

## TRAINING CAMPS FOR PORTLAND TEAMS ARE ABOUT PICKED FOR '14

McCredie and Williams. Return From California; Murray Has "Hookworm"?

Beavers at Santa Maria. Colts alternating between Chico and Santa Rosa.

These are the best bets for Portland's spring training camps, news of the practical selection being brought back last night by Manager Walter McCredie, of the Beavers, and Manager Nick Williams, of the Portland Colts. Both of the big fellows rolled in on the Shasta and neither is bulging with food for the fans.

McCredie went as far south as the Imperial valley and looked over some of the young willows. Nick says down there. They also tried to talk him into training at San Bernardino, pointing out its great qualities as a spring camp, but it is sealish to horse chestnuts that McCredie goes back to his old camp at Santa Maria.

Mac made a trip into Santa Maria, found that a new hotel had been put up and the game cordial welcome as of yore was extended him. He has always been partial to the little town off the coast with its wonderful early spring climate.

Williams did not have time to go over to Santa Rosa, but feels pretty certain that his team will train there and at Chico. Chico has been in the field already and has made flattering offers to the handsome blond. Nick says he understands that Spokane is to train at Boyes Springs with the San Francisco Seals, and isn't very enthusiastic over the probability of the Indians coming north over territory that he has had staked out for the past two years.

McCredie said he saw a young catcher named Bassler, who belongs to the Cleveland club, in action in the winter league, and will make an effort to get him for next year.

Williams, on the other hand, says that Dan Murray, his star young catcher of the early season last year, seems to be possessed of a "hookworm," and does not believe he will be of much use next year. Nick says the Murray will have to show better than he did last fall to be able to stick. If Murray had any getup he would be one of the best young catchers in the country, as he has a great deal of natural ability.

Babe Borton, the former New York and Chicago first baseman, has been sold by the Jersey City club of the International league to the Venice team of the Pacific Coast league.

Ward McDowell, the former Portland Colt second sacker, has been traded by the New Orleans club to the Mobile team for infielder Starr.

Charles Schmidt, the old Detroit catcher, is going to desert the Southern league for the Federal league, according to reports.

## IT'S STRANGE HOW THE HOPES KEEP BOBBING UP

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 13.—"Cherokee Tom" Jones was the happiest man in Buffalo today as a result of the knock-out defeat Jess Willard administered last night to "One Round" Davis of Buffalo. A right swing to the jaw in the second round of a scheduled 10 round bout turned the trick.

"Didn't I tell you I had another champion in Willard?" asked Jones of the newspaper men. "Jess can lick any heavyweight in the world. Just wait until we get Jack Johnson in the ring with Willard. He'll make the smoke take to cover."

Ludwig Not to Coach. Professor H. A. Ludwig, former instructor of the Gearhart Park Natatorium, will leave in a few days for a visit to California. Ludwig says he has not been employed as coach of the Portland Swimming association water polo team.

Nearly 44,000,000 short tons of coke, valued at more than \$111,500,000, were produced in the United States last year, a new high record.

## GOLF—"Take It Easy, as Easy as Can Be"

I recently heard one of those highly intellectual alleged comic songs, the refrain of which exhorted one to "Take it easy, easy as easy can be," says a writer in the World of Golf.

The advice was tendered to gentlemen who wished to advance their chances of gaining the affections of some highly desirable young lady. The song itself was particularly depressing even for a comic one, but I could not help thinking that the refrain might be chanted periodically with advantage to most amateur golfers.

A lot has been written lately about sub-consciousness in golf. One commentator says that many players do badly when trying to follow a professional's advice, because they are too conscious of what they are doing, paying too much attention to how they are accomplishing the shot and not sufficient attention to hitting the ball.

So far I am with him, but he then goes on to say that a much better method is to watch professionals playing without any particular intention of imitating them. Then one would unconsciously absorb some of their perfections, and insensibly blend them into one's game to permanent advantage. Here I venture to disagree—at least so far as I personally am concerned.

