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San Francisco Sport Writer Picks Beavers, Seals and Happy Hogan's Team.

LONG BOLSTERS OUTFIT

With Exception of Pitching Department, Bay City Aggregation Is Reckoned as Being More Formidable Than Ever.

BY HARRY B. SMITH. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 30.—The Winter's over. That dark gloomy spell during which time we could only surmise what they'd be doing in the Summer months has at last come to an end. Of course, the 1st was fixed when the Spring training season opened, but we couldn't fully realize it until now that the regular Coast League season is ready for the starter.

Long's Team Stronger. Of Portland and Oregon we in San Francisco have heard only by reputation, but we have a fairly good line on what San Francisco can accomplish.

Long has a team, immeasurably strengthened with the possible exception of the pitching staff. He has more speed in the field and on the bases and more hitting power. Jack Johnson at first might do better work than Tommy Tennant, because he is a heady ball player. Corhan has more speed than Miller, Henry, Kelly, and all the other pitchers will perform better than did Oscar last season.

Quintet of 1911 Beavers Make Good in East. The balance of the infield will be the same. A lot of new faces will be seen in the outfield. Rattery, Hart, and McVay will do some hitting. Johnson is another hard hitter and when there is a fight as to whether Fowler or Martin will be retained for the fifth outfielder, you have some idea of what strength there is for the San Francisco club.

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ONE OF THE NEW COASTER ARBITRATORS WHO WILL BE SEEN IN ACTION NEXT TUESDAY.



"SANDOW" MERTE'S, INDICATOR MAN.

Sam Mertes, ex-major league player, will make his debut as an umpire Tuesday, when the Pacific Coast League season of 1912 will be inaugurated. Mertes has had experience enough in the game to make a first-class arbitrator, and no less an authority than Fielder A. Jones has expressed the opinion that he will make good. "Sandow" assisted in breaking up the California Outlaw circuit by making life miserable for the umpires.

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BARRY'S SEATTLE SQUAD CUT TO 24

Dugdale's Manager Lops Off Eight "Phenoms" Without Causing a Ripple.

CLUB NOT BUNCH OF MUTTS

Jack Says Other People Are Entitled to Own Opinions, but He Thinks He'll Have Fine Team of Experienced Young Fellows.

BY PORTUS BAXTER. SEATTLE, March 30 (Special).—Without causing even a ripple of excitement, Manager Jack Barry reduced the Seattle squad to eight "phenoms" this week. There was really some pretty good stuff in the detached body, but with more valuable timber in hand there was no use of delaying the inevitable.

Without counting Danny Shea, Barry has 24 men at work every day but there does not seem to be any chance to cut much more for the present. Practice or exhibition games are on the schedule for every day up to the opening of the league on April 16, and on top of this Barry must use pitchers in the morning batting practice.

A player that tries out under the direction of Barry has no chance to contract sleeping sickness. Barry is business all the way through and has the faculty of stirring up enthusiasm among his followers. One of the things they think President Dugdale has supplied Barry with a bunch of mutts, but Jack does not fall in line with this flattering compliment to Seattle. Barry does not make any flamboyant claims, realizing that what looks fine in early practice may have the luster tarnished by the time he becomes hard. He really needs 10 or 12 days more to clear up some of the points which have a bearing on the final make-up of the team.

Barry Sizes up Squad. Sizing up the squad, Barry said: "Those who figure Seattle as an imminent qualified for tall-enders have a perfect right to their opinion. Naturally I hope they are wrong, and shall do all in my power to prove them mistaken. If the other teams show us up, I shall have to acknowledge the corn."

"I know this, however, I have a bunch of vigorous young fellows who are working hard to give Seattle a winning team. The material is promising. And, by the way, do not be misled by the flattering compliment to Seattle. Barry does not necessarily imply lack of experience."

Call it a young team, if you want, but do not say that such men as Tealey Raymond, Hosea Siner, Fred Weed, Danny Shea, Cruickshank, Doolin and Chick to say nothing of Fullerton, Barrenkamp, Klein and a few others, know nothing of league ball.

