

COOS COUNTY GETS CLASSY BASEBALL

Amateurs Satisfy Fans; Coquille Seems to Have the Edge on Others.

(Special to The Journal.)
Coquille, Or., July 20.—Baseball fans here are manifesting much interest over the probable outcome of tomorrow's games in the Coos County league.

The Coos County league was organized May 6 to play Sunday ball, no professionalism being allowed. It constitutes the cities of North Bend, Marshfield, Eastside, Myrtle Point, Bandon and Coquille. A schedule of 60 games to be played this season commenced June 2 and will end September 22. However, at a meeting of the league officials at Marshfield last Sunday it was decided to cut the season in half and have a championship for each half, the two winners playing the final championship off at the end of the season in a three game contest. Charles Baxter, an enthusiastic fan of Coquille, was named president.

Club's Put Up Forfeit.
To assure the life of the league a deposit of \$100 was required of each club, to be forfeited to the other teams in case any team dropped out before the full schedule of games had been played. This fund is drawn upon also in case of failure to pay fines which umpires have power to assess against players. Each club was given the privilege of having an umpire and the following were selected: Ed Howatt, of Marshfield; Don Gardner, of North Bend; Guy Rose, of Bandon, and L. A. Liljeqvist, of Coquille.

In being a strictly amateur association the present league differs from past seasons, as heretofore imported players were allowed and were paid a regular salary. While the article of ball put up by the amateurs may not be as classy as that of the semi-pros, fans in the county are well pleased with the showing made so far and the season promises to be a successful one.

Coquille seems to be the real leader, due to its bunch of heavy hitters. It has, without a doubt, in Collier and Byles, the strongest battery in the league. Collier has pitched five games and won them all. Byles is hitting over .300 in their lineup also is Howell, premier batsman of the league, who is leading with a percentage of .414.

Following are the results of the league games from June 2 to and including July 7:

- Sunday, June 2.—Coquille, 18; Eastside, 0; Marshfield, 3; Bandon, 1; North Bend, 13; Myrtle Point, 10.
- Sunday, June 9.—Coquille, 5; Marshfield, 2; Bandon, 2; North Bend, 1; Myrtle Point, 0.
- Sunday, June 16.—North Bend, 8; Marshfield, 2; Marshfield, 4; Eastside, 2; Myrtle Point, 13; Coquille, 6; Coquille, 5; Bandon, 3.
- Sunday, June 23.—Myrtle Point, 5; Bandon, 4; Coquille, 1; Bandon, 2; North Bend, 8; Marshfield, 2; North Bend, 7; Eastside, 6.
- Sunday, June 30.—Coquille, 8; Myrtle Point, 3; Myrtle Point, 8; Bandon, 5; North Bend, 5; Eastside, 4; Marshfield, 8; Eastside, 2.
- Sunday, July 7.—Coquille, 11; Marshfield, 3; North Bend, 3; Bandon, 1; Myrtle Point, 18; Eastside, 2.

A handsome trophy has been presented to the league by the Spaulding company which will be awarded to the winner of the championship.

OAKLAND PITCHER HOLDS TOP PLACE

Hitt and Leverenz Crowding Him for Position; Higginbotham Leads Beavers.

Roy Hitt and Leverenz, two southpaws, are pressing by Parkin for the honor of being the leading pitcher of the Coast league. Parkin has won 12 games and has dropped but three, while Hitt has won 11 and lost 4.

Castleton and Raleigh are also well up in the averages. Arrelens of the Senators has won 13 games this season and lost 6.

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Higginbotham is the leading pitcher of the Portland Beavers. He has the percentage of .667.