If this rule applied to myself I should be scratch or plus in next to no time. I have the privilege of seeing most of the leading professional tournaments every year, and the effect it has on my game is to put me right off. Watching a hundred or so professionals for

a week on end makes me press like blazes.

In the ordinary way I get quite a decently long ball without any particular effort, but quite unconsciously I find myself trying to hit hard when I attempt to play immediately after attending a professional meeting. My usual easy swing seems ridiculously inadequate compared with the fierce swish of 99 per cent of the professional players. I get their style absorbed into my golfing system all right, but it is too rich, and consequently does not agree with me.

Playing on a tricky seaside course lately, I found myself continually in so much trouble owing to a slight tendency to slice from the tee that I determined at all costs to keep straight, so I settled down to give the ball a light tap only. I shortened my back swing and relaxed the grip. Judge my surprise when I discovered that I was not only keeping straight but getting a much longer ball than before.

I was really a bit staggered, because I felt that I was not putting enough power behind the club to kill a fly. It was, of course, the old story—timidity. With the lighter swing I was getting the wrists in at the right time.

I am inclined to think that most players with a handicap lose all sense of timing when they attempt to swing quickly. We must learn to walk before we can run. The professional can swing as fast as he likes because being such a much better player he does not upset the correctness of his style when doing so.

STRAIGHT DRIVE.

## TINKER TO BROOKLYN, BESCHER TO GIANTS, KONEY TO PITTSBURGH

Three Important Deals in National League Involve 12 Players; Joe Highest Price.

New York, Dec. 13.—Three deals, in which 12 ball tossers figured, were consummated on the final day of the annual meeting of the National league club owners. This year's meeting went down in history as the most notable the league has held in years.

The most important deal made was the purchase of shortstop Joe Tinker, of the Cincinnati club, by the Brooklyn team for \$25,000. If Tinker agrees to play with the Dodgers he will receive two-fifths of his purchase price, according to Charles Ebbetts, of the Brooklyn team.

The \$25,000 offered for Tinker is the largest outright cash price ever paid for a baseball player. Many of the magnates were inclined to believe that Tinker would play with the Dodgers.

A deal between Pittsburgh and St. Louis, which involved eight players, was not scheduled beforehand and will see First Baseman Konecny, Third Baseman Mowrey and Pitcher Harmon in Pirate uniforms next season. The Pittsburgh club gave First Baseman John Miller, Outfielder Wilson, Second Baseman Butler, Third Baseman Dolan and Pitcher Robinson for the trio of St. Louis players.

As the result of a deal between New York and Cincinnati, the Reds get Third Baseman Charles Herzog and Catcher Hartley. Herzog, it is said, will fill Tinker's shoes as manager of the team. Bob Beschler was given for the two New York players.

Barney Dreyfus has been appointed proxy for President Tener on the schedule committee. Secretary Foster, of the New York club, Umpire Hank O'Day and Miller Huggins, of the St. Louis team, form the rules committee, and Garry Hermann, James E. Gaffney, and William F. Baker, the constitution committee.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Joe Tinker, deposed manager of the Cincinnati team of the National league, discussed this afternoon his sale to Brooklyn at a reported price of \$25,000.

"If it is true that I get \$10,000 of the purchase money paid to the Reds," said Tinker, "then I am perfectly willing to play in Brooklyn next year. Otherwise I will stay right here in Chicago."

## PELKEY DREADNAUGHT TO MANAGER T. BURNS

Paleface Champion Takes His First Workout for Fight With Gunboat Smith.

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—Arthur Pelkey, the white heavyweight champion of the world, did his first workout yesterday for his scheduled 20-round encounter here New Year's day with Gunboat Smith. Pelkey, who never accumulates much flesh, has only about five pounds to come off. He weighed 210 pounds today, and will enter the ring weighing no more than 205.

Tommy Burns, Pelkey's manager, is confident that his man will beat Smith. "I have named Pelkey the dreadnaught," said Burns this afternoon, "and you know there isn't any gunboat that can sink a dreadnaught. If Pelkey fails to beat Smith decisively I will be the most disappointed man in the world. I have never seen Smith in action, but I know what Pelkey can do, and it is upon this knowledge that I base my prediction that Pelkey will win."

