

CRITICISM BY RIVAL CLUBS ROILS JUDGE

Beaver Leader Says Magnate Must Keep Quiet or Eliminate Portland Team.

8-CLUB CIRCUIT PROPOSED

Suggestion Offered That Coast Be Taking in Two Northern Cities Could Make Game More Interesting to All Concerned.

BY JAMES J. RICHARDSON
Judge William Wallace McCredie buried a bombshell into the camps of those directors of the Pacific Coast League who have been continually advocating the dropping of Portland from the class AA circuit when he made the statement that at the next meeting of the directorate he would insist that they lay their cards on the table and either eliminate the Portland club or put a padlock on their mouths forever more.

"I'm sick and tired of reading where the Portland club is to be made the subject of every meeting of the Coast League directors," said the Judge. "When some magnate's star blitzer goes into a slump and his pitchers are wilted in order to detract the attention of writers in his own city he rushes in print with a story that Portland is to be dropped from the circuit. It's a wonder the people up here don't get those over Coast League baseball who put a padlock on their mouths forever more."

"Why get all worked up about your club if it is doubtful whether you will have a chance to root for them next season. Instead of belittling the Portland club they are continually antagonizing our interests. It seems to me that the very people who are shouting are the ones who ought to consider themselves lucky they are members of the league themselves."

Portland Not Alone.
"They talk of the poor crowds Portland has. We will agree with them in that respect but they don't do much better in their own cities. We paid Salt Lake, where we received in San Francisco on our last trip there, and the Seals are fighting for first place. True it is that we haven't had any large crowds this season. When I checked up on our road trips we only had about one week in each city on the road and the Portland club is the best road club in the circuit and always has been. The other clubs have paid us just a little more than we paid them."

"The transportation problem is the one that is the bone of contention in the Coast League. I have a solution which ought to work out well, but it must naturally hurt some of the clubs. They all pick on us so why not take a job at somebody else's?"

"I am going to propose at the next meeting of the Pacific Coast League that we have four teams in the north and four in the south. If they decide to retain Salt Lake I would suggest that we add Spokane and Tacoma and Vancouver. With the kind of an arrangement we ought to shorten the season to 24 weeks and allow someone to take another week in each city. Salt Lake, Butte, Spokane and one of the other Montana cities."

Dugdale Would Enter.
"With four clubs in the north the transportation problem is undoubtedly draw more people through the turnstiles and I think everybody would be satisfied. I know the directors of Dugdale, owner of the Seattle club, is striving hard to get into the Coast League. If the members up north had an opportunity to break into a class AA circuit I am sure the fans would give them the support necessary to support a club in each of the four great baseball towns if you give them the brand of ball they want."

"With eight clubs in the circuit we wouldn't see of them. There would be more rivalry. Our experience has been that the more faces you see the bigger are the gate receipts."

"If they decided to divide the league as I have proposed it would be well to take the winning team of Salt Lake, Butte-Spokane and whatever other city they took in—and have that team play the three first teams in the Coast League at the conclusion of the Coast League season. That would give the owners and players a chance to share in a little extra money."

"But no matter what they do at the next meeting of the league, whether they kick us out or not, they are going to stop kicking our name all over the sport page whenever they get a bit peevish at themselves. I think that if you took a vote of the fans in each town you would find that Portland would run even with any other club when it came to the popularity of the visiting club."

Secretary John H. Farrell, of the National Association of Minor League Ball Clubs, has issued his reserve list of players for the 1918 season. It gives a list of players reserved by the Northwestern League, which would indicate that the club owners of that circuit are going to make a fight for their territory and players, although the National Commission recently decided that any league which failed to play out its schedule of games and pay salaries in full was not entitled to their players. Why the club owners in the Northwestern League should file a reserve list if they did not intend to contest the matter is a puzzle.

"Of course, if the league directors vote to drop Portland out of the league, along with Salt Lake, we will try to form a new Northwestern League with Portland, Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane or Vancouver. I think we could have a dandy class AA league of course we must wait until the Pacific Coast League decides on our fate and then we can look into the future."

JAMES IS VULNERABLE

Beaver Hurler Suddenly Weakens and Allows Two Runs, While Gardiner, Who Relieves Him, Also Yields Two Tallies.

Pacific Coast League Standings.
W. L. Peck
San Fran. 119 91 548 Oakland... 99 103 491
Salt Lake... 98 94 519 Vernon... 92 122 463

Yesterday's Results.
At San Francisco—Portland 5, Oakland 6.
At Salt Lake—San Francisco 10, Salt Lake 7.
At Vernon—Vernon 6, Los Angeles 2.