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The averages of the pitchers above .500 mark are:

Pitcher—Club	Won	Lost	P. C.
Killaloy, Oakland	3	0	1.000
Parkin, Oakland	12	3	.800
Hitt, Vernon	11	4	.732
Leverenz, Los Angeles	11	4	.706
Castleton, Vernon	7	3	.700
Raleigh, Vernon	9	4	.692
Arrelens, Sacramento	13	6	.684
Higginbotham, Portland	13	6	.684
Christian, Oakland	9	5	.643
Brackenkridge, Vernon	8	5	.615
Ables, Oakland	11	7	.611
Tozer, Los Angeles	11	7	.611
Klawitter, Portland	11	7	.611
Nagle, Los Angeles	10	7	.588
Carson, Vernon	9	7	.563
Stewart, Vernon	6	5	.545
Tray, Vernon	10	10	.500
Chech, Los Angeles	17	10	.528
McCarty, San Francisco	6	6	.500
Gress, Portland	2	2	.500
Miller, San Francisco	10	10	.500
Koestner, Portland	11	11	.500
Schwenck, Sacramento	4	4	.500
Halla, Los Angeles	7	7	.500
Mislerkey, Oakland	8	8	.500

Ritchie After Rivers.
San Francisco July 20.—Determined to secure a match with Joe Rivers in the near future, Willie Ritchie, the local lightweight, will leave for Los Angeles tomorrow, where he will dog the footsteps of Promoter McCarey and Manager Levy, he says, until he has his way.

Ritchie was offered first chance at Rivers in the event of a Rivers-Wolfgang match falling through, and now that Wolfgang has declared his retirement from the ring for six months, Ritchie claims the time has come to make that promise good.

Lamline Pitches Good Game.
Fred Lamline, former Portland pitcher, is twirling for the American Bridge ball team of Port Huron, Mich., and in five innings he allowed one run and one hit to the Tin Plate team of the same city. Lamline fanned 6 batters in the five frames. The Bridge team won by the score of 12 to 2.

The game between the Irvington and Hooeyman teams of the Twilight league scheduled Friday evening ended in a row in the beginning of the seventh inning. The score was tied at the time. Empire Grayson quit after an argument concerning a dead ball. The game will be replayed.

Clever Tennis Players Who Participated in State Championships at Multnomah Club



Sidelights on Oregon Tennis Tournament of Past Week

William Johnston and Ella Fottrell, the two brilliant young tennis players of San Francisco, will make a tour of the northwest and will compete in all tournaments scheduled for the season.

The dates of the northwestern tournaments are Vancouver, B. C., July 22-27; Victoria, July 29-August 3; Tacoma, August 5-10; Seattle, August 12-17, and Everett, August 19-24.

Johnston and Fottrell have been playing wonderful tennis this season and expect to make a great showing in the northern tournaments.

Johnston holds the Ojal valley championship and the bay counties championship. He held the Pacific states junior title for two years but was unable to defend it last season because he played in and won an open championship. He won the central California doubles championship with Gardner as his partner.

Brandt Wickersham and Thomas McCormick, the high school champion of Los Angeles, will play in the doubles at Tacoma in the Pacific northwest championship. Wickersham is also figuring on playing in the Pacific international championship tournament, which will be held the week beginning July 29.

Miss Stella Fording, holder of the W. J. Ladd cup and Oregon state ladies' singles championship will play in the Seattle and Everett tournaments this season. Miss Fording also plans to see the finals in the Tacoma and Victoria tournaments.

Thomas McCormick, the Long Beach player, who played in the Oregon state tournament, which ended yesterday, has

been playing tennis but one full season and as soon as he develops speed and accuracy he will be one of the stars of the coast. Last season, his first year in tennis, he won the Los Angeles high school championship. Before becoming a tennis player McCormick devoted his time to amateur baseball, but now he has given that sport up.

Francis H. Gill, who was defeated in the first round by Ella Fottrell, is holder of the Jacobs cup, which is played for by the players of the Minneapolis Lawn Tennis association. Gill has won two legs on the eastern cup and may possibly go east this fall to defend the trophy. Gill has not had time and opportunity to practice and get in shape this season, but by next season he expects to be a runner up in the state tournaments. Last season Gill was a member of the Detroit Tennis club team which is picked from over 2000 players. A close watch is kept on all players of the Detroit club for several months and at the end of that time, four of the players with the best ranking are picked. Gill played with the team last year against the Cleveland, Toledo and other clubs.

