above the Senators.

Hogan apparently has the pitching strength as against Sacramento, which in a long race as the present one, quite apt to count in his favor. as some good sluggers on the club also, men who are apt to punch the ball at any time. The Vernon club. however, is not a speedy team on the bases or in fielding. They need speed in all departments if they are to win

any fair share of their games.

Nor can it be said that the infield is strengthened to the extent that it should be. Hosp, the made-over short-stop, did not show himself to be an infielder, at least during those games in which the San Francisco fans had an opportunity to watch him. Patterson is a good man with the stick, but will hardly rank with such first basemen as Tennant and Rapps of Portland. Hogan's pitchers do look good, but the veteran leader of the No. 2 Los Angeles team needs another catcher to help

There is no question that the Sacra mento team has been strengthened. It is simply a matter of how much strong er. Graham, who has other business cares, made a good move when he secured Joe O'Rourke as his manager and second baseman. Danzig, one of the most natural hitters in the league, is condition that will enable him to ay a great game this year, but with Spider Baum, the star pitcher of the team, on the shelf presumably for some time. O'Rourke appears to be weak in that department.

It is hard to see where the Los Angeles club has a chance for the penant. It is quite true that Dillon's pitchrs were in bad shape when he came to an Francisco and that his outfield was badly shaken up. There may be a change for the better when Bernard. Howard and Tozer are back in the came, but on the surface it doesn't ook as if it will make enough differ ence to pull the team into the first di-

Eastern Oregon League Ready.

ELGIN, Or., April 22 .- (Special.) - The Eastern Oregon State League will open its season Sunday, when Union will its season Sunday, when Union will cross bats with Eigin here and La Grande with Baker at Baker. The league this year is on a solid basis, every team having placed a forfelt in case it falls to complete the season.

COLFAX. Wash. April 22—(Special.)—
The Colfax High School defeated Pullman High School today in a dual neld meet Si to 21 at Pullman. Colfax outclassed Pullman in every event, shutting them out in the discus. Hart of Colfax won the 50-yard dash in six seconds.

BERKELEY IS FIRST

OREGON TEAM IS FOURTH

Gish, of Washington, Wins Two of Three Races-McClure, Clay and Hawkins Win Points for Oregon-Two Records Beaten,

BERKELEY, Cat., April 22.-The University of California track team won the second annual conference meet of Pacific Coast colleges on the meet of Pacific Coast colleges on the oval here this afternoon with a score of 60 points with a team of 12 men. Stanford University took second place with a score of 42 points; University of Washington third with 17, and Oregon fourth, with 12 points.

Gish, Brokaw, Stoll, Lang, Evans and H. and C. Bowman won the points for Washington. McClure, Clay and Hawkins were the point winners for Oregon.

Gish, of Washington, won the 440-

yard run in 51 seconds flat, was third in the first heat of the 100-yard dash, but was beaten for show in the 100yard finals. Beeson, made the most points. of California,

With the time of 4 minutes and 30 seconds in the mile run, Wood, of Cali-fornia, clipped one second off last year's record. Smitherum, of Stanford, broke last year's record in the 100-yard dash to win the event, and Beeson, of California, in the 120-yard high hurdles, winning in 15 2-5 seconds, tied

Dowd, of California, won the 880-yard race in 1 minue 58 4-5 seconds.

ALL RECORDS BROKEN

VANDERLIP WINS Y. M. C. A. RACE OF FIVE MILES LONG.

Close Finish Witnessed With Tommy Booth Running Second by Less Than Two Yards.

Leading Tommy Booth by less than two yards after a neck-and-neck sprint over the last half-mile of a five-mile course. Fred Vanderlip last night won the third annual Y. M. C. A. cross-country run. The time was 31:201-5, breaking all records for the Y. M. C. A. dise runs. Eleven of 13 starters finished. The race was not run around the Macleay Park course as was first planned, the trail through the scenic park being too muddy for the runners. A route through the city streets was gone over. It was as follows: Taylor to Park, Park to Jackson, Jackson to West Park, West Park to Taylor, Taylor to Chapman. Chapman to Washington, Washington to Twenty-third, Twentythird to Thurman, Thurman to Sixteenth, Sixteenth to Taylor, Taylor to Sixth.