Phillips Idaho Captain. Moscow, Idaho, Dec. 13.—"Buck" Phillips, a tackle of the Idaho University team, was elected to lead the 1914 Idaho team yesterday afternoon by the lettermen. Phillips' home is in Lewiston.

## NOW HIGHEST PRICED BASEBALL PLAYER



Joe Tinker, who was purchased by Brooklyn yesterday for \$25,000, thus eclipsing the Pittsburgh layout for Marty O'Toole, \$22,500. Tinker will be given \$10,000 if he signs.

## CONTRACTS, RELEASES GIVEN OUT BY FARRELL

Record Shows Buck O'Brien Will Not Be With Oakland Again.

The following contracts and releases were contained in the latest bulletin issued by J. H. Farrell, secretary of the National association.

Contracts: With Portland (P. C. L.)—Fred W. Frambach, Arthur E. Bersing, William J. Speas, Robert H. Davis, Elmer Lober and J. Ruegg. With Spokane (N. W.)—H. J. Davis and Elmer E. Leifley.

With Vancouver (N. W. L.)—Charles W. Reid, Edward W. Doty. With Seattle (N. W. L.)—A. B. Conley. Terms accepted: With Sacramento (P. C. L.)—Gill De Forrest.

Released by purchase: By Toledo to Indianapolis—Grover Land. By Rochester to Buffalo—Del Padock.

By International league to Pacific Coast league—Umpire G. Hayes. By Pittsfield to Lowell—William Temple.

By Walla Walla to Portland (P. C. L.)—Robert H. Davis.

By Oakland to Chicago (A. L.)—Thomas J. O'Brien.

Released: By Lincoln—Ike Rockenfield.

## SPOKANE ATHLETES SPLIT AT VANCOUVER

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 13.—Spokane athletes secured an even break in the dual wrestling and boxing meet with local clubmen last evening.

The results: 115 pound boxing—Pederson, Vancouver, decision over Gomez, Spokane. 145 pound boxing—Atcheson, Vancouver, decision over Sullivan, Spokane. 135 pound boxing—Gannon, Spokane, decision over Morrison, Vancouver. 115 pound wrestling—Glahe, Spokane, decision over Andrews, Vancouver.

## DROLL MEDIUM FOR BIG KILLING BY THE BOOKS

Juarez, Mexico, Dec. 13.—A highly touted "good thing" went wrong in the first race here today, when Droll failed to come in better than third. Books throughout the country are understood here to have made a big cleanup on the plunge, the tip being so strong that fortunes were put up, and lost. The post odds on Droll were 6 to 5 to win, 2 to 5 place, and 1 to 5 show. The race, which was for maiden 2-year-olds, was won by Augustus Heinz, a 15 to 1 shot.

## Races at Juarez.

Juarez, Mex., Dec. 12.—Results yesterday: First race—Augustus Heinz, 15 to 1, 6 to 1, 3 to 1, won; Dr. Bailey, 2 to 1, even, second; Droll, 1 to 5, third. Time, 1:12 4-5.

Second race—Sigurd, 4 to 5, 1 to 3, out, won; Cordie F. 2 to 1, even, second; Robert, 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:47.

Scattered Garter, Lord Elam, Defy. Third race—Bing, 10 to 1, 2 to 1, 3 to 5, won; Manganesse, even, 2 to 5, second; Edith W. even, third. Time, 1:08.

Scattered Orb. Fourth race—Manasseh, 3 to 1, even, 1 to 2, won; John Reardon, 6 to 1, 3 to 1, second; Bert Getty, 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:37 1-5.

Fifth race—Miss Sly, 9 to 10, 1 to 4, out, won; James E. even, 1 to 2, second; King Radford, even, third. Time, 1:05 2-5.

Sixth race—Paystreak, 13 to 5, even, 2 to 5, won; New Haven, 2 to 1, even, second; Mack B. Eubanks, 2 to 5, third. Time, 1:05.