Miss Irene Campbell is undecided whether she will play in any of the northern tournaments. At present she thinks that she will be unable to participate.

Miss Myrtle Schaefer, who left for the north before the start of the Oregon tourney, plans to play in all northern tournaments.

Florence Sutton will play in the Tacoma tournament. M. Long may also play in the Tiger city.

Chairman Wakeman was pleased with the way the tournament was handled last week.

Miss Emily Valleau will likely be seen in the Oregon state tournament next season. Miss Valleau likes Portland very much.

Miss Blanche Byron will return to Boise and has hopes of being able to play here again next season.

The Spokane Lawn Tennis club will be represented by two teams in the Pacific

international tennis championships which will be played in Victoria the week of July 29. Joe Tyler and Phil Brain will form the first team and George Sieler and B. C. Preston will form the second team.

Miss Bryon, another player in the ladies' events of the Oregon state tourney, is at the head of the children's play-grounds in Boise, Idaho.

Mrs. Northrup may compete in one or two of the northern tournaments. Mrs. Northrup is playing a great game this season.

CALIFORNIA'S REPRESENTATIVES FOR SECOND TIME WIN TENNIS TITLES

Seventeen-Year-Old Lad Takes Men's Single Championship and Fiske Challenge Bowl—Miss Campbell Surprises Natives—Great Rally in Men's Doubles Wins for Johnston and Fottrell—McCormick Wins Consolation.

By George Bertz.
California's representatives for the second time carried away a majority of the state tennis titles for the season of 1912. The tournament, which has been one of the best ever held from the spectator's standpoint, ended yesterday afternoon with three excellent matches.

William Johnston, who is but 17 years old, won the men's singles championship, and the Fiske challenge bowl. Johnston defeated Portland's crack player, Brandt Wickersham, in a fine match. He holds the Fiske trophy because Charles E. Foley was unable to defend the cup this season.

Johnston, with his partner, Ella Fottrell, defeated Wickersham and Goss in the men's doubles and become holders of the Multnomah cups. Foley and Lewis won the cups last season.

The whole surprise of this year's tournament was the victory of Miss Irene Campbell in the ladies' singles and over Miss Stella Fording, last season's champion. Miss Campbell is now the holder of the J. Wesley Ladd cup.

Miss Campbell won the tournament Friday by beating Miss Emily Valleau of Alameda, Cal. in a three set match and today she was in great form and defeated the title holder, Miss Fording, in straight sets, 6 love and 6-2.

Makes Difficult Returns.
Miss Campbell never played a steadier game than she did against the champion. Her serving was fine and her returns were as accurate as could be.

Her brilliant playing in the first set brought forth applause from the large gallery several times. Many times during this set she made several difficult returns.

In the second set, Miss Campbell won the four games, after losing the first game, which was decisive. She dropped the fifth game but won the next two games and the championship. One of the first to congratulate Miss Campbell upon her success was Miss Emily Valleau, whom Miss Campbell defeated Friday.

After the match was finished, players and spectators swarmed about the new champion and showered words of praise upon her.

Miss Fording showed lack of practice in the match and was entirely out of form. Only three or four times during the entire two sets did she show her true form.

William Johnston put up a great game against Brandt Wickersham, defeating him in straight sets. Wickersham played a very unsteady game and was not in the form that he has been during the early part of the tournament.

During the match he made 18 double faults, while Johnston was charged with six of them. Wickersham also lost several games because of his hard drives.

Wins Three Straight.
In the first set, Johnston won three straight games. The second game of the set went down four times and the fourth game went down six times. During the second and fourth games several sensational rallies took place. The fourth set was won by Wickersham.

