Talent and Bookies Have Even Break—Browns Go Down Another Peg—M. A. A. C. Men Meet This Evening—Baseball and Sporting News.

Day's Events in Sporting

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ASTORIA OUT FOR FOOTBALL HONORS

COMMERCIAL CLUB PIGSKIN WARRIORS ORGANIZED FOR SEASON AND HOPE TO LAND NORTHWEST CHAMPIONSHIP—SEVERAL STAR PLAYERS TO PLAY ON ELEVEN.

(Journal Special Service.)

Astoria, Sept. 7.—The Commercial club football team is getting in shape for the coming season, and local enthusiasts, as well as Coaches Abercrombie and Blair, declare the eleven this year will be the best in the northwest. Last year's team, all of the players on which are available this season, closed the season with a clean record. The team won every game, including a hard-fought contest with the crack Indian team that toured the northwest, and was scored against but once, when a Fort Stevens back ran through a crowd on the side lines and carried the ball over the goal line. As the game resulted in a score of 43 to 5, no protest was made against the touchdown.

Blair is the most valuable addition to this year's team. He formerly played with the University of Michigan team, and was looked upon as one of the greatest ends in America. When Michigan went east to fight it out with Yale, Blair distinguished himself, and never once during that memorable match was a gain made around him. The acquisition of Blair, who is now a resident of this city, makes it possible to re-form the front line in an advantageous manner. Another eastern man has also been acquired this year. His name is Haeckel, and he is a wonderful specimen of athlete. He has never been connected with any of the really big teams, but has played in the east for several seasons, and has been well coached. He is a tackle and shows up exceptionally well in practice.

In the big games scheduled for the coming season Abercrombie will play fullback. He is coaching the back field again this year. Abercrombie is a powerful fellow and has the benefit of several years' experience at Madison, Wis., where he played with the University of Wisconsin team. His work last season on the Commercial team gained for him the admiration of the best football-players in the northwest. "Crop" Stockton has been chosen as captain of the team. He played quarterback last season and acquitted himself creditably. He is heavier this season, and will probably again "make" the team. Bay will undoubtedly continue at center, where he gave eminent satisfaction. There are six or seven men available for halves, but it is expected Gammal and Goddard will again be put in at guard. Sutton may be switched from tackle to end. Barker, whose sensational runs were the feature of last year's work of the Commercial team; Roxy Graham, the remarkable little halfback, who furnished some excellent interference; Will Painter, Charles Halderman, Regan, Jones, Nat Tallant and about a dozen others are out for place. Painter and Tallant are looked upon as most likely candidates, and Regan has a good chance for a place at end.

The season will be opened here a week from Sunday with Fort Stevens. The following Sunday Ilwaco will be taken on. Chemawa will play here, and Commercial will meet the Indians at Salem, while arrangements have been made for a game at Portland, with Multnomah. The university team has written for a date, but wants $500. The proposition is still under consideration.

The Commercial team is out for the northwest championship this year, and will strive hard to get it.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.

CLUBS.	Los Angeles	Tacoma	Seattle	San Francisco	Oakland	Portland	Won	Per cent
Los Angeles	..	0	3	5	9	3	22	.595
Tacoma	6	..	7	6	0	10	23	.520
Seattle	7	2	..	8	2	0	21	.500
San Francisco	1	6	5	..	6	0	18	.462
Oakland	3	0	3	2	..	10	18	.439
Portland	4	8	0	0	5	..	17	.425
Lost	15	16	20	21	22	23	118	

Thomas Was Easy for Siwashes.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 7.—The long delayed batting rally of the Siwashes came off yesterday and they secured ten hits in the first two innings off Thomas and scored eight runs. Charlie Hall was in fine form and held Tacoma safe throughout the game. Mike Lynch succeeded Thomas in the third and held Seattle to three hits thereafter. The score:

		R.	H.	E.
Seattle	35000000*	8	13	2
Tacoma	00001000 0	1	9	3

Batteries—C. Hall and Blankenship; Thomas, Lynch and Hogan. Umpire—Brown.

San Francisco Defeats Oakland.

San Francisco, Sept. 7.—Jimmy Whalen was the stumbling block to the onward progress of the Commuters, and almost shut them out. Bert Jones was easy for his former team-mates and the Seals had no trouble winning. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
San Fran	11150010	9	10	1
Oakland	00100000	1	7	3

Batteries—Whalen and Gorton; Jones and Byrnes.

SMITH MAY MEET MULLER.

