

# SPORTS OF THE DAY

## LOCAL HUNTERS ON DUCK LAWS

### Game Bird Situation Will Be Discussed at Meeting Tonight.

Much interest has been aroused among Portland sportsmen by the amendments to the Oregon game laws proposed by N. Campbell in last Sunday's Journal. The proposition to have the duck-shooting season begin October 1 instead of September 1, as is now the case, met with general disfavor. Well posted duck shooters say that very few mallard, teal and widgeon ducks get as far south as the Oregon lakes in the month of September, while in some localities in this state, wood ducks are plentiful in that month, but disappear soon after October 1.

Another proposed change that will meet with considerable opposition is that of reducing the number of ducks that may be killed in one week from 50 to 25. Duck hunters argue that such a change in the law would be unjust to those who expend \$150 to \$200 a season in feeding a lake, hiring a watchman and buying ammunition, and who get out but once a week. As a matter of fact they contend the best hunters will not average over 25 ducks a week for the season, while during the season just closed few of them have done that well.

Practically all of the best known hunters expressed themselves as being opposed to legalizing the sale of ducks, as pot-hunters and market men could not be kept out of the preserves, with the result that in a few years a wild duck in Oregon would be a curiosity.

## Lipman Wants Shorter Season.

"The experience of the past two or three years has demonstrated the necessity of amending the Oregon game laws," said Will Lipman, one of Portland's most enthusiastic duck hunters, "and I am opposed to lengthening the duck-shooting season. On the contrary, I think the open season should close January 15, instead of February 1, as is now the case. Ducks begin to move before February 1, and it is a shame to kill them after the mating period begins. Under the game laws as they now read, ducks can't be sold at all. This, I think, is all wrong. Ducks ought to be sold in the open market, not less than one month during the year. This would give everybody a chance to enjoy the most toothsome bird found in Oregon.

"It is all a mistake to have the open season begin October 1, instead of September 1. Some of the best shooting that we have had in the past few years was in the month of September. The lakes and sloughs were full of ducks all through September."

## Season Should Open in October.

"Adolph Moelm, manager of the Northwest Gun company, thinks that the duck shooting season ought to begin October 1, and end March 1. "There was no shooting on Sauvie's island last September, but there are plenty there now. They are now returning from the south in great numbers and are abundant on the Columbia river. They feed in large bodies of water in the interior, such as Wapato lake, near Gaston, and another lake near Gardiner, down on the coast. There they are found in great numbers in January and February, but owing to the closed season beginning February 1, there is very little opportunity to shoot them."

## Should Consider Cost.

"When one pays out \$150 to \$200 a season for the privilege of shooting ducks, he ought to be allowed to kill 50 a week, if he can, which is the exception. Even among Portland's best duck hunters, the weekly average was under 25 during the past season."

The annual meeting of the Portland Fish and Game association will be held in the Chamber of Commerce tonight, when it is proposed to take up the game laws. Several proposed amendments will be discussed, and the legislative committee will be instructed to go before the next legislature and urge the enactment of such amendments as are adopted at the meeting.

## Lake Erie Trotting Circuit.

Cambridge Springs, Pa., Feb. 4.—The stewards of the Lake Erie trotting circuit assembled here today for their annual session. The principal business before the meeting is the allotment of dates for next season.

## CALL OF THE RACING CAR PROVES TOO MUCH FOR BARNEY OLDFIELD



Speed Demon Seated in His Famous "Green Dragon" Racer.

Under the banner of the Stearns, Barney Oldfield, for years king of all drivers, has returned to the racing world, and in the coming stock car chassis race in New York state, will be seen behind the wheel of one of the three 30-horsepower Stearns machines entered.

He contemplated going into the trade as a salesman, and hid himself toward the colony of ex-champions located in Pittsburgh.

But the call of the plunger, racing car was too much for Barney, and, as naturally as a piece of wood drifts into the swiftest part of the current, Oldfield was drawn to New York, where talk of the race was rife.

Almost before any one knew it, Oldfield was signed to drive Harlan W. Whipple's car, a Stearns 30-horsepower, in the big contest. Whipple is an experienced driver of the American Automobile association, and is one of the most prominent motorists in the country.

Local motoring enthusiasts remember the great driving of Barney Oldfield on the Irvington track last summer when he broke the world's record for the mile by circling the track in 52 1-5 seconds. He later broke the 10-mile circular track record.

During that race meeting the speed demon announced that it would not be long before he would quit the game, and made what was thought a definite retiring statement in Louisville, Kentucky, shortly afterwards, Oldfield gave as his reason for quitting the constant liability to injury or death, and the persuasion of Mrs. Oldfield to desert the hazardous calling.

## CARD AND HOLT LEAD IN SIX-DAY RACING

Big Crowd Sees Roller Skating Champions Fight for Lead at Oaks.

Before a wildly cheering crowd of several hundred spectators whose continued roar of applause turned the immense hall into a bedlam of confusion, 10 men on roller skates fought for first honors last night at the Oaks rink in the initial relay of the six day race.

