OREGON "U" SHORT ON BALL VETERANS

Freshmen Aspirants Many but Team Can't Be Built Up on First-Year Men.

SLAB SHORTAGE GREATEST

Coach Bezdek Has Hands Full With Heavy Game Schedule on Tapis. Switches Made-Pirst Baseman Tried at Pitching.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene Feb. 19 .- (Special.) -- When surveyors started work this week laying out the site of the new educational building they spelled the doom of the baseball diamond that has been used by varsity teams for the last five years. The meadow on the western side of the campus has been the scene of many a hard-fought conference contest, but the last one has been played, for the new structure will take away the leftfielder's stamping ground. Manager Tiffany announced that he would util-ize the girls' hockey field for this coming season, as the new \$10,000 athletia field would not be completed until

next Fall. But the field outlook has not kept practice from going on. The extremely favorable weather of the past
has brought out a half hundred recruits seeking drill under Coach Bezdek. Thursday the first practice game
was played; Friday was given over to
bunting, and this afternoon the second
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bunting. favorable weather of the past week practice game was played between the varsity prospectives and the freshmen. Even though the pitchers have not limhered up with any breaks and simply have lobbed the balls over the plate, they have showed up the batters in a very unfavorable light. Of new material not a single man has been uncovered who can slug the pill and make the coach think he did it intentionally. Perhaps the pitchers are proving a foxy set, but critics in the bleachers are inclined to think otherwise, for, outside of Bill Tuerck, the only other mound men are squad men of last year.

Dick Nelson has been taken from his old place at first and made to do mound duty. The big boy has speed and indications are than when the season is farther along he will get the globule to hopping in great style. Scoop Rathbun, Sammy Bullock and Walter Kennon are other lads endeavoring to make the pitching staff whom the coach is looking over carefully.

To fill Nelson's place on first, Joe McLean, a doughnut star of last year, McLean, a doughnut star of last year, has been given the mit. At present the vacancy on third caused by the drafting of Skeet Bigbee into the big leagues is being filled by Harold Malson, a promising candidate. There is little competition for infield positions. Captain Cornell has still failed to make his appearance, and the protracted illness of Walter Greebe makes the chances for his getting into the game this year look pretty slim. A heavy schedule has been arranged for this season. It follows:

March 31, April 1. Chemawa at Eu
Salem Commercial Club vs. the Salem

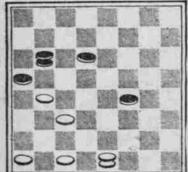
field, Wis., was first this week among the military academies, and Tyrone, pion, takes things as they come in Pa., among the high schools.

Robert Gardner, the amateur chambion, takes things as they come in golf without making any of them a

Checkers.

E. H. BRYANT, EDITOR, Phone Tabor 6213. PROBLEM NO, 170. By the Editor.

is a little gem. You will forget all trouble if you are able to solve it. BLACK MEN, 10, 13, 10; KING, 9.



WHITE MEN. 17, 22, 29 30; KING, 31.
Black to play and white to win.
PROBLEM NO. 171.
This is a fancy combination. Hofficial of analysis, Contributed by N. Lanfield.
Black men, 1, 9, 17, 22, 25; kings, 12 and 16. White men, 6, 7, 10, 18, 29; king, 15 and 24. White to move and win.
PROBLEM NO. 172.
Contributed by Harry Baker.
Hlack men, 8, 14, 15, 16, 18, 21, 25; king, 35.
White to play and win. This is equal to the one above for fireworks.

Problem 166—Black 5, 20, 24; king. 28.
White 27, 31; kings, 32, 14. White to move and win; 14-18, 52, 13-24, 29-22, 19-24; White wins A.—25-30, 23-24, 19-24; White wins A.—25-30, 23-25, 14-22, 22-25, A25-25, 2

Tuesday evening, February 15, in a GAME NO. 170.

Hanson resigned

For his bark is wrecked, you see,
Remember the Coast checker tournament
at San Francisco opens at 252 Sixth street.
Reme Hotel, March 26. We have several
who, in our judament, are as good as there
is on the Coast and delegates should be
sent there to represent us.
P. J. Lee, of South Tacoma, one of the
greatest problemists of the present day and
a player who has probably the most complete
library on the beautiful game of checkers on
the Coast, is one of the main contributors
to these columns.

