

EVEN PITCHERS EX BEAVERS PLAY ON WINNING END

Gray Leads Those Who Have More Than Half Their Games.

PERNOLL THE ONLY PORTLANDER ON LIST

Records Show That Los Angeles Keeps Its Stars Longer Than Any Other Club—Bill Lange Is Back in the Game.

Up to the beginning of this week 11 pitchers had won over more than half their games since the opening of the season. Gray of Los Angeles and Wright of Oakland are the two leaders, with Henley a close third. Barney Joy is slightly over the 500 mark, with 12 wins and 10 losses. Pernoll of the Beavers is the only man McCredie has who won more than he had lost, but he had taken part in but five games, with three wins and two losses. Below are the records, including the games played August 15:

Table with columns: Won, Lost, P. C. (Percentage). Lists records for various players like Gray, Wright, Henley, Joy, etc.

A glance at the Coast league ball lineup of three years ago and that of today shows that there are a number of men on the coast that have been here one year. In the Oakland team there is but one man here now who was here a year ago, and that man is "Wild Bill" Devereaux. Los Angeles has Smith, Cravath, Brashear, Gray and most of the old guard. San Francisco has Hildebrand, Irwin and Jones, and Portland has only McCredie left. The 1904 lineups of the four present coast teams will give the fans a good idea of what kind of ball they saw three years ago, the players being as follows: Oakland—Gandy, cf.; McKinn, ss; Cravath, 1b; Devereaux, 2b; Byrne, c; Smith, p. San Francisco—Hildebrand, 1b; Irwin, 2b; Leary, 3b; Anderson, ss; Reitz, 2b; Massey, 1b;orton, cf.; Jones, p; Whalen, p; Knell, p.

When Bill Lange, formerly of Fort Worth, laid down the bat and glove two years ago the fans saw the passing of one of the greatest stars the ball field ever knew. Many were to regret when "Little Eye" left the diamond, and fabulous sums were offered him to continue playing ball, one of them being \$10,000 by Jim Hart of a Chicago team, but Bill said nay and went into business in San Francisco. After all these years of retirement Lange has again promised to once more take to the diamond, and is practicing every day to make himself fit. Mike Lester, who will take an all-star aggregation of ballplayers to Honolulu in the winter, is the man who finally persuaded Lange to again play ball, and the money offered and hitter will be a member of the party when they leave the islands.

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LITTLE SPARKS FROM MOTORDOM. General C. M. Spitzer, the well-known banker of Toledo, Ohio, who recently arrived in Paris after another long automobile tour of Germany, was held up during his trip by a German policeman with a gun and fined 80 marks for speeding over five miles an hour.

Virginia motorists already are working on a project to have the general assembly of their state, which meets next January, appropriate a substantial sum toward the improvement of the main highways. Governor Swanson is an avowed champion of good roads.

The Tarrytown, New York stable of William Rockefeller, which at one time contained some of the finest horses in the country, now holds but four, which are kept for farm work. The oil magnate has become an enthusiastic motorist and has equipped a garage with several cars.

For several years Bar Harbor, the society resort on the Maine coast, has had a law forbidding automobiles on its streets. Recently F. C. Mahoney, of New York, took his car with him when he went there to spend the balance of the season and will test the law in the courts if molested.

Of all the hardships endured by the people in the United States, those met by the Pons were the worst. His petrol gave out in Gobi desert, and then, having neither food nor water, he was obliged to abandon his car and make for Kailash, 780 miles away, afoot, with occasional lifts on camels.

English railroads are charging such high rates for carrying freight from interior towns that a London motor delivery service company has been engaged to transport the output of the motor trucks. The service may be extended to Manchester, Birmingham and other trade centers.

Chief of Police Shippy, of Chicago, has placed an order, subject to the approval of the city council, for two motor cars fitted for riot work. They are to be equipped with machine guns, so that fire-fighters may be carried on from within in case of emergency. The cars are expected to carry 21 men at a speed of 50 miles an hour.