The race continued for 30 minutes, and was exciting enough from the second the starter's pistol cracked to keep the crowd which lined all sides of the rink tuned to the highest pitch of excitement.

The contest began at 9:15, somewhat later than schedule owing to delays. Card representing the Exposition rink, and Holt of Chicago, who represents the Oaks rink, finished with 99 laps to their credit, a distance of 11 miles, 18 1-2 miles. The record is better than last year, and the race generally much faster and better featured. The score of the racers in laps was as follows:

Racer	Laps	Miles
Holt	99	11 18 1/2
Card	98	11 16 1/2
Copeland	98	10 8 1/2
Kruse	96	10 2 1/2
Brown	95	10 5 1/2
Leit	94	10 4 1/2
Litt	94	10 4 1/2
Harrison	93	10 1 1/2
Farrell	91	10 1 1/2
Schwartz	87	10 1 1/2

The contest was not greatly unlike six day bicycle race towards its close. From the time the start was made the contest was furious. First place was eagerly sought by each individual skater, and an additional roar in the thunder of applause and cheering signified at times that one favorite had gained on another, or a lap had been put between one entrant and his opponent.

Towards the finish, exhaustion grasped three or four of the skaters. Jostled a little by another contestant and in too weakened a condition to resist, nearly all of the racers went down on the floor where they lay for a few minutes until put on their feet again and started on their course like an automaton. Schwartz dropped out early in the race, too winded to continue.

The race will be continued for another 30 minutes tonight, beginning at 9 o'clock.

## CANBY WOULD BUILD MODERN RACK TRACK

Clackamas County Fair De-sired by Residents of Enterprising Town.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Canby, Or., Feb. 4.—The people of Canby and vicinity are jubilant over the prospect of securing the permanent location of the Clackamas county annual fair at this point, and every inducement is being held out to the directors with that end in view.

Charles N. Wait, who owns 600 acres of land on Canby prairie, has made the association a proposition to grant them a 10 year lease, and Canby agrees to take \$1,000 worth of stock. Mr. Wait has about 300 acres lying in the city limits, and the land is almost as level as a floor. The soil is compact and well drained, so that the race track could be used at any season of the year.

The object of local business men is to build the race track here and make it a training point for farm horses in Oregon. The land is well watered, and is one of the prettiest locations in the state for a fair and for race track.

## White Rivers Take Set.

Three straight games were captured by the White River five from the Portland quintet of pin getters on the Oregon alleys last night. Probably the result might have been different had one of Portland men not been absent. Following is the result:

Player	(1)	(2)	(3)	Tl. Ave.
Copen	129	147	206	492 164
Harrington	203	176	185	564 188
Martin	118	186	122	426 142
Schonenbach	171	200	175	546 182
Minsinger	177	211	203	591 197
Kruse	177	211	203	591 197
Total	808	919	843	

**PORTLAND.**

Player	(1)	(2)	(3)	Tl. Ave.
McMonies	176	216	169	560 187
Kelly	174	159	178	512 172
Moore	117	143	165	425 141
Absentee	109	103	100	309 100
Total	721	739	744	

## This Day in Sport Annals.

1861—Aht Brooklyn, first baseball game played on ice with skates, the Atlantic defeating the Charter Oak Nine.

1871—At Pottsville, Pennsylvania, J. H. Dorrance defeated N. L. Dorrance in championship wrestling match.

1892—Steamer Minocla arrived at New York, the first steamer to make the round trip around Cape Horn between New York and San Francisco, 72 days.

1898—At Philadelphia, Jack Daly and Philadelphia "Jack" O'Brien fought six rounds to a draw.

1904—At Glens Falls, New York, Vlnco broke the mile ice trotting record, 2:16.

1906—At New York, John Flanagan threw the 28 pound weight 33 feet one half inch.

1907—At Hot Springs, Tommy Ryan knocked out Dave Barry in fifth round.

**Portland Loses at Seattle.**

In a fiercely contested game the Y. M. C. A. basketball five went down to defeat last night at the hands of Seattle. The game was a narrow margin of 20 to 22. The game was very exciting throughout and it was only by the hard kind of playing that the Seattle team gained its victory. This is the second league game the Portland boys have lost, the other being with Tacoma last Saturday. Their previous record is four straight wins to their credit.

## Cat and Toy Dog Show.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—A national cat and toy dog show opened in the Coliseum Annex today under the joint auspices of the Boreaford Cat Club of America and the American Toy Dog club. The exhibits include nearly all the prize winners seen at the recent shows in New York, Philadelphia, Cleveland and other cities.

## Neighborhood Favorite.

Mrs. E. D. Charles, of Harbor, Maine, speaking of Electric Bitters, says: "It is a neighborhood favorite here with us. It deserves to be a favorite everywhere. It gives quick relief in dyspepsia, liver complaint, kidney derangement, malnutrition, nervousness, weakness and general debility. Its action on the blood, as a thorough purifier, makes it especially useful as a spring medicine. This grand alterative tonic is sold under guarantee at Skidmore Drug Co.'s drug store, 50c."

