Portland Commission's Smoker Saturday Night Promises Action.:.Large List for Swim Meet

Pitching Staff Well Balanced Says T. Turner

By George Bertz
Journal Sports Editor

PORTLAND TRAINING CAMP, Pasadena, Cal., March 10.—Judging from the performances of the hurlers working out under the direction of Tom Turner, assistant manager of the Beavers, Portland will have a well balanced pitching staff this season.

Turner believes that Harry Biemiller, Harvey Freeman and Jim Middleton will be winning pitchers in the Coast league. There's no question about Sutherland and the trio of southpaws ought to go much better than they did last year.

Leverenz was dissatisfied with his berth at Salt Lake but is more than pleased with the surroundings on the Beaver squad. Ross ought to be a winner with the Beavers. He's a hard worker and makes a study of the pitching game. Crumpler is pleased with his berth on the Portland club.

The staff is composed of pitchers who are classed as brainy twirlers. Sutherland is a brainy pitcher with a deceptive delivery. Middleton is in the same class. Both are smart heavers and possess curve balls and a good change of pace.

Biemiller is a fast ball pitcher with a good change of pace. He seems to have good control in the couple of innings he has worked in the Regular-Yannigan games and maybe he is over his wild streak that hampered his work with the Jersey City club during the past two seasons. Biemiller has a good style of delivery that makes it hard for the batters to see the ball as it leaves his hand.

Crumpler has a good fast ball for a southpaw and his change of pace is good. Freeman is a pitcher who depends a lot on the change of pace. He's got quite a pitching head on his shoulders also.

Leverenz is an old fox as a pitcher. He has a great curve ball and should make Portland a winning slabster.

Ross is a fairly wise hurler, and with good support this year, something that he has not had since he joined the Beavers he may be able to win a lot of games.

Crumpler went pretty good with the Seals last year, but like most southpaws he went along at a great pace for several innings and then blew up. Despite the fact that he won 13 and lost 16 games last year, he finished the season with an earned run average of .304.

Portland's chances in the pennant race this season depend on the ability of the pitchers to deliver. This is the opinion of the veterans on the club. The club has the hitting and fielding strength and if the pitchers come through, the Beavers are going to be up in the race all the time.

BASKETBALL

In one of the most exciting basketball games ever played on the Peninsula floor the Portland Midgets defeated the B. B. Cubs, thus strengthening their claim on the 85-pound championship of the city. Both teams deserve credit for the showing they made, as it required 28 minutes overtime before Leviton of the Midgets shot the deciding field basket. As the time of the regular period ended a foul was called on the Midgets, with the score 6-5 in their favor. Jalof of the Cubs shot the deciding foul, thereby tying the score. There were no stars on either side, as both teams played in championship style.

The lineup:

Cubs.	Pos.	Midgets.
Jalof (4)	F	Singer
Swett	F	(2) Leviton
Bodinsky	C	(6) Tarsus
E. Kramer	G	Berlow
Bernstein	G	Gurin
Rosunny	S	
Stoler (2)	S	

Kalama, Wash., March 10.—Kalama's all-star American Legion basketball team will match wits with Kelso's team on the local floor here Friday night.

Hoquiam, Wash., March 10.—The Hoquiam high school basketball team defeated Aberdeen high school here Wednesday by a score of 31 to 21, the game being the annual titular clash between the two harbor schools.

The Anabel basketball team defeated the Young Men's Christian association Victorians, 23 to 22, in the Franklin high school gymnasium Wednesday night. The lineups:

Anabel	Pos.	Victorians
Varley (11)	F	(4) Bacon
Hayes (2)	F	(4) Radcliffe
Darby	C	(6) Robertson
Hart (6)	G	(2) Lewis
McCallum	G	(2) Joie
Erickson	S	(4) Curtis

Referee, Meyers.

Haines, Or., March 10.—Haines is celebrating the victory of the local high school basketball team over the La Grande team at La Grande Saturday night. The game, which was the final one for the Haines quintet during the present season, is said to have been the fastest played on any floor of the association during the season, and resulted in a score of 37 to 27 in favor of Haines. The victory scored by the Haines team is attributed to speed, perfect team work and a passing system with which the La Grande team was not familiar.