It was a pretty race from the start, the runners being well bunched and going at a strong pace over most of the route. Booth and Vanderlip alternated at leading the runners. It was almost a continuous sprint between these two men over the whole course. As the men turned into Taylor street

at Sixteenth, Booth was leading Van-derlip, but the latter began a fast sprint, outdistancing Booth the first block. They ran hard all the way to the tape, Vanderlip just managing to beat Bouth in the last 50 yards. Payton was third, 200 yards behind. The runners finished in the order named: Vanderlip, Booth, Payton, Jensbold, Gunther, Schwabauer, Kurtz, Butter, Tabb, Hammack and The pace was too hot for and McElroy and they

Last night's race was a preliminary to the Salem-to-Portland relay race with the Chemawa Indians. The first ten men in last night will run against the Indians May 13. Vanderlip gets the Jaeger trophy and a gold medal for win-ning. Booth and Payton get silver and pronze medals, respectively.

Colfax Defeats Pullman.

COLFAX. Wash. April 22.-(Special.)-

WRIGHT NEAR-HERO ON BALL DIAMOND

Great Tennis Player, Guest of Portland Last Week, Had Close Call.

FATHER NIPS HOPE IN BUD

Elder Wright, Noted Ballplayer in Early Days, Halts Promised Career of Son by Making Him Famous on Tennis Court.

BY RALPH H. MITCHELL, Auspicious was the opening of the 1911 tennis season here last week when Portland was the host to a former champion in the person of Beals C. Wright, and his father, George Wright, This was the second visit of young Wright, for he still is young, 35, to this city, the previous visit of the famous racquet-wielder being when he made a Western tour as interscholastic champion of the United States. This was in 1895, when Malcolm D. Whitman, one of the greatest tennis players the world ever saw, was the National cham-plon. Whitman was then in his prime and Wright was just "beginning to

Wright was a welcomed guest, for it had been years since Portland had enjoyed the honor of so distinguished a guest in the tennis world, though this section always holds out a warm reception for the National woman champion, Hazel Hotchkiss, and the Western ex-champion. Nat Emerson, both of whom now hold the Oregon state titles.

Wrights Renew Youth.

Both Wrights, father and son, en-joyed their short stay in this city, each renewing acquaintances made years ago here and in the East. The Pacific Coast Track Meet Won

by Californians.

years ago here and in the East. The elder Wright really renewed his youth when he met Colonel McGunnegle, of Vancouver Barracks, who knew George Wright in 1867 when the latter was one of the noted ball players of his time, and at that time a member of the old Washington, D. C., team when it was winning penpants. winning pennants.

winning pennants.

It was joy to the younger Wright and the other guests at the luncheon, given the Wrights at the Arlington Club, when the elder Wright spied Colonel McGunnegle, rushed over to him, greeted him as only two elderly gentlemen can and do, and immediately opened conversation recalling the days of their youth. One peculiar and days of their youth. One peculiar and interesting feature of the luncheon was the recalling by the Army man of exciting events of the ball field when George Wright made a home-run with the bases full, or made a double-play unassisted when the bases were full, and an error would have given the game to the opposing team. In those early days George Wright was the hero of the Capital's baseball history, and later at Boston and Providence, R. L. At school Beals Wright followed in the footsteps of his famous father and "took" to baseball, but the stern parent saw a different future for his son and decried baseball as a career, and opened a new field for the boy Beals by teaching him the game of tennis, at which, history of the sport will ever record, he arose to the height of proficiency. days of their youth. One peculiar and

Game Played Many Years.

So the spectators of the ex-champion's play last Thursday need little wonder at the marvelous control the player had of his racquet, though he had played but once or twice during the Winter, when they realize that young Wright has been playing the game for close to 30 years and he isn't through playing yet, he says.

Though Wright was inclined to scoff at the idea of scale here. the idea of again becoming champion, the fact nevertheless came out during con-versation that Wright, like others in the sport world, has high hopes of being

able to "come back."

Here's hoping he may, for Beals
Wright is a most approachable fellow, a clever conversationalist, one who can and enjoys talking about something other than the game at which he is, with few exceptions, in a class by himself; one who is a student of the game at tennis, it all times playing as hard a game as be is capable of and he deserves to come back" if he can, but Wright does not forget that there are many young-sters who are "coming" fast.

"Stag" Smoker Planned.

Further plans for the entertainment here during the North Pacific Interna-tional tourney were revealed yesterday when it became known through members of the entertainment committee that a "stag" smoker at the clubbouse would take the place of the proposed evening at the theater, this being believed by the majority of the committee as a more enjoyable event for the visiting players than would be a show which, in some in stances, might have been seen by the visitors on a previous occasion. The toker would give the tennis men more of an opportunity to mingle and get ac-quainted, much better than would be an

affair at the theater.

This smoker may be given on Thursday evening, while it is now planned to hold the invitation dancing party at the clubhouse on Friday evening, which will be followed, as previously announced in The Oregonian, by the special "stag"

trip to one of the beach resorts.