Johnston won the next two games and Wickersham was brought into the game column for the second time. With Wickersham serving, Johnston won the set. Wick being able to score but 15 points.

In the second set, Wickersham at the start, got his nerve back and won two of the first four. Johnston won the fifth and sixth games and Wickersham won the seventh. Johnston won the eighth and ninth, giving him the second set by the score of 6-3.

In the third set, the youthful California youngster again duplicated by

taking the first three games. He lost the fourth but won the fifth and sixth. After dropping the seventh game, Johnston made several of his hard driving shots and won the game by the score of 4-15.

Table of Matches.
Following is the table of the match, which decided the men's championship:

JOHNSTON.		D.	
First set	11	11	3
Second set	10	6	6
Third set	10	6	2
Totals	31	23	11

WICKERSHAM.

First set	12	13	3
Second set	10	2	3
Third set	11	5	7
Totals	33	19	13

In the Johnston-Wickersham match, Johnston's chop and smash shots completely puzzled the local champion several times. Both players made sensational gets and returns of difficult shots.

The match for the men's doubles was full of love games. Johnston and Fottrell winning the first games, all love. During the first set, the greatest rally ever seen in the men's doubles in recent years was witnessed, jobs, half volleys and long drives and chop strokes playing a part in the rally. Johnston and Fottrell winning the point.

In the second set, Johnston and Fottrell won four straight games after Goss and Wickersham had them 3-2. In the first three games after they dropped the fourth. They won the next three games giving them the match by the scores of 6-4, 6-3, 6-1.

Play Fine Net Game.
The driving shots of Johnston and the punning and curving service of Fottrell won them many points in this match. Johnston, it seemed, put all his strength in the drive, while Fottrell tried his hardest to elude his opponent while serving.

Wickersham and Goss in the second set played a wonderful net game. Several times they were forced back when the Californian commenced to lob the ball over the net.

This match was not unexciting and was thrilling from the start to the finish. Waiter Goss played a wonderful game and was not a bit tired at the end of the third set.

Miss Fox and Mrs. Northrup won the ladies' doubles championship by defeating Miss Fording and Miss Valleau. The scores of this match were 6-3, 6-3.

Thomas McCormick, of Long Beach, Cal., carried away one cup by winning the men's consolation from F. E. Harrigan. The scores of the match were 6-3, 6-1.

Mrs. James F. Ewing served yesterday and was assisted by several young ladies.

The cups were presented to the champions and runners-up at a dance, which was held last night in the Multnomah club house.

James F. Ewing, A. B. McAlpin and Kirkham Smith were referees in the championship matches of yesterday afternoon.

Yesterday's Results.
Men's singles—final—Johnston, San Francisco, beat Wickersham, Portland, 6-3, 6-3, 6-2.
Challenge round—Ladies' singles—Miss Campbell beat Miss Stella Fording, 6-0, 6-2.
Ladies' doubles—final—Miss Fox and Mrs. Northrup beat Miss Fording and Miss Valleau, 6-3, 6-3.
Men's doubles—finals—Johnston and Fottrell, San Francisco, beat Goss and Wickersham, Portland, 6-4, 6-3, 6-1.
Men's consolation—final—McCormick, Long Beach, beat Harrigan, Portland, 6-3, 6-1.
Ladies' consolation—final—Miss Fox beat Mrs. Judge, 6-2, 6-2.
1912 Oregon Tennis Champions.
Men's singles—William Johnston, San Francisco.
Men's doubles—William Johnston

WALLA WALLA HAS THE OLDEST PLAYER

LeVine Can't See Very Much Change in the Game in Forty Years.

(Special to The Journal.)
Walla Walla, Wash., July 20.—Forty years ago A. L. LeVine of this city played ball in New York, and he is undoubtedly the oldest baseball player in this part of the country. He was captain of the first nine in the "Wholesale league" of New York city, a league which has since been playing ball every season.

