

RUBAYAT OF BULL RUN
Tulips is high, but when the turkey's
crows...

"I'll fight!" said big Jess Willard,
"I'll fight, you see, for charitee, but stage
the thing myself!"

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS OF PORTLAND GUN CLUB FOR COMING YEAR

OLD HORSE
ONE OF BIG
COIN QUINT

ROCK CHASE SHAKING
From Portland there came a wire and
holkey...

WAR WILL BOOST ALL ATHLETICS

Government to Encourage Sports in Order to Make a Sturdier Race of Americans.

New York, Dec. 22.—Baseball, boxing and football are going to have larger followings after the war than they have today.

That this will be true in baseball particularly is the prediction of many men high up in the game, and it has been pointed out by followers of boxing that the instruction being given the soldiers...

Football, which has been growing by leaps and bounds within the past five years, may not gain many active participants through the formation of training camps...

From the ending of the Civil war to the present day baseball has been gaining in popularity. It has suffered several rude shocks owing to internal strife...

Sports will be encouraged in every way possible by the government, too, President Wilson, Secretary of War Baker and many of our lawmakers at Washington have openly expressed the opinion that health giving sports should be encouraged and continued throughout the length and breadth of the land...

Card Star Covered A Lot of Territory

If fielding figures told the absolute truth, the baseball manager would not have to cast a lamp on a promising recruit. All he would need to do would be to glimpse the fielder's batting and get the answer.

The player in question is none other than the well known Roger Hornsby, shortstop of the St. Louis Cardinals. Mr. Hornsby made more errors than any other National league shortstop, except Billy Knott of the Reds, during 1917.

Cincinnati Seeking Former Giant Star

Rube Marquard, former Giant and now one of the remaining stars of the Brooklyn hurling corps, will be sold or traded to the Cincinnati club, if plans now being laid by Christy Mathewson, Wilbert Robinson and the Rube himself materialize.

Tobacco Habit Easily Overcome

A New Yorker, of wide experience, has written a book telling how the tobacco or snuff habit may be broken quickly and easily without calisthenic benefit.

Tales of the Old Time Beavers

Husky Youngster, Who Had Trial With Beavers, Is Now Catcher on Chicago National Staff.

Edward F. ("Ned") Egan, known as the "King of the Bush Leaguers," who won eight pennants in the bunchgrass leagues in 15 years, mentions two former Portland players in a series of articles entitled "Twenty Years Among the Bush Leagues."

"It often happens that a baseball player finds a place for himself by the most accidental of means," writes Egan. "I have several cases of this, but about the oddest I ever saw was that of Marriotti, a catcher now with the Cubs."

"He was playing third base at the time and it afterward was found out he wasn't there at all. Hence he was released. In a moment he was back and he did went wrong and everything he tried was a failure. He was let go by several teams and finally, in great desperation, he was traded to me."

"To my great astonishment they called me to see him a few days later and asked me if I could send them more baseball players like Marriotti. I thought it was a joke for a minute, but they explained to me that they had made good instantly and had become a great favorite in the town."

Ehuds Are Crowding Rivals Cubs Have Soutpaw Garden

New York, Dec. 22.—Thirty regulars playing with teams in the National league do their throwing with the portland wing.

Three of the regulars are first-sackers, namely: Jacob Daubert, of the Dodgers; Walt Holke, of the Cardinals; and Al Chase of the Reds. The other first baseman is Fred Terner's loop toss the pill with the right hit.

REGULAR QUINT NAMED BY COACH AFTER HOLIDAYS

League Officials for Interscholastic Basketball Will Be Selected Soon.

Interscholastic basketball coaches will select their regulars for the 1918 championship season after the Christmas holidays.

Delaware Plans Boxing Bill

Delaware boxing enthusiasts plan to introduce a bill to permit legalized contests there at the next session of the legislature.

LITTLE BEN IS BEST OF ALL STARS

Kid McPartland Tells Why Lightweight Champion Is Marvel of Boxing Ring.

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Warner Made Team Out of Holdovers

Glancing back at the Pittsburg team, it is timely to note that Warner developed the best all-around team in the local area composed of his holdovers of a year ago.

Mel Sheppard Says He Sees Champions

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"TURKEY SHOOT" TO OCCUPY TRAP EXPERTS TODAY

Shooters Will Be Classed According to Ability to Equalize Chance.

A Christmas "turkey shoot" will be held on the Everding Park traps of the Portland Gun club starting at 9 o'clock this morning.

Sanford Proves It Is Balanced Eleven

Coach Foster Sanford of the Rutgers football squad, in a letter to the press, says that his eleven is a well balanced one.

Former Beaver Star to Be Vernon Leader

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Coach Houghton, the great Harvard coach, proud as he was of the fact that so many Cambridge gridiron heroes entered the service and distinguished themselves, recently expressed the belief that Harvard will return to varsity football next year.

Football Coaches Face Same Trouble

Football coaches throughout the country will probably have to face much the same conditions next fall as they faced this year in the matter of a scarcity of material.

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McInnis Yeoman in Baseball Company

Connie Mack has lost another good ball player, making six of the Athletics who have been traded to Uncle Sam. Stuffy McInnis, Mack's star first baseman, has decided to enlist as a yeoman at the Charleston navy yard.

Cure Your Rupture Like I Cured Mine

His Remedy and Book Sent Free. Captain Collins called his condition a "double rupture" that forced him to stop not only his work but his very life.

FREE RUPTURE BOOK AND REMEDY COUPON

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