That the arrangements this year will eurpass any previous tournament entertainment is the hope of the Irvington Club, host, as well as President Andrews of the association, who desires to place Portland another notch higher in the eyes of the North Pacific tennis world.

ALBANY WINS IN NINTH INNING

Long Drive Brings Victory Over Corvallis High, 3 to 2.

CORVALLIS, Or., April 22.—(Special.)—Corvailis and Albany High School baseball teams met here in a close and exciting contest this afternoon on the college field. Albany won

Corvallis batters showed up espe-cially strong and Pitchers Femester and Farmer allowed but few hits. The ninth inning opened with Albany at the bat and the standing 2 to 1 in the bat and the standing 2 to 1 in favor of Corvallis. Albany had suc-ceeded in getting two men on bases when a long drive was made over third base. Thinking it a foul, Cor-vallis made no effort to field the ball, but the umpire called it a hit, letting in two runs and giving Albany a one-run lead that Corvallis failed to overrun lead that Corvallis failed to over-

Chehalis Wins Again.

CHEHALIS, Wash., April 22.—(Special.)—Chehalis High School defeated Kelso at baseball today, 10 to 4. Batteries-Chehalis, Goff Davis and Wit-ting; Kelso, S. M. Corkle and Lyon. Chehalis has won every game played this season.

SOME DOGS TO BE SHOWN IN COMING BENCH EXHIBIT.



More Entries for Kennel Exhibit Than Ever Before.

275 DOGS TO BE SHOWN

Opening to Be on Wednesday and Judging to Begin at 2 o'Clock in Afternoon--Seventy Cups Are Among Prizes.

The 12th annual bench show of the Portland Kennel Club, which will open Wednesday morning, will the largest and best show the club has ever given. It is expected that 275 dogs will be on the benches when the judging begins Wednesday afternoon.
All dogs must be on their benches by
11 A. M. Wednesday and judging will
begin promptly at 2 o'clock. Charles
G. Hopton, of New York and London, will judge the show, will arrive Tuesday, and will be ready to begin work at that hour. Mr. Hopton has judged at the leading shows in the East and also in London, Edinburgh and Paris, and is considered one of the best judges in the business. He has owned the famous Rodney Kennels of English bulldogs for years and has bred some of the best specimens of

that breed extant. There are about 70 silver cups to b given by the club as special prizes for the various breeds, and this is the handsomest and most costly array of specials the club has ever offered. The show will be held on the second and third floors of the old Olds, Wortman & King building, at Fifth and Washington streets, and will be open daily from 10 A. M. to 10 P. M.

Local Entries Numerous.

Among the Portland dogs to be shown are the handsome English set-ters of Dr. Alan Welch Smith, president of the club, including Cham; dent of the club, including Champion Handsome Dan II, that won everything in his claeses at the Tacoma show last week, and the newly imported buildog owned by J. J. McCarthy, the club sec-retary. Frank Creasey will also show several fine buildogs and the Tacoma vinner, Champion Monopole Monarch, vill be on exhibition.

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In fox terriers, W. B. Fechheimer
will show a pair of young dogs that
swept all before them at Tacoma last
week, and several good ones from Seattle and Vancouver, B. C., will be there, Among the bull terriers to be shown are those owned by Frank E. Watkins luding Willamette Dazzler for exhibition only; Willamette Brilliant, the ornia dogs at the Southern shows last Summer and Fall; Champion Stiletto and the bitch that won all firsts at the New York show last February, Willamette Sensation. With the excep-tion of Willamette Sensation, these bull terriers will be shown for exhibition only.

In Irish terriers, the Portland fancy will be represented by H. M. Papst's crack terriers, last year's winners, and competition in this breed will be keen, as the winners at Vancouver, B. C., and Tacoma will be on deck to dispute the prizes with the local dogs.

Hunter Classes Strong.

As usual, Portland will be strongly represented in setters, pointers and spaniels. Charles R. Campion, a Port-land 'professional handler, will show his own string of cocker spaniels, which have been winning at Seattle and Tacoma this month. C. B. May's handsome Irish setter,

Champion Bow, that easily defeated all the Northern setters, will be seen at the show, and is expected to repen his winning performances, as he is one of the finest specimens of the breed All of the "circuit chasers," including

nearly all of the winners over the Northwestern circuit of Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle and Tacoma, at the Portland show, as will also sev eral prizewinners from Butte and Hei-ena, Mont.; San Francisco and Pasadena, Cal., and Spokane.

Boxing Smoker Arranged.

