

WATCH-TOWER OBSERVATIONS

Material and Immaterial Sport Syllogisms by Roscoe Fawcett.

"Football Season Is Too Short—Wonder Where the Beautiful Women Keep Themselves the Rest of the Year."—Abe's Philosophy.

PARKE H. DAVIS, the Eastern football expert and statistician, says that Pumpelly's marvelous 33-yard drop kick, going up the Yale-Princeton game 6 to 5, is the second longest goal from the field on record. In a game between Wisconsin and Minnesota, November 25, 1898, Pat O'Dea, of the Badgers, scored a goal from the field by a drop kick from a distance of 32 yards out. "It is likely that this record will stand as the record for many more years," writes Davis.

But Parke's record stuff needs a touch of the season's dust now being absorbed by the Madison block. His list is wobbly, and certainly incomplete. George Capron, former Minnesota star, now a resident of Klamath Falls, Or., booted a drop kick in a game between Shattuck Military Academy and St. Thomas College in Minnesota. At least George says it was recorded as 58 yards, and several years ago the distance, all agree that his feat exceeded Pumpelly's, if not O'Dea's.

"As I remember it Capron's drop kick was 60 yards," says Attorney O'Rourke, the giant Multnomah club tackle, who captained the St. Thomas team in the Shattuck game. He is 22 years old. Tony Capron was the greatest drop-kicker that ever lived. While at Minnesota he scored a drop kick against Chicago from the 48-yard line.

Moulton, of Oregon, kicked a placement from the 55-yard line after a fair catch in a game at Moscow against the University of Idaho several years back. Dudley Clarke played in the memorable contest. The great Oregon kicker chucked up 104 points by leg work in his four years at Eugene.

Another notable feat on record is a 54-yard place kick made by Conville, Multnomah 125-pound left tackle. At Purdue and the University of Utah, Conville was stationed at fullback, and in a game against Colorado at Salt Lake City in 1908 he sent the leather sailing between the posts from almost exactly the center of the field.

COCK-SURE of whipping Ritchie. Wolgast boasted, two days before their turkey-day match, that after cleaning up the lightweights now in sight, he intended going through the waterweights.

Possibly Ad meant like Patsy O'Rourke went through finishing school, like Harry Hogan went through the Coast League race in 1912, or like Amy Hauser went through the Oregon Agricultural College.

SOME wretch in the East has suggested that "Muggsy" McGraw take as a subject for his vaudeville monologue "How to win a world's series with seven players, a bonehead and a sieve."

The great New York tactician has been the game's leading victim of "bonehead" tactics. In 1907, Merkle failed to touch second, and that cost him a pennant; a year ago Marquard and Mathewson fed Baker the wrong kind of balls, and his home runs gave Philadelphia the world's championship; this Fall Snodgrass, Fletcher and Merkle all deviated from the path of good-will by making costly errors in the final series with the Grays and New York lost another world's title.

"Muggsy" would have left only himself, the batboy and one or two others if he fired all the giant members of the "in-bad" club.

GEORGE MEMSIC, erstwhile classy lightweight boxer, at the police court rail, broke, discouraged, hungry and drunk, furnished good "sob" material for a Los Angeles molder of mauglin mush.

"I had \$100 when I left here a fortnight ago to go north to Medford, Or., to clean up a sucker," wailed the fighter who once stood the famous Joe Gans off for 20 rounds. "They had me billed as Young Corbett and I thought it was easy picking, and then this proposed sucker, Bud Anderson, cleaned me and took all my money."

This same "sob" spectacle has been presented to the fighting class so often that it should carry a lesson by now. But the young men whose vo-



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THE Milwaukee Sentinel says the question of whether poker is a game of skill or of chance is being threshed out in an Illinois court. Sometimes it is one, sometimes the other, and sometimes neither of the two. In fact, it's all a matter of definition. If you are the one who wins it's skill, but when the other fellow grabs the checks it's unadulterated luck.

DOOR old, long, lean, lanky Larry McLean in trouble again. Between John Barleycorn and John Hancock, the lapping ex-Portland backstop, who helped McCredie into a pennant in 1906, seems to be perpetually in paralytic solution. Larry never could stand prosperity or popularity. John Barleycorn, who appears in the family dust-coverts, seemed never to realize that Daniel was the only man who ever was lionized and came out of it with a whole hide.

MRS. NICK ALTROCK testified in her divorce suit that the Washington pitcher-comedian, had been very good to her. She recalled very distinctly one occasion when her husband escorted her to a nickel picture show and very graciously allowed her to foot the bill for tickets. Nick must have been

a good spender; no wonder the two finally quarreled and agreed to split. The easiest way out of a marriage of that kind is to have somebody die. Jane Welsh, who was Mrs. Thomas Carlyle, obliged in that manner in 1865, but she and the great essayist idolized each other with fatness for 35 years before the honeymoon was disillusioned. Mrs. Carlyle wrote to a friend: "These women of genius are the very devil." Similarly Mrs. Altrock referred to Nick's lines of action as "cheap comedy," and, judging from her divorce testimony, she slightly infected the cheap. Mrs. Carlyle at that early date penned some advice to judge the future mates of greatness. Wrote she: "No woman who values peace of mind marry an author." Altrock's authoring ceased about the time of his last world's series pitching uniform. "Walter McCredie, Portland" was the message the Coast League executive sent quivering into the minute books. Mac seems to have made the most

game on Multnomah Field checked in yesterday at exactly \$567. The estimate that night were close for Dow Walker guessed \$5000.