SEATTLE LAWYER IN ARCHERY TOURNAMENT. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Seattle, Wash., Aug. 23.—Saying that he was going east on business, Will H. Thompson, Seattle's lone representative in archery, went to Chicago two weeks ago and now the returns are drifting in showing why he was so anxious to get back at this time. The national archery tournament was held in Chicago last week and Mr. Thompson, as one of the oldest members, traveled across the country to take part in it. The last time Mr. Thompson entered the lists was during the world's fair at St. Louis. At Chicago he finished third with a total of 178 hits for a score of 758 points, which is going some for a man of his age. Harry Richardson of Boston, a Harvard student, won the title of national champion for the second time in the double York, and Mrs. M. C. Howell of Cincinnati, regarded as a laurel she had worn for years up to last year by winning the ladies' tournament. Mrs. Cook of Washington, D. C. took the honors last year, but Mrs. Howell did not compete.

WORD'S THREE PERNOLL BATTED BEST BATTERS FOR FOUR RUNS

Their Names Are George Stone, Larry Lajoie and Willie Keeler. While Beavers Get Line of Zeros—Smith Has Collar Bone Broken.

EACH HAS A STYLE PECULIARLY HIS OWN

Stone Strikes Out Often, But Is Greatest Slugger on Earth—Lajoie Is the Most Graceful, While Keeler Is Premier in Science.

(Journal Special Service.) Chicago, Aug. 23.—Joe Cantillon, the manager of the Senators, has introduced a plan of holding little talks on batting every morning during the practice of his athletes, with the idea that he is going to make a bunch of sluggers out of them. Putting aside such great batsmen as Hans Wagner, St. Seymour, Denny Hoffman, Harry Lumley, Davis, Magee and half a dozen others, there are now three pre-eminent famous sluggers in the big leagues whose styles of batting are so absolutely opposite that it is hard to figure which one Cantillon is getting his dope from. These men are Stone, Larry Lajoie and Willie Keeler.

It would be hard to pick three men in either league who handle themselves so differently when facing a twirler and at the same time can show the grand average that this trio have in professional baseball. Stone is a natural and well-trained hitter, and Keeler is the most scientific and remarkable batsman that has ever been seen.

His Eye His Fortuna. When Stone was secured by the St. Louis club in the deal for Jesse Burkett, one of the many remarkable shrewd trades Manager McAleer has pulled off in the past few seasons, he had an agreement with President Hedges on the figure in his contract. Stone thought that he was worth \$300 more than he was offered.

The magnate wrote back to him to the effect that "you cannot expect the same consideration that many other new men would receive because, as you know, your arm is so bad that you can hardly throw to the infield." (Which is still true.) "My arm may be bad, but my eye is all right," was the laconic answer from the youngster. He got the \$300.

Stone does not move up to catch a ball before he has seen the pitcher's whip back and depends on his eye to catch the break of the curve in time to guide his bat. He is, on that account, a record breaker. He has made out more than the other two combined and frequently makes ridiculous swings at the ball.

He uses a slight, slender, short bat, because he can handle it faster and with more accuracy. This is why he uses about half of it. With a foot of it for use sticking out beyond his hands, he stands almost up to the plate, he stands sideways to the pitcher, and twirls that ever put his fingers around a ball can get many of them over beyond his knees and shoulders without hitting the wonder fouling them off or hitting them fair.

Keeler handles his bat as a tennis expert does a racquet, and he has almost the same accuracy. He chops with a short, sharp swing of the arms, and he can hit the ball within a few yards of the line he intended it should follow. Keeler is also a wonderful bunter. He can be depended on to lay down a sacrifice as sure as the pitcher throws a ball up where he can reach it. It was his ability to bunt with unfailing certainty that first made the squeeze play a possibility, and now with a man on third and Keeler up the squeeze will score a run out of seven times.

Keeler's eye is so good, his judgment so accurate, and he so seldom falls to hit the good ones, that there is a tradition in the league that Willie Keeler practically umpires his own balls and strikes. He never kicks at a decision, and seldom has been called on him, which give rise to the story that the umpire follows Keeler's judgment.

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S. A. C. RAFFLES OFF THE YACHT SPIRIT. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Seattle, Wash., Aug. 23.—The yacht Spirit, designed and built by Ted Yeary of Seattle, and the conqueror of the Canadian yacht Alexandra, went last night on a raffle to P. B. Stimson. Mr. Stimson already owns the Bonita, the largest yacht on Elliott bay.

No. 6 was the lucky number that took the prize and by a coincidence the first five chances out of 300 were taken by Mr. Stimson. He had other scatterings, but it was the last one of his block of five that won the crack little sailing craft. The drawing took place at the Seattle Athletic club.

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