Up-to-date Gossip in the World of Sport

Famous Athletes in Various Sports—Matthews Incident Causes Rumors of a Yale-Harvard Clash—News of the Bowlers—Items of Interest to the Fans—Football Notes.

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BECK AND HAMBY WIN AT BOWLING

Senner and Vigneux Bowled Over in Match Game at Portland Alleys.

CHARLIE SHIELDS UMPIRED CONTEST

Browns' Third Baseman Makes Best Average in Knocking Down Pins.

The match game between Erve Beck and "Doc" Hamby against Sam Vigneux and Con Senner was won by the former in a close and exciting finish last evening at the Portland alleys. Vigneux and Senner won the first two games, but Beck's consistent bowling, a "close" decision by Umpire Shields, and Doc Hamby's 200 score, gave the winners a lead of 11 pins.

Vigneux and Senner won the first two games by the narrow margin of 11 and 12 pins respectively. In the third game Sammy Vigneux started off as though he were after the alley record, but as he started his bowl of his fourth frame, Umpire Shields called a foul, and as he had scored a strike, and on his spare ball was only able to get eight pins, the decision cost Sammy 58 points, and visions of Sandy McDermott, Chauncey Fisher, Rube Levy, Jack Huston and others of their ilk, with whom the chagrined bowler compared the unassuming Charles.

On account of this misfortune, and the closeness of the scores, Messrs. Vigneux and Senner are still imbued with the idea that they can down the foxy "Doc" and the doughty ball tosser, and have challenged for a return game, which will be played off on next Monday evening. Charles Shields, after slight opposition on the part of Vigneux, was chosen again as referee.

Erve Beck carried off the honors last night by making the highest total score, averaging 181 1-3 to the game. Sammy Vigneux made the second high score, and but for the unfortunate foul, might have been high man. Doc Hamby rolled the highest single score in the last game when he scored 204.

The score:

	(1)	(2)	(3)	Tot.
Vigneux	163	185	177	525
Senner	175	145	178	498
	338	330	355	1023
Doc Hamby	140	146	204	490
Beck	186	173	185	544
	326	319	389	1034

With the Regulars.

The bowlers were out in force last evening on the Portland alleys. One of the main events was the match game of tenpins between the Pin Knights and Gambrinus teams. The latter team proved themselves the strongest, taking three straight games. The highest score was made by Kruse, 208. The high average was captured by Kneyse, 196. The score by games follows:

GAMBRINUS.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	Tot.
Bourk	165	127	168	460
Closset	156	186	166	508
Hinnenkamp	150	99	147	396
Ball	160	189	136	485
Kneyse	195	196	197	588
				2437

PIN KNIGHTS.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	Tot.
Williams	140	145	116	401
Hysmith	153	152	151	456
Oliphant	178	135	178	491
Dale	158	148	134	440
Kruse	186	208	179	573
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The Gambrinus team has been challenged by the Gold Leaf team for a match next Tuesday night, best two out of three games. This match should be very interesting, as neither team has been defeated.

The bowling of Harry Watkins of late has been of the highest grade. He totaled 673 pins for three straight games.

BOTH TEAMS READY FOR THE WHISTLE

Everything is in readiness for the kickoff this afternoon between Multnomah and Willamette. The visitors arrived in the city this morning and have the appearance of being a husky aggregation. The club men are putting a powerful team in the field against Bishop's men. The teams will start the game in this fashion:

M. A. A. C.		Willamette.
Jordon	L. E. R.	Henkle
Stow	L. T. R.	Pollard
Ross	L. G. R.	Marker
Grieve	C.	Nelson
Seeley	R. G. L.	James
Kirkley	R. T. L.	Rader
Dowling, Capt.	R. E. L.	Patton
Johnson	Q.	Beach
Lonergan	L. H. R.	Long, Capt.
Horan	R. H. L.	Bishop
Dolph	F.	Lounsberry

NEARY DRAWS WITH GOODMAN.

(Journal Special Service.)

Milwaukee, Dec. 10.—Charley Neary of this city fought a six-round draw with Kid Goodman of Boston last evening. Jack Dougherty, also of Milwaukee, knocked out Walter Smith of Chicago in the second round of what was to be a six-round go.

