

# FISHING BOAT RACE FOR ASTORIA'S MEET

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Astoria, Or., May 20.—With more than 5000 of the Columbia river fishing boats in commission here, there is every evidence of sharp competition in race No. 7 during the Astoria centennial regatta. This is the race to which these little sailing boats are eligible and with a purse of \$110 in sight and the rivalry incident to the claim to prowess, every skipper is determined to cross the finishing line first.

From 26 to 30 feet in length and a beam of from six to eight feet, these craft are about the most seaworthy vessels in the world. And, with accurate construction for safety, splendid sails and manned by men who know how to sail, these craft are ideal to furnish the race over the five mile sailing course which will keep them within sight of thousands during the whole race.

Every navigator on one of these little money makers will be a past master in the art of seamanship, with perfect knowledge of currents, eddies and air eccentricities. These men make their living by knowing how to sail boats and fish; make their bread and butter from knowing all the currents and air channels and during the race they will use all the information they have taken years to gather.

There are more than 5000 of these fishing boats at Astoria but many of them are equipped with motors. These will be barred from the sailing race, but race No. 8 will be where these little six horsepower fishers will shine in their competition. This will not be so spectacular a race as the sailing event but it will be plenty interesting to all and especially to those who have coast aside the sails for the more economical and more adaptable motor boat. The prize money for the motor equipped fishing boat race aggregates \$80 and is to be divided among the winners.

The race scheduled for dinghies will enable those farmers who use boats to get their produce to market to enter into the spirit of the regatta, which begins on September 4 and continues a whole week. The course for these boats is but 2 1/2 miles long and the purse

is \$50. The owners of these boats are adept seamen and the race is bound to be a big feature for the farmers of Clatsop county, in which Astoria is located and is naturally a sea dog and will surely show a good account of himself during this race.

These features are but a few of the many planned and scheduled by the regatta committee of the Astoria Motor Boat club for the centennial commemo-ration. Roughly speaking there are more than \$12,000 in cash purses for this regatta and it is a big centennial feature. An attraction which includes the big displacement boat championship and the hydroplane race, in which it will be necessary for the winning craft to do more than 35 miles an hour to win. The prizes in these two events aggregate \$5500. A big incentive for good racing.

## WATER CARNIVAL PLANNED FOR JUNE

(Continued from Page Four.) and all the known fancy and racing strokes, tilting contest.

Relay race is open for all clubs, four men to a team, each relay 100 yards. Gold medals will be given all swimmers on the winning team.

The clubs who have promised to send teams up to date are the Multnomah club, Seattle A. C. Olympic club, Eugene Athletic club, Southern California Swimming association, Boise Athletic club and the Aberdeen Swimming club. The Multnomah club has secured the use of the O. W. R. & N. dock at the east end of the Madison street bridge for the day of the races. This dock will hold 5000 people in absolute safety, and the races will be in plain view from the point of vantage. The races may also be seen from the Madison street bridge.

A high diving exhibition from the bridge by two divers from the Multnomah club and the Y. M. C. A. association, will terminate the excellent program.

Indianapolis' big 500 mile automobile race, May 30, will start at 10 o'clock a. m. A total of 48 racers have entered; more than twice the number ever entered in any other race. The money prizes will foot up \$37,000.

## HORSES WHICH WILL COMPETE IN HUNT CLUB'S SPRING MEET.



Quartet of fast hunters which will take part in the racing of the Portland Hunt club at the Country club track Saturday, June 10, Rose Festival week. Top row, left, William Walter, hurdling, on his horse, which will be entered in the two mile steeple chase, and R. B. Lamson on Dixey, one of the speedy entries in the flat races. Below on the left is Beauty, owned by J. H. Richter of Yamhill, Or. On the right Eugene Oppenheimer is clearing a gate on Oregon Frank.

# ANTIPODEAN FIGHT FANS CHIDED PAPKE

By W. W. Naughton. (By the International News Service.) San Francisco, May 20.—Some of us would like to know if the Australian critics think any better of Billy Papke than they did before he downed the rising young antipodean fighter, Dave Smith. Papke's ring work was ridiculed by the experts down "yonder" from the beginning. They pronounced the "fill-up" thunderbolt a false alarm the first time they saw him put up his hands. By the time Dave Smith had won from him on a foul and hard-headed Cyclone Thompson had made a punching bag of him, the Australians were puzzled to imagine how Papke had ever made any headway with his fists in his own country. They considered him the poorest apology for a world's champion they ever had laid eyes on.

