

McCREDIE'S PRESENT CROWD OUTCLASSES GANG OF LAST YEAR

Comparison of Last Two Training Squads Shows 1915 in Very Bad Light.

HAS FIRST DIVISION TEAM

Outfield Far Outshades That of Previous Season, While Infield Also Measures Greater Strength.

By R. A. Cronin.

Sacramento, Cal., March 25.—Unless the Coast league is faster by about a million revolutions than it has ever been before, the Portland ball club will finish in the first division...



Credie had at Fresno; but, collectively, it is strong enough to mow down the various frontal and flank movements...

Fisher in Better Shape

Fisher believes that he is in better shape than at this time last year, and as Gus has always been a great hitter...

Therefore, the catching staff is just as strong, figuring from all angles, as last year.

Derick Would Be Shaded

While Fred Derick rendered valiant service to the Beavers in years past, the old heads believe Fred would have fared this year by either Quinn or Guisto...

Bobby Vaughn is a corking ball player, and should play as good a second base as Bill Stump...

Bates Won't Be Missed

At third base no hitting strength has been sacrificed, and Bill Stump should carry as much, if not more, strength than Ray Bates...

Among the younger twirlers, the only real American in the bunch...

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The one thing that is causing Te to scribble to do a bit of guessing is the hurling staff. As presently constituted, it is stronger by a good deal than the collection of gunsmiths that Mc...

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REGULARS AND RECRUITS PUTTING ON FINISHING TOUCHES FOR PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE OPENING A WEEK FROM NEXT TUESDAY

Runs Glass of Milk Into Dairy Old Time Ball Star Wealthy

By R. A. Cronin.

Sacramento, Cal., March 25.—How many remember George "Chief" Borchers, who was as famous 25 years ago as Grover Alexander is today...

When George quit baseball early in the last decade he had just \$2.50 in his pocket. Today Bradstreet rates him as one of the staunchest business men in California...

When he quit baseball he joined with his brother in the purchase of some of the rich tulsi land in West Sacramento. It is something like the fabulous beaverland land near Portland...

Ability to work hard and to think quickly, due to the old baseball days, kept the Borchers from selling their property to the syndicate and now they are on the highway to considerable wealth...

"Candy ball players," he snorted, when discussing the pitcher who thought he is overworked when he pitches 30 games a season...

When he pitched for Detroit in 1894, he was a big, overgrown boy playing baseball and football for the Visalia high school. He could throw a ball with terrific speed for a kid, but I never thought he would make a baseball player...

Walter McCredie is so enthusiastic over the speed of big Louis Guisto that he is willing to bet a good dinner, with cold asparagus on the side, that there aren't four men on the club who can lead him in a 100-yard race...

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ROSE CITY FIGHT FANS WILL SEE 4 FAST FEATHERS

Billy Mascot and Tex Vernon in Main Event at Club Tuesday.

Four of the cleverest featherweight boxers of this section of the country will battle for honors next Tuesday night at the Rose City Athletic Club.

Billy Mascot, the local favorite, will step six rounds with "Tex" Vernon, of Aberdeen, Wash., claimant of the northwest featherweight title...

Manager Mac Is Firm Believer in Preparedness Idea

Walter McCredie, manager of the Beavers, is a believer in preparedness. Through a local sporting goods house he has placed an order for four dozen bats, Joe Jackson, Southworth, Nixon and Willie models...

Hippodrome Club Will Stage Events

Another athletic club has made its appearance here, it is the Hippodrome Athletic club, which will stage boxing and wrestling events in the Ice Hippodrome...

MINOR BASEBALL

Minor baseball teams desiring notices of their games and challenges in this column are requested to have same in the office of the sporting editor not later than Friday noon.

Syracuse Fives in Good Standing Now

Syracuse, March 25.—(I. N. S.)—Syracuse university has just concluded another successful basketball season. It was the fifth consecutive season without suffering a defeat on the home court...

Answer to Cribbage Query

Sporting Editor of the Journal—Is player B allowed a run of three in a cribbage game if the cards are played in the following order: A plays 2, B plays 3, A plays 4 and claims run of three...

FAST BALL AND THE CURVE MAKE STARS, DECLARES VETERAN

"Floater" Said to Look Nice to Grand Stand, but That Is End of It.

MATHEWSON IS CITED

"Mine" Brown Another Pitcher Was Depended on Fast One and His Curve to Deceive Batter.

By R. A. Cronin.

Sacramento, Cal., March 25.—They can talk about their "fork balls," "knuckle balls," "fingerball" and other freaks of the pitcher's art, but they are only sideline stuff and not to be used in a ball game...

Batter Was Advantage

"It is true that a floater will fool a catcher, but that is due to the catcher's nervousness nine times out of ten. He has more responsibility than the batter and the ball may hit him on the wrist because of the wobble...

Curves Were Deceptive

He depended upon the angle of his curve and the hop on his fast one. He would throw you a quick-breaking curve that would fool you. The next curve would not have such a break, and you would be caught off your stride...

Nixon and Guisto

"Mine" Brown was just like Matty in that he would not have such a break, and you would be caught off your stride, having expected just such a one as he threw in the first place...

Never Become Stars

"You take the pitchers who have in their repertoire a fast ball, a curve ball, a spit ball, a fadeaway and a spit ball, and you never hear of them becoming the big stars of diamond...

W. H. S. Captains Elected

Three athletic team captains were elected at Washington high school last week. Bob Snodgrass, who played center of the basketball quintet, was chosen captain of the 1916 squad...

Glaze to Coach Colorado

Ralph Glaze, former football coach of the University of Southern California, has been named coach of the University of Colorado football eleven...

Hornie to Compete Again

George Hornie of San Francisco, former world's record holder in the high jump and present national champion, may compete for the last time in a Newark championships, September 8 and 9. He is a farmer.

Advertisement for Rose City Athletic Club featuring boxing, including names like Bert Forbes and Joe Benjamin.

Advertisement for 'The Sportsman Gives the Good Judge a Pointer' featuring a cartoon illustration of a man with a pointer and text about tobacco.