

Seven More Days the Pacific Coast Pitchers Will Be Trying to Fool 'em

PENNER IS FAST MAN

Pitcher Shows Up in Classy Style During Practice Game in Camp at Crockett.

By R. A. Cronin
Crockett, Cal., April 1.—(U. P.)—Manager Walter McCredie of the Portland Beavers today announced that Frank Penner would lead-off the batting order during the opening week of the Coast season. Bogart was originally slated to lead-off, but because he is a sharper hitter than Penner, Mac made the change.

CROCKETT, Cal., April 1.—Kenneth Penner had his first real workout in camp yesterday when he pitched against Red Oldham and the Yankigans. No score was kept, but Penner showed up in nice style and it appears that he will be ready when the bell sends them away. Penner's fast ball and spitter were working in fine shape and his curve ball appeared to have the old break. The spitter is Ken's forte now and the Coast leaguers are looking for it. Penner last year he has as much stuff as anybody in the league. Also, Penner is credited with being one of the fastest pitchers in the league, on the word of Red Oldham and Del Baker, who have battled against the awkward athlete. One of the outstanding features of the practice yesterday was the fielding of Ben Stoloff, who appears to be able to cover any ground as well as accurately as any of the infielders we have in camp. Walt McCredie started in to try to make a hitter out of Stoloff, and the Russian looks as if he might hit. "Anybody who declares a program on this lad, is going to have a battle on his hands from the jump. There isn't a livelier lad in camp, and he may surprise some of the railbirds. Some of the older men in camp are wondering if the McCredie luck in picking up shortstops is working again. Swartz, Walters and Coen have been released, and it is expected that Dick Mitchell will get the axe in a day or two.

Baseball

COLUMBUS, Ga., April 1.—(U. P.)—The Boston Braves today were getting ready for the series with the Detroit Tigers, which opens here Thursday. Braves and Tigers will leave Thursday night for Albany, Ga., where they will play Friday. Saturday the teams will play in Macon. Then the teams will journey to Columbia, S. C., where they will play Monday. The Braves problem for the series, with Al Wickard still outside, was solved when Tom Miller reported.

Waxahatchie, Texas, April 1.—(U. P.)—Not that the Reds already are counted as dead ones for this season, but manager Pat Moran can find no other dry spot on which his squad could practice, so he worked his men in a cemetery yesterday.

New Orleans, April 1.—Indian Manager Fohl would have another outpour to share the port side burden with Pitcher Fred Counce. Hence his plans for reconquering the infield, outfielder, into a pitcher, Jameson pitched good ball for Buffalo six years ago.

Jacksonville, Fla., April 1.—(U. P.)—Wilbert Robinson is rebuilding the Dodgers' infield. Captain of the team, Schmidt's injury, Schmidt, badly spiked by Frank Brasill yesterday, will be out of the game at least six weeks. Brasill probably will fill the gap, but incidentally leaving first base unprotected.

St. Louis, April 1.—(U. P.)—The Cardinals put on a double header today. This morning they went through an early morning practice game at Francis field. This afternoon they are scheduled to go five innings with local semi-pro club.

Pasadena, April 1.—(U. P.)—Tricks at base running were being taught the Cubs here today by Charlie Pick. Manager Mitchell put Cuddy and Luque, the sliders yesterday. In yesterday's practice game with Pasadena the Cubs were victorious, 2 to 1. George Tyler and Big Jim Vaughn hurled for the Bruins.

Mineral Wells, Texas, April 1.—(U. P.)—Arthur Satchel, a former pitcher, was added to "Kid" Gleason's White Sox lineup today. With the team split two ways, Gleason found there was too much work for one receiver on the second team.

Waxahatchie, Texas, April 1.—(U. P.)—Manager Pat Moran has his Irish up and is real angry because of absent players. Cuddy and Luque, the Cubs, gave no excuse for not reporting, and says he will trade them off. Eddie Roush's high salary demand is impossible, too. Waco and the Reds play today.

Charlotte, N. C., April 1.—(U. P.)—George Whitted was appointed field captain of the Phillies by Manager Combs and Fred Luders has been shifted back to the ranks. Not that Luders has not been a good field chief, but Combs is determined to break the back of any bad luck that may be camping on the Phillies' trail and many changes are being made.

Gainesville, Fla., April 1.—(U. P.)—Manager John McGraw of the Giants divided his squad again Monday, sending the youngsters against the vets in a short practice game. McGraw announced that the regular members of the staff—Schupp, Benton, Barnes and others—are ready to be whipped into shape.

