

BEST TRAGE HORSES THE OBVIOUS ENTERED

Pacers and Trotters Will Every Stall at Track. Owners in All Parts of Northwest Are Training Fast Steeds for Fair Events.

The best of the northwest harness circuit is entered in the four-day meet to be held August 9 to 13 at the Multnomah county fair, Gresham.

Sim Lindsay is training George L. Parker's string of four horses at the track. These horses, which are being raced under the black and white colors of the Oregon stables, are Barondale, Hal Fitzsimmons, Vesta Vernon and The Obvious.

Barondale was the class of the pacers in the circuit last year, winning all but one of his starts and in that race he was second. Parker bought the animal from Tom Howatt last year and will enter him in the free-for-all race and the 2:08 pace in the Gresham races. Hal Fitzsimmons is entered in the 2:24 pace. This horse paced a heat in 2:12 1/2 at Salem last year.

The Obvious Entered. Vesta Vernon, entered in the 2:17 pace, looks better than ever. The trotter of the string is The Obvious, a well-bred, well-trained animal, bred at Springfield, Ill., by Parker and A. L. Lea. The Gresham races will mark the first start of The Obvious on a western circuit.

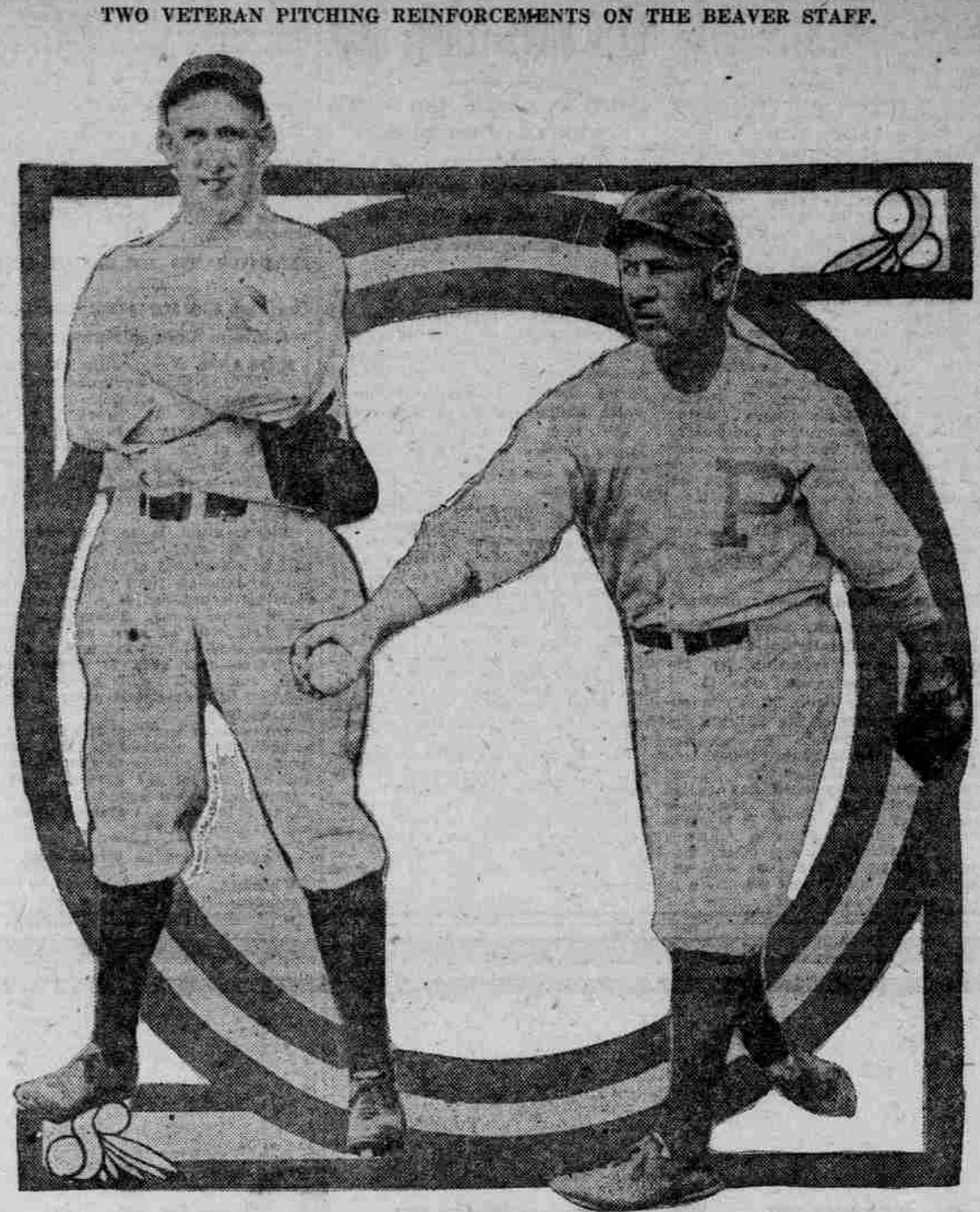
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Tom Howatt has Gresham Boy entered in the 2:17 and 2:10 paces, also Hal Gray, a full sister to Hal Gray. Jack Keener, who took Gray Direct to the grand circuit after the Salem meet last year, is expected with D. J. Burke, last year's class in the trots. Tom Brady has L. M. McK. in the 2:17 and 2:10 paces, also expected at Gresham. George Surber is at Salem with Lena Alta, Hal Gray, Oregon Bond and Halie B. McK. in the 2:17 and 2:10 paces.

