

LATEST Ring : Track SPORTING Field : Diamond NEWS

PREPARE GROUNDS FOR NEXT SEASON

Levelling Off and Grass Seeding Work Is Now Under Way.

Since the Chicago-Portland football game here New Year's day the ground keeper at the baseball park has been busily engaged in taking the sawdust blanket off the field. When this is done and all of the splinters have been removed work will commence on the field, which will be built up for the games next year.

Every season a certain amount of work is necessary on the field. The infield paths have to be leveled up, the pitcher's box raised and the depressions in the outfield filled. The soccer and other football games raise havoc with the infield and it oftentimes requires weeks to work it into shape for playing. Last year considerable sandy loam was spread over the paths and as a result they became the fastest in the league. This year more of the same sort of earth will be applied. It also has the effect of absorbing moisture, leaving the surface in good playing condition after fairly heavy rains.

Plant Much Grass.
A number of holes were left in the outfield and the groundkeeper will fill these in and level off as much as possible. One of the first things to do will be to scatter about 100 pounds of blue grass and clover seed over the infield and the outfield.

While the present field will not be used after the coming season, after which the teams will be transferred to the new grounds in South Portland, it is thought necessary to put in a good deal of work owing to the continual use of the park by both leagues next season. The grandstand will also be strengthened up for the wear and tear of next year, but it is hardly likely that any additions will be made to the bleachers, the present accommodations being regarded as large enough for next season. Of course some of the crowds will have to go into the overflow space on the field, but leaving these emergency crowds out of consideration, the grandstand and bleachers will be ample.

M'CREDJIE SAYS TEAM TRAINS IN SANTA MARIA

San Francisco, Jan. 11.—Portland's club in the Pacific Coast league, and possibly the same team in the Northwest league, will train at Santa Maria, according to an announcement by Manager McCredie, who, with his wife, Judge W. W. McCredie, owns both teams. McCredie left for Los Angeles today to complete arrangements for the spring training trip.

Portland will have a strong team this year in both leagues, McCredie said. He will patch up the holes made by draft and sales, mainly with eastern players. He also has one or two promising bushers.

Most of McCredie's men already have come to terms for next season, and the remainder have signified their intention of doing so.

Artie Krueger and Tommy Sheehan, outfielder and third baseman, respectively, of the Beavers, are in San Francisco. They will stay here until spring training begins.

VICTORIA CLUB NAMES BASEBALL OFFICERS

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 11.—At a meeting of the Victoria baseball club, held yesterday afternoon, officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows:

Honorable president, his honor, the lieutenant governor of British Columbia, T. W. Paterson; general manager, L. A. Wattalot; president and treasurer, T. S. McPherson; vice president, J. S. Kingham; secretary, T. P. McConnell; director, Robert F. Green.

On invitation, D. E. Dugdale, general manager of the Seattle baseball club, was present and met those who are interesting themselves in the introduction of professional ball to British Columbia's capital. He predicted a successful season for the northwestern team.

HUGHEY JENNINGS SIGNS UP CONTRACT FOR LIFE

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 11.—Hugh Jennings, manager of the Detroit Tigers, and Miss Marguerite O'Boyle, were married here today. The ceremony was performed in St. Peter's Catholic cathedral. Auxiliary Bishop Pendergast, a relative of the bride, officiated. Amelia O'Boyle, the bride's sister, was maid of honor and State Representative Murtagh of New York, best man. The honeymoon will be spent on the Pacific coast.

CHAMPION WRESTLER WHO MARRIES TODAY



Frank Gotch, champion wrestler of the world, illustrating the toe hold which has not only made him famous the world over, but has won him a fortune estimated at \$250,000. Gotch will be married today to Miss Gladys Oestrich, an Iowa girl.

TOMMY BURNS WILL FIGHT FOR \$12,500

Seattle, Jan. 11.—Tempted by a sure thing purse of \$12,500, Tommy Burns, former heavyweight champion of the world, today confirmed the report that he will fight Bill Lange in London this spring. He cabled Hugh McIntosh, the Australian promoter, yesterday, accepting the terms and promises to start from Seattle before March 1.

The injury which Burns sustained in an interurban car smashup a month ago is still troubling him, but he started light training work today. "Just to keep in condition," and feels confident that he will be fit when he enters the ring with Lange.

"I will take Jack Lester over to London when I go," said Burns today, "and let him go up against some of the comers over there. It will help to season him."

