

LIVE SPORTING NEWS OF THE WEEK

LEADERS FOR 1904

CHARLIE GRAHAM SIGNS WITH FISHER

THE NEW TACOMA SQUADS KICK CRACK GARDNER AND ALSO LOUIS NORDYKE TO PLAY FIRST BASE—MIKE FISHER MAY ALSO GET MIKE LYNN.

(Journal Special Service.) Tacoma, Jan. 18.—By signing Louis Nordyke, who played with Spokane last season, Mike Fisher has completed what he claims is the strongest infield in the Pacific Coast league. Nordyke played with San Francisco year before last, but was signed by Jay Andrews early last season at a phenomenal salary to play with the Bunchgrasses. His playing in this city last season took the fans by storm, and Mike has played a trump card in securing his signature to a contract.

Fisher will leave tomorrow for California to sign up the rest of his players and to see about the early spring games. Tacoma's first games will be with the Chicago National team at Fresno on March 18 and 19. The Tacoma team will play the opening week at Fresno and will train on the Fresno grounds. Fisher has not yet selected the color of the Tacoma uniforms, but he is having a Tiger head designed for the front of the shirts with the word "Tacoma" over it.

The local people interested in the club say they have promised Fisher that if he comes back from the opening of the season in California with Tacoma in first, second or third place, he will be met at the depot with a brass band and escorted to the hotel, and Fisher is going to do everything in his power to bring the brass band there.

He has accepted terms with a crack New York pitcher to play with Tacoma the coming season, and the contract is on the way. He is also negotiating with Mike Lynch, the Tacoma ball player who played third last season, but who will fill a place in the outfield this year if Fisher signs him.

Besides Nordyke, Fisher will have Casey, who led the coast league in the position in 1903 at second; Truck Eagan at short, and Sheehan at third. All of these three were with Fisher last season.

Graham Has Signed. Charlie Graham will be behind the bat and will captain the team. He has signed his contract. Mike gives all the credit for the team work last season to Graham's management of the men. The 1904 team will be practically the same as that of last season, with the exception of Nordyke, who takes Townsend's place. In the outfield, Fisher has in sight Doyle, Hildebrand and McLaughlin.

Tacoma fans will have to become accustomed to the change in the playing officials. The old Northwest and National leagues played with the four-strike rule, counting foul strikes until the batter had secured two strikes. The straight foul and strike system will prove popular here, though, beyond a doubt. Tacoma baseball promoters who are backing Fisher are opposed to entering the National association. They say they have had enough experience with the minor leagues, as every promise made to President Lucas of signing the team with the Coast league was ignored.

SPokane TALENT BET ON ROYALTY

(Journal Special Service.) Spokane, Wash., Jan. 18.—The talent went down the line on the poolroom for nearly \$5,000 last week on account of Harry Green's horse Royalty, ridden at Oakland by Hildebrand. The bookies are of the opinion that everything is not just right, and Royalty has been ruled off the course by the racing officials at Oakland. The final crash came Thursday. A wire came in early tipping Royalty to win. The betting was at 4 to 1, house odds, and the strong play backed by odds at 6 to 2 and even. Royalty won easily by a length. The bookies had been having hard luck anyway, and were feeling pretty blue when Oakland started on Royalty. When the flash came that the Green horse had won, the Oxford poolroom crowd was transformed into a riotous howling mob. The cheers and yells nearly raised the roof and brought in crowds from the streets and alleys. So great a demonstration was never witnessed before in a Spokane poolroom. The race was won at 4:30 and it was after 6:30 before the werry cashiers had paid off all the bets, the lines extending around the room several times.



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PORTLAND MAY PLAY CHICAGO

MANAGER HAY IN CORRESPONDENCE WITH PRESIDENT HART OF THE COLTS REGARDING THE PLAYING OF EXHIBITION GAMES WITH THE BROWNS—NOTES.

President James A. Hart of the Chicago National league club announces the partial itinerary of his club on its proposed spring practice tour of California and the West. The Colts leave Chicago on March 3, and arrive in Los Angeles March 7, and practice there until Saturday, when exhibition games will be played with Manager Morley's team on that day and Sunday, March 13-14. Practice will be indulged in during the next few days, when they will leave for the North to play exhibition games with the other coast towns. At present they are scheduled to play Tacoma in Fresno on March 18, and it is possible that a game may be arranged with Portland at Bakersfield for the 19th.

To Play With Portland. Manager Ely has been in correspondence with Mr. Hart, who agreed to play one or two games with the Browns, and all that remains to be done in that respect is the selection of the dates for the contests. The fact that the Portland team will engage with the crack Chicago aggregation is joyful news to the fans, and Manager Ely's work in securing such an advertisement for this city entitles him to considerable praise in negotiating the game.

BOWLING TEAM TO TOUR INLAND EMPIRE

(Journal Special Service.) Spokane, Wash., Jan. 18.—Bowling is coming to the front in Spokane and is the center of interest at present among the sporting fraternity. Curt Reynolds, one of the crack bowlers of the city, is getting up a bowling team to make a barn-storming tour of the inland empire.

