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McCREDIE'S NEW WRONG SIDER IS WIZARD TWIRLER

Lefty Gregg Easily Shuts Out Oakland Men While Portland Rolls Up Seven Runs—Ryan Gets Homer.

You're just got to slip it in one W. McCredie, whimsically the Sauntering Kid, W. stands for wizard and that's what the tall manager surely is. Can you beat the Beaver chief when it comes to picking up young talent?

If you say that game yesterday your answer couldn't be anything else but in the affirmative. Yes, McCredie chose Mr. V. Gregg, of last year's Spokane Indian northwest leagues as the most likely of all the 1909 left wingers in sight and his judgment was amply vindicated when the big pitcher celebrated his advent to the class A league slabs by shutting out the Oaks without effort. Yes, was there at every stage of the engagement and had not his team mates piled up seven runs he could have led the Californians down with fewer hits than they got. As it was the boy from the beach overhauled only allowed Wolverton's men to glean six of the Wagner makers. To sum it all up Gregg made good.

Opposing Slabman Easy.

In marked contrast to the mound performance of the Portland recruit was the work of the opposing slabman. It took three slingers and two receivers to hold Walter's bubbling swatmen down to seven runs. They took a liking to Timmelin Nelson's bands in the very first verse and they played music on the curves of Mr. Harkins, who tried to stem the tide. But "Hark" had an engagement down town. He could hardly wait until the second chapter to evacuate the diamond in favor of the anything but lively Monsieur Lively.

The available supply of Oakland pitchers having been reduced to M. Lively, he was forced to continue through the rest of the game, notwithstanding the fact that he plainly did not relish his task.

The home guard gained a commanding lead in the first inning, when they piled up four runs off Mr. Nelson and Mr. Harkins by batting the ball all over the field for three singles and a double. After Netzel had been retired on a grounder to Cameron, Olson sauntered. The Norseman went to third on Bill Rappa's two bag tap to right. Slim flung one to the backstop and Olson came across with the first run, Rappa going to third. Hotting's hit to left of shortstop brought Rappa over. Ort waited and then Buddy Ryan singled to right, advancing Her to second.

Harkins mounted the acclivity at this juncture and M. Nelson just reached the bench in time to watch Betty tap the rubber with the third run, this having resulted from a hot single off Flasher's bat over second. Just before Gus came to the bat Specs had walked, peopling the cushions. Ryan had stolen home when Harkins' slow delivery of the fourth ball to Gregg advanced everybody one base anyhow.

Ort Scores Twisting.

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RICH PURSES WILL ATTRACT FASTNAGS

Fall Races Offer Best Prizes in History of Western Racing.

At the Portland fair grounds preparation is being made for the third annual livestock show and race meeting this summer. This year Portland opens the big circuit. The livestock shows will have been given here, have attracted breeders of horses, cattle, sheep and swine from all parts of the country. In quality of exhibits, the Portland shows have ranked with the big fairs of America.

In the harness race program this year Portland offers the strongest card ever given in the west. It was demonstrated two years ago that the Portland track is fast, perhaps the best on the Pacific coast. The first heat of the first race on the new track in 1908 was paced in 2:07 1/2, by Josephine, the 4-year-old daughter of Zolock, pacer 2:05 1/2. At the same meeting Ray O'Light, son of Searchlight, 2:05 1/2, tied the world's 2-year old pacing record of the year in 2:05 1/2. Mona Wilkes paced a mile at Portland in 2:04 1/2, the northwest pacing record, and John Caldwell trotted a mile in 2:09, the northwest trotting record.

Entries to Be Numerous.

It is the claim of the followers of harness racing, that given good purses and suitable classes, the entries will be numerous. This has been demonstrated in the larger purses given here, at Salem and through the northwest circuit. The big classes like the C. C. and the M. & M. have had as a cost limit, purses of \$10,000. Portland enthusiasts have hoped that the first \$10,000 trotting purse might be given here. And it is so.

At the fall meeting of 1910, the handicappers \$10,000 for trotters eligible to the 2:12 class will be the star feature of the meeting. Already entries are promised from as far east as Denver, from Helena, Spokane and California, while the crack trotters of that class in Oregon, Washington and Idaho will compete.

It will mean, probably, the largest field to start ever seen in this territory.