## Green Man Goes Fast Mile.

University of Idaho, Moscow, Dec. 13.—In a track meet held here between the first and second year classes of the practical agricultural students of the University, Hansen, a first-year man, practically without training, ran the mile on an indoor track in 4:48.

## CHARLEY MILLER HAD BETTER OF BIG ELDER

Soldier, However, Once Shook Streetcar Man From Head to His Heels.

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—That Charlie Miller should have been given the decision at the end of his fourth round bout here last night with Soldier Elder was the belief today of many fight experts.

Miller landed the cleaner blows and had much the better of the infighting. A right cross to the jaw in the third round that shook Miller from head to heels probably influenced Referee Bert McCullough in rendering his decision.

Just before the main event, Harlem Tommy Murphy was introduced. He declared he had come 3000 miles to fight Willie Ritchie and would wait here until the champion was ready to give him a chance at the title.

The other bouts resulted as follows: Lee Johnson won the decision from Kid Exposito.

Dick Kendall knocked out Dummy Thomas in the second round.

Sailor Carroll and Rufus Cameron boxed a four round draw.

Harry Wallace, negro, knocked out Billy Smith in the first round.

Dude Clarke and Montana Sullivan boxed a four round draw.

Paul Pollock stopped Kid Turner in the first round.

Mike Kutchoa knocked out Ping Bodie in the third round.

## SEVERAL WITHDRAWALS FROM SIX DAY RACING

New York, Dec. 13.—Several withdrawals from the six day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden came today. The withdrawals were Collins and Walthour, Grenda and Clarke, Kopsky and Keefe, Applehaus and Pakenbusch and Breton and Perchicot. Breton and Pakenbusch then formed a new team and continued in the race.

At 9 o'clock this morning Gouillatt and Fogler, Verri and Brocco, Hill and Ryan, Root and McNamara, Magin and Lawrence and Drobacy and Halstead had covered 2497 miles and one lap. The Mitten-Thomas and the Corry-Walker teams were a lap behind the leaders. Breton and Pakenbusch and Carpenter and Carmen were two laps behind.

## WALLOWA IS BUSY FOR LITTLE TOWN

Wallowa, Or., Dec. 13.—From February first to November 15, of this year, 428 carloads of freight were shipped from this place, besides a large amount in smaller lots. The list of full carload lots included: Lumber, 258; sheep, 84; cattle, 24; hogs, 21; wheat, 19; oats, 11; hay, 10; horses, 2; wool, 2; barley, 1.

## WILL PUT FALLBRIDGE ON WAGON ROAD MAP

Klickitat, Wash., Dec. 13.—Frank L. Bunnell, prosperous wool-grower of the Columbia river valley, formerly a Klickitat politician, announces that he has made good progress with the county court in his effort to get a public road out of Fallbridge to connect with the Granddallas wagon road. Though it is the junction of the Oregon Trunk and the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railroads, Fallbridge has never had a public road.

## Midnight Automobile Accident.

Los Angeles, Dec. 13.—P. M. Robinson, 60, was probably fatally injured in midnight automobile accident.

## FIGHTERS WANT MORE COIN AND COFFROTH MAY STOP BOUT PLANS

Nolan Starts Kidding Buckley About Betting \$5000—and Latter Is Willing to Come In

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—Financial differences may result in the calling off of plans for rematching Lightweight Champion Willie Ritchie and Harlem Tommy Murphy.

"Give me the \$15,000 guarantee you were to give me in the December 10 match," Harry Foley, Ritchie's manager, told Promoter James W. Coffroth, "and we will sign articles right away." Coffroth refused.

"Jim Buckley, acting for Murphy, is now demanding 25 per cent of the gross receipts," Coffroth said. "The best I can do is to offer you a guarantee of \$12,500 with the privilege of accepting 50 per cent of the gross receipts."

"Fifteen thousand for Ritchie or he will not fight," was Foley's parting shot. Then Ritchie's manager turned on Buckley.

"I understand," he said, "that you want to bet \$5000 that Murphy can beat Ritchie if Willie will fight at 133 pounds. We will just take you up on that little bet."