At the Training Camps

MYRTLEDALE, Cal., March 10.—(I. N. S.)—After a day's layoff, the Oaks were hard at it again today preparing for their first game Sunday, when a bunch of Oakland rooters will accompany Pop Arlett's Oakland Independents to match the Oaks show their form. The squad still numbers 32, and Manager Howard will delay cutting until the last minute.

Bois Springs, Cal., March 10.—(I. N. S.) The problem of filling the shoes of Jimmy Cavney just now is occupying the mind of Jack Miller, guiding hand of the Seals. Miller has about made up his mind to play first himself, and that leaves the short field position yet to be decided. The Seals prepared today for a game Sunday at Santa Rosa.

Modesto, Cal., March 10.—(I. N. S.)—The early season work of the Bees' pitching staff is filling the heart of Manager Duffy Lewis with glee. He has been adding to their work gradually, and all have been coming through in fine shape. The men were a bit sore after the hardest workout of the season yesterday, but Lewis had them hard at it again today.

Stockton, Cal., March 10.—(I. N. S.)—With all of the invalids up and around again, the Indians' squad was resuming normal proportions today. The Old Bucks trimmed the Papooses, 5 to 4, in the first full tilt of the season. Manager McCredie was especially pleased with the showing of Harry Gardner, who pitched four innings. Rod Murphy's batting eye was working overtime.

Sacramento, Cal., March 10.—(I. N. S.) With the second week of preseason practice waning for the Senators, the outstanding features of the first fortnight's work are the brilliant promise shown by the infielders and the showing made by rookies George Gibson and Tom Rose. Gibson, a pitcher of experience, seems to have found himself this year, and Rose, under Colonel Pick's tutelage, is hitting in real fashion.

Washington Park, Los Angeles, March 10.—(I. N. S.)—Manager William Essick will put his Vernon Tigers through their final workout today for their exhibition tangle tomorrow with the Chicago Cubs. The Cubs have arrived in town and are awaiting with eagerness their tilt with the Vernonites Sunday, according to Pilot Killifer.

Elsinor, Cal., March 10.—(I. N. S.)—Manager Wade Killifer, with the Los Angeles club, will depart tonight for their first trip of the season. First, they go to Riverside for a practice game with the Sherman Indians. Sunday they take on the Chicago Cubs in the Angel City.

B. Ortega Is In Best Shape Of His Career

BATTLING ORTEGA is making a "come-back" and he believes that he is going to regain the position he held a year or two ago. Judging from his last three or four bouts he is making good.

Saturday night he will appear in the Armory in one of the 10-round main events against Joe Swain and Ortega is going to end the contest quick, he says.

The main reason for his being so ambitious is that his manager, Willie Bernstein, has been receiving offers for the Battling Californian ever since he met Jimmy West the first time. Ortega is in the best possible condition, in fact, he says that he has never felt better in his life. He is knocking his sparring partners around the ring and Captain Hansen, matchmaker of the Portland commission, has found it difficult to secure partners able to stand the gaff.

The other two 10-round matches promise to be knock-down-drag-out affairs. Joe Dunn, who meets Hal Clark, feels that he is the logical opponent of Bobby Harper. Joe says that he put Harper to the canvas while working out with him and that he is going to end Clark's hopes of meeting the fast Seattle lightweight and take on the bout himself. Dunn is working hard for the tussle and he wants to show the Portland fans that he has learned more about boxing since he went away than he ever knew before.

George Brandon is down to swing gloves with Mike DePinto, who is billed as a "comer." Mike realizes that he has the toughest customer he ever met in Brandon, who has been able to break championship bubbles for a lot of the boys in these parts. The former navy star is well known for his slugging ability as well as his ability to assimilate punishment. George will take three, yes, many more, in order to get in a solid punch and his style of milling makes a hit with the spectators for he never knows when he is beat.

The advance seat sale makes Secretary-Treasurer Joe Wood smile with glee and reports are that one of the largest crowds of the last three months will be on hand. Tickets are on sale at Rich's and Stillers' and the first bout of the evening will start at 8:30 o'clock.

E. Sheely Accepts Comiskey's Terms

Walla Walla, Wash., March 10.—Following a series of wire communications with Owner Comiskey, Earl Sheely, the Chicago White Sox .300 hitting first baseman and former homerun star of the Salt Lake City team in the Pacific Coast league, announced that he had settled satisfactorily questions of his salary for next year with Comiskey and that he will leave Saturday for Sequin, Texas, to join Kid Gleason and the rest of the White Sox squad in spring training.

