

THE NORTHWEST SEASON OPENS

THREE LEAGUE GAMES OF BASEBALL TODAY

Butte Opens in Seattle, Aberdeen at Spokane and Vancouver at Tacoma—Best Baseball in Many Years to Be Seen in the Northwest This Season.

Seattle, Wash., April 17.—Opening contests of the Northwestern league will be played tomorrow, inaugurating a season that promises to be the most exciting and spectacular in the history of the national game. Butte will open in this city, Aberdeen at Spokane and Vancouver at Tacoma.

Although three of the towns in the league are comparatively small, the clubs have the backing of men of great wealth and the class of ball played will probably be superior to that in any other minor league in the United States.

The manager of every team has been ordered to get together a squad that will capture the rag, regardless of expense, and the millionaires of the lumber and mining towns are heroically putting up the needful.

The Northwestern league has been in existence for two glorious years and was founded as a rival to the Pacific Coast league, of which Seattle and Tacoma were formerly members. Owing to dissatisfaction with the arrangements with the California cities, the Northwestern league broke into the game and its existence has been more than justified by subsequent events.

Last year Seattle witnessed the fastest and snappiest baseball that has ever been played west of the Rockies, and the prospects for the season just opening are even better.

Aberdeen won the pennant last season. Aberdeen is a sawmill and tidewater town of about 15,000. The millionaire lumbermen backed the team and engaged a bunch of former big leaguers that had everything their own way from start to finish.

This year, however, Aberdeen is going to have some hard sledding. The big cities do not like the idea of the sawdust outfit standing at the head, and there will be some howling if the managements do not trim some of the pomposity out of the lumberjacks.

Vancouver, which finished last, is now in the hands of a hustling crowd, and the Canadians, who like baseball fully as well as their cousins on this side, can make it decidedly interesting for the manager if his can does not stay with the bunch. The Canadian team is heavily backed by wealthy men.

Then there is the Amalgamated Copper team at Butte, which gleefully jingles the gold of the "system." They want to win, and Russ Hall, the manager, is said to have received orders to finish on top or jump into the deepest mine.

Thus, with the three teams in the smaller cities backed by the gold of lumber and mining kings, the three larger cities are going to have some tall work cut out for them.

REDSKINS BEGIN SEASON.

Carlisle Indian Teams Are Ready to Make New Records.

Carlisle, Pa., April 17.—Athletes of Carlisle Indian school will begin the 1908 track and field season tomorrow with the annual cross-country race. Several star runners are entered in this event, which promises to be more than usually close and exciting. Other track and field events in which the redskins will compete are the relay carnival of the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia on April 25, interclass meet on May 2, dual meet with Penn. State on May 9, dual meet with Syracuse at Elmira, N. Y., on May 15, triangular met with Swarthmore and Dickinson at Carlisle on May 23, and the intercollegiate State championship meet at Harrisburg on May 30.

Under the direction of Coach Glen S. Warner, he candidates for the various places on the track and field team are showing up well, and some of them are expected to make some phenomenal records before the season is over.

"Ridiculous Story" from Pendleton.

That was a ridiculous story sent out from Pendleton by the special correspondent of the Portland Telegram, says the Baker City Democrat. There is not a word of truth in the story and apparently was gotten up out of whole cloth. Mrs. Patton and daughter are in Baker City, and are residing here. The daughter, said by the correspondent to be Mrs. Ida Thompson, killed at the Emeryville race track, called at the Democrat office yesterday with the clipping from the Telegram in her hand.

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Arbor Day in Idaho.

Boise, Idaho, April 17.—Arbor day was observed in the public schools of Boise today with the customary observances.

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Nothing does more for a grocer, one way or the other, than coffee. He must sell poor; (he needn't sell it to you) it is good that makes him.

Your grocer returns your money if you don't like Schilling's Best; we say him

Hanging as a Sport.
We would not deny the gravity of death. It is a quite serious matter even to those of us who, while conscious of, or at least admitting, no really sinful performances in the past, would nevertheless, if pressed, confess to certain minor indiscretions which we would be only too willing to join with the Lord in forgetting. Nevertheless, if form or ceremony or general interest be considered the criterion, dying is one of the most popular things one can do. Nobody goes to see a man born, but the entire community turns out to see him buried. Indeed it is well known that many people, perhaps a majority, derive actual enjoyment from beholding with their own eyes life flicker out of a person's body. The almost universal satisfaction found from time immemorial in witnessing a hanging we can understand. The event is more spectacular and less expensive than a circus, possesses grisly human interest to a distinctive degree, is presumably grimly just and, in any case, is unpreventable. If the hanging is to take place anyway, why shouldn't we see it? That is the reasoning, and it seems good enough if one cares for that variety of sport. —George Harvey in North American Review.