## MODEL TROUT LAW IS WANTED AGAIN

### Association Wants Whole State Closed for Deer—Bounty on Crows.

The annual meeting of the Oregon Fish and Game association will be held on the second floor of the Chamber of Commerce at 7:30 tonight. A general discussion of proposed fish and game legislation will occupy the time of the meeting.

Among the important changes in the law to be discussed is that of closing trout. The association will make an effort to have the trout law that was on the statutes prior to the meeting of the last legislature reenacted.

The law then in force was regarded as a model and had been commented on by eastern sportsmen and pronounced the best statute of its kind in force in any state in the Union. It was inadvertently repealed a year ago in an attempt to exempt from its operation the Coquille river.

Another measure that will come up for discussion tonight is that feature of the game law that applies to the closed season for deer. As the law now stands, it applies to the entire state except the counties of Coos, Curry, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Baker, Umatilla, Union and Wallowa. The association will attempt to have the law so amended as to apply to the whole state.

A resolution will be offered asking the legislature to offer a bounty on crows for the reason that it is found they destroy quantities of pheasant eggs and young pheasants.

While the members of the association are generally in favor of an amendment bringing the duck-shooting season to a close January 15, it is not believed that anything along that line will come before tonight's meeting. The effort has been made a number of times to have the legislature pass such a law, but without success.

A full set of officers to serve during the ensuing year will be elected at a meeting to be held on the 11th inst. A full set of officers to serve during the ensuing year will be elected at a meeting to be held on the 11th inst. A full set of officers to serve during the ensuing year will be elected at a meeting to be held on the 11th inst.

## EIGHT CLUBS IN VALLEY LEAGUE

### Tri-City Directors Met Last Night to Talk Over Baseball.

The first gun of the Tri-City league season of 1908 was fired last evening, when the directors met at the office of Secretary Smith. Great enthusiasm was manifested and a decision reached whereby the league will continue along the lines of last year, in that eight teams will be operated, two in Portland, representing the east and west side; Vancouver, St. Johns, Woodburn, Oregon City, Salem and either Albany or Astoria. Astoria still holds a franchise and the Astoria team are working tooth and nail to keep in the league. Their representatives stated last night that grounds would be secured down town near or on the cur line. Owing to the distance to be traveled the directors do not feel that Astoria would be a paying proposition unless some special inducement was made to swell the attendance at games.

Woodburn is ready to take out a franchise and will have a good team. Being close to Portland, Oregon City, Salem and the other towns, excepting Astoria, the Woodburn people will have no trouble securing admittance.

Eugene was also discussed as a possible member, but the distance to be traveled seemed to bother the directors. However, some definite action will be taken at the annual meeting, which occurs Tuesday evening, February 11.

## Discuss Firm Advertising.

Considerable time was consumed in the discussion of the elimination of individual firm advertising, and the placing of the league's teams upon a more dignified basis. A vote taken resulted in the allowance of advertising being a feature with certain restrictions and modifications. The teams, however, will all be known and named.

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## THE DALES WANTS TO OWN RACE TRACK

### City Council Will Probably Aid Horse Lovers to Control Grounds.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

The Dales, Feb. 4.—At the city council meeting last night Mayor Kelly informally brought up the matter of purchasing the present fair site for permanent fair and athletic grounds. The property is a part of the old Catholic mission, purchased recently by P. J. Stadelman, who is willing to sell it at \$100 per acre and maintain it for their grounds. The cost of the tract would be approximately \$3,500.

It is planned by the fair association and horse lovers to purchase this tract and beautify and improve the grounds. The grand stand, livestock sheds and racing oval are estimated at being worth \$5,000, and unless a deal is made these will be destroyed.

The fair association, the city and the business men are to get together to plan for the purchase of the tract. The Dales needs this property and the sentiment is in its favor.

It is probable the railroad company will run a spur to the grounds if right of way can be secured, and Mr. Stadelman will open Ninth street to the grounds, thus making them easy of access.

## Death of Colonel Shaw.

Seized by a severe fit of coughing, which resulted in the breaking of a blood vessel, Colonel E. F. Shaw, a veteran of the early Indian wars and a pioneer of the northwest, died this morning at his home, 1300 Broadway. He was 77 years old and served through the Indian wars of 1855-6. He is survived by a wife and three sons, E. G. and J. W. Shaw of Portland and E. F. Shaw Jr. of Spokane.

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Brigham	124	150	185	459 153
Routledge	125	170	198	493 164
Hudson	99	114	109	322 110
Pittcock	93	123	99	315 104
Burman	103	67	92	262 87
Total	704	811	691	

**MCABE'S TEAM.**

Player	(1)	(2)	(3)	Tl. Ave.
McCabe	179	177	208	564 188
Jones	125	134	173	432 144
McClellan	87	134	142	363 121
Get	148	122	181	451 150
Boulton	157	136	174	467 156
Total	704	811	691	