Sheely has been here for the last two months with his family visiting relatives. His discussion with Comiskey over his salary arose concerning the raise he would get this year. Comiskey offered him an increase which was not what the big first sacker had asked for. Communications between the two during the last week resulted in a compromise which was satisfactory to Sheely and he made immediate preparations to join his team mates. He will arrive at the Texas training camp next Thursday.

Tampa, Fla., March 10.—(I. N. S.)—Of the flock of youngsters brought south by Clark Griffith, he believes he has found two young pitchers able to make the grade in the American league circuit this season. One is Joe Gleason, a Shreveport product, and the other is Ray Francis, sent East by the Seattle club. All of the rookie pitchers are being worked daily for a quick weeding out.

FIGHT SOLD OUT SCALPERS DO IT

NEW YORK, March 10.—(U. P.)—Ticket scalpers in New York never lose a decision. No matter what the weight is or what the rules are, the "specs" get there.

New Yorkers have become such easy victims of the pasteboard jobbers that it is almost necessary to slip in a hallway and barter for a subway ticket.

It has gone so far that scalpers have finally swooped down on the six day bike race. Without going to some of the "speculators" and paying double or triple value of the ticket, it is impossible to get an admission slip for Saturday night, the closing night of the race.

There isn't a ticket in sight for the Gibbons-Greb fight next Monday night, and wails are being raised to the skies. The row is being given by a charitable organization, and the "specs" succeeded in getting practically the whole house. Seven dollar seats are selling for $15, and the scalpers aren't anxious to sell.

Tex Rickard gave the "specs" a bad beating on the Dempsey-Carpentier fight when by all the rules they should have stepped into a fortune.

Just after the tickets were placed on sale, some counterfeits appeared, and several alleged manufacturers of the bad tickets were arrested. Rickard announced that bad tickets were in circulation, and that it would be dangerous to buy from any place but the ticket office.

Rickard has never denied that he had the counterfeit tickets made himself.

Football Rules Alterations May Affect Officials

By Lawrence Perry
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NEW YORK, March 10.—No action affecting the structure of football may be expected to result from the week-end session of the football rules committee, but some interesting changes of minor nature will probably be made. It has been suggested that the committee take steps to see that the work of officials at next season's games is improved.

This, no doubt, would be a fine thing if some workable plan for accomplishing it could be devised. Some scheme whereby the central board of officials could be made a more efficient body is just as important as an expedient designed to jackup the officials themselves.

In the Lehigh-La Fayette game last year, for example, two prominent officials arrived at Bethlehem not knowing which was to referee and which was to umpire.

OFFICIALS ARE DEADLOCKED

As it happened, both were specialists in the refereeing department and had little or no experience at umpiring. Originally, Lehigh had named one of the two as referee, but had received no sanction from the central board. As a consequence, the hour immediately preceding the game was marked by a deadlock, neither man wishing to serve as umpire. The situation was saved by the sporting expedient of tossing a coin. This was something that need not have happened had the central board attended to its duty.

As long as nine years ago the writer took a stand against the goal from touchdown as a useless and unjust appendage to the game.

SUGGESTION IGNORED

The rules committee ignored this. But eventually an alternate suggestion that the ball be kicked from a point directly in front of the goal post was adopted. The project to eliminate the feature altogether will probably be discussed at the present meeting, but the chances are discussion will be carried over into the next few years before the kick from placement is done away with. In the meantime teams carving out touchdowns through splendid endeavor and yet failing to kick goals will lose to less accomplished outfits that have scored shoestring touchdowns and kicked the succeeding goal, and other unfortunate, unfair and unjust workings of the present rule will be noted.

RULE ON SHIFTS

Probably the suggestion—from outside—that the ball in the third period be put in play from the spot where it lay at the end of the second period will be ignored, although in this way the game of football would offer continuity, whereas now it amounts really to two games. There will be some talk of shifts, and there is a chance that something will be incorporated in the rules book designed to make it absolutely certain that line players are not in motion before the ball is put into play. Difficult though the program may be, it looks as though it would have to be undertaken, if only by a rule eliminating the shifts would bring about a radical split between the East and West.