Three Games With Bears
Berkeley, Cal., March 31.—(U. P.)—Three football games with Northwest colleges have been scheduled thus far for the 1915 gridiron season by the University of California. October 25 the Bears will play Washington State college, and November 11 they will play the Oregon Agricultural college. The annual Thanksgiving game against the University of Washington will be played at Seattle.

Cleveland Wants Olympics
Cleveland is to be a bidder for the Olympic games of 1920 if it is decided to hold them. The bid was made here held in Stockholm in 1912 and it is said that those in charge there are anxious that a return engagement be played. New York, Boston and Philadelphia are also bidding for the games, it is said.

The national class A ball, line ball championship for amateurs at the 1915 style, started at the Chicago A. A. February 27, to continue three weeks.

In the Looking Glass

CROCKETT, Cal., April 1.—There has been an epidemic of sneezing in the dining room for those Beavers who have tender nostrils. The reason is charged to the presence on the tables of a blue wild-flower with an excess of pollen. The boys do think they have the hayfever for the reason that they are in salt water territory, which is said by physicians to be a panacea for the inflamed nostril.

THERE has been some disposition in camp to believe that, owing to the coolness here, McCredie should send his veteran pitchers to Los Angeles or vicinity to spend the first series of the year. Some of the veteran hurlers complain that they are not in shape, but they are not to blame for the worst March weather they have had in years. And, anyhow, the other clubs have fared little better in the matter of weather around the bay.

STANLEY COVELESKIE made the home run of his life in the Salt Lake park. McCredie sent him up to swing as hard as he could in hope of connecting. He reached up in the air and smacked one, starting on the dead run to first. "Well, it's over," yelled Mac, who was coaching at first base. "The hellitis!" grinned Covey, as he trotted around.

KENNETH PENNER, who pitched a considerable ball during the winter, is ready for the going. Penner has been taking things easy since he arrived in camp and spent almost a week in San Francisco. He arrived Friday and will now begin to taper off for the opening. Penner gained six pounds while in the city, which he needs as he was not feeling well when he left. Penner looks for Penner to be one of the best pitchers in the league this season.

THE coming forward of Pitcher Carroll Jones with a request to the McCredies to know what was to be done with him this year, was well received by the staff. Judge and manager Mac tried high and low to locate Jones, who was supposed to be in Kansas, and had finally figured that he must be in France. Mac nearly fell off the bench when he got a telegram from Jones Thursday, dated at Oskaloosa, Mo. Jones, a former pitcher, had with Tub Spencer, the Salt Lake catcher, who was with Detroit last year. Jones is a right-handed pitcher. Del Baker says Carroll is a right hander built on the lines of Bill Steen.

GRADE SCHOOLS OPEN SEASON'S BASEBALL SKED

Holladay and Irvington Win Initial Clashes of Grammar School League by One-Sided Score.

The Holladay and Irvington school teams were returned winners in the opening games of the 1915 Grammar School Baseball League. The executive committee of the Portland Grammar School Baseball league, composed of Robert Krohn, Jesse McCord, Hugh J. Boyd, C. M. Stafford, T. Spier and C. H. Higgins, has drawn up rules and regulations to govern the games of the 1915 season, which was formally opened Monday.

Following are the rules: Qualifications: Bonafide pupils of the school. Must attend school regularly and have a satisfactory grade. Umpires: Umpires shall be secured through the high schools. Length of game: A game shall consist of seven innings. In case of a tie, the game shall begin not later than 4:15 o'clock.

Postponed games: These shall be played as soon as possible after being postponed but should never interfere with the regularly scheduled games. Ground rules: Captains of the two contesting teams, together with the umpire, shall arrange with the principal or person in charge of the game, ground rules before the game begins. Authority: The principal, or someone delegated by him, of the school first named on the schedule shall have full control of the game. All players are responsible to the above named person and he shall have authority to exclude players from the game for misconduct. Results of games: Principals in charge of games shall report the results of each game to their respective section leaders the following day.

Disputes: In case of any controversy arising, such controversy shall be referred to the executive committee in writing within four days after the game has been played.

Ex-Beaver Going to France
San Francisco, April 1.—(U. P.)—Jack Barry, veteran major league baseball player, at present a secretary for the Knights of Columbus, left San Francisco yesterday for France. Barry will show the doughboys in the army of occupation the fine points of the game. Barry formerly played with Portland.

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FORMER YANK TO JOIN SEATTLE



Jack Knight, versatile infielder, who has been purchased by the Seattle Coast league club from the Minneapolis American association club. He formerly played with the New York Americans.