Under the auspices of the Arleta Amateur Athletic Club, a boxing smoker will be held Wednesday night at Laurelwood Hall, on the Mount Scott line. Five bouts will be staged, four many games for the Gresham fans.

of which will be boxing and the other a grappling contest. There are some clever mitt wielders to appear, one of whom is Fred Monsor, the Y. M. C. A. youth who has appeared in the Columbus Club smokers. He will appear in the squared circle with Boody Bush, another youngster who has appeared in in the squared circle with Boody Bush, another youngster who has appeared in public before. The other bouts will be the following: 135 pounds, McGrew and Dustan: 115 pounds, Larin and Wittmer; 125 pounds, Calhoun and Starkey. The wrestling match will be between Earl Wittner at 155 and W. Parker at 175 pounds. It will be a handleap affair.

Semi-Professional Gossip

"RED" RUPERT has strengthened his Eschles team greatly. As a result, the nine piled up a score of 24 to St. Helens' 4 last Sunday, Goddard is now doing the twirling for the former "Rubes."

Calef Brothers' nine is to contest with the fast Yacolt team on the Yacolt grounds. The Clark County town is a baseball town for fair and a fine crowd expected today, inasmuch as it is the first game of the year there.

Under the leadership of Lou Hubbard, the Portland Giants are due to battle with the Camas Blues on Camas territory today. "Windy" Winterboth-am, a Portland youth of considerable promise, is the mainstay in the box for the Blues.

Rudie Kallio and Billie Steep, form erly with the Calefs, have gone oria, and will wear Hammond Lumber Company "unies" this year.

Jack Tauscher, who held down third ase for "Bart" Bartholomew's Gresham Giants last season, is guarding the keystone bag for the Spokane Indians in the Northwestern League during Cartwright's incapacitation. His base-running excels that of Phil Cooney, the former Portland speed marvel. Al-though a bit erratic in flielding Tauscher is "making good" and hits fairly well.

"Chick" Laird, first baseman and outfielder for the Pop Corn Kings, left a week ago for Missoula, Mont., where he will act as a gardener for that club in the Union League.

Manager Fletcher, of the Pop Corr Kings, has retired from the game for the rest of the season. He was operat-ed upon for appendictis not long ago and is fearful of results if he continues under the strain of baseball.

George Grayson will take his Columbus Club Grays to Hillsboro today to meet the Cardinals of that place. "Cubby" Arthur will probably pitch for the Grays.

Games in the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club Sunday Morning League are to begin this morning. Charles Barton will lead the "Champs" against Parke Myers' Little Bo-Peeps. In the second game Harry Fischer and his "Mutts" are to meet Dell O'Hanlon's "Insurrectos." The game will be five innings long.

For popularity Buckman's Field, East Thirteenth and Everett streets, rivals Recreation Park. Each Sunday morning dawns with a monster crowd of baseball "bugs" present watching the several amateur and semi-professional games under way. The West End is favorite ball ground, too.

The Nippon team, composed of Japanese, is doing nicely under the coaching of Joe Addleman. The Japanese are fast on the bases and hit pretty well. Jack Harlow is back with the Meier

& Frank team, and pitched his club to victory over the Hood River team on the Hood River diamond last Sunday He signed with Rupert's Eschles team, but was glad to get back with his old team mates. CHE Harrison has rounded up a first-

rate ball club and is playing it under name of the Dilworth Derbies. Last Sunday the Derbies defeated the fast Camas Blues 4 to 2 in a great game. "Nig" Herschler, who began the sea-son as manager of the Portland Ma-roons, is now with the North Ban-team. The Portland Maroons have been

rmaniezd under the name of the Pickwicks with Harry Grayson as manager. "Dutch" Armbruster, ex-Portland player, has stirred up the baseball bug in Tillamook, and is making prepara-tions for importing Portland clubs for the Summer season. Calef Brothers is

for a series of games. made on the Gresham grounds. Man-ager Bartholomew has arranged a good

WEAK SPOT MINUS IN TEAM OF

New Battery Stronger Than That of Last Year's Star Collection.

HENDERSON COMES BACK

Portland Club Fortified in Every Department With Men Whom It Will Be Hard to Keep in West in 1912.

BY W. J. PETRAIN. Walter McCredie's crack Portland Coast League team of 1911 came home for the inaugural series on its own lot last Tuesday and since arrival it has demonstrated that it is fit successors to the diamond stars who brought the pennant to this city last season.
In every department the 1911 Beavers are the equal of, if sot the superiors, of the team which captured the

flag in such a strenuous battle as was fought last season. This year the Portland team is fortified in every department and to date there is not one weak spot in the club. This particularly applies to the pitching staff, for the 1911 staff of twirlers is better than the 1910 buyer for the reason that the 1910 bunch for the reason that there are several reliable heavers whereas McCredie boasted of but three

While the club lacks a Vean Gregg, the 1911 Beavers have several high-class men and Benny Henderson, who "came back," will amply make up for the star southpaw of the champion ag-gregation. Bill Steen is the same old reliable twirler, though even better as his work amply demonstrates, for in seven starts, Big Six has won five bat-tles, tied one, and lost one, which is some record.