OLDFIELD TO GO AGAINST RECORDS

Daring Autoist Will Try to Make a Mile in Less Than Fifty-Five Seconds.

BARNEY TAKES GREAT CARE OF MACHINE

Handles His Green Dragon with Care and Consideration.

(Journal Special Service.)

San Francisco, Dec. 10.—Barney Oldfield's racing car, the peerless "Green Dragon," is unlike the usual touring car seen on the streets of San Francisco. In fact, there is no similarity to the ordinary machine. It is a low, rakish affair, with the fly wheel less than three inches from the ground, and has but one seat, located at the extreme left of the vehicle in order to balance the machine when going around the turns at the rate of 90 miles an hour. A bonnet of green that resembles a boat upside down and with a prow to cut the wind gives it an odd appearance. This prow comes to a peak and gives the least possible resistance to the wind. This is a picture of the "Green Dragon" as nearly as it can be painted in words.

The death-dealing car is nursed along as a baby would be cared for. Before every meet and often between trials the tires are changed. A complete set of wheels and special parts are also carted about the country, and frequent changes are made after the morning tests that precede every race. The slightest defect is remedied at once in order to guard against accident. A special fuel is utilized and is shipped ahead to the towns to be visited. It is found to be more uniform and a better speed producer than the ordinary fuel. Breaking records is a serious business, and not the slightest point may be overlooked.

Oldfield says there is practically no limit to the speed that may be obtained with the "Green Dragon." On circular tracks a close watch must be kept or the front wheels leave the ground at the turns and the steering apparatus becomes of no use; result a smash into the fence. But on the straight course at Daytona next winter he expects to do a full mile in 33 seconds. Tomorrow at Ingleside he fully anticipates doing a turn of the track in 55 seconds or better, which is surely moving some and must be seen to be appreciated.

STANFORD TRACK MEN ARE WORKING OUT

(Journal Special Service.)

Stanford University, Dec. 10.—Taking advantage of the continued mild weather, Stanford athletes are working out on track and field every afternoon. Trainer Moulton is devoting particular attention to trying out his new men on the track. Several freshmen are showing 'varsity form, but the most talked-of yearling athlete now in the college eye as a strong possibility is Horton, the big tawny-haired lad from Ukiah, who played right guard on the 1908 freshman team. Horton, like big Jim Weller, is a versatile strong man, being proficient in weight and track events as well as on the gridiron. He will be the best shot-putter Stanford will possess next semester, after Hyde has passed into the class of ineligibles, and the freshman is showing such form in this line that he may even eclipse the big Stanford recordholder in the shot-putting event. Furthermore, he is a hurdler of rare ability and will nicely fill the gap left by H. Lanagan's departure from college.

Cope, the crack sprinter from the Lick high school, who joined the cardinal forces this year, is just now suffering a bad strain in his left leg and has had to leave off training. The injury is a serious one and may keep him off the track for a whole year. His loss would be a great disappointment to Stanford partisans, as he was heralded as one of the finds of the year and proved in recent tryouts that his worth was not overestimated.

YOST SAYS HIS TEAM CAN BEAT OLD ELI

(Journal Special Service.)

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 10.—Coach Yost has issued the following statement in regard to the probability of a victory for Michigan over an eastern football eleven:

"I witnessed the Yale-Harvard game at New Haven. It was a game devoid of anything sensational, and, in fact, was just the opposite. In the first place, the playing of both teams was very slow.

"It seemed to be a game of pushball. The punting was not good. Yale punted eleven times for an average of 33 yards, and Harvard punted 14 times for an average of 32 yards. This is counting kick-offs.

"In our game we kicked five times for an average of 38 yards and we thought that very poor. Chicago's average was over 50 yards. During the game the ball was fumbled 12 times, five by Yale and seven by Harvard.

"The style of game shown by Yale and Harvard is not nearly so interesting as the games played in the west. There is not near the dash and go to it.

"From what I have seen already of the game as played in the east, I would be confident of a victory for Michigan were it to meet an eastern eleven."

HERRIMAN'S SNAPSHOTS OF BATTLING NELSON AFTER HE HAD DEFEATED YOUNG CORBETT.