It was rather humiliating for some of us who had seen Papke's best and who had warned the Australians to be on the lookout for a high class exponent of Queensberry pastimes. But it's a long lane that has no turning, and now that Papke has come back to his own, as it were, all necessity for apologies or explanations is done away with.

Bank on an Omen. Of course, if Papke had kept up his poor work to the very last in Australia and if it had become necessary to say something in defense of the good reports of him sent thither in the first place, we could have fallen back on the fact that Billy has been an uncertain hand ever since the time he first stepped into a ring. The champion "in and out" some call him, but that carries with it a suggestion of chronic crookedness and I don't think that Papke is sinner enough to deserve a reputation of that kind. The fact remains, however, that Billy has made subsequent fights with the "Michigan Assassin." In one of their affairs in San Francisco, the merest tyro of a watcher might have discovered that Ketchel kept going on his courage. Both hands were crippled and he just waved his

shows in the latter rounds for the purpose of intimidating Papke, who might have had both arms broken for all the fighting he attempted.

Called Poor General. Ketchel earned the Godson and Papke was called, by some, a poor general, and by others a chicken-hearted middle-weight.

Hugo Kelly has known Papke in all his fighting moods. It has been Hugo's privilege to travel the full 28 rounds distance with Billy, and it has been his misfortune to crumble after a few of the fierce lightning punches that Papke cuts loose on occasions.

Papke certainly kept up his reputation as an in-and-outer across the seas—as his early performances with Dave Smith, Cyclone Thompson and others will show. But he wound up his Australian career in a blaze of glory—that is if his winning fight with Dave Smith is to be his last in Kangaroo land.

When Papke was in disgrace in San Francisco owing to a bad looking fight with Joe Thomas, I asked him how he accounted for the fact that, in some of his fights he seemed the personification of force and speed, while in others he was as slow and ineffective as the traditional ice wagon.

Papke Admits Inconsistency. "I can't tell why it is so, but I'm willing to admit it's a true bill," said Papke. "There are times when I simply can't get started, try as I may. It was that way with Joe Thomas and I was that way when I fought Ketchel both times in San Francisco."

From which it will be seen that Papke is quite ready to admit that his ring performances are not by any means of an even character.

It was often said that Ketchel was the only man of his poundage Papke really feared and for this reason, now that Ketchel has passed away, it is believed Papke will make things hum in the middleweight division when he returns to his native beach. But it is as well to remember that Sam Langford keeps insisting it is easy for him to come in as a middle-weight, and, if Langford goes about proving his claim in a businesslike way, it seems as though Papke will have a second Ketchel to reckon with.

## Notes Gleaned Among Willamette Sailors

Miss Gladys Todd launched the Nancy Lee Sunday and the boat looks very trim with her fresh coat of paint and trimmings. The boys will have to keep their eyes on Miss Todd in the races on the 30th, as she is as much at home in the Nancy Lee as any deep water sailor could be.

The Windward will be launched Sunday by L. Spooner and will be ready next Sunday to try out.

The Dancing Girl is getting her finishing touches put on by Francis D'Arcy, who expects to be on deck within a week.

E. Brown and partner are working until dark each evening to get the Fly-by-Night ready by Decoration day.

T. J. Mendenhall has hauled the Mary Jane out to polish and brighten up for the races Decoration day.

L. V. Woodward is getting ready to move to the head of Ross island on the 21st, so as to be ready to handle the crowd on the 30th.

Mr. Orloff has built an addition to his houseboat and it makes an attractive appearance.

Will Extend Flots. L. V. Woodward has arranged to have the pile driver place some more piling at the south end of the clubhouse in order to extend the flots out further in the river to accommodate the sailboats. This is an improvement that has been needed for some time, especially in the summer.

The prizes offered for the canoe races by the Oregon Dinghy club on the 30th ought to get a number of the boys interested in canoe sport out for a bruiser.