The development of the team will be retarded somewhat by the accident to Siner's back and Chick's lame arm. The little we saw of Siner in action was sufficient to convince the most skeptical that he is a real pitcher. He is a real pitcher, and he is a real pitcher. He is a real pitcher, and he is a real pitcher.

Pinners Showing Class. In the same breath it might be added that McIvor, Schneider, Stevens and Klein have come fully up to expectations. Vance has worked carefully, and he is a real pitcher. He is a real pitcher, and he is a real pitcher.

Cubs Beat Louisville. LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 30.—The Chicago Nationals defeated Louisville today, 11 to 5. Cole pitched for the visitors and allowed nine hits.

PORTLAND MAN NOTED AS GREAT FOOTBALL PLAYER AT MICHIGAN

Frank Villa Is Chosen Four Successive Seasons as Member of All-Western Eleven—He Entered University in 1893, After Attending Whitman College at Walla Walla.

(This is the third article of a series dealing with the football players who have been prominent in the world of sport.)

BY JAMES H. CASSELL. WHILE Frank Villa, or "Count" Villa, as he is styled by his intimates, was not noted for his athletic versatility, he placed the name of Villa so high among the gridiron heroes of Michigan and the Middle West that it eclipses the majority of the all-around twinklers. Villa will be ever remembered in the Middle West as the first Michigan University athlete to make the All-Western team for four successive seasons, and in the Northwest as one of the football pioneers of Whitman College.

Villa has dabbled in baseball. He cavorted (if a man of 200 pounds may cavort) about third base at Whitman College back in the early '90s. But when football came the diamond saw him no more.

The "Count" activity extended over a wide area. In addition to the Walla Walla and Michigan fields, he went into action as far East as Cambridge, Mass., and as far West as Portland, at Cambridge he played against the "Winged 'M" of Multnomah Club against the All-Oregon and University of California teams.

Football was given its start at Whitman in 1892. Villa took a trip to Europe early in that year, returning by way of Stanford. He had his first introduction to the game he afterwards championed so well, and returned from Palo Alto determined to place football in the athletic curriculum of Whitman College. So that Fall, 1892, Villa had his wish gratified. Whitman espoused the cause of the gridiron infant and the "Count" donned padded uniform and stationed himself at left tackle, where he stayed for many seasons.

At Whitman Villa did not have an opportunity to develop, but in the few games the college could schedule with the town boys and the soldiers he loomed above the other players and gave promise of developing into a star. Villa entered Michigan in 1893, made



