

TRAINING SEASONS
IS DRIVING HIGH

McCredie Will Have Big Squad
of Veterans and Youngsters in South.

COMPETITION WILL BE KEEN

Fans Begin to Perk Up Quite a Bit
When Teams Begin to "Warm Up" Even Though Actual Playing Dates Are in Distance.

Six more weeks and the anxious fans of the Pacific Coast League circuit will read of the performances of the "phenoms" each manager will introduce to the patrons of 1912 baseball.

The opening of the training season means almost as much to the average fan as the first games of the season. For the dopsters from the training camps to try to pick out the glowing accounts of the performances of the new additions to each team.

In the Pacific Coast League this season there will be a number of youngsters tried out. Some of them will make good, while others will be allowed to drift back to the bushes.

Walter McCredie, manager of the Portland Beavers, has had great success in trying out young players. Many of them have had a year or two of experience in the leaser leagues, but it is to McCredie's credit that they have advanced in their profession.

When he assembles his Beavers at their training camp six weeks hence Manager McCredie will have a big bunch of youngsters on hand from which to select a few more stars.

At his training camp this Spring McCredie will have all of the young players he has drafted or purchased for the club in the winter months.

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SEVEN AMERICAN JOCKEYS STARS
IN FRENCH RACING FIRMAMENT

Anti-Betting Laws Drive Owners and Riders From United States to France—St. Louis Man Greatest Jockey. Frank O'Neill, Riding for William K. Vanderbilt, Wins 153 Races Last Season.



WINNIE O'CONNOR

PARIS, Jan. 13.—(Special.)—Since the anti-betting laws were made severely repressive in America, France has become the favorite training ground for American jockeys.

Someone has said that to go racing in Paris is like going to a garden party. The flowerbeds, shady paddocks and velvety lawns are all beautiful and this, Maison Lafitte in the season is a mass of flowers.

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OLD ELKS FOOL
"ECK" IN TRIALS

Johnson - Flynn Scheduled Go
Said to Have Been Fixed
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BAT NELSON BUSY BOXER

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RYAN'S FIGHT WITH
TRACY BITTER ONE

Each Score Knock Down in
Big Battle for Welterweight
Championship of World.

MATCH GOES 9 ROUNDS

Tracy No Match for Champion.
Contest With Patsy Reedy Told.
Second Bout Brought by Hard
Feeling Ends in Knockout.

BY TOMMY RYAN.
The retired middleweight champion of the world was to have a fight with Ed Dunkehorst, but the bout was postponed until after the end of the year.

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GOLF SCHEDULE FIXED

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TO
BE HELD AT CHICAGO.

Open Event Staged at Buffalo.
Women to Play at Essex Course.
Handicap Rules Changed.

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Lawson Criticizes Probe

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PAID COACH ABOLISHED

OREGON TO RETRENCH IN
BASEBALL EXPENSE.

Homer Jamison to Lead University
Ball Team Without Pay—Idaho
Awarded \$165.

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