Lester is a local coal miner who has been taken up by Burns.

HUGO KELLY READY TO REENTER RING FEB. 22

Chicago, Jan. 11.—Hugo Kelly's injured arm will be mended sufficiently for him to reenter the ring on Washington's birthday. It was announced today. At the same time the Italian fighter signed articles of agreement with the Star Athletic club of Milwaukee to appear for them on that date. Kelly's opponent has not yet been selected, but probably will be Tony Caponi. After fighting in Milwaukee, Kelly agreed to go to Philadelphia and meet some middleweight before "Philadelphia Jack" O'Brien's club.

M'FARLAND TO PUT ROLL ON CHANCES

Packy Says He'll Be Able to Retire if He Defeats Welsh.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, Jan. 11.—When Packy McFarland goes against Freddie Welsh in England next month he will carry the family bank roll. If he loses, the McFarland family will be broke, according to the declaration of the stockyards scrapper today.

"I am on my way to England," said Packy, as he stepped off a train from Kansas City today, where he put a crusher on Johnny McCarthy of San Francisco. "I will stay in New York a few days and pick up what money I can, for I want all I can get to bet on myself. I'll be down, hook, line and sinker, if I can get takers. All my relatives will do the same. I expect to whip Welsh, and if I do I shall have enough money to retire."

McFarland will do his preliminary training on this side of the Atlantic and will taper off in London.

This Date in Sport Annals.

1871.—At Buffalo—F. Parker defeated A. P. Rudolph in billiard match for \$1000 and championship.

1885.—At Butte, Mont.—J. Carkeek (three falls) defeated Duncan McMillan (two) in mixed styles wrestling match for \$500.

1887.—At Philadelphia—George Lavigne and Owen Ziegler fought six rounds, no decision.

1904.—At Portland, Maine—Chester Goodwin defeated Austin Rice in 15 rounds.

1906.—At Vallejo, Cal.—Joe Thomas knocked out Al Neill in fourteenth round.

BLUECOAT KNOCKS MR. B. NELSON OUT

Former Champion Prohibited From Challenging All Comers From Stage.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, Jan. 11.—A knockout punch that will keep him out for all times unless he adheres to certain restrictions, was handed to Battling Nelson, former lightweight champion, by the New York police department today. The wallop was conveyed in an official looking envelope presented to Nelson by a blue coated individual, but it was even more effectual than the one Owen Moran handed him in person in San Francisco two months ago.

Nelson is appearing here in vaudeville. His lines are to come on the stage, do a little monologue and then advance to the footlights and challenge all comers.

The police heard of it and sent an inspector to the show last night. On his report the letter to Nelson was based. It directed the battler to cut out his challenge or go to jail, as its issuance was an infringement on the New York laws.

Results at Emeryville.

Emeryville, Cal., Jan. 11.—Results yesterday:

First race, six furlongs—Rosamo, 5 to 2, won; Prudent, 4 to 1, second; Grace G., even, third. Time, 1:15.

Second race, three furlongs—Cash on Delivery, 5 to 1, won; Milo, 2 to 1, second; King Earl, 1 to 3, third. Time, 0:35 2-5.

Third race, mile and 20 yards—Jim Gaffney, 11 to 10, won; Royal River, 4 to 1, second; Raleigh, 4 to 5 third. Time, 1:43 3-5.

Fourth race, 6 furlongs—Pay Streak, 5 to 2, won; Jim Basey, 1 to 2, second; Max Dice, out, third. Time, 1:07 2-5.

Fifth race, one mile—Clisko, 5 to 1, won; Lady Rensselaer, 2 to 1, second; El Paisano, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:45 2-5.

Sixth race, six furlongs—Anna Stewart, 3 to 1, won; Wsner, 2 to 1, second; Arthur Hyman, 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:16.

BRITISH COLUMBIAN PLAYERS WANT COIN

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 11.—Although the word professional is not mentioned in the constitution of the new British Columbia Football league, it will be practically a professional body. The four clubs—Nanaimo, Ladysmith and two Vancouver teams—have refused to affiliate with the B. C. A. A. U. in order that they can receive money for their services. The final meeting was held yesterday when officers were elected and a schedule to open February 26 was drawn up.