(Journal Special Service.)

Astoria, Sept. 7.—"Strangler" Smith, the wrestler, has been matched to fight Fred Muller 25 rounds here if the authorities will permit the go. The men recently fought 20 rounds. Smith has also been matched to wrestle Chris Pearson of Tacoma, the heavyweight champion of the coast. The match will be pulled off here Saturday night.

SOUTHWEST LEAGUE DISBANDS.

The Centralia branch of the Southwestern League has played its last game for this season. Manager Ruff says that the organization, as far as Centralia is concerned went behind about $35. The Southwest league will in all probability be re-organized next year with more towns represented than this year.

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WHERE IS THE PUG JEFF CANNOT BEAT

The king lives long, long live the king,
No new-born champ walks in Jeff's shoes;
Jim still is monarch of the ring,
The best Munroe could do was lose.
Another chance? Oh, what's the use?
That dub again would meet defeat.
Go hunt a man Jim can't abuse.
Where is the pug Jeff cannot beat?

Old Fitz, with solar-plexus punch,
And next in rank to Death, Prince Booze,
Could scarcely jostle Jeffries' lunch.
They both served only to amuse.
More worthy foeman could he find?
A fiercer fighter could he meet?
This man of brass, with iron thews!
Where is the pug Jeff cannot beat?

Wizard of wallops, divers blows,
Of counters, crossed, slashes, whose
Chief actions centered on Jack's nose.
And he daubed his face in blacks and blues.
Why not have furnished some excuse?
Have hit low, or used your feet?
His backers then might still enthuse?
Where is the pug Jeff cannot beat?

L'ENVOI.

Fitz, Sharkey, Corbett, hear our views,
And you, Jack, too; for vengeance sweet
Go after James J. two by two's;
There's no one man Jeff cannot beat.

The upper picture shows the habitual racing expression on the face of Barney Oldfield, whose auto, running at the rate of a mile a minute, ran into a crowd of spectators at the St. Louis track, fatally injuring two men and causing Oldfield to be thrown from his seat with such violence that he received injuries which may end his career as an auto racer. Below is shown a picture of Oldfield dashing along in his racer.

FOOTBALL PLAYERS TO ELECT CAPTAIN

The Multnomah Amateur Athletic club's football warriors will hold their first meeting of the season this evening at the club for the purpose of electing a captain for the eleven. After the election Manager Watkins will distribute suits to the different candidates for positions, and announce the practice nights and schedule for the season of 1904. It is quite certain that Edward Dowling, one of Multnomah's faithful young players, will be chosen to captain the team. There was considerable talk about Harry Corbett taking the position, but Harry today announced that he did not have the time to properly look after the important duties of a captain, so consequently he could not be a candidate for election. Chester Murphy was looked upon as a good man to lead the team, but Chester says that he is too busy to attend to football this year.

Dowling has played three years on the team and is a clever player and performed as a star at end last season. The outlook for a successful season at M. A. A. C. is full of promise. There are many ex-college men in town and a number have signified their intention to get out and try for the team. Besides most of last year's team, there will be several new faces present when the first whistle sounds. Walter Wilhelm and Sam Holbrook, who have played several years ago with the M. A. A. C. team, will be out this year.

Multnomah's first game will be played on October 8 with the Commercial club eleven of Astoria. On October 12 Multnomah will play Stanford University at Palo Alto, and will meet California varsity on October 18. This is the plan as arranged at present. On November 12 Albany will play in this city, and on Thanksgiving afternoon the University of Oregon men will endeavor to wipe up mother earth with dear old Multnomah. Willamette university will do stunts here on December 10. The schedule, complete, will contain some strong games, and if Multnomah wishes to hold her own on the gridiron this year her men will have to do some hard practicing and faithful training.

RED BIRD WINS $1,200 RACING PURSE

(Journal Special Service.)

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 7.—Summary:

2:10 class, pacing, purse $1,200—Red Bird won three straight heats in 2:11½, 2:06¼, 2:07½.

Capital City makes, 2:20 trotting, purse $2,500—Alexander won the second, third and fourth heats in 2:11, 2:13¼, 2:11½.

2:02 class, pacing, purse $1,200—Gallagher won two straight heats, each in 2:05.

At Harlem.

Chicago, Sept. 7.—Harlem summary:

Five furlongs—Eckersall won; time, 1:00 2-5.

Six furlongs—The Gadfly won; time, 1:13 4-5.

Mile and 70 yards—Fonnasta won; time 1:44.