Steeplechase Revived. According to W. U. Sanderson, who is in charge of the entry list, the event will be one of the best steeplechases run in the country since the war and only this year has shown any remarkable revival, and the fact that a first-class race is included in the program for this year is significant in Pacific coast racing circles.

Scott's Hands Are Like Oysters. Everett Scott's handcraft in handling ground balls is distinctive. The top-notch of the shortstops plays the grounders with bivalve hands, says the New York Tribune. Which is to say his hands open as the shell of a clam with the hinge, the heels of the hands or their inner edges, touching on the bound of the ball. If it is a ball close to touch, and the hands are thus adjusted awaiting the ball. They lift or descend, according to the hop, and shut on the ball like the closing of a clam, but without the hinge. In them—less than the average fielder—there is the power to hold the ball in contact, but there is the same sure, clam-like, beautifully timed closing down of the hands over the ball.

Japanese Take Up Golf. The Japanese are taking to golf with enthusiasm and the nine-hole course situated in an ideal position seven miles from Tokyo is crowded morning and afternoon. There are also courses near other Japanese cities and the country hotels are now providing for their guests in this respect. The Japanese of Tokyo, however, have now undertaken a more ambitious scheme and in connection with a country club, which is being built between Tokyo and Yokohama are laying out an 18-hole course on 113 acres. The plans of the club house, which will be the finest in the country, are from America.



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GUN CLUB SHOOT TODAY

CONTESTANTS TO BE DIVIDED INTO THREE CLASSES.

Two Prizes for Winner in Each Division: Competition Is Close Among Gunners.

The Portland Gun club will hold its sixth registered target shoot at the Everding park traps today. As of the 25th of July, the club has 100 members, and the contestants will be divided into three classes, with two prizes to the winner in each class.

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THURSDAY IS PORTLAND DAY

On Thursday, Portland Day will be featured the Alexander (Dad) Grant memorial race, a 2:20 pace. In this way horsemen are endeavoring to show their respect for the veteran turfman, who died in Salem last February. All entry money in this race will be paid to a committee of horsemen, headed by the chairman, Fred Johnson and J. E. Montgomery, for the purpose of purchasing perpetual care for a cemetery lot, and erecting a suitable monument in memory of this well-known horseman, who died without funds sufficient to care for the expenses of his funeral.

HORSES WORK OUT

Large numbers of horses have been worked out since the first of May, with additional fast material coming in every week. The track is being given the most careful and intelligent care, and it is promised that it will be in the best shape possible when the week of the state fair rolls around. The racing season is being given the most careful and intelligent care, and it is promised that it will be in the best shape possible when the week of the state fair rolls around.

ENTRIES ARE LISTED.

The list of the entries and their owners are listed below:

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2. May Dal Hal, R. H. Ball, Seattle, Wash.
3. Graham Boy, T. R. Howitt, Gresham, Ore.
4. Prince Zolock, Frank O. Ziegler, Portland, Ore.
5. Fitzsimmons, Ed Denison, Portland, Ore.
6. Daley Direct, Wm. Williams, Boise, Idaho.
7. Valentin, J. A. H. Lea, Salem, Ore.
8. Leonor, L. D. Roberts, San Francisco, Cal.
9. Barondale, G. L. Parker, Portland, Ore.
10. Emma M., Fred Woodcock, Salem, Ore.
11. Bessie, J. E. Montgomery, Davis, Cal.
12. Lena Alta, Hal C. A. Harrison, Seattle, Wash.
13. Gladstone, G. L. Swisher, Eugene, Ore.
14. George Hal, H. G. Cox, Salem, Ore.
15. Prince Hal, Wm. Williams, Boise, Idaho.
16. Ruby Hal, Anna Hutchinson, Salem, Ore.
17. Hal Fitzsimmons, G. L. Parker, Portland, Ore.
18. R. W. R. H. Ball, Seattle, Wash.
19. Hal Harden, A. E. Harden, Glenwood, Wash.
20. Mary J. Wm. Williams, Boise, Idaho.
21. Todd Patch, Mary E. Kincaid, Salem, Ore.
22. Valentin, J. A. H. Lea, Salem, Ore.
23. Frank Mac, Frank S. Damant, Boise, Idaho.
24. Valentin, J. A. H. Lea, Salem, Ore.
25. Albert W. G. W. McBratney, Olympia, Wash.
26. Rockwood, Hal H. Gierman, Portland, Ore.
27. Mysterious Jim, E. N. Ellsworth, Eugene, Ore.
28. Lady Halo, Ed Brain, Calgary, Cal.
29. Bessie, J. E. Montgomery, Davis, Cal.
30. Mabel Keener, Frank Treanor, Santa Maria, Cal.
31. Robert Bruce, W. J. McEbin, Regina, Sask., Can.
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3-10 G SWIMMING HELD AT OAKS

Swimming, Diving Championships Most Popular.

REGATTA ALSO IS HELD

Multipomah Club Entries in Sweep Field in Title Events.

With canoe, motorboat and swimming races all taking place at the same time the Oregon state outdoor swimming and diving championships and regatta, at the Oaks park, was a regular three-ring variety circus. The swimming and diving championships attracted most attention, although the canoe and motorboat races came in for a share of the spectators' interest.

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