NO BASKETBALL TEAM FOR OREGON 'VARSITY

Students at Eugene Will Not Take Up the Game This Year.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

University of Oregon, Eugene, Dec. 10.—While all the other colleges of the state have basketball teams, and a number of them have written to the university asking for games, but it is not likely that the state university will put out a basketball team this year. This is the way it looks at the present, and unless something is done very soon the season will be so far advanced that it will be almost useless to get a team in shape. One reason for the lack of interest in basketball is the reason that the university does not recognize the sport and the big "O" is not awarded for games played against other colleges. This takes something of the interest away from the sport, as the college emblem is something for some of the men to work for. Then again, the football season is just ended and a number of the football men are good basketball players, but their studies are somewhat behind and they do not care to devote any more time to athletics. The game is being played though in the gymnasium every day by an unorganized set of players for the exercise. Washington Agricultural college and the Ashland Normal school both intend to make trips with basketball teams through the valley this fall, and have written for games. As there is no manager for this game nothing definite can be stated as to what action the athletic council will take about the matter.

No captain has yet been elected for the football team of next year. Manager Graham will probably call the men together for this purpose next week. Latourette and Kerron have the best chances for the position, but there is little effort to boost any one man for the place. Both the men mentioned belong to opposing fraternities, but there is no strife for the position in this respect.

This year Oregon will be represented by the strongest and cleverest Glee and Mandolin club in its history. Under the direction of Professor I. M. Glenn the men have developed wonderfully and the repetoire of rollicking college songs, features and stunts equal anything that has been seen along this line in years past. The club leaves for the holiday trip on Friday the 18th, and will sing in Portland, Astoria and all the towns of any size in eastern Oregon and Washington.

BEAT M'GINNITY'S RECORD YEARS AGO

The proud boast made by the friends of Joe McGinnity, of having made the greatest pitching record ever credited to a twirler when he pitched and won two double-headers in the same week, is discounted by a performance that Jack Harper, the Reds' leading twirler, made when he was with the Fort Wayne, Ind., team in 1900. Jack was a farm hand that year, having been tried out by St. Louis in the spring, and sent back to Fort Wayne to get a little better acquainted with the ways of the world and of ball playing before he again essayed to perform in high society. Well, it came near the end of the season and Ft. Wayne was in sore need of victories.

There were two other twirlers on the Fort Wayne team beside Harper, one of them being Cy Swaim, the tall schoolmaster, who once amused audiences all over the circuit as a member of the Washington team. During this quest for victories the third pitcher of the team was taken ill and Harper promised to pitch his game for him, too.

So it came about that there was a double-header in which Harper and the sick man were slated to perform. Harper pitched the first game and won. The second game had been allotted to the sick man, and Harper, as his understudy, pitched that, too, and won it.

The next day it was Swaim's turn to go on the rubber. In the first inning two long hits were made off him for a starter, and he walked out of the box declaring that he simply could not stand the strain of being hammered all over the lot. There being no other pitcher, Harper again was asked to go in, and did, winning that game also, establishing a record of pitching and capturing three games in two days, which is a better record than McGinnity ever made.

BOOKIES DO WELL AT LOS ANGELES TRACK

(Journal Special Service.)

Los Angeles, Dec. 10.—The bookies had their inning at Ascot yesterday, but two favorites coming in first. Winners:

Five furlongs—Mr. Dade won; time, 1:02½.

Slauson course, selling—Durbar won; time, 1:10½.

Six furlongs, selling—Our Pride won; time, 1:15.

Mile and a sixteenth, selling—Emperor of India won; time, 1:47¾.

One mile, selling—Requiter won; time, 1:41¾.

Six furlongs, selling—Susie Christian won; time, 1:15¼.

At Oakland.

San Francisco, Dec. 10.—Winners at Oakland:

Futurity course, selling — Robert Mitchell won; time, 1:13¾.

Mile and 70 yards, selling—Flying Todpedo won; time, 1:48¾.

Six furlongs, purse—Hooligan won; time, 1:15.

Five furlongs, purse—Pelham won; time 1:01.

Six furlongs, selling—Romaine won; time, 1:14½.

Mile and eighth, selling—G. W. Trahern won; time, 1:57¼.

INDIANAPOLIS GETS SHOOT.

(Journal Special Service.)