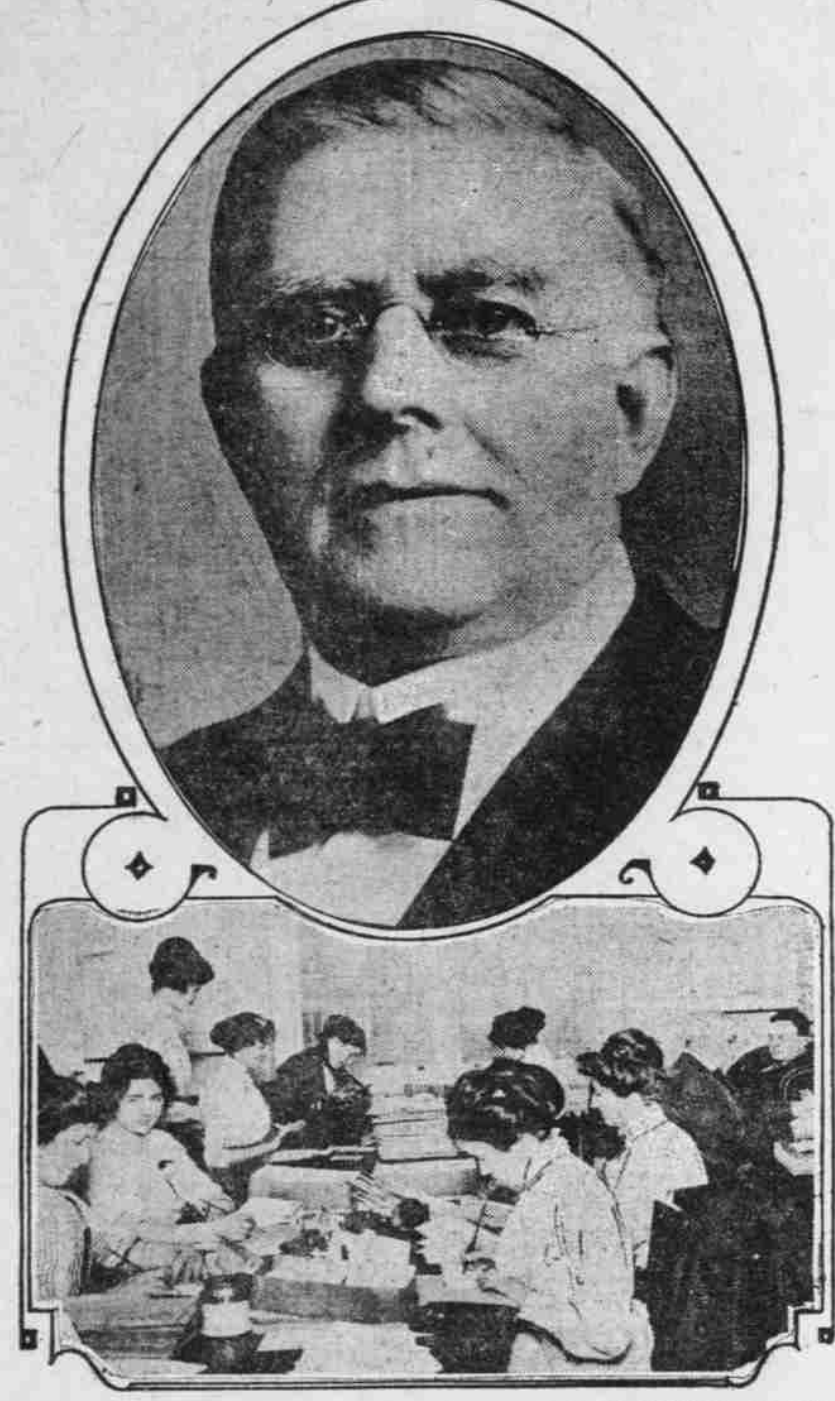
Frank Villa, Noted Athlete at Michigan, Is Portland Resident.

towards the possibilities of the West, and the next year a Chicago man was awarded an All-American berth. While Villa's gridiron performances were heroic of necessity in order to earn a place on the representative Western team, one of his greatest feats was the scoring of a touchdown on Harvard from the 40-yard line. The touchdown did not count, the records giving Harvard a 4-to-0 victory over Michigan, but to this day the Ann Arbor athletes contend that they were robbed of victory by the officials. The referee held that the whistle had ended the game before the play started, while the Wolverines contend that the whistle sounded when Villa was within a few yards of the coveted goal.

Team One of Giants. Villa played football in the days of the giants, at a period when brawn counted more than speed and brains. The Portland man, weighing 200 pounds, was the lightest man on the Michigan line, outside of the ends. Barry, the center, weighed 231 pounds. Hall and Hooper, the guards, 148 each, with the other men in proportion.

In 1897 Villa joined the rush of treasure-seekers bound for the Klondike. He returned to Ann Arbor in 1898 to assist in coaching a championship eleven, and then returned to Alaska for two more years.

Illinois Legislator Gallagher Is Now After "Baseball Trust"



REPRESENTATIVE GALLAGHER AND THE CORPS OF CLERKS HE HAD TO HIRE TO ANSWER CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING THE SO-CALLED "BASEBALL TRUST."

A RECENT issue of Sporting Life carried in black letters across the top of the front page: "Has Nothing to Fear." This was followed by the subhead: "Organized Ball, as expressed in and operated under the National Agreement and National Commission, is not a trust, either in fact or in law, and will bear the closest scrutiny."