Six furlongs—Sad Sam won; time, 1:13 2-5.

Six and one half furlongs—One Way won; time, 1:20.

Mile — Proof Reader won; time, 1:42 2-5.

Mile and an eighth — Alma Dufour won; time, 1:53 4-5.

At Delmar.

St. Louis, Sept. 7.—Delmar summary:

Five and a half furlongs—Anita Belle won; time, 1:10.

Mile and 70 yards—Amourous won; time, 1:48.

Six furlongs, purse—The Cook won; time, 1:15⅘.

Six furlongs, handicap—Ed Ball won; time, 1:14⅘.

Mile—Lady Strathmore won; time, 1:42⅘.

Mile and a sixteenth—Buccleuth won; time, 1:49.

At Sheepshead Bay.

New York, Sept. 7.—Sheepshead Bay summary:

Mile—Dick Bernard won; time, 1:39.

The Oakdale cup, steeplechase, full course—Headmaster won; time, 5:22 2-5.

The Autumn, six furlongs—Waterside won; time, 1:12 3-5.

Handicap, mile and a quarter—Pulsus won; time, 2:06.

Five and a half furlongs—Linlsay Gordon won; time, 1:08 3-5.

OLYMPIC SWIMMING RECORD IS BROKEN

(Journal Special Service.)

St. Louis, Sept. 7.—C. M. Daniels of the New York Athletic club broke the world's Olympic swimming record for 220 yards yesterday, when he lowered the records of David Billington of England (2:46 flat) and E. C. Schaefer of America (2:50 4-5) to 2:44 1-5.

Scott Leary of San Francisco and Zoltan Holomay of Budapest tied in lowering the 50-yard record of 0:31 held by David Gaul of the Pennsylvania Swimming club, making the distance in 0:28 2-5. In swimming off the tie Holomay won and lowered the mark to 0:28 flat. The results were as follows:

50-yard championship—Won by Zoltan Holomay, Budapest, Hungary; second, Scott Leary, Olympic club, San Francisco; third, C. M. Daniels, New York Athletic club. Time, 0:28.

Swimming on back, 100 yards—Walter Brock, Germany, first; George Hoffman, Germany, second; George Seachris, Germany, third. Time, 1:16 4-5.

One mile, handicap—R. E. Bach, Chicago A. A. (0:5:40), first; B. B. Warren, N. Y. A. C., Helham Manor, N. Y. (0:45), second. Time, 32:05 3-5.

440-yard handicap—Won by E. H. Adams (20 seconds), N. Y. A. C.; second, Kiss (scratch), Budapest, Hungary. Time, 6:44 2-5.

220-yard championship—Won by C. M. Daniels, N. Y. A. C.; second, Francis Gailley, Olympic club, San Francisco; third, E. Rawsch, Germany. Time, 2:44 1-5.

Water polo—New York team defeated Chicago, 6 to 0.

WICKHAMS WIN TWO GAMES.

The Wickhams baseball team defeated the All-Stars Sunday by the score of 8 to 5, and on Monday (Labor day) they met and defeated the strong Marshall-Wells team in an exciting game by the close score of 6 to 5. The feature of both games was the pitching of Tibbetts of the winners, who officiated on the slab on each occasion. The Wickhams are open for a game with any amateur team in the city, and challenges may be sent in care of the sporting editor of The Journal.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
New York	88	32	.733
Chicago	75	46	.610
Cincinnati	69	52	.570
Pittsburg	67	51	.568
St. Louis	62	62	.504
Brooklyn	44	75	.360
Boston	43	77	.350
Philadelphia	35	85	.291

At Pittsburg.

First game—	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburg	5	10	2
Cincinnati	1	6	4

Batteries — Robertaille and Phelps; Walker and Schiel.

Second game—	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburg	3	14	3
Cincinnati	7	15	2

Batteries—Phillippi and Archer; Kellum and Schiel. Umpire—Johnstone.

At St. Louis.

	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	5	9	7
Chicago	10	13	0

Batteries — McFarland and McLean; Weimer, Grothe and Kling. Umpire—Zimmer.

At New York.

	R.	H.	E.
New York	8	14	1
Boston	7	14	5

Batteries—McGinnity and Bowerman; Fisher and Needham. Umpire—Moran.

TO PLAY CRICKET NEXT SATURDAY

The Portland cricket club has arranged for a match game with the combined Seattle-Tacoma club, which will be played on Multnomah field next Saturday. The game will commence promptly at 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning, in order to permit the contest being finished by 6 p. m. Luncheon will be served on the grounds. No admission will be charged.