New York, Dec. 10.—At the sportsmen's meeting held here yesterday it was decided to hold the Grand American handicap at Indianapolis next year. The association then chose the following officials for the coming year: President, Irby Bennett, Memphis, Tenn.; vice-president, William J. Bruff, New York; treasurer, A. W. Higgins, New York; secretary and general manager, Elmer E. Shaner, Pittsburg.

Grand American Handicap and Tournament committee for the year: Irby Bennett, J. T. Skelley, Thomas H. Keeler, J. H. Marlin, A. C. Barrett, Harvey McMurchey, William F. Parker and Paul North of Cleveland, Ohio.

PARKER DOWNS TREMBLAY.

(Journal Special Service.)

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 10.—Eugene Tremblay, the Canadian champion wrestler, was defeated in two straight falls by Harvey Parker here last evening.

CLUB BASKETBALLERS DEFEAT Y. M. C. A. MEN

In the First Game of Series Club Men Come Out Victorious.

A very exciting and interesting game of basketball was played last night in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium between the M. A. A. C. second team and the Y. M. C. A. Tigers, in which Multnomah was victorious by the score of 22 to 21.

This was the first of the series of three games to be played between these teams this coming season. The Y. M. C. A. outplayed the club boys in the first half and finished three points in the lead.

In the second half the club boys took a brace and played better and faster ball and by Kerrigan's brilliant basket throwing finished one point in the lead.

The Tigers played a fast and steady game and made some very pretty passes and baskets. Kerrigan threw five baskets and four fouls, scoring 14 points out of the 22. Following is the lineup:

M. A. A. C.		Y. M. C. A.
Kerrigan	C.	Pugh
Frank	R. F.	Moore
Frohman	L. F.	Masters
Allen	R. G.	Harrison
Gammie	L. G.	Merritt

Substitutes—M. A. A. C., Percy; Y. M. C. A. Schwartz.

The next game of the series will be played in the M. A. A. C. gymnasium in about 10 days.

FOOTBALL FUMBLES.

Willamette hopes to hold Multnomah down to a low score this afternoon.

The failure of Coach Wrightington to give Negro Matthews an equal chance to make the football team, has caused a stir with the crimson followers. Wrightington was always a sort of a puffed up chap.

Annapolis has rewarded Cadet Howard for his brilliant work by electing him to captain the navy eleven.

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The crowning success of the road will be effected through the use of crude oil, which will be sprinkled over the surface to prevent the water from sinking into the soil. The road has been built, at the rate of a mile a day, by the simple process of grading and crowning. It is 16 feet wide, and on private right of way the entire distance, so that nothing but automobiles may be permitted to pass over it.

It is said by the management that the maximum grade is less than 2 per cent. To accomplish this engineering feat the route was made as circuitous as was necessary. An air line between the two terminal points is but about 45 miles. The road has been built by eastern capital, furnished by the same parties who are promoting the Deschutes Irrigation & Power company. The president is A. B. Hammond, chief engineer of the Columbia Southern railroad.

The equipment for opening the road will consist of two 14-passenger gasoline automobile coaches, and a number of three-ton freight trucks. These are included in the statement of cost of the completed road at $25,000. The coaches are expected to make the run at a speed of 20 miles an hour, and give a service of one coach each way daily. This service is to be increased with the business.

DIAMOND GLISTENINGS.

Manager Morley of Los Angeles claims that, notwithstanding Mike Fisher's statement to the contrary, the post season series now being played off between the Angels and the Tigers is to settle the tie for the last half of the season and in case of a tie on the series, or should the Angels win a majority of the games, another series will be played.

Danny Shay seems to have lost his batting ability entirely. During the few weeks he was with Portland Shay secured about three hits, and in five games last week with Tacoma he failed to secure a single safe hit.

Umpire Tom Connolley is a model of politeness both on and off the field, and he handles the English language with an ease that would put a Bostonese to shame. One day, when Clark Griffith's outfit was playing in Boston, Connolley called one of George Winter's fast inshoots a ball.

"Mr. Connolley, permit me to say that was as perfect a strike as you ever saw," shouted an enthusiastic young woman in the front row of the grandstand.

"You are probably right," replied Connolley, raising his cap. "Unfortunately, however, my dear young lady, the decision regarding that particular ball already sleeps in the capacious cemetery from which, fortunately for umpires, there is no resurrection."

WILL HARVARD AND YALE SUFFER BREAK

Matthews Incident May Have Effect of Severing Football Relations.

