

Crowd Assaults Tacoma Players

CROWD ATTEMPTS TO MOB PLAYERS

BLEACHERS BECOME ENRAGED AND CROWD ON THE FIELD TO ASSAULT UMPIRE THOMAS—CROWD FOLLOWS TACOMA PLAYERS AND HIT THEM WITH ROCKS.

Tacoma, 4; Portland, 3—15 innings.—Overall and Graham; Roach and Shea and Steelman.

A few more exhibitions of rowdiness like the one which occurred at the close of yesterday's ball game will undoubtedly kill baseball in this city. No more unjust nor unfair demonstration of disapproval over the loss of a game was ever witnessed in Portland, and in the crowd—the unruly and cowardly crowd—may well hang their heads in shame over the brutal treatment accorded the Tacoma ballplayers on their way from the ball park after winning a brilliant victory so bravely and so honestly.

The trouble started over a decision made by Thomas in the 15th inning. Umpire McDonald was ill and did not appear at the grounds, and in his place Butler and Thomas officiated. In justice to the officials it must be said that they performed their duties well, and considering the great length of the contest, there was no claim upon them that affected the game which were not correct.

The game up until the ninth inning was an uphill fight for Portland. Overall and Graham scored a run and tied the score. From the ninth to the 15th it was a pitchers' fight, both men doing brilliant work. In the 15th inning Tacoma forced one run ahead on Casey's hit, on which there was a close call at first, a sacrifice and Graham's timely hit to left field.

Raymond, the first up, a youngster who represented Tacoma with two runs in the first inning on a throw to the bleachers—made a hit. McCredie attempted a sacrifice and forced Raymond at second. In an attempt to catch McCredie's best batter, Overall threw low to Hogan and the ball hit the bleacher fence and carried off toward right field. McCredie started for second, and instead of stopping there, he ran on to third, where Hogan caught him by a perfect throw to Shea.

Here is where the crowd became rough. Thomas ruled McCredie out, and his award was emphatically bested. Several Portland players maintained that the ball was blocked, and right here Bill Hurley, noted for his rowdy work, waved to the bleachers and got them in on the diamond. Why Hurley should have been asked to wear a uniform and to appear on the coaching-line, in spite of the fact that Hurley jumped Little Rock, and Dugdale as yet having no claim upon him, is a matter that is beyond all baseball reason and sense. Should Tacoma have lost yesterday's game. Manager Fisher could enter a protest on account of Hurley appearing on the coaching-line, and the league would promptly award Tacoma the game.

The crowd surged in on the field and threw sticks and rocks at the players. Manager Dugdale appeared in the midst of the crowd. After a delay of 10 minutes, the bleachers seeing that Umpire Thomas was in the right, withdrew and the game was quickly finished, Portland being unable to score in their half of the game.

After the game the crowd surrounded the visiting players, and in order to protect themselves each Tacoma player carried his bat with him. The first fight occurred when a Tacoma player rushed at Graham and Overall and ran into the fence. The players didn't back their bats and the crowd fell back and hit the Tacoma players with rocks and sticks. The Tacoma players were unable to get through the open windows among the passengers.

The entire affair ended without anybody being hurt, although several wounds had narrow escapes from being struck.

A number of the spectators endeavored to suppress the mob, but their efforts were useless, and unless Manager Dugdale can guarantee the fans protection from assault from a crowd of rowdies the attendance at the remainder of the games here will be greatly reduced.

It may seem strange, nevertheless, the position came true yesterday, that everything that has been said regarding Hurley's rowdiness has been correct. That player has the reputation for inciting the bleachers to violence, and how Manager Dugdale can hope to secure him and retain him in spite of his reputation is something that Dugdale himself will have to answer for. The Portland baseball public joyfully fantasize, and this city will never countenance the presence of any player whose chief stock in trade is dirty ballplaying. Hurley was largely responsible for the bleachers' actions yesterday.

As for the game itself, it was one of the hardest-fought games of many months. Both Overall and Roach did splendid work, although their support was had at times. In the first inning Raymond had an easy chance to retire the side, but tossed the ball into the bleachers, allowing two runs to score. Tacoma earned a tally in the second on a double and two outs, although Raymond could have caught Casey at the plate had he thrown to Shea instead of freasing on to the ball.