BOXING

(By United News)

Omaha, Neb. March 10.—Dave Shade, Pacific coast welter, cut Morrie Schlaifer to pieces with lightning right and left jabs to the face and body here Thursday night, winning every one of the 10 rounds by a wide margin and easily won the decision over the Omaha boxer. Schlaifer was very wild, missing 17 wild swings in the first round, and an equal number in the tenth. He missed continually throughout the fight, landing a comparatively small number of blows. Earl Puryear of Denver was given a decision over Earl McArthur, of Sioux City in ten rounds. The decision was unpopular with the crowd, which believed McArthur earned at least a draw.

(By United Press)

New York.—Frankie Maher knocked out Artie Lewis in the fourth round.

Scranton, Pa.—Jack Palmer and Johnny Herman fought a slow 10 round draw.

Jersey City—Jimmy Carroll outpointed Charley Murray in 10 rounds.

Peoria, Ill.—Mike Gibbons outpointed Tommy Murphy, 10 rounds.

Oakland, Cal.—Joe Coffey took a four round decision from Teddy O'Hara last night.

Tacoma.—Gordon McKay and Joe Egan boxed a slow six round draw.

La Grande, March 10.—Spec Woods of The Dalles and Billy Berdeaux fought 10 rounds to a draw here Tuesday night before a packed house. Kid Sarp of Salt Lake City put Kid Burns of Los Angeles to sleep in three fast rounds.

New York, March 10.—Georges Carpentier, holder of the world's light heavyweight championship, is ill in Paris and may have to submit to an operation, according to a cablegram received by Al Lippe, manager of the American middleweight, Jeff Smith, from Leon Sée, who has been arranging a fight in Paris between Carpentier and Smith. "Carpentier very ill. Operation necessary. Postpone departure with Smith," said the message Lippe received.

Brooklyn Is Showing Real Training Pep

By John B. Foster
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BROOKLYN is pushing steadily ahead at Jacksonville today, doing a lot of plain, old-fashioned training under the supervision of a manager who believes in old-fashioned methods. There is a reason for it. Brooklyn will be the first team to tackle the New York champions in the regular season of the National league, and Uncle Robbie is very anxious that his ballplayers shall be in some seasonable condition to play straightaway baseball.

He isn't worrying much about what they may do on the Fourth of July, being perfectly willing that the Fourth shall take care of itself. But, like every other experienced manager, he knows what it means to get a good start against a team like New York. In 1921 he had Brooklyn in such trim that he turned the Giants back at the start and made their way one of thorns for a long time.

SIX-CYLINDER BASEMAN

Robbie's infield is moving smoother than he expected. As a fielding bunch, even with Jimmy Johnston singing "I won't sign at your notch, you must sign at mine," the Brooklyns are having more success than they expected. Schmandt is a six-cylinder first baseman. He is playing better ball than he did, for he knows more about the position. Olson is likely to be a swiper of chances at second base, as he has been at short. Crane is playing admirably in the short field, and now comes Chuck Ward with a display at the same place which may qualify him for the position midway between second and third. High, the stubby third baseman from Memphis, has done so well in his practice that it looks as if he will stick with the team when the season begins.

MAY DEVELOP STRENGTH

Even if Jimmy Johnston isn't reconciled right quick, Brooklyn need not be overwhelmingly despondent about the infield.

The trip with the Yankees probably will bring out more of the strength of the Brooklyn outfit, if there is more to be extracted.

Clark Griffith seems to think that his left-hander, Courtney, will pitch better for him than he did last summer. Courtney won six games and lost nine, but he horned his way into 30 contests all told, being called upon repeatedly to take up the losing man's burden. His trouble was in being rapped for hits in a row. If he can stave off consecutive hitting, which has upset many a pitcher with nerves, he may be able to split more than even for the senators in 1922. That's what Washington needs—pitchers who can advance the flag, instead of those who must carry the target.

GIANTS AFTER SOX

The Giants will go after the Chicago Sox like hounds after jack rabbits this spring. They are being trained to bite savagely at the start. That will make them a dangerous bunch when they begin the National league season. Getting the jump on rivals has been a favorite play with the Giants in the past. Last year they were caught napping, and it wasn't relished.

For years the New York Nationals went through the South without ever thinking of defeat. Of course, they weren't always playing with major leaguers in exhibition games, as they have in recent years, but they were playing to get a good start, and one of the theories of a good start in the camp of the New York National league club is not to let the other fellows step on your toes first.