Another big event is the Hotel purse \$5000, for 2:14 pacers. This will also

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CATCHERS BIG NOISES IN BASEBALL'S REALM

When we come to think it over the two men who made the biggest noise in the baseball field this spring were catchers. They were Larry McLean of the Cincinnati Reds, and Johnny Kling of the Chicago Cubs. Both were at war with the team managers over infractions of the rules. Johnny, after being out of the game a season, evidenced a disposition to get back, but at the last minute he balked at a reduction of salary. Larry kept in the limelight for two months while he wrangled with the Reds' management.

In notable opposition to the noise made by these two catchers was George Gibson of the world's champion Pirates, probably the finest backstop in the National league. When George quietly signed up for this year Barney Dreyfus wept tears of joy. George didn't ask for more money, but upon reading his contract after signing it he was surprised to find that his pay had been raised \$500 for the season.

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THE CANDY KID

BENNETT TO PLAY SWIGERT FOR CUP

John Bennett and C. F. Swigert will fight it out in the president's cup tournament at the Waverly Golf club next Saturday afternoon. Both gentlemen won their knockout games yesterday afternoon in nice style. Mr. Bennett breaking his own record with a score of 81.

The day was ideal and a large crowd watched the handicap games. Mr. Bennett was opposed by John E. Young with a handicap of two strokes on the latter. He won three up and two to play. Mr. Swigert had a handicap of ten strokes on Russell Smith, whom he beat three up and two to play.

The winners will meet in the final next Saturday and the game promises to be a close and exciting one.

The next tournament indulged in by the club will be held next June, when the Oregon state championships will be played for by both ladies and gentlemen.

Good Golf Matches Result in Waverly Tourney for President's Cup.

Pal Moore, the fast and clever little bantam weight, who created such a sensation in St. Louis in the east, is growing so rapidly that he will soon have to get into the featherweight division. In that event he will run up against Abe Attell. If a bout between Moore and Attell could be arranged at this time pink followers say it would create more interest than any other fight in years. Attell can make 125 pounds ring-side without turning a hair and is spoiling for a good scrap. Moore is said to be 114 and 115 pounds easily but now the best he can do is 117.

PAL MOORE IS HEAVIER AND MAY MEET ATTELL

Roger's Secret Practice.

If the practice inaugurated by Roger Bresnahan at St. Louis is carried out in the future baseball practice may be carried on for some time every spring behind locked gates with no one looking on. This is hardly possible, however, for the fans were saying harsh things about the Cardinals at the time when Roger and his jolly crew arrived in St. Louis and Bresnahan took this method of springing the franchise. The club owners are something new in professional baseball.

BIRDIE CREE TELLS HOW TO HIT THE PILL

Birdie Cree, the hard hitting second baseman of the New York American team, has some good advice for amateur baseball players who aspire to be Hans Wagner or Ty Cobb with the stick. Observe the following from Birdie:

It is a case of trying to outguess the pitcher. You must try to determine what he is going to throw.

It is necessary to watch the ball. Keep an eye on it from the second it leaves the pitcher's hand. When you have trained your eye to this task the chances of being hit are at a minimum. The greatest fault with ball players is that they lose track of the ball when it leaves the pitcher's hand and strike where they think it ought to be. Strength is not necessary to become a "slugger". Give the pellet a sharp tap and it will travel as far as though you put all your heft up against the bat.

CLEVER LIGHTWEIGHT



Abe Label, the hard hitter who meets Roscoe Taylor next Friday night.

RIVER SPORTSMEN STILL UNDECIDED

Members of the river clubs are undecided about the regatta during the Rose Festival and it may end in all the clubs going to Vancouver, Wash., to compete for the prizes proposed by the neighboring city. There is something like \$500,000 invested in some 200 motor boats along the Willamette and members of the motor boat club are emphatic in their declaration that the festival committee should do something better than appropriate \$400 for the proposed two days' racing.

Members of the motor boat club are more vigorous in their demand for a better proposition from the Rose Festival committee than those of any other organization. In racing sport, the motor boat club has done bigger things than any of the other clubs and this probably is the reason for their spokesmanship.