SALEM HIGH 65, NEWBORN HIGH 0

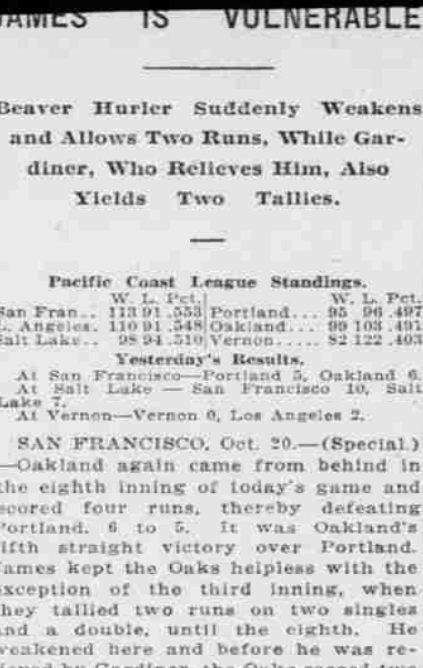
Collegians Make Touchdown After Seven Minutes of Play.
MOUNT ANGEL COLLEGE defeated Newborn High School at football here today, 65 to 0. A team representing Company M, Third Oregon, played the Chemawawa Indians a scoreless tie here today.

WATERLOO CLUB STEWARD MAN OF WIDE EXPERIENCE

The four best net scores to qualify in the 8-hole medal play handicap for the president's cup were R. L. Macleay, Edward Cookingham, Henry Kirk and E. P. Whitney. In the draw, the newly appointed club captain, during the week, and several matters of importance were discussed, among which was a more active participation in golf by the women members of the club. Ladder and Eclectic competitions were the principal events carried for future participation.

GOLF BALLS 'MYSTERY' NEARLY WHOLE MILE OF RUBBER THREAD IN EACH GLOBULE.

Several Operations Necessary to Turn Out Finished Product—Hand Painting is Usual.
Did you ever study a golf ball? Almost one mile of rubber thread is necessary in the making of the tiny globe a rubber hobbler and automatic machines wind 1536 yards of it on to the little core, which forms the golf ball. The next process in the making of the object which causes so much profanity is the application of the gutta percha cover. This reaches the factory in raw state. It is treated so that the resin is completely extracted. Then it is masticated and washed, next it is put into a roller, which squeezes out the moisture. A machine then cuts the sheets into sizes for the covers and an automatic



And They Looked the Camera Man Squarely in the Eye. (Sitting, Left to Right) Miss Helen Harmon, Mrs. Walter Lang, Mrs. E. B. Shevlin, Mrs. Frank Fey (Captain), Mrs. Guy Talbot, Mrs. Ralph Matson and Mrs. A. B. Scott. (Standing) Mrs. Richard Wilder, Mrs. George Frost, Miss Gretchen Klotzmann, Mrs. Everett Amos, Mrs. Everett Amos, Mrs. M. Koehn, Mrs. A. Quiet Little Chat, (Left to Right) Mrs. Guy Talbot, Mrs. Ralph Matson and Mrs. Everett Amos. (Mrs. Frank Fey, the New Captain, Starting a Mid-Ring Shot. (Mrs. George Frost, Finishing a Long Drive. (Mrs. Graham Glass, Chairman of the Handicap and Tournament Committee.

device clamps the covers on the rubber core.
A brambling machine is next to receive the golf ball. This creates those funny little holes or bumps.
The final process is painting. Ninety per cent of the golf balls are hand-painted. By this it is meant that girls take a gob of paint, put it on the palm of their hands and roll the ball around. Machine painting has been found unsatisfactory. So has dipping. The hand-painted method is the only perfect one.
After the painting the ball is dried and then is ready for the "golfer."

Chess.

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PROBLEM NO. 296

By C. F. Patten, Corvallis, Or.
This three-move composition is not difficult, but the variations are pleasing. Mr. Patten's many compositions have received the highest commendation from the chess fraternity. Eighty years of age, his problems have attracted the attention of several Eastern papers. These chess studies afford him as much pleasure and comfort as they do the solvers, and here is wishing him many more years yet of happiness in his chess career.

BLACK-TWO PIECES

White king on Q15, queen on K11, knights on K4 and K12, bishop on Q, pawns on Q8, Q7, Q6, Q5, Q4, Q3, Q2, Q1, P1, P2, P3, P4, P5, P6, P7, P8, P9, P10, P11, P12, P13, P14, P15, P16, P17, P18, P19, P20, P21, P22, P23, P24, P25, P26, P27, P28, P29, P30, P31, P32, P33, P34, P35, P36, P37, P38, P39, P40, P41, P42, P43, P44, P45, P46, P47, P48, P49, P50, P51, P52, P53, P54, P55, P56, P57, P58, P59, P60, P61, P62, P63, P64, P65, P66, P67, P68, P69, P70, P71, P72, P73, P74, P75, P76, P77, P78, P79, P80, P81, P82, P83, P84, P85, P86, P87, P88, P89, P90, P91, P92, P93, P94, P95, P96, P97, P98, P99, P100, P101, P102, P103, P104, P105, P106, P107, P108, P109, P110, P111, P112, P113, P114, P115, P116, P117, P118, P119, P120, P121, P122, P123, P124, P125, P126, P127, P128, P129, P130, P131, P132, P133, P134, P135, P136, P137, P138, P139, P140, P141, P142, P143, P144, P145, P146, P147, P148, P149, P150, P151, P152, P153, P154, P155, P156, P157, P158, P159, P160, P161, P162, P163, P164, P165, P166, 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