Frank Cressy bought the Corsair and hauled her out last week to put her in

commission for the coming season. She is a fine, big boat and will make a valuable addition to the club. It depends on Frank's seamanship whether she will carry away any of the honors on the 30th.

Will Have Good Prizes. At the meeting of the Oregon Dinghy club last Sunday afternoon Commodore Todd appointed Nelson Dodge, A. Sholin and Francis D'Arcy a committee to arrange prizes for the races on Memorial day, and all three gentlemen are boat owners and it is not to win, we can look forward to something handsome being offered.

It has been decided to have three races in the 18 foot class, one in the 11 foot class and a free for all shape race.

The Oregon Yacht club committee has not reported its plans as yet, but the committee will get busy this week.

Giants to Meet Antipodean. There is a good game in prospect at McKenna Park this afternoon when the colored Portland Giants look up with the reorganized Overland Antee. The motor car ladies have organized for this engagement and, with their twirler, Kendall, in good form they bid fair to make the happy boys from the southland go some to keep up their present winning streak. Jasper Henry is expected to pitch his usual good game for the Giants.

The Harvard baseball committee has offered a prize to the member of the variety baseball nine who reaches first base the most times during the season.

## Semi-Professional Diamond Gossip

The Gresham Giants, one of the best semi-professional aggregations in the state, have signed to play three games in Goldendale on May 28, 29 and 30. Goldendale also has a fast team and the fans are expecting some great battles when the two clubs clash. A large delegation of Gresham fans are expecting to accompany the team which is composed of Townsend, Donaldson and Blegg, pitchers; Kelt and Bauer, catchers; Parrott, Roberts, Matthews, Robinson, and Anson, infielders; Hargrave and Merrill, outfielders; Umpire Lance and Manager Bartholomew.

"Red" Rupert and his tribe of "Costerinas" will invade Hood River today in the effort to lower the colors of the crack Hood River Heights team of that place. G. P. Christie is the manager of the Heights club which is a separate team from the one in the Columbia Riv-

er league. Arthur Clarke, an ex-football player of note and general all-around sport, is managing the league team.

George Pembroke, the hard hitting catcher of the St. Helens squad, has left for Walla Walla where he expects to hook on with one of the teams in the Blue Mountain league. "Fem," in addition to his hard hitting abilities, is one of the finest receivers in the Willamette valley, being possessed of a beautiful short arm peg to second base. The St. Helens fans will miss his long drives over the left field fence.

Pickwicks Lack Battery. Manager Fearey and his Pickwicks, continue to play in hard luck and last Sunday dropped another game to the

Hudson Arms Co. team at Lents. Fearey has good ball players on his club, but like so many other local teams, lacks an experienced battery. Then again the Pickwicks have run up against the hardest kind of propositions in the Gresham Giants and the Vancouver Independents. If the manager desired to pick only easy games for his team, as many

others around town are doing, he, too, could boast of a string of unbroken victories.

Manager Duffy of the Hillsdale team, is gathering together a fast bunch and is ready to take on out-of-town games. Duffy has a find in Lux as a twirler and it looks as though Blegg of last year's team will not be missed. Olson and Smith, also of this club, look good.

Phil Nadeau, ex-Portland outfielder, last year in the Three-Eye league, and well known coach of the Portland Academy team, is playing fine ball at short for the St. Helens team. Phil's hitting has been a feature during his stay at St. Helens. Phil had the misfortune to leave his shoes and uniform bag out in the rain the other day. For particulars see Pembroke.

Jack Tauscher, the fast little infielder of last season's Gresham team, who has more than made good in the utility role for the Spokane Indians, is greeting his friends this week, during the stay of his team. Cohn thinks a world of this youngster and no doubt he will get a regular position next season.

Colly Drubot at Butte. Colly Drubot is back in his old time form and pitching grand ball for Butte in the Union league. Tom and Del Baker are two other Portland boys who have made good in the Union league. Both are with Helena.

Coleman, the hard hitting twirler of last year's Gresham team, pitched a no-hit no-run game at Ghehalla against Centralia in the Washington State league, last Sunday. And still, the Salem fans say he has nothing. Some dope slingers, those Capital City fans.