The Multnomah Club of Portland likewise waxed fat. The treasury annexed \$289 of the 1900 total receipts for the wet weather Oregon Aggie game, \$2000 from the Thanksgiving game with Oregon, and \$1000 field rent for the Thursday game, giving a total of \$3289 from which will be deducted approximately \$1800 for uniforms, policing tickets, insurance, trainers, etc. This gives the winged "M" a profit of \$1489, with the two holiday games with the Seattle All-Stars yet to be settled. They should bring in about \$2000 more.

The Albany game proved a life saver for both Oregon and the Oregon Aggies. Oregon made \$600 on the Washington trip, \$50 on the Willamette game at Eugene and lost \$250 over the guarantee on the trips to Whitman and Washington State College. The Aggie game at Albany netted about \$1500 apiece and the Thanksgiving game with Multnomah \$2000, making a total of \$3800.

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VARLELL PICKS STAR ELEVEN. Referee of Eight Conference Games Selects All-Northwest. SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 29.—The all-Northwest conference football team as selected by George M. Varrell, who has refereed eight of the conference games this year, gives four positions to the University of Washington, two to Oregon State College, two to Oregon Agricultural College and one to Whitman College.

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Multnomah Halfback Pounds Varsity for Big Gains.
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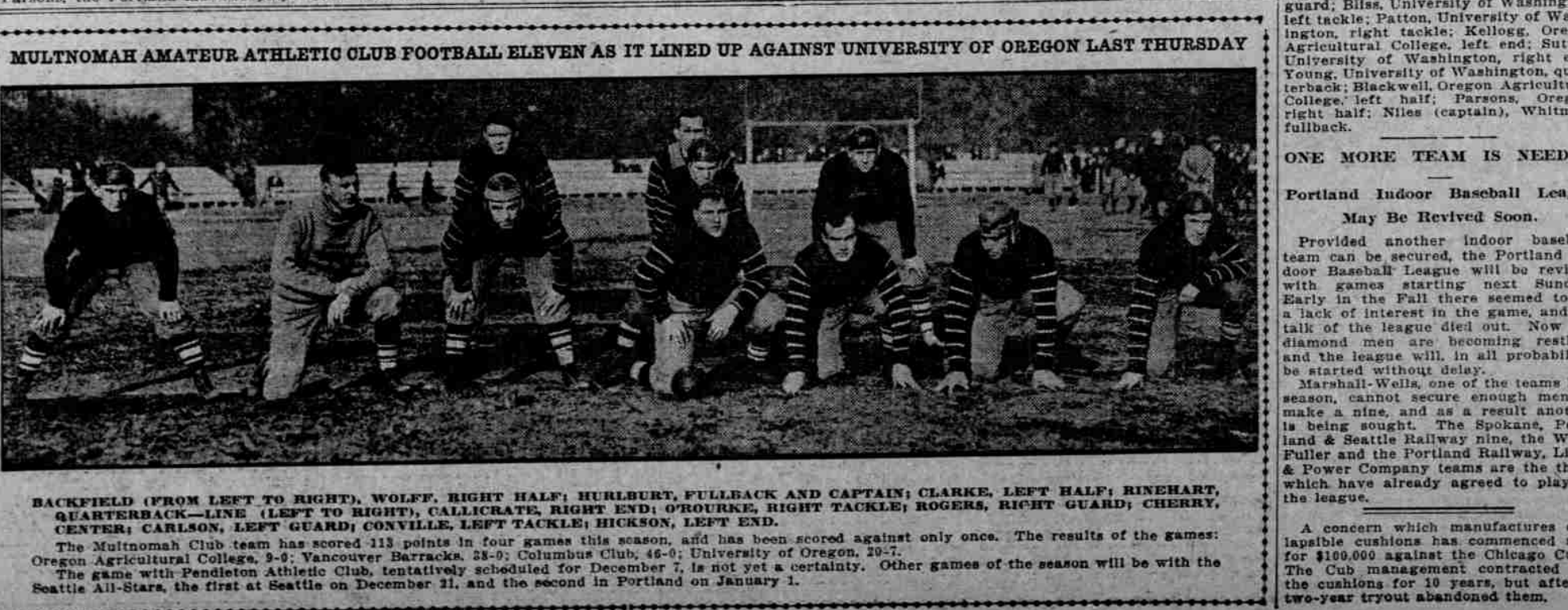
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CLARKE Watches Openings. Clarke's superiority lies in his ability to see the openings up the line, and strike hard. His watchword, "He dashes along the line, eyes peering here and there for the slight opening, and when he sees it, no matter how small, slip, he darts through, and the yardage sticks are usually moved when he is back behind the line ready for another assault."



MULTNOMAH AMATEUR ATHLETIC CLUB FOOTBALL ELEVEN AS IT LINED UP AGAINST UNIVERSITY OF OREGON LAST THURSDAY

BACKFIELD (FROM LEFT TO RIGHT), WOLF, RIGHT HALF; HURLBURT, FULLBACK AND CAPTAIN; CLARKE, LEFT HALF; RINEHART, QUARTERBACK—LINE (LEFT TO RIGHT), CALLIGRANTE, RIGHT TACKLE; ROGERS, LEFT TACKLE; HICKSON, LEFT END. CENTER: CARLSON, LEFT GUARD; CORVILLE, LEFT TACKLE; CLARKE, RIGHT GUARD; CHERRY, RIGHT TACKLE.