Sir Tom Drifts Around Reporter Had Big Task

NEW YORK, April 1.—Sir Thomas Lipton, attired in a nautical looking suit of blue and a boy sized green hat that might well have been woven from seaweed, made merry welcome today to reporters who wanted to know everything about ocean races, both surface and air. And he answered every question. Yes, Sir. The famous yachtsman and tea merchant has just arrived from England, bringing sea breezes with him, as indicated by his remarks.

"How about this transatlantic air flight, Sir Thomas?" asked a scribe, tripping his anchor and getting under way. "It will be accomplished, of course," was the reply. "I am simply amazed at the success of the prohibition movement in the United States. The people—"

"The transatlantic flight, you were mentioning," said another reporter, by way of mild hint that Sir Thomas had steered his boat off its course. "It will be the common sport of the future. I am simply amazed that the people of the United States, loving personal liberty as they do, should be—"

May Drink More Tea
"Look here, Sir Thomas," said the reporter with the undershot jaw. "Nobody's asked you to take a drink. Do you fly?"

"I have flown. It is a great sport. It is almost beyond belief that the American people should vote the country dry. Of course, if they give up liquor they may drink more tea, but—"

Langer Going to Honolulu
Los Angeles, April 1.—(U. P.)—Ludler Langer, international middle-distance swimmer champion, departed today for Honolulu to engage in his profession of engineering. It was announced at the Los Angeles Athletic club today. It was not made clear whether he intends to give up competitive swimming permanently.

THE lightweight championship boxing title of the Northwest will be at stake Wednesday night, April 3, when Bobby Harper of Seattle, holder of the title, meets Joe Gorman of Portland in a 12-round contest at the Vancouver barracks.

This will be the first bout over 10 rounds staged in this vicinity in eight years, the last being the 15-round encounter between Danny O'Brien and Bud Anderson in 1911. In addition to the main event, there will be three other contests. Freddie Anderson, who recently put the skids under Walter Knowlton, meeting Billy Nelson in a six round semi-windup. Charley Rooney, who went overseas with the Third Oregon, will be pitted against some middleweight contender.

Gorman is confident that he will reverse the decision in the bout over the longer distance, although Harper, who was formerly the flyweight champion of the Northwest, is a good tough boxer, who can hit fairly hard. The question of a referee has not been decided.



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RECRUITS ARE BEING WATCHED

Youngsters to Be Given Plenty of Chance to Stick in the Majors.

By Jack Yelock
NEW YORK, April 1.—(U. P.)—Major league managers are paying an unusual amount of attention to the "rookies" this spring.

There are perhaps half a hundred youngsters in the camps of big league clubs below the Mason and Dixon line today whose work is being closely watched, demanding careful looking over.

All Have Come On
Nearly every one of the 16 big league teams boasts at least one youngster who is being labeled as a coming Cobb, Maranville or Alexander. Four players mentioned in reports from the southland are apparently in line for regular jobs.

Two of the four are with the Giants and Yankees. Earl Smith, the youthful catcher secured from Rochester, bids fair to become familiar to the fans around the National league as Manager McGraw's second string backstop. According to present indications he will be Lew McCarty's first assistant.

Semi-Pro Looks Good
George Halas, erstwhile college player, who attracted attention with the naval training station team at Chicago, is reported to have a toehold on the right field job with the Yankees. His ability to hit consistently, however, has not been demonstrated conclusively to Miller-Huggins.

Dick Kerr, a left-handed pitcher who played with the Milwaukee club last season, is striving to win a regular berth with the White Sox at Mineral Wells. Manager Gleason is reported to be well satisfied with Kerr and predictions are made that he will be retained.

George Uhle, another pitcher, has been picked up by the Cleveland Indians before being picked up by the Indians.

LEONA PRAG IS WINNER OF HUNT CLUB PAPER RUN

Fair Riders Capture All Three Places in Closed Event; Seniors to Ride Saturday.

Miss Leona Prag, on Blue Bell, was the winner in the junior closed paper chase of the Portland Hunt club held last Saturday afternoon. The boys were outgeneraled in this chase, all the honors being captured by their fair competitors. Goodwin was second, and Miss Jane Hall, riding Dot, and third place by Miss Clementine Lewis, riding Ginger. The hares, Jack McDougall and Jack Kerron, laid their course over the same trail that was used by the men in their last open chase, starting on the club grounds and finishing near the clubhouse.

The juniors are planning a membership dance on Saturday evening, April 3, at the clubhouse. They have secured exceptionally fine music and are expecting a large number. Dancing will commence at 8 o'clock and in informal good time is assured. Tickets can be secured from the Misses Suzanne Caswell, Helen West, Eliza and Jean Meier, Dorothy Shea and Douglas Nicolson.