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The checker, match between Frank Slein-kamp and W. A. Scholl, at the Checker Club, 5429 Magazine street, New Orleans, La., for the championship of the sixth district, has resulted in a victory for Scholl, who won three to Steinkamp's 2, while 10 games were drawn. Below is the ending of the last game, won by Scholl. Can you win it? Black 2, 7, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15. White, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 31; king, I. Black to play and win. E. Austin, Condon, Or.-Instructions

GAME NO. 173.

"Cross." W. Strickland,
Good against some chronic cross-players
who will not open the game any other way.
This move may bring them into strange
ground.

17-2 16-1 7-1 24-2 15-1 20-1 18-2 Drawn N. San-field Sanfield.

20-11 19-23

28-24

27-18 28-27

18-22 24-10

25-18 27-52

6-22 19-15

21-17 1-6

5-8 B wins.

32-28 J. Smith.

H. Martins

4-11 30-26 12-16 32-28 J. Smith.

All delegates of the Northwest who are going to attend the Bay City Coust checker tournament, commencing March 26, 1916, will find it to their advantage to correspond with the editor.

Problem No. 173, by Champion Alfred Jordan. The position is very clear and the solution, though not difficult. leasing.

Black, 2, 5, 20, 28; king, 24. White, 10, 13, 19, 52; king, 11. White to play and win. Here is one where the finish is similar to 188. Very useful for beginners.—N. Sanfield.

Black, 2, 3, 21, 22; kings, 20, 25, 32. White, 6, 19, 19; kings, 3, 20, 21. White to play and win. Solution, 19-16, 29-17, 10-7, 2-10, 2-5, 2-9, 2-16, 32-28, 16-19, 25-32, 10-6, 18-14, 6-1, 14-9, 1-5, 22-17, 5-14, 17-19, 29-25, 30-26, white wins. A-29-23, 23-27, 28-32, 23-18, 23, 24-28, 23-27, 28-32, 22-28, 32-

golf without making any of them a

Phil Clark, a Hinsdale man, who be-longs to the same golf club as the champion, tells this story about Gard-ner, which shows the temperament of the young star.

the young star.

"I'm not much of a golfer myself," began Clark, "but I do like to play the game. One day three of us Hinsdale men were going to indulge in a four-some, and before we started Bob Gardner came in. We invited him to go around with us, for it's always good sport to play with a man like Gardner. It wound up by Bob's playing our best ball.

tion of R. B. Bain, commodore; E. J. Carr, vice-commodore; A. A. Poolman, port captain; A. T. Brown, treasurer; Miles Standish, secretary, and Dr. Jack Yates and A. G. Ramsey, directors.

Ladd Tennis Club to Elect.

There will be a meeting of the of-best ball.

best ball. "I've watched him in many a tournament, but never had I seen him as
great as he was this day. He was perfection. Try as hard as we would, he
was four up on our best ball at the
end of nine holes.
"Well we wasted."

"Well, we rested a few moments and looked over our scores. We found that Gardner had a wonderfully low score. He was four under par and eight under bogey. It was way down in the 30s. With any kind of work on in the 30s. With any kind of work on the return journey he would smash the course record all lo smithereens. He happened to hold this record himself, and I claim that any man—any ordinary golfer, I mean—would have tried his best to lower that mark.

'Imagine, then, our surprise when he looked up, saw his sister over by the clubhouse, and started to leave us.

''Hey, Bob!' shouted one of the boys, 'aren't you going to try for that course record? It's in your hands, easy.'

Gardner smiled. 'Oh, not today,' he replied. 'I want to see my sister. I can try for it some other day.' And he walked off.

England has a convent for the education of penniless daughters of noblemen. Each of the young women when ready to leave is given a downy of \$200, and is as eager sought in a marriage as a person of importance.

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS OF THE OREGON YACHT CLUB FOR THE 1916 SEASON.



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Treasurer:

A.G. Ramsay,

Fleet Captain

Official Opening of Season Will Be Decoration Day.

BIG YEAR IS REPORTED

R. B. Bain Is Chosen Commodore and Will Guide Destinies of Organization This Year-New Property Is Acquired.

house-boat owners having dogs. It was sad for poor Sport. The two tickets were as follows:

this seamon, it follows:

March 31, April 1. Chemawa at Eugene, April 7-15, California *! Berker, April 7-15

at just this time, the announcement received here that Chick Evans had retired from the corporation of a Western golf publication, of which he was vice-president, is likely to be considered significant, especially as he signed the statement himself, Of course, many will think he found the amateur situation experience to have to have the received by the statement himself. Of course, many will think he found the amateur situation experience to have the received here that Chick Evans had reing the sanctioned by stewards of the Jockey Club at a session here yesterday. The dates awarded follow: Bowie, April 1 to April 14 inclusive; Pimileo, May 1 to May 17 inclusive; Pimileo, May 1 to May 25 inclusive; Belmont Peak May 25 inclusive; Belmon

will think he found the amateur situation growing too hot for comfort.