When the motor boat club could line the banks of the Willamette river last New Year's day with thousands of people to see slow-going boat races, it is only natural, they argue, that at least 10,000 would watch such fast craft as the Wolf II and Essex, the two fastest boats in the west of their class, and three other new high powered boats that are being constructed especially for the June races.

The motor boat clubmen had hoped to pull the Pacific coast championship during the festival but claim they can not induce fast boats to come here for the small sum appropriated to cover the prizes.

The river enthusiasts criticize the festival committee for not being alive to the fact that Portland would be nothing if it were not for the river. There are a some boat building concerns here, they contend, that build everything from a canoe to an ocean going steamer. They think these industries ought not to be overlooked when it comes to apportioning the prize money.

Several men they say would gladly donate money to the festival cause if the entertainment program contained a regatta, but under present circumstances they are withholding their financial support.

The river sportsmen are hoping that everything will work out nicely and that the river regatta will be held along the Portland shores during two days of the rose festival.

Hope Rose Festival Committee Will See Merit in Water Races.

James J. Jeffries playing with his pet watch dog at the Rowardennan training camp.

GERMAN ATHLETES CRACK FIGHTERS STRIVE FOR MEDAL

Hochull May Lose Precious Trophy He Has Held for Two Years.

Who will carry off the \$150 Weltbund medal donated for the best all around athlete in Portland social turn Verein next Tuesday night?

That is a question that is occupying the attention of most everybody in the popular German society. For two years Rudolph Hochull has won the medal and if he takes in this year, it will belong to him for the rest of his days.

But there is another luminary on the scene in William Krause, who finished five points ahead of Hochull in practice the other evening. Krause looks like the winner now, although Hochull expects to make a better showing in the big event.

Points will count on two exercises on the horizontal bars, two on the parallel bars, three on the horse, high jump, and rope climbing. Two years ago Hochull won by half a point and last year by three-quarters of a point.

During the contest the juniors from 14 to 18 years of age will go through the same exercises for a smaller gold medal.

Last night Physical Director Gens and four of the best athletes left for Seattle, where the 18th anniversary of the Seattle turn Verein will be celebrated. Besides the directors those who went were: Hochull, Krause, William Emig and Joe Reich.

Everybody is invited to attend the meet in Turner hall, corner Fourth and Yamhill, next Tuesday night.

CONCERN IN ELIMINATION

Johnny Coulon, who made such a good showing in New Orleans and in the east, will be a leading figure in the elimination boxing match at the National Sporting club of California. Monte Atell, the California bantam, brother of Abe, will meet Digger Stanley there. This will be the first fight of the elimination series. Others who will fight are Young O'Leary and Frankie Burns.

TOMMY MURRAY'S WIT GAVE VANCOUVER FUN

A funny incident happened last year at Vancouver, B. C., when the Portland Northwest league team was playing one of its series there. The members of the Portland team occupied ringside seats at a boxing smoker one night with the exception of Tommy Murray, who sat in the bleachers.

Fred Casey was laid up at the time of the game with his bad knee, and little Phil Conroy was acting captain.

When two of the principals were introduced it developed that one of their names was Casey. The other chap was a colored fighter by the name of Scott. When the battle had progressed a few rounds and the colored chap was knocking the block off Casey, the "white man," Tommy Murray, who was way up in the bleachers, let fly a remark which brought down the house. Tom hollered to Conroy: "Put Jimmy Adams in to hit for Casey."

This was the event of the evening, and Adams nearly killed Murray when he saw him again. Casey, Adams and Conroy were the targets for some awful joshing the rest of the week.

RECREATION OF A PRIZEFIGHTER

The other boys arranged by the club have all the earmarks of being equally as good as the main event. Bobby Evans and Mackey Conroy, who will provide the entertainment in the semi-windup, are in the greatest shape possible, and both wish that the bout was for this evening.

Evans realizes what it means if he wins, and with that end in view has placed himself in the pink of condition. If he wins he will make a tour of California under the guidance of a well known local sport and will have a terrible right swing of his working overtime the night of his bout with Conroy, who can wallop some himself.

Conroy has had just 38 matches, and won all by the knockout route excepting

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ONE THIRD BASEMAN WHO FILLS THE BILL



Gus Nettling, who joined the Beavers' squad, coming from the St. Louis Americans. He is the goods.



James J. Jeffries playing with his pet watch dog at the Rowardennan training camp.