Saturday afternoon, April 5, the seniors will hold a closed paper chase, starting at 3 o'clock on the Borsch road, at the intersection of the Garden Home road. Riders should leave town by 1:30. The trail will be laid by Claude V. Bowman and Harold A. Mayor.

Final Hockey Game Tonight
Seattle, Wash., April 1.—The final contest of the world's hockey championship series will be played tonight. The Seattle and Les Canadiens players are on even terms, and a hard contest is expected.

BOXING

LONDON, April 1.—Jimmy Wilde, British flyweight champion, after spotting Joe Lynch, American aspirant, 16 pounds, drew a referee's decision in his 15-round bout here last night. Odds, 3 to 1, on Wilde at the beginning, became even money by the ninth round when the American had Wilde groggy after severe punishment. Wilde hung on and finished strong in the fifteenth, winning by a narrow margin. The Prince of Wales and other members of royalty witnessed the bout.

Des Moines, Iowa, April 1.—(U. P.)—Jack Dempsey, challenger for Jess Willard's crown, will show here April 25. It was announced today. He will mix with his sparring partners. It will be his only stop in Iowa, his manager announced.

Philadelphia, April 1.—(U. P.)—Foster, featherweight champion Johnny Kilbane knocked out Johnny Mealy in two rounds.

Lancaster, Pa., April 1.—(U. P.)—Leo Houck shaded Al McCoy in six rounds.

Syracuse, N. Y., April 1.—(U. P.)—Young Fisher of Syracuse shaded George Chipp in 10 rounds.

Montreal, April 1.—Frankie Fleming, Canadian featherweight champion, won a 10-round decision over Gussie Lewis over Pittsburg, Pa., April 1.—Harry Greb of Pittsburg won a newspaper decision over Billy Miske in a 10-round encounter last night.

Tulsa, Okla., April 1.—Jack Britton's illness resulted in the cancellation of a boxing contest here last night with Willie Laughlin.

Independent Teams Are Getting Ready

The Standard Oil company will put a strong independent baseball team in the field this season. Al Sieberts, former O. A. C. player, and "Red" Williams will be depended upon to do the hurdling. Thyg, C. Moore, Storm and Bill Garbartino are other members of the squad. The two local boys named, manager and Thyg captain of the team.

William Ferguson is organizing a baseball team and is desirous of representing some independent field. For further information communicate with Ferguson at 1525 Ogan street.

Old-time Athlete Dies
San Francisco, April 1.—(U. P.)—Michael Geary, 70, former San Francisco athlete and sportswriter, died here today following an attack of heart failure.

WILTSE IS TRYING TO 'HOOK' ONE

Buffalo Manager Goes Back on Agreement Made Last Spring With Pitcher Cooper.

GEORGE "HOOKS" WILTSE, former New York Giant and manager of the Buffalo club of the International league, is trying to "hook" Pitcher Guy Cooper of the Portland Beavers, the Butler Manager Walter McCredie planned on using in the opening games of the season.

The Buffalo club has now filed a claim for Cooper with the National association, violating the agreement entered into between Cooper and Wiltse before Cooper signed his 1915 contract. This agreement showed Wiltse had been embodied in the contract and approved of by the national commission.

Judge Is Hopeful
Judge McCredie thinks that Cooper will eventually be awarded the Portland club, as all details of Cooper's end of the case have been forwarded to Secretary Farrell.

Cooper did not receive any contract from Buffalo prior to the 1st of March, and is quoted as saying he will not report to Buffalo.

Should Cooper be suspended by Buffalo, a law suit is likely to be filed against the Beavers, as he has an excellent agreement to back him up, and it is the kind that would be upheld in any court.

The signed contracts of Frank Fuller and "Red" Oldham were filed away by Judge McCredie Monday.

Hamilton After Beavers
Jimmy Hamilton, who has been appointed manager of the Peoria club of the Central association, passed through Portland Monday, en route to Crockett, Cal., where he will endeavor to line up some players for his club. Hamilton is trying to secure Al Bartholemey and the duties with two local boys. He also wants charity, who played with the Standifer team last season.

Assistant Graduate Manager Appointed

University of Oregon, Eugene, April 1.—Donald Orput, a graduate of the university in 1911, formerly a member of the faculty of Washington high school, Portland, has been elected to a position as assistant graduate manager of the university and began his new duties with the opening of the third term Monday. Orput will act as an assistant to Dean Walker, who will find more time to devote to intramural athletics and to assist Sky Huntington in coaching baseball.

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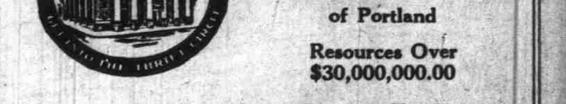
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