This, from one of the representative sporting weeklies, was the answer to the charges made by Representative Thomas Gallagher of Illinois, that "organized" baseball is nothing more than a trust. The scare heads and space

devoted to a refutation of the charges proves that the action of the Chicagoan in asking for a Congressional investigation was taken seriously in many quarters.

In answer to the charges made that baseball managers are maintaining a "trust," the American and National League officials have come to the front with reasons galore to prove the falsity of the statement. Ben Johnson, of the Naps, Connie Mack, and other diamond moguls have contributed a mass of information, from which the trustful salaries paid players and the keen competition for supremacy, stand out prominently.

and putting the ball on the runner. Doolin is overweight, but looks better every day. Chick's arm is bad now, but when he comes right he cannot be overlooked. Shea, Wally and DeVogt make good string of catchers.

Commenting today Seattle's preliminary game schedule is as follows: March 31, Bremerton; April 1, Excelsior; April 2, University of Washington; April 3, Shanner & Wolf; April 6, Fort Lewis; April 7, Everett. Several other games are in sight, but not yet scheduled.

Few people remember that Pitcher Bob Harmon is making things disagreeable for Manager Bresnahan, of the St. Louis Nationals, was once a member of the Portland Club. He did not show much prior to the arrival of Credie let him go. Harmon is now considered one of the best young right-hand pitchers in the big league. Tacoma has Walter Johnson on the payroll for \$75 a month and sent him over to Idaho.

George Stovall was a haze in Seattle when his brother Jesse was a great winner. George did not blossom out until he went to Oregon and began to play ball in the small towns.

A definite location for the speed events has not been selected. Several sites are under consideration. The course will be five miles in length and a grandstand will be erected that will give a good view in two directions along the course, showing to the spectators about three miles of the five miles track. The structure will have a seating capacity of 35,000.

It is thought that July 5 & 6 will be the right time to attract the world's most famous road racers, who will be the Santa Monica, Cal. road races in June. When they consider their close proximity to Tacoma they will bring their cars north to compete. It is thought.

That the contests will be official is assured from the fact that they will be held under the sanction and rules of the American Automobile Association in conjunction with the Tacoma Automobile Club. This insures events which will be a good view in two directions along the course, showing to the spectators about three miles of the five miles track.

The races will consist of an open free-for-all of 300 miles; the second event will be for heavy stock chassis cars, 250 miles, and two classes of light stock chassis, 150 miles.

Large purses will be offered in each event, together with trophies for first, second and third places. The open 300-mile grind will be for a perpetual Montamara Festo trophy.

TACOMA PLANS RACES

SPEED CARNIVAL TO FEATURE MONTAMARA FESTO.

July 4 and 5 Dates Named for Holding First Two-Day Meet in Northwest.

What promises to be a Vanderbilt cup race and Indianapolis motor carnival rolled into one, and which will hold the distinction of being the first in the Northwest, is the automobile races planned for Tacoma, during the Montamara Festo, July 5 and 6. H. W. Donaherty, chairman of the automobile races, announced that they are determined to make Tacoma the first city of the Northwest to give a two-day race meet.

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Modern Style Outlined. The modern style constitutes a rather complicated improvement on the old-fashioned jumper runs straight at the bar, swerves from it when about two strides away and plants his foot in the same position as if he would if he were using the old-fashioned form.

In making the jump the right leg is thrown up with the arms and chest helping in the lift, while the left leg is brought up with a jerk and hooked over the crossbar. The body is turned to face the take-off.

This is the form easiest to learn, but I would advise the young jumper who has no coach to try it with a good lay-out. By this, I mean make the jump with the body horizontal with the bar. Practice of this should be made at low heights until the beginner has attained absolute control of his body in the air.

PORTLAND BOY SETS RECORD

Earl Crabbe Runs 2 Miles for California in 9:53.

BERKELEY, March 30.—The track and field team of the University of California defeated the Pomona College team today, 99 to 23.