As a matter of fact, the trenches containing the amateur writers are still beyond the firing line, although it is June 23 inclusive; Jamaica, June 15 to June 14 inclusive; Jamaica, June 15 to June 14 inclusive; Aqueduct, June 24 to beyond the firing line, although it is July 19 inclusive; Belmont Park, only a question of time when the National guns will be trained on them.

Therefore Evans is to be congratulated upon getting in out of at least part of the west although doubtless financial. the wet, although doubtless financial and other reasons were mainly respon-gible for his action.

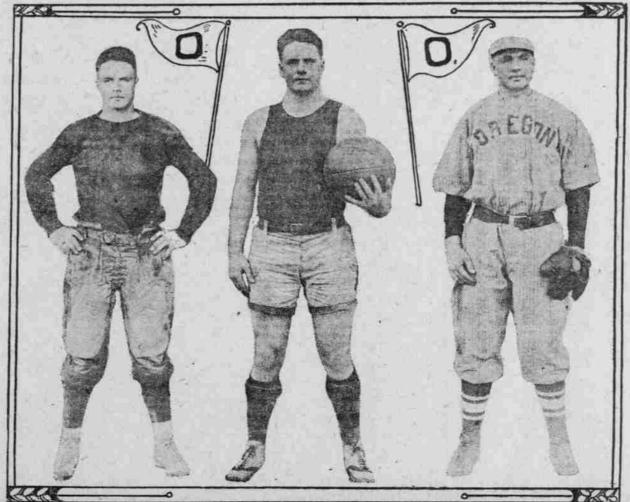
Other amateurs who will be particu-

J.W.Harrison

Directon

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 19,-(Special.)—The North Yakima School Board has purchased a block of ground near the high school and will fit it up

LYLE BIGBEE, COLLEGE PITCHING STAR WHO WILL JOIN BEAVERS, SHOWING HOW HE LOOKS IN HIS VARIOUS ATHLETIC COSTUMES.



In Basketball Swit As Football Star As He Looks In Baseball as a ball ground and athletic field for the schools. The total cost, including improvements, will be about \$6000.

EAGLES AND CRUSADERS WIN

Intermediates and Juniors at Y. M. C. A. Hold Track Meets.

Two classes at the Young Men's Christian Association participated in indoor track meets yesterday afternoon and evening at the association symmassium. The intermediates finished as follows: Eagles 34, Spartans 11, Swastikas 5, Lions 4. Following is the order in which the funiors finished: Crusaders 20, Acorns 19, Arcadians 6. Harold Mann, of the Eagles, scored

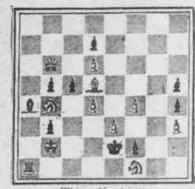
Harold Mann, of the Eagles, scored

the most points among the intermediates, having 12% to his credit. Virginis Bennes acored 9 points for the juniors, topping all the others.

Chess.

E. H. HRYANT, Editor. Contributions of games, codings, problem or items of interest, criticisms, club note solicited. Send direct to 143 East Thirty fifth street. Phone Tabor 6238.

PROBLEM NO. 20.



B. KRIZZII -- KIKB Q-Q2144 B.- KIS KI-B5 25 -- B-B5 BKK 135 -- B- B4 BKK 135 -- B- KI4 P- KR 135 -- B- KI4 Q- KB2 140 -- B- Q6 Q- KB2 140 -- B- Q6 Q- KB2 140 -- B- Q6 White replies KR-B. mhaine: Thanks for gan K. Tine column, etc. -- E GAME NO. 37. intercity chess match, i B-Kt-K-T-PXB 18-P-KB4 P-19-BxKt 20-R-Q A-If P-B4,

the intercity chess ma
L. Dick. Black, P. I. Black, White.
P. K4 22-RxR
P. H4 22-RxR
P. H4 22-RxR
R. H5 22-Rx H5
Rt. H5 21-Rx H5
Rt. H5 21-Rx

A-White was forced here to move his king by cuies of the game, as he had made an illegal move, that is, P-KB4, which would leave his king in check.

B-Winning another piece (46), RxR, R.K.

one of the best, if not the best chess player in the city. Is almost wholly due the success of the undertainer. By his energy and enthusiasm much new chess talent has been developed, teams and clobs greatly benefited and he stands pre-eminent among the chess fans of the city today.

