

### COLT LEADER GOES TO ST. LOUIS

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A deal was closed last night between Dick Kinella, St. Louis National scout, and Manager Williams of the Portland Colts, whereby Bill Speas, Colt outfielder, becomes the property of the National League club close to the Northwestern League season.

The consideration is \$2000, \$500 of which was paid immediately, and the remaining \$1500 to be turned over to Portland April 20, 1913, should Speas be retained. Otherwise the player reverts to Portland.

Speas is 24 years old, has been playing ball since 1906, three seasons of his career being on the Coast. He was with the Beavers in 1910, Cleve and turned him over to McCredie and joined the Colts last season. He went to Cleveland from Mansfield, Ohio, was farmed out to Akron, Ohio, next by the Naps, and finally shifted to Portland. Weak batting but him off the Portland Coast staff, but he seems to have remedied that weakness.

Speas has the best outfield arm in the Northwestern League and, in addition, covers a world of ground in the gardens. He is hitting .288, and promises to boost that to .300 before the season is over.

Kinella decided not to take Jack Kibbles, the Colt infielder, McCredie and Williams standing firm for more money than the scout is willing to pay. The Sporting News has the following Pittsburgh honor for Eddie Mensor, the ex-Portland Colt outfielder:

"Eddie Mensor, the little youth secured by the locals from the Portland Club, of the Northwestern League, looks like one of the best ballplayers tried out here in years. The writer commented last week on his ability to get to first base on a throw when he played unusually well, considering the fact that the Pirates are just at present in the throes of another batting slump, which has affected nearly all of the men."

"It is the general opinion here that Mensor has won for himself a regular berth on the Pirates team, and that he will prove a wonder next year. When he reported it was after a three weeks' layoff, the result of a sprained ankle. The ankle was not entirely well when he donned his Pittsburgh uniform, and he injured it again in one of his earliest games at Forbes Field. Yet he has shown splendid play since that time, and it is a wonder that he could do along this line if he were in the pink of condition. He has been boosted by rival players and managers, who in declaring that he is one of the best judges of pitched balls they have ever seen. He seldom offers at a ball not over the plate, and as a result draws many passes."

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Owner Watkins will take the matter up immediately with the Chicago club, and then to the National Commission, if necessary. He has the telegrams, two of them, from Sullivan, accepting terms, and intends to force Chicago to take the man.

President Jones, of the Northwestern League, expressed himself as confident that Chicago would trade for the right to sign Saturday. He is filled with tiny youngsters at the playful age. Children find great amusement in watching them.

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### NEW LINE ASSURED

#### Eugene and Monroe Will Be Connected by Railway.

#### EQUIPMENT IS ON GROUND

#### Street Railroad Trackage Increased and \$400,000 to Be Expended in Eugene—Fine Depot Planned, Rich Area to Be Opened.

EUGENE, Or., Aug. 10.—(Special.)—Machinery for the construction of the grade of the new Portland, Eugene & Eastern electric line between Eugene and Monroe is being unloaded here and will be expected to arrive Saturday as far as the Long Tom River and are today locating the sites for construction camps. The first camp will be three to five miles from Eugene. The equipment consists of steam shovels, traction engines, graders and the usual complement of plows and scrapers, sufficient in quantity to equip six grading outfits. There will be eight or ten different camps at work as the grading progresses. These outfits are expected to complete the 24 miles of grade in time to have the rails in place within 60 days, thus connecting Corvallis and Eugene and making the rich Monroe and Bellevue fountain district tributary to Eugene.

Eugene merchants are highly elated at the activity being shown by the depend Eugene & Eastern Railway Company and express the warmest commendation of President Robert E. Strahorn, who, they declare, has more than made good every guarantee given.

Street Trackage Increased. In March of the present year the street lines of Eugene totaled 10.3 miles, with some of the trackage in exceedingly bad condition. Since then the Portland, Eugene & Eastern engineers have modernized the old system, and have constructed new lines for the accommodation of residents on East Eleventh from Alder to Thirteenth, on Eighth and Blair streets and have double tracked a large portion of the old Welch system. The payrolls of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern now average \$15,000 per month for construction and operation expenses within the city limits of Eugene.

The company expects to expend \$400,000 for construction purposes before its work is finished in Eugene. No one knows what it is expending in the purchase of real estate in acquiring the Welch lines, or what amount it will put into the new terminal station to be erected on the site of the old Methodist and Christian churches. It is promised that the terminal station will be modern in every way. All streetcars and interurban trains will run into the new station, which will also furnish headquarters for the railroad's district operations.

Springfield Line to Be Rebuilt. In addition to the construction work being done within the city, the company will invest vast sums of money in rebuilding the interurban line to Springfield, construction of the Santa Clara line, and the new branch to Monroe. Residents of "mail box corners," a spot where 27 depots are clustered, are preparing to ask that the Santa Clara interurban be extended to the village of letter boxes. The district is devoted to fruit growing and truck farming and better market facilities are desired. If constructed the line would occupy a portion of the "Pacific Highway," Alaska to Mexico route for automobiles.

Particular interest attaches here to the opening of the Monroe-Bellefountain Valley. Only 45 miles from Eugene, it has been neglected for years, although it is conceded to be one of the richest sections of the great Willamette Valley. Tucked away in an amphitheater in the hills, its soil is splendidly rich and it is now believed that the advent of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern will mean quick results in its development, with correspondingly increased prosperity to Eugene.

CHILDREN WILL CONTEST \$500 Subscribed by Business Men for Coos-Curry Fair Awards.

COQUILLE, Or., Aug. 10.—(Special.)—The business men of Coquille, Myrtle Point, Marshfield, Bend and North Bend have subscribed \$500 to be distributed as prizes to children in an industrial contest at the Coos-Curry County Fair to be held at Myrtle Point September 26, 27 and 28.