Earl Crabbe, a California student, registering from Portland, Or., broke the Coast intercollegiate record in the two-mile run, which he made in 9:53, one second faster than the previous record.

Coach Kelly to Manage Eugene. EUGENE, Or., March 30.—(Special).—"Father Tom" Kelly, for two years the coach for the University of Oregon, last night signed an agreement with Jay McCormick, holder of the lease for the baseball ground here, whereby Kelly will become manager of the Eugene team for the coming season. A preliminary tryout will be held tomorrow. Among the possibilities for the team is Karl King, Eugene lad who made good with the Boise team in the Intermountain League for two seasons.

JAVELIN THROW AND JUMPS, LAST

Bill Hayward Writes Final Article of Series on How Athletes Should Train.

CONCLUDING ARTICLE FINE

"One Must Be Equipped With Strong, Flexible Arms and Shoulders to Gain Success" at Throwing Spear, Declares Trainer.

BY WILLIAM L. HAYWARD. Director of athletics at the University of Oregon, with concluding article of track and field series.

One must be equipped with strong, flexible arms and shoulders to gain success in the javelin throw, strength being necessary to the requirements of force and speed being necessary to the action of the throw release.

The javelin should be held between the thumb and index finger and resting on the first joint of the second finger precisely as one would hold a pen or pencil preparatory to writing. Then the athlete should draw the throwing arm back as if to throw a ball with the point of the projectile held closely to the breast, so as to insure that the transit will be in a straight line. In approaching the throwing mark the javelin man may take a run in any of distance and the throw is delivered as if a stone were to be thrown.

On the delivery a jump should be made from the left foot to the right one, the same as the "reverse" in the shot put. The secret of the performance is to point the missile at a right angle of 15 degrees and dispatch it with a good, quick snap at the wrist. As in the other weight events, it is well to keep the javelin from vibrating during the flight.

Speed and symmetrical body strength are prerequisites with a broad jumper. While efficient back and abdomen muscles are of particular help in the "lift" taken while the leaper is in the air.

Broad Jump Runway Important. The runway to the broad jump "take off" is generally 30 to 35 yards long, according to the distance the jumper requires to gauge his speed. Several marks distributed along his path, as in the case of the pole vault, will aid the athlete in hitting the take-off squarely. Once the proper stride and take-off are determined by any jumper he should measure the distance accurately so as to be able to follow the routine as a well defined habit.

Leaving the start (first mark) the entrant should jog to a second mark about one-third of the distance to the take-off, where speed should be increased to full. The last stride before spiking the take-off block should be shortened about six inches to gain elevation and the final step should be driven down hard to attain a strong leg drive in the spring. In taking the jump the arms should be thrown forward and the knees drawn up close to the breast. The feet should be thrown forward. The momentum of the flight will serve to keep the jumper from falling back.

It is in the air that the jumper is in all broad jumps, a helpful practice in this connection being to set up a low hurdle somewhere between the take-off and the pit. Knowing he will be able to clear it, the athlete involuntarily will acquire elevation. After a broad jumper has mastered his form, two or three jumps a day will be patient enough to take spirit work on the side.

Shoes Must Fit Well. The broad jumper must make sure that his shoes fit well and that his ankles are well protected for the strain that they must endure in hitting the take off. In coming to the jump one should not lean forward as in the natural run, but should lean back from an acute angle with the hip to acquire height. After leaving the ground the jumper should straighten up a trifle, then lean on during the breast and knees closely together.

If the run through to the take-off were taken at full speed all the way the "gather" would be impossible. At about two strides from the take-off the leaper should ease off and sail on so as to effect the necessary "gather" of the feet. The momentum created during the run in will carry him through the last two strides without any difficulty.

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Southpaw Callahan Signs Contract. CENTRALIA, Wash., March 30.—(Special).—The sign-out of Pat Callahan by the Chicago southpaw who won 13 out of 17 games for the Centralia State League team last year, was recorded by the board of directors of the mountains and is in perfect condition to start the season.

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