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TALENT AND BOOKS HAVE EVEN BREAK

AURORA B., BELL REED AND THE STEWARDESS CARRY OFF COIN FOR THE PUBLIC, WHILE KIRBY, ALICE CAREY AND SWIFT QUEEN BURN IT UP.

Three favorites came in first yesterday, and the other favorites were detained en route. It was a good day for the bookmakers and the layers of prices cleared a fair sum for their day's troubles. It was a good betting crowd, considering the past holiday attendance and a large sum of money was handled.

The talent got right after Aurora B., the favorite in the first race, and although her price opened at 1 to 2 and closed at 11 to 20, the wise ones got in the band wagon and carried off some coin. Herbert got Aurora B. off in front and after a lead of five lengths to the stretch was compelled to give her a hard ride at the finish to keep a length and a half in front of Tullett on Batidor. Aurora B. had the necessary speed left, however, and won out. Ragnarok, at 20 to 1, came in for show money, after a very good ride by Millerick.

In the second race Homage at even money was looked upon as the goods, especially as Herbert had the mount, but the start was not satisfactory and Homage was crowded to last position at the first turn, making her journey a difficult one. War Times at 2 to 1, with Fitzpatrick up, got off safely and maintained the lead all the way around, and won out despite Herbert's great ride on Homage. Herbert's horse had too much ground to make up, but had the distance been a few strides more Homage would have cashed.

Lady Ninora, opening at 8 and going to the post at 15, gave Swift Queen and David Boland a severe jar in the third race. Ninora beat the barrier, leaving Swift Queen fifth and David Boland in last position. Tullett pulled his mount to task, however, and went after the flying bunch in great order, taking the lead at the stretch by a neck, but not being able to hold it, as Boland tired quickly, allowing Ninora to reach the mile first. The Queen's race was bad, though it was not Herbert's fault.

Bell Reed made good in the fourth, and his backers were happy. Yesterday morning, while exercising on the road, Bell Reed stumbled and threw Frawley, the exercise boy, and it got noised about that the horse would be stiff in the race, but Jackson put him to the test after getting a bad start and won out easily. Almoner at 3 to 2 was picked as a pretty sure thing for second money, and McClees brought him in in that position. Kent gave Estado a good ride and copped the show money at 3 to 2.

Some will tell you that Moor was out to win, while others will tell you that Moor was sent out to protect Kirby, who was well laden with the gilt, but at any rate, Moor marched home a winner, while the talent's coin went a glimmering on Kirby. Kelly gave Kirby a hard drive in the last quarter, but it was too late, as the Moor was slowing up at the wire. The start was the poorest of the day, Mountebank being given a big advantage, while the favorite horses were bunched up badly, and were interfered with by the barrier.

The Stewardess, with Herbert up, ran the bunch off their feet in the last race, after getting a bad start, and won in a driving finish from Alice Carey, Mimo coming third. Mimo got away in the lead and kept it to the stretch, but stopped miserably in the last strides. Summary:

First race, four and one-half furlongs, selling—Aurora B., 104 (Herbert), 11 to 20, won; Batidor, 109 (Tullett), 2 to 1, second; Ragnarok II, 104 (Millerick), 20 to 1, third. Time, 0:56¼.

Second race, seven and one-half furlongs, selling—War Times, 99 (Fitzpatrick), 2 to 1, won; Homage, 104 (Herbert), 6 to 5, second; Phyz, 104 (G. Gruwell), 5 to 2, third. Time, 1:36¼.

Third race, four and one-half furlongs, handicap—Lady Ninora, 100 (J. Hughes), 15 to 1, won; David Boland, 104 (Tullett), 5 to 2, second; Melar, 103 (Fitzpatrick), 11 to 5, third. Time, 0:56¾.

Fourth race, five furlongs, selling—Bell Reed, 107 (L. A. Jackson), 7 to 10, won; Almoner, 109 (McClees), 7 to 5, second; Estado, 102 (Kent), 13 to 1, third. Time, 1:03¼.

Fifth race, one mile, selling—Moor, 114 (Alarie), 7 to 2, won; J. V. Kirby, 114 (F. Kelly), 11 to 10, second; Sally Goodwin, 109 (Herbert), 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:42.