Three prizes are offered under each heading in the published list, the first prizes ranging from \$250 to \$50. A thoroughbred Poland China pig valued at \$10 is offered for the best general exhibit of farm products by a boy of school age. A prize of equal value is offered to the girl who will make the best exhibit of sewing. Many school-children of the county have been at work since early last Spring preparing exhibits for the contest.

In addition to the prizes offered in the children's contest, several hundred dollars are being offered to adult exhibitors of farm and dairy products. The County Court has been asked to appropriate \$1000 to be used for this purpose.

LAND SALES BEING MADE White Salmon Orchard Acreage Is in Demand.

WHITE SALMON, Wash., Aug. 10.—(Special.)—Tired of revolutionary Marxism, Robert T. Stinson, an engineer, has sent money to the Columbia Realty Company, of this place, to purchase 20 acres of choice land, as he wants to come here to live in the yearling.

Fred Ripley writes from Fruite, Colo., that he is on the way to White Salmon with two other families, bringing their personal property with them to locate on orchard land. They are experienced orchardists and have been looking for desirable fruit lands in the Northwest for some time.

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RAIN HURTS AT WOODBURN Hay Baling and Grain Threshing Halted—Damage Reported.

WOODBURN, Or., Aug. 10.—(Special.)—The rain during the past few days has caused a cessation of hay baling and grain threshing in this vicinity, and it is feared considerable damage will result. Only a small percentage of the farmers have taken the precaution to stack their crops, and as a result most of the hay and grain standing out has been thoroughly soaked, and will be discarded, if no further damage results. What the ultimate damage will be depends entirely upon future weather conditions, which, at the present, are anything but promising.

Reports from growers who have threshed are satisfactory, so far as the quantity per acre is concerned, 30 to 40 bushels of wheat being obtained, and 40 to 60 bushels of winter oats.

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### BANK HISHES UP \$72,000 ROBBERY

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#### Officials of Institution Keep News of Crime, Which Took Place Two Months Ago, From Public for Fear of Run.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—(Special.)—A striking commentary on present-day crime conditions in New York was afforded today in the discovery that one of the most sensational bank robberies in a decade occurred two months ago in the lower part of the city, below Chambers street.

In the robbery, about which an impenetrable cloak of mystery has been thrown, a band of cracksmen entered the vaults of the downtown institution and abstracted \$72,000 in bills of large denomination. If they had displayed the same qualities of patience and thoroughness that enabled them to drill through a thick ceiling and steel flooring, they could have secured \$3,000,000 in cash, which was locked behind the steel door of a combination safe within the vault.

Run Is Feared. News of this robbery has been withheld from the police and other public officials, the reason being that the bank's board of directors feared a run. After a consultation of the board, held within a few hours of the discovery of the robbery, it was decided to employ private detectives.

Progress has been exceedingly slow. The robbers, it was learned today, gained access through the coal hole to the building which housed the bank. They followed the trail to the engine-room, which was directly beneath the vault. Once through this ceiling, the steel floor of the vault—five-eighths of an inch in thickness—stopped the rapid work.

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The Oaks is looking its best just at present and with the exception of occasional wet days has been crowded the whole season. A number of entirely new free features are planned for the season in addition to the general bill. Moving pictures will be exhibited free in the open air, for example, and similar minor forms of entertainment are planned.

Manager Cordray is now working on a scheme by which he expects to have a number of various forms of entertainment to be seen simultaneously in different sections of the park.

A number of special days are planned this week and organizations are being added daily. One fraternal organization has chartered the steamer Monarch and will sail her right up to the steamer landing; something, it is believed, that has not been done since the Lewis and Clark fair.

The aquarium has been completed and it is hoped to be stocked this week, following a visit from Game Warden Finley in which he will instruct employees of the park in the proper care of fish.

Every feature to be found in the most up-to-date amusement parks in the country can now be found at the Oaks, which may be reached via any street car line or by launch from Morrison bridge.

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Where last reported, late today, the Nebraska and her convoy were south of Cape Cod and proceeding at slow speed.

The Navy-yard operators were in communication with the conveying warships, but received no report as to the seriousness of the Nebraska's accident.

Attempts tonight to pick up the vessel proved unsuccessful.

GAME TIED FOR 11 INNINGS Medford Wins From Roseburg in Most Exciting Match of Season.

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Porter Bros. own about 1,000,000,000 feet of timber in the Siuslaw district, as well as a sawmill near the mouth of that stream, and this purchase is simply adding to their already extensive holdings. The Stuart & Ferguson Timber Company also owns another tract there containing 304,000,000 feet of fir.

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Roseburg Wants Elks' Home. ROSEBURG, Or., Aug. 10.—(Special.)—Roseburg is an applicant for the new National home projected by the Grand Lodge of Elks at its recent convention in Portland. A resolution setting forth the climatic and other advantages of this city has been adopted by lodge No. 328 of Roseburg and will be forwarded at once to the committee appointed at the Grand Lodge reunion to investigate and report on the plan for a new home. It is believed that if such an institution is established it will probably be west of the Rocky Mountains. It is believed here, as the present home of the order is situated in Virginia, an Atlantic coast state.

### CIRCUS ZOO GREAT

#### Many Odd Animals With Barnum & Bailey Show.

#### BABY GIRAFFE BIG HIT

#### Living Denizens of Earth, Sea and Air Are Shown in Menagerie. Mammoth Show to Be Here August 16 and 17.

The expense of maintaining a great collection of wild animals reaches an amount of money far in excess of what most people imagine. The difficulty of properly caring for these animals is solved only after years of experience. There is no feature of a big circus that represents such a tremendous outlay of money or involves a greater risk of loss.

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