JOE TINKER SECURES OREGON APPLE LAND

Joe Tinker, Oregon freeholder. That's the new distinction of the famous Chicago shortstop, who yesterday closed a deal for 18 acres of fruit land near Newberg, half apple and half cherry, with good improvements. The

ON WAY TO ENGLAND



Packy McFarland, who fights Freddie Welsh in London, and who will bet the family plate on his chances.

cherry trees will be ready to bear next year. Tinker has left for Chicago where he opens a theatrical engagement next week, and intends to return to Oregon at the close of the National league schedule next year.

In addition to buying the Newberg fruit land, Tinker also purchased two acres of land just east of Montavilla, taking an option on a couple of adjoining acres. The Newberg property is near that of Billy Sullivan and Clarke Griffith, also big league ball players.

SPARTAN FIVE WILL MEET BEHNKE-WALKER

The Spartans and the Behnke-Walker basketball teams of the Columbia league will meet tonight at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium at 8:15 o'clock. The game promises to be very interesting one with the Spartans the favorites from their position as leaders of the league. Behnke-Walker has strengthened its team and is now in good shape to play a strong game against any five in the league. It is expected by the followers of city basketball affairs that the game will be as interesting as the Spartan-Multnomah affair which the former won.

Already there are over 400 members of the Grants Pass Commercial club.

OREGON BASEBALL PROSPECTS GOOD

Team of Veterans Will Be Placed in Field by University.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
University of Oregon, Eugene, Jan. 11.—With spring in sight the Oregon baseball fans are beginning to dope out the team which will represent the varsity during the season of 1911. From present indications it looks as if Oregon would put a veteran team into the field. Every old man has returned to college with the exception of Clark, Henkle, McIntosh and Gabrielson. The two latter men will probably return at the beginning of the next semester. Clark, one of the best hitters who ever wore the lemon yellow, was lost by the graduation route. Henkle, the twirler, fell before the alluring offers of Manager Dugdale of the Seattle team and will not be eligible on account of professionalism.

The following men are now in college to form a nucleus of the team: Captain Taylor (C), Ward (P), Jamison (1st), Harbour (3d), Newland (3d), Doble (SS), McKenzie (3d), Chandler (LF), and Van Martyr (RF).

No Coach Yet.
As yet no coach has been secured but negotiations are under way to secure some Oregon graduates to do the work. With the exception of O. A. C. all the conference colleges will be played.

A trip through the Inland Empire will be taken during the spring vacation and return games will be played with all the colleges in Eugene.

As soon as the basketball schedule will permit indoor practice will be begun for the pitchers and catchers, as it is in this department that the varsity is weak. Tom Word of Portland, who twirled last season, will be in college but on account of the heavy schedule it is necessary that at least two more slab artists be secured. There are several freshmen in college with good "prep" records who may make good. These are Houck of Washington high, a boy that Manager McCredie of Portland, likes; Cobb of Portland academy, and Fenton of Dallas college. In case none of these show varsity class it is probable that Jamison will be brought in from first to occupy the box.

SOLOMON AND ASCHER PLAY AGAIN TONIGHT

Henry Solomon and Max Ascher will continue their three cushion billiard match at Bowie & Caldwell's billiard parlors in the basement of the Lumbermen's Exchange building at 5:30 o'clock tonight. Solomon is leading by 32 points with 100 points remaining to play. A large crowd is expected to be in attendance at the match tonight.

To Meet Old Friends.

Old friends and customers of the Oregon Shoe Store, 247 Morrison street, will be out in force tomorrow morning, when the great closing out sale of these high grade shoes at 50c on the dollar begins. Doors open at 9 o'clock. See page 12.

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"We believe in growing chickens, walnuts, apples and boys," said Harry Stone, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., speaking last night at the annual meeting of the organization. "We believe in building men," said J. C. Clarke, head of the boys' department. "A man came riding through on the humpers of a train," said President R. C. French of the educational department. "He was a hobo. He came to us. We taught him electrical work. He now holds a good position. That is an instance of our man-building." A chart showed that Y. M. C. A. growth in Portland had been much faster than the growth of the city itself. Increases of from 200 to 300 per cent were shown in nearly all departments. In membership the growth in 10 years has been 360 per cent; in the boys' department, more than 700 per cent. Fletcher S. Brookman, general secretary of Y. M. C. A. work for China, emphasized the importance of the association work among orientals. China, he said, had progressed 4000 years in civilization in the last 10. China was waking up. The commerce of the far east was for the Pacific coast, for Portland, provided the Pacific coast and Portland became alive to the opportunity.