On May 24, 1872, he was captain and J. W. McGeorge, secretary of the Paton & Co., team of 341 Broadway, issued a challenge to the Eldridge Dunham company, across the street. The challenge was promptly accepted, and the game was played June 8, the challenge being within three weeks there were 30 teams in the wholesale district, and schedules were quickly arranged.

"There was little difference in the playing then and now," says the veteran player, who performed behind the bat. "Sometimes we took the first two strikes on the bounce, but this was quickly dispensed with. The gloves were about the same, although some of the infielders had no tips on the fingers of their mitts.

LeVine is still an ardent fan, and enjoys the game most heartily.

Amateur Baseball

William Tuerck, the star pitcher of the Lincoln high school team, is pitching for the Tillamook, Or., nine. Tuerck is the second Lincoln player with the Tillamook squad, Peterson being the other. With "Dutch" Armbruster as a coach, William should be able to develop some control.

The Modern Maccabees will play the Crystal Lake park team today. Hyronimus will pitch for the Maccabees and Earl will do the catching.

The Brooklyn Grays broke the Portland hoodoo at Hood River. For two years every Portland team that has played in Hood River has been defeated except the Grays, who played a tie game with the Heights team.

Young Herby Concannon outpitched his brother John in a game last Sunday between the Eagles and the Maccabees. Herb Concannon pitched for the North Portland Cubs last season.

The K. O. T. M. team Tent 1, would like to arrange games with out of town teams. For dates write J. W. Brown, 875 Kalley street.

Alec Holand, manager of the Lents team, would like to hear from local or out of town teams. The Giants last Sunday defeated the Timms-Cress team in a 15 inning game by the score of 5 to 4.

The Lents (junior) team would like to hear from teams desiring Sunday games. T. Gilin is manager of the team at Lents, Or.

Manager Long of the Western Hardware company teams, is looking for out of town games. Long's address is 348 Sacramento street.

Ernst Long, manager of the Western Hardware company's ball team. Long has managed teams for several seasons, starting out with the Bull Dogs over



four years ago. He managed the White Caps in 1910, and then changed to the Tribunes. This year he has changed to the Western Hardware team, which played in the Archer-Wiggins league.

Messenger, who played with the Greenfield Blues last season, is now with the Western Hardware company's team. Messenger is doing the catching this season.

Hart established a new semi-pro strike out record at Hood River last Sunday, when he fanned 20 of the Brooklyn Grays of Portland in 11 innings.

Earl Esola, the son of Chief Esola, former San Francisco catcher, who was picked up by McCredie, is playing third base for Jack Barry's La Grande team of the Western Tri-State league.

George Pembroke, Portland boy, is rated as being one of the most consistent strikers of the Western Tri-State league. Pembroke is hitting the ball every day. He formerly played with the Gresham Giants.

The Irvington team has Collins and St. Marie of the Columbia University team in its line up. Phillips, who has been playing with Holdaway, is holding down first base for Irvington. He leads off the batting order.

The Arbor Lodge ball club defeated the Fairview team last Sunday by the score of 3 to 1. Arena, formerly of the Greenfield team, pitched for the Arbor Lodge team. For games with the victors write or telephone Louis Larson, 1374 Greeley street, Woodlawn 600.

and Ella Fottrell, San Francisco. Ladies' singles—Miss Irene Campbell, Portland.
Ladies' doubles—Miss Fox and Mrs. Northrup, Portland.
Men's singles—Miss Valleau, Alameda, Cal., and Ella Fottrell, San Francisco.

WINNER OF CLASSIC MARATHON AND AMERICAN WHO RAN THIRD



Left—Gaston Strobino of Paterson, N. J., who won third place in Marathon at Stockholm. Strobino is but 23 years old. Right—H. K. McArthur of South Africa, winner of the Marathon. He covered the 25 miles in 2 hours, 36 minutes and 34.45 seconds, breaking the record set by Johnny Hayes in London in 1908.