He proposes to start at Rockford, which town has a good team; then to visit Colfax, Pullman, Moscow, Palouse and Lewiston. This will give a good series of games, and Reynolds will have to get a strong team to win from the combination. It now looks as though there was little prospect for the forming of a league in this section of the country, and the trip by the Reynolds team would have the effect of determining to a certain degree the relative strength of the rival teams. Letters have been sent to managers of bowling teams in the towns mentioned asking for games. If satisfactory arrangements are made the trip will be taken. It is stated that there will be at least eight more alleys in the city next month. This would indicate that there is no let up in the interest taken in the game.

The bowling for the Coeur d'Alene club championship medal still goes on with many competitors, while the S. A. C. tourney is exciting considerable interest. At the S. A. C. but two bowlers have registered five games. The others have scored from one to three good games, and there is now no picking the winner. Harry Hollis and E. H. Rothrock lead up to date with an average of over 200 for their five games.

REORGANIZING THE VALLEY LEAGUE

(Journal Special Service.) Salem, Jan. 18.—Salem is already talking baseball for the coming season, and the board of directors of the Capital Amateur Athletic club soon had a meeting for the purpose of taking steps to secure a good team for the coming season. The Willamette Valley league, which met with such excellent success last summer, composed of Albany, Roseburg and Salem, will doubtless be reorganized, and President Turner of the league, who resides in Albany, is expected to call a meeting of the clubs to take necessary steps toward arranging for the summer's sport. The Salem club has the best diamond in the state, and here some of the best games of the last season were played. Great improvements have since been made on the grounds and when the baseball season opens here for this year the diamond of the S. A. C. park will attract the largest crowds of any in the Valley league.

LOCAL MARKSMEN IN PRACTICE SHOOT

The gunners who propose to attend the Pendleton competition shoot assembled at Riverside yesterday and indulged in a practice shoot. Owing to the extremely high wind which prevailed at the shooting grounds it was impossible to secure any high scores.

A large number of the local sportsmen gathered at the practice and almost all of them signified their intention of going to Pendleton, but at present it is impossible to estimate the number who will actually go, for business will prevent some of them from making the trip. The utmost good humor prevailed during yesterday's practice, and when one of the experts missed a shot the lesser lights indulged in bantering him regarding his poor marksmanship. In this manner a pleasant time was enjoyed by all. Refreshments were served on the grounds, which no doubt helped to keep the shooters in excellent humor.

GEESSE AND RABBITS TO SUPPER

A party of local sportsmen and friends from adjacent towns left last evening for Arlington, Or., where at the invitation of Mr. George S. Withrow they are to participate in a rabbit drive and goose hunting excursion. There will be 30 members in the party, among whom are: Edward Schiller, John Romitsch, J. Eberhardt, J. Lewis, Charles Frank of The Dalles, Al Keller of The Dalles, Al Nelson and George Withrow of Arlington. Today the sportsmen are engaged in goose hunting in the vicinity of Arlington, where geese are reported to be quite plentiful. Tomorrow the excursion will wind up with a rabbit drive in which there will be a large number of participants, and a successful drive is anticipated.

The local members of the party, expect to return to Portland Wednesday, and it is safe to say that they will have large tales of their prowess, whether they have the game or not. R. H. Jenkins on Mowitzer, won the Hunt club point-to-point race Saturday afternoon defeating T. S. McKath on Hubert in a driving finish. Mr. Leadbetter on Rocketeer secured a third place.

SPokane TO BE HEADQUARTERS

PRESIDENT LUCAS ANNOUNCES FORMATION OF FOUR-CLUB LEAGUE, CONSISTING OF SPOKANE, BUTTE, SALT LAKE AND OGDEN.

(Journal Special Service.) Spokane, Jan. 18.—Spokane will be the headquarters of the new Northwest baseball league. This has been determined by the officials of the league and Lucas will move his headquarters here about the first of the month. It is also expected that the season will open in Spokane and Salt Lake. After the secret meeting of the baseball magnates, which was held Saturday morning, President Lucas said that the outlook was most hopeful and that the league was really better off with Seattle out of it, considering that there was opposition in that town. The meeting of the directors had been advertised to have been held in the afternoon and it was a sudden change on their part to pull it off in the morning. So secret did they keep the fact that they had met and adjourned that one of the Spokane papers late in the afternoon announced that they were still in session and no details could be obtained until the executive business was transacted.

No More War, Says Lucas. "There is no more war," according to Lucas, "of all this kind, and there will be no cutting in by rival leagues for a year or two, anyway. The fans will see as good ball as they ever did. There is no minor league in the country with so contented managers as there are in our circuit. With McCloskey at Salt Lake, Bally at Spokane, Wilmot at Butte and Casey and Gimlin at Ogden, there must be good ball. The schedule will be so arranged that the teams will play three weeks at home and three weeks on the road. This will give the patrons just about the amount of ball that they want. The prospects are bright for a good league."