Nadeau scored in the fourth on his triple and Casey's fumble. Nadeau tied again in the seventh on an error and Steelman's single. Steelman's triple in the ninth and Thielman's smash scored Portland's third and last run. The score:

AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Raymond, R. F.	5	0	1	2	3
McCredie, F. J.	7	0	1	2	1
Nadeau, F.	5	1	2	1	0
Beck, I. B.	5	0	1	3	0
Drennen, C.	5	0	1	3	0
Thielman, S. B.	5	0	1	3	0
Casey, C. B.	5	0	1	3	0
Shea, C. E.	3	0	1	3	0
Stelman, S. B.	5	0	1	3	0
Roach, D.	5	0	1	3	0
Totals	58	3	10	45	28

AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Doyle, R. F.	5	1	2	3	0
Sheehan, F. B.	5	0	1	3	0
McLaughlin, L. J.	5	0	1	3	0
Egan, C. E.	5	0	1	3	0
Lynch, C. J.	5	0	1	3	0
Hogan, I. B.	5	0	1	3	0
Graham, C.	5	0	1	3	0
Overall, P.	5	0	1	3	0
Totals	58	1	10	45	17

RUNS AND HITS BY INNINGS

Inning	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Runs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

SUMMARY

Earned runs—Tacoma 2, Steelman base—Steelman. Bases on balls—Overall 14. Struck out—By Roach, 14; Overall, 14. Sacrifice hits—Raymond, 1.

WINNING RUNNERS AT THE TRACKS

DIAMOND GLISTENINGS

Overall struck out Steelman, Castro and Thielman in succession in the eleventh, and fanned Nadeau, Beck and Steelman in the thirteenth. Drennen made a safe hit before Steelman came up.

Both pitchers had their strike-out shoots working overtime yesterday. Roach fanned 14 as follows: Sheehan 1, Overall 2, Doyle 3, Egan 3, Lynch 1, and Graham 1.

Overall struck out 16; Shea 2, Raymond 1, Castro 6, Drennen 1, Roach 1, Beck 2, Steelman 2, Nadeau 1 and Thielman 1.

Phil Nadeau came nearly bing robbed of a hit in the tenth when Hogan knocked down his line drive and nearly got Phil at first.

Charlie Graham is the pinch hitter of the Tacoma team. The only hit he was able to secure off Roach was the beautiful drive to left which scored Casey in the fifteenth.

Jake Thielman played third base, after batting for Shea in the ninth. Jake grabbed a drive from Graham's bat in the tenth, and cut it loose for first. The throw was bad and Beck partially blocked. Charlie Graham tried to take second but Beck recovered quickly and threw him out.

Beck helped Portland's fielding chances along by allowing Roach to take the put-out on a couple of fielding chances at first.

Morris Steelman and Phil Nadeau were the star batters of the local team. Steelman's triple was the prettiest hit seen in the grounds for several moons.

George McLaughlin's catch of Shea's long drive to the left field fence in the fourth, was the first sensational play since Nadeau took Overall's hit of the fence a couple of weeks ago. There were two Brownies on the sacks at the time and had the hit landed safely Portland would have won.

Two more fair or honest players could not have been selected as umpires than Ike Butler and Billy Thomas. Their work is up to the standard official.

Mike Fisher sat on the bench with a serene and confident look on his mainly feline face in the ninth. Morris Steelman caused the urbane smile to vanish completely by swatting one of Ovie's choicest for three sacks. Fisher almost had a conviction.

Marty Murphy, who played a short engagement for Portland, has been picked up by Parko Wilson, who is short-handed owing to Blankenship's injury. Murphy distinguished himself yesterday by making a home run.

Joe Corbett left St. Louis yesterday for San Francisco where he is slated to join Hank Harris' team.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

CLUBS	W	L	P	PC	Per cent
Tacoma	10	10	0	20	.500
Portland	10	10	0	20	.500
Seattle	10	10	0	20	.500
San Francisco	10	10	0	20	.500
Los Angeles	10	10	0	20	.500
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