Among those solving chess problems are N. Sanfield, E. Widmer, A. Munly, C. G. Givens, Wesley Brown, A. Burnham, Ben Killingsworth, J. Sunday and T. J. Fording, W. R. Griffith of Nmatilia, has been a visitor at the Portland Chess and Chocker Club the mast few days.

The Salem Chess and Checker Club and the Commercial Club held another contest in the former's rooms Tuesday evening, February 15.

James Walton won 2. C. G. Givens 6.

Commercial perceived from F. Wander, Labs solutions received from F. Wander, Bolse, Idaho, 1994 Jefferson street; A. A. Simmons, Eugene, Or.; F. Barker, Scattle, Wasin; Greenway, Alameda, Cal.

During 1915 timber to the amount 122.165,000 board feet, valued at \$240,00 was given under free use to settlers residit in and near the National forests. In Oreg this free-use timber amounts to 12.122.0 based feet, valued at \$13,342, and in Was instea to 2.371,000 board feet, values

Track Team at State University "Up in Air."

COACH'S ROW HARD TO HOE

No One Better Realizes Dire Situation in Which Oregon This Year Finds Itself on Track Than Dean of Athletics-Work On.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Feb. 12,—(Special.)—The warm, balmy weather of the past few days has brought out track aspirants by the score, and the fairly fast track has felt the sting of spikes, as Bill Hayward sent his prospectives around the course for early season conditioning. Freshmen are showing huge interest in the work, even though the freshman Tule bars them from varisty service, 20 coming out nightly. But freshmen will not make a championship team for this year and no one realizes that better than

make a championship team for this year and no one realizes that better than does Bill Hayward.

Bill is up against the stiffest proposition he has ever had to face. He has just 10 old men on whom he can depend at all to train and of this number there are about three on whom he can now count on points. There are, however, about 24 upperclassmen out for track, but they have been attracted by the minor compelition and the good weather. As for value they are not as good as freshmen, for they have never trained before and their years of inactivity make them harder to handle, with the chances slightly favorable of producing

White mates in three moves.
White, lil pieces.
White was in three moves.
White, king on QR12, queen QR16, look, on QR20, blebop on QS. snights on KB34, and QR16, pawns on KE RB, KB4, Qi and QR16, pawns on KB4 and KB5, knights on KB57, Q2, QB4, QR16, QR16.

By N. Sanfield, Centralis, Wash.
This is a knotty and not now fans will appreciate your efforts in this line. California has several problemiats, Washington two, but, as far as our knowledge extends, Oregon none.

On CR16, Kinght on K6, pawns KR16, KR06, and 4, Q6, QB2, QR16, Black king on K5, knight on K6, pawns KR16, KR06, and 4, Q6, QB2, QR16, Black king on K5, knight on K6, pawns KR16, KR06, and 4, Q6, QB2, QR16, Black king on K5, knight on K6, pawns KR16, KR06, and K87, pawn K812.
White mates in three moves.

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Minor Alterations.

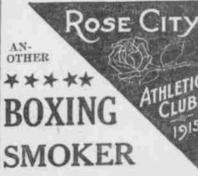
The two-day meeting of the interfor New York, February 25 and 25, is not likely to develop any radical changes in the playing code for next season. Parke Davis, the Princeton University delegate to the meeting, in discussing reaching and decreasing reaching and decreasing reaching and the control of the con ference, said recently: "From the East arises a cry that to

"From the East arises a cry that to secure a touchdown the ball should be actually touched behind the goal line. From the West comes a suggestion that the try for goal following a touchdown should be abelished. The movement to require the ball actually to be touched down behind the line to constitute a touchdown arises from the disputes of spectators following two instances in the major games of the East in which some of the latter believed that the ball in each instance actually crossed the line, although the officials in these games ruled otherwise.

"The movement to abolish the goal following a touchdown has always had its advocates and has been strongly its advocates and has been strongly advanced many times before the raises committees. The goal after touchdown, however, has been and should be retained in the game because of its great historical interest, because it is an attractive feature of play and because no sound argument has been, or can be, advanced for its alimination.

"A feature of play that really calls for action is the practice which appeared here and there during the Fall among players on defense of ignoring

peared here and there avoids the Fair among players on defense of imporing the flight of the ball on a forward pass and deliberately putting the player trying to recover the ball out of the play by violent body knocking at the expense of a ten-yard penalty. This is the only glaring defect that the season of 1914 disclosed in the present rules."



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