The Phillies will shape up a better ball team than they did last year. How much better is a question. If they get going a little in the spring, they may beat out Chicago. Somehow there seems to be a disposition to believe that Chicago is in for trouble this season. With St. Louis going good, Pittsburg surely is about as good as it was in 1921, and the Cincinnati Reds are living up to what is expected of them. The Cubs will have to take the dust of everything in the West, and that may result in their also being humiliated by the East. Certainly, if the West takes the Chicago team into camp there is not much hope for the Cubs against anything in the East, with the exception of Philadelphia. That is one reason why there are some persons in Chicago who are hoping vigorously that baseball doesn't run true to form in 1922.

ST. PAUL WINS FROM EVELETH

St. Paul, Minn., March 10.—(I. N. S.) St. Paul will meet the Westminster team of Boston for the national amateur hockey championship as a result of the four-game elimination series with Eveleth here. Neither team scored in Wednesday night's match, but St. Paul was declared the winner of the series on total scores, 7 to 6.

LEWIS IS VICTORIOUS

Indianapolis, Ind., March 10.—(U. P.)—"Strangler" Lewis, world's heavyweight wrestling champion, defeated John Grandovitch of Maine here Tuesday night in straight falls. He secured the first in 52 minutes and the second in 14 minutes.

Meet Old Blink McCloskey He's Real Nabob Nowadays

By Fairplay
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NEW YORK, March 10.—Blink McCloskey won't fight for the privilege of holding his job as social secretary and general equerry to His Highness Prince Mohammed Ali Abrahim of Egypt, a position which he won by knocking out the prince's previous retainer, Angleguyer, a big ham-fisted Egyptian, in Cairo, four years ago.

Blink and the prince are new arrivals from Egypt. The gilded hotel where they are stopping was besieged today by ambitious young gentlemen of the fistic fraternity, all swayed by a common impulse to knock Blink for a goal and thus slip into the life of splendid ease he is now leading. Blink isn't even the kind that would like to convince the prince that his companion is soft for a real fighter. This silk-lined tough guy who, not so many years ago, was glad to jump into the ring as a sub. for 15 bucks, has no longer any fancy for the leather pillows.

BLINK TURNS ARISTOCRAT

"Wot's the idea?" asked Blink as he languidly sipped a cup of tea and gently swished the folds of his silk and velvet dressing gown. "I ain't no fighter any more—except when someone gets in me way. I'm a gentleman. I don't talk to no pugs."

With this Blink rolled one eye to the ceiling in the most approved manner of genuine boredom. The other eye didn't roll. That is because it is made of glass. Blink don't leave that eye around carelessly the way he used to when he was fighting. He's careful of his appearance now. He has diamonds, lots of them. When he is dressed for the street his big fingers look like a rash. And he has a headlight for his breastbone that makes you think you're on a railroad track at night. That's Blink. In soft? Well, we will say so.

MANY ENVY BLINK

From fistic trial horse to royal secretary, with all the seals and emoluments—including jewels, motor cars, clothes that make you weep and a roll of bills as large as a quart pail. The pages of ragtime fiction grow dull when you run over the facts of Louie Blink McCloskey's spangled career. And there isn't a pug from Fourteenth street to Spuyten Duyvil and from Avenue A to Hell's Kitchen—not a pug below the rank of champion—who wouldn't give at least one of his eyes to take a crack at the regal hangeron and show the prince what a shine of a fighter McCloskey is.

They know all his old-time history, too. What was new was the fact he drifted to Cairo during the war, lamped this big Egyptian guy and learned that he had won his place through the prince's admiration of his pugilistic prowess. The rest was easy for Blink.

EVERYBODY BEAT HIM

In New York 15 or so years ago he was a welter. He never beat anybody. But, oh boy, how he could take it. They knew of him as a trial horse. He didn't get his eye knocked out fighting. He brought his glass cheater into the ring with him. He was fighting Kid Williams over in Philly in one of his first fights and took the eye out, handing it to his seconds as the men were called to the middle of the ring.

"Hi, yi!" yells Kid Williams, "he's left his eye in his corner to watch that his seconds don't steal his bathrobe." The kid plastered him that night. And so did Willie Lewis, Kid Griffo, Terry Martin, Willie Fitzgerald and other good welters in the old days at the Longacre A. C., in New York.