"Red" Rupert certainly made a good strike when he landed young Goddard, the crack little southpaw who has created a sensation by his great work in the box this season for the "Costerinas." Last Sunday Goddard held the hard hitting Vancouver bunch to three hits, two of which were on the scratch variety.

If Cliff Harrison's band of Dilworth Derbies get to going right, there will be some disagreeable surprises in store for some of the towns in the Willamette valley league. In Moreland, he has a six foot youngster who shows promise of better days ahead in the twirling line. Gaines, Tauscher and Schockner form a rattling good outfield for the Derbies.

Chief's Worry Albany. Manager Bishop and his fast bunch of Chief youngsters, caused the Albany fans many anxious moments last Sun-

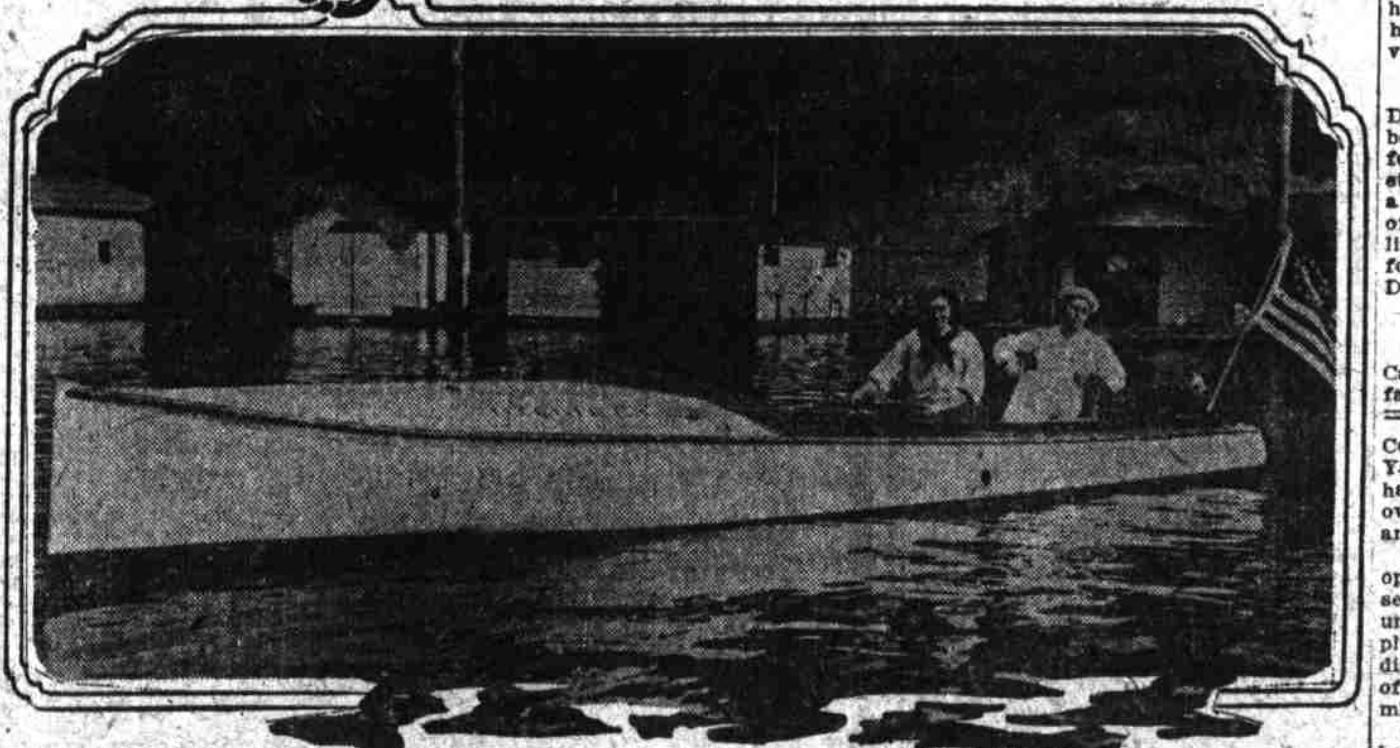
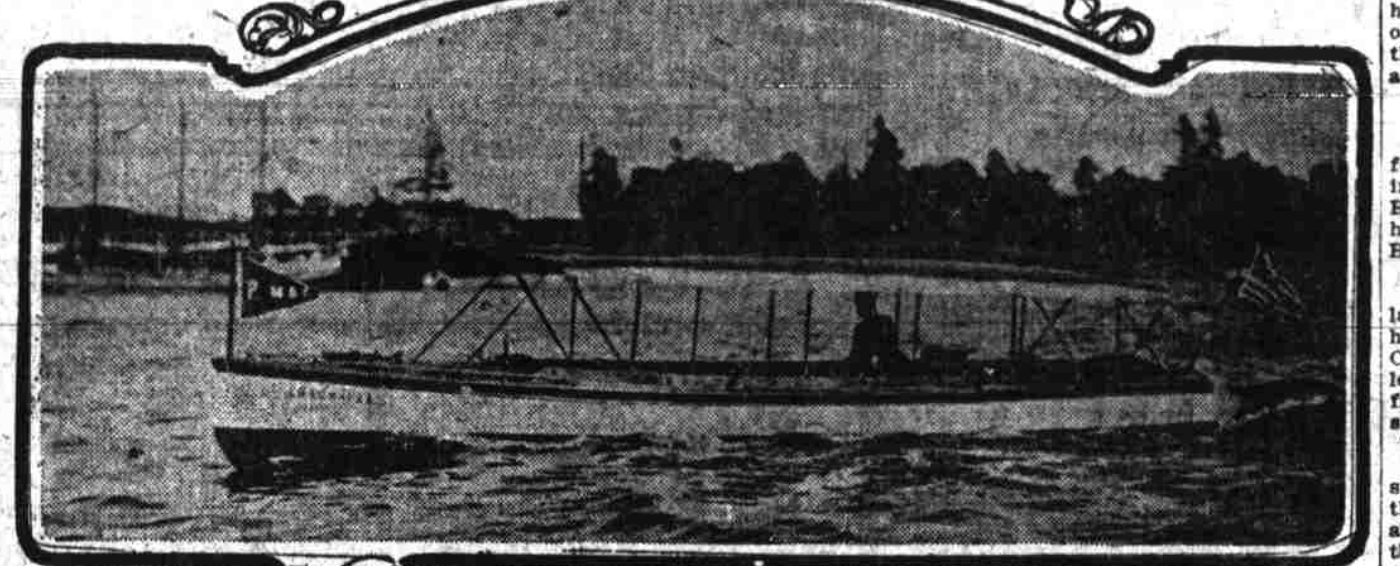
day. Cooper, and the Billiken, owned by Jack Yates. These boats are two of the handsomest boats on the river, and their owners take great pride in the appearance and shape of the boats.