COACH WRIGHTINGTON BLAMED FOR TROUBLE

Negro States that He Was Used as a Tackling Dummy by the Coach.

The wild rumor that the Matthews incident in the Yale-Harvard game will cause a break in the athletic relations between Yale and Harvard has been denied, but Matthews is still a subject for all kinds of stories in the New England press. For instance, the Boston Traveler yesterday said:

"So many stories have been circulated about his connection with the football squad this fall that perhaps the public will relish a recital of the facts.

"Why did not Matthews report for practice earlier in the season? This is the question on which the whole Matthews controversy hinges."

This is Coach Wrightington's reason as promulgated in a signed statement:

"In spite of a canvass by the card system of all the men in college, there were two men whom we ought to have had out earlier. One of these was Matthews, who was under such a pressure of college work that he begged me not to insist on his coming out unless absolutely necessary. The work of the ends in the Penn game showed the necessity of his joining the team, but I should not have waited."

Black man begged Master, according to Wrightington, not to insist on his coming out on account of pressure of overwork.

Now what is the true reason? This it is:

Matthews did not report for football practice because he did not believe that he would get a fair chance to make the team.

This is a conversation between Matthews, the plucky black boy, and an undergraduate just after the beginning of practice on Soldiers' field this fall:

"Why haven't I seen you out for practice, Matty?" inquired the student.

"Because there is no earthly show of my making the team.

"I refuse to stand up there afternoon after afternoon and be hammered black and blue by the society boys."

"You don't mean to tell me, Matty, that the coaches won't give you a fair show to make the team, do you?"

"I mean to say that I have been out after a place on the eleven since Bill Reid coached in 1901, but every time there was a game the coaches shoved me aside and tried out some one else.

"I would not have minded it if they had given me a trial in a game. I will not come out to be banged to pieces again."

This is the gist of talk that Matthews had with a Harvard man. While it is not his language word for word his ideas and sentiments are faithfully reproduced.

Will Matty Matthews deny that he said this?

Will he place himself in the unenviable position of Walter Randall?

Walter Randall quarreled with Coach Wrightington in the locker room so violently that Harvard men had to step between them to prevent a rough and tumble fight.

He published a denial in the Boston newspapers in which he stated flatly and unequivocally that he never had any trouble with Wrightington of any name or nature.

After working over Randall for three days the coaches forced and cajoled him into signing his name to a lying statement and then allowing it to be published under the guise of truth. This was done for the honor of fair Harvard.

Will Matthews emulate the example of the captain of the baseball team and issue a statement which he knows to be false

Harvard men believe that Matthews is a boy of honor and integrity, and that any such conduct would be beneath him.

The burden of Matthews' cry, when he unbosomed his wrongs, was that he and Jones the negro had come out faithfully for three years, but that they were used as tackling machines and padded dummies, and then thrust aside. He was not at all bitter about his treatment, but refused to be bruised up again with no hope of reward.

By the way, why hasn't Jones, who played substitute tackle on Coach Reid's eleven three years ago, been heard from?

Substitutes usually improve from year to year, and eventually make the 'varsity. Some of the students believe that Jones has not been given a square deal.

Curiously enough, Randall and Matthews, the principals in the two most sensational incidents of the year, met at New Haven before 35,000 people. The negro ordered the hot-headed southerner out of the game. There was a storm of disapproval from the stands. Some of the newspapers said that Wrightington did it to humiliate Randall for calling him down for playing favorites.

Mr. Wrightington's motives are not a part of this essay.

Yale indignantly denies that Matthews will disrupt the relations between the blue and the crimson.

Yale's denial becomes a bit far-fetching when she attempts to say that the blue players did not rough Matthews.

They put him out of business before he had played one half.

NEWTON TRIMS TIGERS.

(Journal Special Service.)

Los Angeles, Dec. 10.—Doc Newton proved too much for the Tigers yesterday, and as his team mates found Thomas conveniently, the big southpaw won his game. The post season games now stand, Tacoma 4, Los Angeles 3. The score:

		R.	H.	E.
Los Angeles	20001000*—	3	8	0
Tacoma	00000000 0—	0	2	3

Batteries — Newton and Spies; Hogan and Graham. Umpire—McDonald.

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