Steen Sets High Mark. In the seven games pitched Steen has allowed less than five hits in six of allowed less than five hits in six of them, which is a mark for any pitcher in the league to beat. He is better than last year, and that means a great deal to the Portland team.

Tom Seaton is also going so good this year that he can be lined up in the star class this season. The big

twirler has been decidedly unlucky in the five games he has pitched so far, for in every game he has held the opposing team to five hits or less, yet he has lost three of them. This sort

he has lost three of them. This sort of luck will not hold out against him all season and he will yet come into his own in the shape of victories.

The "coming back" of Benny Henderson is the most flattering news to the fans, for the rank and file of the patrons of the game in Fortland are ready to idolize the hig fellow once more, just as they did in 1906, and he is just as anxious to win as the fans are to having him do so. In the two games to having him do so. In the two games Henderson has worked as substitute for twirlers taken out, he has shown himself to be fit to rely on as a regu-lar. He will pitch for McCredie this afternoon, unless Mac decides to send Bill Steen against the Angels. However, it is reasonably certain that Hen-derson will twirl today, as the big fel-low is anxious to make his bow before

the big crowd expected and McCredie is likely to allow him to do so.

Charley Fullerton, Elmer Koestner and Harry Fanwell round out McCredie's staff to a nicety and with this bunch of heavers the 1911 Beavers cannot be said to be weak in this department.

partment. Infield Is Strong.

As for the balance of the team, it is far superior in all departments to any of the other clubs. With Peckinpaugh, Rodgers, Sheehan and Rapps on that infield, not a single weak point is no ticeable and the first two named easily an improvement over the play-ers of last year's champion aggrega-Peckinpaugh has won a tion. Peckinpaugh has won a home in Portland, and the only regrettable feature of his coming is that he will hardly be with us more than this one season, for a player of his ability cannot be kept out of the major leagues and the Cleveland Club will undoubted take this player away from Portland y take this player away from Portland in the Fall. It really seems a shame, but it is to the clever player's benefit and, while the fans will regret his departure, they will look forward eagerly to a successful career for him in the

big league.

As for Bill Rodgers, this cleancut, as for Bill Rougers, the word him-self a home under the hardest of con-ditions, for it has been his portion to supplant one of the most popular ball players who ever stepped on the Port-land diamond. In filling Casey's shoes the fans have always been most ex-acting and that Rodgers has earned popularity here so soon stamps him as a high-class player, for filling Casey's a high-class player, for filling Casey's place was something Dick Breen failed utterly to do in a whole season in 1909. There is nothing of the "grandstander" about Rodgers. He is an earnest player and out to win all the time. His great speed as a base runner makes him an invaluable man to the club im an invaluable man to the club and Walter McCrede is justify production of this young man who not only has supplanted Casey, but has demonstrated that the club can get along without the famous Neal Ball, and that is quite a feat for any young athlete to accomplish in a league like this organization.

Outfield Is Unequaled.

In the 1911 outfield the Portland team possesses three men whose equal, collectively, cannot be named in this collectively, cannot be named in this circuit, or any other class A circuit for that matter. Arile Krueger, Buddy Ryan and Chat Chadbourne form as fine a trio of outfielders of all around ability as the Portland team has been able to boast since the days of Mike Mitchell, Jimmy McHale and Walter McCredic of 1906 pennant-winning fame. fame.

In the backstopping department of the other clubs, for McCredie has three first-class catchers in Walter Kuhn, Jack Bradley and Tommy Murkun, or or whom is the equal of Kuhn, Jack Bradley and Tommy Mur-ray, any one of whom is the equal of the star backstop of the other clubs. Taking the team as a whole it looks much better and stronger than did the team which won the pennant last sea-son, so here is hoping for another pen-rant and the calabration of McCredia's nant and the celebration of McCredie's ambition to fly the championship flag over his new baseball park in 1912.

Ladd & Tilton Team Wins.

The Ladd & Tilton Bank team won the scheduled seven-inning game, played on the Portlant Academy dia-mond, by 10 to 1. The Merchants' mond, by 10 to 1. The Merchants' National avoided a shut-out in the seventh inning. The batteries were Meyers and Griguire for Ladd & Tilton and Kehoe, Ferguson and Hurd for the one of the clubs going into Tillamook Merchants' National.

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