"All right, we have the money and what I said goes," was Buckley's comeback. "However, you must fight with in the next two weeks."

"You know that is impossible," responded Foley. "Dr. McCarthy will not allow Ritchie to resume training for two weeks."

The controversy ended with Buckley promising to make a proposition this afternoon that Ritchie would have to accept or quit cold. Foley agreed to meet Buckley again at 2 o'clock this afternoon in Coffroth's office. Buckley will give Foley the details of his proposition then.

## LAND OPERATORS FOUND GUILTY OF MISUSE OF MAIL

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notice of the government postal authorities.

## No Emotion Displayed.

The defendants with their wives and Attorneys Fulton and Bowerman who represented them were in court when the verdict was returned shortly after 10 o'clock. They had apparently prepared themselves for anything that might happen, for no sign of emotion was betrayed by any of the defendants, although both wept during the course of the argument yesterday afternoon by Senator Fulton.

An attempt to foist upon the public again the ill-starred school section lands, known variously as the "Ileu lands," the Mays-Jones lands and the Veason lands, and which figured prominently in land fraud cases, tried here several years ago, was the strongest factor in the conviction of Conway and Richet.

Evidence in the case showed that the Oregon Inland Development company was organized primarily for the purpose of selling at least 20 of the school sections owned by Franklin P. Maitland and Willard N. Jones and located in the several mountain ranges of the state from the Coast range, through the Cascades and in the Blue mountains of the east.

## Lands Name to Company.

Frank Richet, it developed this week in evidence brought out by the defense, was given five shares of stock of the company, valued at \$2500, to lend his good name as a Portland citizen of long standing, to the proposition. J. H. Up-ton, W. T. Markkille, W. J. Byrne and H. H. Riddell, all Portland men, two of which are attorneys, organized the company, having an oral contract to sell these Mays-Jones lands, later known as the Veason lands because John Veason had trust deeds with power to sell.

Richet was made president of the company. J. T. Conway came later. It developed in the evidence that he had been connected with other real estate companies that sold lands by a "plan," and the knowledge of a man who knew how to do it was needed. So, a short time after its organization, Conway became general manager of the company.

An "auction plan" of sale was devised, the testimony and their literature showed.

## Plan Is Explained.

Would-be buyers of an Oregon farm home were allowed to purchase a contract, which when paid up, gave them an interest in the whole undivided contract. The plan, however, was that testimony, was that 3088 of these contracts should be sold. After that had been done, the purchasers were to send representatives to Portland and these representatives were to elect trustees. Then the company was to turn over to the trustees the deeds to the entire tract.

Then with purchasers of contracts or their representatives bidding, the tracts were to be auctioned off.

Conway, after an investigation, discovered that the Veason lands were inaccessible and too entirely remote for any kind of sale whatever. So the company repudiated its contract with Veason and negotiations were started which later resulted in the purchase of something over 2300 acres of land in Union county.

The contract holders were then given new contracts, entitling them to a claim in these lands. But the government witnesses testified that these lands were of scarcely more value than the Veason lands, which forest rangers had said were mountain tops, covered with rocks, seared with canyons and anything but agricultural land.

## Lottery Plan Alleged.

The government maintained that the system of disposal of the tracts was nothing less than a lottery, the promotion of which is forbidden in the mails. By a process of elimination of every conceivable arrangement, United States Attorney Reames, through his witnesses, showed that no other method of disposal could exist.

In the deliberations of the jury it was reported by members of that body that there was no difference of opinion from the first that Conway and Richet were guilty of the first four counts of the indictment, which charged use of the mails to defraud.

But beginning about 11 o'clock last night the long hard fight in the jury room resumed. That evening, charging attorney Reames, through his witnesses, showed that no other method of disposal could exist.

After the verdict had been returned, United States Attorney Reames asked that new bondsmen be appointed. Conway and Richet are at present at liberty on bonds of \$5000 each. Beyond the

## ANDERSON AND CROSS MATCHED TO BATTLE 20 BELLS NEW YEAR'S

Vancouver Boy and New York Lad Will Do 135 Pounds for Their Second Fight.