SCARED DIXIE KID

Always a drifter, he was one of the American fighters who opened up the boxing game in France back in 1906. One of his battles over in Paris was with the Dixie Kid. He was so excited he forgot to take out his bad lamp. The kid let go a right and out flew the eye. It fell at Dixie's feet. And Dixie just naturally turned white. Then, with a howl, he dived through the ropes, butting a gendarme in the stomach as he tried to make his getaway. But the situation was explained and back came the colored boy and sent Blink after his eye. At least, so says George Engle, Harry Greb's manager, who was in Paris at the time.

But that was all in the old days. Blink doesn't like to think of them. He's looking forward to a tour of the country in an imported high-powered motor car, the prince at his side. Prince Mohammed thinks a lot of Blink. And Blink thinks a lot of the prince. And he has reason.

To Stage Heats Saturday for Swimming Meet

SO MANY entries have been received for the annual Oregon state swimming and diving championships scheduled for Saturday night in the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club tank that it has been necessary to arrange for preliminary heats. The heats will take place Saturday afternoon starting at 2 o'clock in the "Winged M" tank, and all the contestants must get in touch with Jack Cody, swimming and diving instructor at the club, to see if their events are on the program for preliminary races.

Word was received from Oregon Agricultural college that "Happy" Kuehn is to bring a team of mermen to the Rose City for the events and the Aggies will take part in the senior relay race. The relay will be one of the feature numbers on the well balanced program and entries will be from Multnomah club, Oregon Agricultural college and Portland Natatorium and perhaps University of Oregon.

A "dark horse" of the meet is expected in the person of Don Leopold, a 50-yard swim entry of the Multnomah club. Leopold has been working out for the last month in the club tank and he has impressed Cody that he has a lot of speed and dash and will have no trouble holding his own with the other entries.

Miss Mille Schloth, swimming instructor of the Portland public schools, is arranging to have quite a number of young stars perform for the fans. The meet Saturday night will start promptly at 8:30 o'clock.

Jefferson Hi Hoopers Win Championship

Portland Public High School Final Basket Ball Standings for 1921-1922

	W.	L.	Pct.
Jefferson high	6	0	1.000
Lincoln high	5	1	.833
Franklin high	4	2	.667
James John high	3	3	.500
Benson Tech	2	4	.333
Washington high	1	5	.167
High School of Commerce	0	6	.000

FOR a time it looked as though the Washington high school basketball team was going to hand the Jefferson high hoopers a hard battle in the Washington high gymnasium Thursday afternoon, but in the second half the Democrats stepped out and when the period ended the score read Jefferson 44, Washington 21.

The victory gave Coach Quigley's athletes the undisputed 1921-22 championship of the Portland Public High School league.

The first half was a nip-and-tuck affair with each team taking the lead several times, and it was not until the last five minutes of play that the Jeffersonians went to the front for good. The half ended 21 to 15. Washington made the first point of the matinee when Captain Lady converted a foul, but Earl Broughton tied it up with a free throw. Byron Anderson then shot a field basket for the winners, but immediately following came Baker with two field baskets for Washington. During the afternoon Baker eluded Captain Hutchison many times and managed to score 14 points, all of them on field baskets.

Byron Anderson and Earl Broughton tied for high point honors for Jefferson, each with 16 markers, eight of Broughton's coming from converted fouls. George Mimnaugh played his usual steady guarding game for the champions. Coach Fenstermacher used nine players in an attempt to bring home a victory for the Colonials.

The lineups:

Jefferson	Pos.	Washington
Anderson (16)	F	(2) Ross
Westerman (8)	F	(14) Baker
Broughton (16)	C	(3) Lady
Mimnaugh (2)	G	(2) French
Hutchinson (2)	G	Iverson
Blazier	Spare	Beuno
Clark	Spare	Maki
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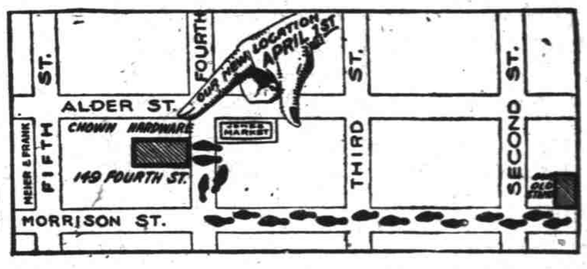

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