The turn in affairs about suits McCloskey, Butte was also opposed to Seattle being in the game, so the gentlemen of the mountains have the schedule they prefer. The feeling at the meeting on the Seattle question was expressed as blaming Dugdale, not for his business move, but for not telling Lucas that the deal was pending. Dug's Slighted Feeling. Back of Dugdale's hasty exit is a story of double dealing that will be fully ventilated before the season is out. Although for some time the Lucas people have been convinced that the bay-window man was becoming so smooth he had been asking all sorts of promises and large talks as to what he intended doing for the Pacific National league and how he was going in for another fight. Through it all McCloskey and Lane were quietly awaiting the time when it was up to Dugdale to hand in his \$1,000 check and they have been working on the idea that at the last minute he would throw up his hands. Yet with the deal practically consummated with the local people, he kept pleading his word to attend the meeting and continue with the Pacific National. No later than a week ago the Seattle oily man gave his promise to President Lucas to come to Spokane and put up his money for the season. The complaining he has done in Spokane the past week was criticizing him for his expected treachery.

It is practically settled now that there will be no dispute over the 50 cents admission proposition. The other clubs have left the secret of Spokane in the hands of President Williams and at Spokane the price charged will be only 25 cents, while at the other cities 50 cents will be charged. Coast League SUBMITS TERMS. (Journal Special Service.) San Francisco, Jan. 18.—The committee appointed at the recent meeting of the Pacific Coast league to confer with the representatives of the National Amateur Athletic Union, has framed up and submitted the terms under which this league would join hands with the national body, to the committee representing that body last week. Whether these terms will prove acceptable to the association is doubtful in the extreme, for as far as can be learned Messrs. Harris, Bert and Morley made the proposed affiliation agreement, an iron-bound contract with every clause in favor of the coast organization, and it is highly improbable that the Eastern associations will be willing to concede all these demands. When interviewed on the subject Manager Harris stated: "It is like this, we sent the committee our terms last week. We stated exactly under what conditions we would join the league's association—in other words, accept the national agreement; and if they can't see their way clear to take us in their work some other way. If there are any other minor differences to be adjusted we will probably see them. I am looking for an answer to our terms any day. They reached Chicago a couple of days ago. Manager Harris said that he would not disclose what the terms were until they had either been accepted or rejected by the leagues. Then it would be time enough to give out the details.

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Los Angeles Signs More Men. The announcement of the signing of Jimmy Miller, the crack little Toronto second baseman, by the Los Angeles team, has been confirmed by advice from Toronto, which also states that First Baseman Bill Massee, who dickered with Portland last year, and Shortstop Jimmy Downey have also accepted Coast league offers. Los Angeles is said to have signed these men, but as Miller is the only one that can be used by Morley, Massee and Downey will probably go to San Francisco and Oakland respectively, as Hank Harris wants a first baseman and Pete Lohman can use a shortstop in case Francks cannot play. Charley Atherton, who played with Los Angeles a couple of seasons, will be the manager of the Montreal team this season. Nick Altrock threatens to jump to the California league unless President Comiskey of the Chicago Americans meets the salary limit that Nick has fixed for himself. President Dreyfus is looking all of the bets that are offered him that the Pirates will win the pennant again next season. He asks even money on the proposition.

Manager Hanlon of the Brooklyns has informed President Herrmann of the Cincinnati club that Jimmy Sheppard, the clever outfielder, is not for sale. Cincinnati was anxious to purchase him. Hugo Duffy, the new manager of the Phillies, hit an even 300 in the Western league last season. He did better than that when he played with the Boston in the National league some years ago.

TO MATCH DUFFY AND KELLY. (Journal Special Service.) Chicago, Jan. 18.—Harry Gilmore has posted a forfeit of \$100 to bind a match between his man, Martin Duffy, and Hugo Kelly, for Harry Walsh at 150 pounds. If this is not accepted by Silve Ferretti the forfeit goes for any 160-pounder. The Watita club and the Ninth ward guards are said to be bidding for the fight. The former wants it in two weeks and the guards following the Ryan-O'Keefe fight. If the men do not close here the fight may go to Kansas City. Ferretti wants it 15 pounds, since Kelly is well liked there since his O'Brien fight, while Gilmore prefers a

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The comparative figures for the past four years are as follows:

1900	\$150,028.74
1901	169,750.96
1902	194,084.06
1903	217,741.51

GOES TO SPAIN.

Capt. Edward Davey, of Hose Company No. 1, and an old member of the fire department, left Friday for St. Martin's springs, where he will recruit his health. While working at the big fire in Chinatown, a month ago, at which he was one of the first on hand, Captain Davey was seriously burned. His throat and lungs were affected, and although he returned to duty he was not well. He intends to remain off duty now until he is entirely recovered.

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