Los Angeles, Dec. 13.—Leach Cross and Bud Anderson are matched today to furnish the New Year's fight card at McCarey's Vernon arena. The men will weigh 135 pounds two hours before the fight. Both will begin training tomorrow.

There has always been a question in the minds of the Los Angeles boxing fans, whether Leach is the master of the Vancouver, Wash., lightweight. They know that Leach knocked out Anderson in 12 rounds July 12 last, but they also know that Bud went to a hospital a couple of days later and had his appendix removed. His surgeon marveled at that time that Anderson was able to go a round with Cross in the condition he was found to be in.

Anderson has always said that Cross should have put him away in five rounds at the most, because he was unable to lift his right arm from the "stitch" in his side. Bud doesn't think much of the New Yorker's hitting qualities and believes he can stop him before the 12 rounds are up. Bud can hit hard enough to knock anybody out, judging from his battering of Barlieau here Tuesday night.

statement that the present surities are unsatisfactory, Reames would advance no reason for the request.

Attorney C. W. Fulton asked and was granted a leave of 30 days in which to prepare a motion for a new trial.

This conference was held and Reames said afterwards that the contempt charge would probably be taken up at the session Monday morning.

The trial started Monday, November 24, and lasted one day less than three weeks.

Reames said after the case that last night was the first night he had had a full sleep since the trial started. Investigation of the case actively started November 17, and since that time Reames, his assistant, E. A. Johnson, H. S. House, expert bank accountant for the government, and Postoffice Inspector H. G. Durand have worked every night late and all day Sundays on the case.

## STRIKING TEAMSTERS GO BACK TO WORK

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 12.—Agent Denmore of the federal labor department telegraphed to Washington today that 2800 of the 3000 teamsters who struck here recently had either gone back to work or agreed to do so. The employers made union agreements with them.

Reiterating its previous indorsement of the franchise granted to the Portland & Oregon City Railway company the Seilwood Board of Trade at a recent meeting adopted a resolution scoring the movement to invoke a referendum on the franchise. Petitions, it is quoted, are being circulated in Westmoreland and vicinity, although the proposed road has received the indorsement of residents along the construction length of the line. The text of the resolution follows:

"Be It Resolved, That we deem the action of those who are endeavoring to put the referendum upon said franchise, as mere obstructive tactics, for the purpose of delaying the construction of the line for an indefinite period, and with a view to future changes in the city administration which might be hostile to the project; that we believe the action of the obstructionists to be unfriendly to their fellow citizens in Seilwood and elsewhere in the city, and also to the promoters of this important enterprise."

## White Slave Prosecutions.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Speaking for the justice department, Senator Kern denied that there had been any relaxation in prosecutions under the Mann white slave law.

## IDLE MEN MAY GET WORK ON NEW JETTY

Extra Crews Needed on Construction and in Rock Quarries.

A suggestion that if acted on by the government, will provide work for a thousand men and at the same time forward an improvement of importance to the entire Columbia district was made yesterday by Dr. Alfred Kinney, chairman of the Ports of Columbia, while in Portland.

"I am told that an influx of the unemployed is expected in Portland this winter," he said.

"The fact that these men are looking for work may be made a blessing if the government's work on the North Jetty is so arranged as to increase the force rather than decrease it as winter comes on."

"Two hundred and fifty men, I am reliably informed, can be used on the jetty construction. One hundred more can be put to work opening up the face of rock on the government reservation. Three hundred can be given work at the quarries. Others can be employed getting out piling and so forth. The work on the north jetty could be forward with a rush. Work for at least 20 days each month could be given the men."

"The Port Commissioners of Portland and Astoria made an appropriation of \$200,000 so that the work on the north jetty might not be delayed. A short time ago, Gerald Bagnall, engineer in charge of the government work at the mouth of the river, announced, I understand, that he would increase the force. This, it seems to me, is a mighty good time to do it. Every one will be benefited."

## CARLINE REFERENDUM SCORED IN RESOLUTIONS

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