Sixth race, six and one-half furlongs, selling—The Stewardess, 102 (Herbert), 3 to 2, won; Alice Carey, 107 (Alarie), 8 to 5, second; Mimo, 102 (Kent), 11 to 2, third. Time, 1:21¾.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
New York	73	44	.622
Boston	74	46	.617
Chicago	69	52	.570
Cleveland	64	50	.561
Philadelphia	64	52	.552
St. Louis	48	67	.417
Detroit	48	68	.414
Washington	30	89	.252

At New York.

First game—	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	2	7	1
New York	5	7	1

Batteries—Waddell and Schreck; Orth and McGuire.

Second game—	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	1	4	0
New York	3	6	0

Batteries—Henley and Schreck; Griffith and McGuire.

At Boston.

First game—	R.	H.	E.
Boston	4	7	4
Washington	1	8	3

Batteries — Tannehill and Criger; Tewnsend and Clark.

Second game—	R.	H.	E.
Washington	6	12	2
Boston	3	9	2

Batteries — Patten and Kittredge; Dineen and Farrell.

At Cleveland.

	R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	3	10	0
St. Louis	6	8	2

Batteries—Rhoades and Buelow; Howell and O'Connor.

At Detroit.

	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	0	7	2
Chicago	4	5	1

Batteries—Killian and Drill; Patterson and McFarland.

REILLY GETS UTILITY MAN.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Spokane, Wash., Sept. 7.—Chief Reilly of the Indians, has at last found and signed a new utility man, who is to begin work today in the opening game with Butte. This man is Frank Suess of Albany, Or., where he has been playing with the Oregon State league. He played for a time in the Coast league with the Portland team, and it is said he made the longest hits ever made on the Portland grounds.

Suess is said to be a good hitter and a fair player in the out or infield.

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LOO LOOS TROUNCE CAPT. HURLEY'S MEN

ANGELS DUMP A FEW BUNTS DOWN THE FIRST BASELINE, AND THE PORTLAND FIRST BACKER FAILS TO MAKE GOOD—STORY OF THE DAY.

(Journal Special Service.)

Los Angeles, Sept. 7.—In the opening game here yesterday, Dolly Gray was on the firing hill for the Angels, and that steady young twirler made Captain Hurley and his "duggers" look like a lot of bush leaguers before many minutes of play. Gray was in good form, while the Browns played the best ball of which they are capable. The bleachers gave Hurley the ha ha in the first inning for the stupid manner in which he tried to field bunts. The Angels simply dumped slow ones to the bulkey first baseman and had no difficulty in beating them to first. Three of the home team's runs came on bunts to Hurley. All this time Butler was pitching gilt edge ball, but his support could not rally a playing streak. Captain Flood and Bernard excelled for the locals, while Beck, Butler and Nadeau did the best work for the visitors. Score:

LOS ANGELES.

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Bernard, c. f.	3	1	2	2	0	0
Flood, 2b.	4	1	3	3	6	0
Smith, 3b.	3	0	0	0	1	2
Cravath, r. f.	4	2	2	3	0	0
Chase, 1b.	2	0	0	12	0	0
Toman, s. s.	3	0	1	2	2	0
Ross, l. f.	3	1	1	0	0	0
Spies, c.	4	0	0	8	1	0
Gray, p.	3	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	29	5	9	27	11	2

PORTLAND.

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Spencer, 2b.	4	1	0	2	4	0
Hurley, 1b.	4	0	1	10	1	0
Nadeau, c. f.	4	0	0	5	0	0
Steelman, c.	2	0	0	1	2	0
Beck, 3b.	3	1	1	0	2	0
Clymer, r. f.	4	0	0	2	0	0
Lally, l. f.	4	0	1	1	0	1
Raymond, s. s.	3	1	1	2	6	1
Butler, p.	2	0	0	1	2	0
Totals	31	3	5	24	19	2

RUNS AND HITS BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Los Angeles	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	*	5
Hits	4	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	*	9
Portland	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	3
Hits	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	1	5

SUMMARY.

Stolen bases—Bernard, Spies. Three-base hit—Ross. Two-base hit — Flood. Sacrifice hits—Smith, Chase 2. First base on errors—Los Angeles, 2; Portland, 1. Left on bases—Los Angeles, 6; Portland, 4. Bases on balls—Off Gray, 3; off Butler, 2. Struck out—By Gray, 5. Double plays—Beck to Hurley to Raymond; Steelman to Raymond; Flood to Chase; Toman to Chase. Hit by pitcher—Ross. Time of game — One hour and 35 minutes. Umpire—McDonald.

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