There will be five events June 5. One open to all boats of any size or speed, a second, open to all boats of a 26 foot or under length, two handicap events for pleasure boats and one for cruisers. The division point in pleasure boats will be of .16 miles and better, or under 16 miles an hour speed.

In these latter classes—the pleasure boats—much interest and anxiety is being manifested. No one knows what the winter of figuring and working may have brought out before this first regatta is over, and some of those boat owners who had easy times winning prizes last year may be a hopeless tail-ender this year. Many new boats will make their appearance, while many old boats with new and powerful engines will also be seen in this season's races.

Among the boat owners who purchased new engines this past week are H. C. Krause, A. Lambert, Baxter & Strauser, Hudson, W. E. Mason and Grant Walker. All are to be installed in new boats expected to develop from 12 to 19 miles an hour.

# AQUATIC SPORTS



At top is the Charmalee, runabout owned by C. V. Cooper, secretary of the Portland Motorboat club; built two years ago, every board in her hull being placed by Cooper himself; will be entered in some of the handicap races here this summer, starting with the Rose Festival regatta, June 4. Below is the Billiken, Jack Yates' crack runabout. Dr. Yates, one of the most enthusiastic members of the Portland Motorboat club, is planning on capturing some of the handicap speed events this summer. He and Mrs. Anna Yates, who is shown at the wheel of the boat, spend much of their summer on the river in the Billiken and claim that the river sport is the sure cure for all ills.

River sports are booming this year as never before, and from the outlook at present Portlanders will make the Willamette and its fast motorboats known from one end of the country to the other. The first of the large number of race meets held yearly here will be held



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