The White Line.

The late David Christie Murray on one occasion told the story of the champion printer's error of his experience to this effect:

"I wrote at the close of the story of 'Grace Forbush': 'Are there no troubles now?' the lover asks. 'Not one, dear Frank, not one.' And then, in brackets, thus [] I set the words [White line]. This was a technical instruction to the printer and meant that one line of space should be left clear. The genius who had the copy in hand put the lover's speech in type correctly and then, setting it out as if it were a line of verse, he gave me:

"Not one, dear Frank, not one white line!"

"It was a custom in the printing office to suspend a leather medal by a leather boot lace round the neck of the man who had achieved the prize bet of the year. It was somewhere about midsummer at this time, but it was instantly unanimously resolved that nothing better than this would or could be done by anybody, and the medal was presented at once."—Westminster Gazette.

The Quicker Way.

"There goes a man," observed a steamship agent as he directed attention to a surly looking individual who had just engaged passage for Europe, "whose efforts are devoted to constructing short cuts in business methods and in eliminating all time consuming men and their propositions from his busy existence. He is a man of very few words.

"Some years ago this gentleman crossed the ocean and had a very unpleasant trip. One morning a sympathetic passenger offered him a lemon, expressing a sincere wish that it would give relief.

"The pale traveler seized the lemon, hurled it viciously into the ocean and growled:

"This is a quicker way than the other."

A Curious Tree.

In the village of Clynog, Wales, there is an old cottage, formerly a country tavern, upon the roof of which there is a full grown sycamore tree. About fifty years ago a seedling from a neighboring churchyard, where other sycamores are growing, found a resting place in the corner of the wall above a slab of stone over the entrance to the building. The young tree thrived for a time on the small quantity of soil collected in the corner of the walls and finally forced its roots downward through the walls into the earth below. From the outside no trace of the roots can be seen.

Cutting Big Diamonds.

Big diamonds lose a great deal in the cutting. The Kohinoor was reduced by an unskillful stonecutter from 793½ carats to 280 carats, a second cutting brought it down to 180 1-16 carats and a third to 106 1-16 carats, or less than a seventh of its original size. The original weight of the Pitt or Regent diamond was 410 carats, but in the hands of the cutter two-thirds disappeared, while the Star of the South, which was picked up in a river by a negress, lost a little over half its weight by cutting.

German Sportsmen.

Half a million sportsmen in Germany kill annually 40,000 head of red and fallow deer, 200,000 roebuck, 4,000,000 hares, 4,000,000 partridges and 400,000 wild duck, in all some 25,000,000 kilograms of wild game of a value of 25,000,000 marks, or \$5,000,000, forming nearly 1 per cent of the total meat supply of Germany.—C. G. Schilling's "In Darkest Africa."

Breaking Her In.

Geraldine—I want you to understand before I marry you that I believe in the equality of the sexes. Gerald—All right. I was intending to give the minister two guineas, so you'd better hand over one.—Illustrated Bits.

No Room.

Scribbler—My new novel is entitled "What I Told My Wife." Ruyter—Why don't you call it, "What I Didn't Tell My Wife?" Scribbler—Publishers limited me to one volume.—Exchange.

Inflated.

Artist (indicating an exquisite marine view)—This picture is valued at \$50,000. Stockbroker—Well, well! There's a lot of water in it, isn't there? —Spokane Sportsman-Review.

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New York, April 17.—With the arrival today of the Bermudian, of the Quebec Steamship company's line, New York florists will be in a position to supply the most widespread demand for Easter lilies. The hold of the steamer contains a large cargo of the fragrant blossoms. The Bermudian lily crop this year has been exceptionally large and of a fine quality and prices will be lower.

Owing to the blight of previous years and the early Easter last year, lilies were not abundant and prices were high.

The Bermudian brings 10,000 boxes of lilies. These boxes contain five dozen buds to the box and wholesale on the dock at from three and a half to six dollars per box, according to the length of the stem.

Last year the retail price was from a dollar to a dollar and a half per stem, but the wholesalers on the Bermudian say that the present crop is of such quantity and quality that the larger stems will retail at about seventy-five cents.

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