



# LOCAL SPORTING GOSSIP



## HERE'S REMINDER OF THE PAST MR. FAN

Just a Little Clipping from the Reporter of Last Season

### How They Stand

	WON	LOST	P. C.
Columbus.....	19	2	.900
Lents.....	19	3	.860
Gresham.....	13	4	.764
Ruperts.....	12	5	.706
Derbies.....	12	7	.631

The above percentage table tells the tale of the struggle for amateur supremacy of the five leading teams in the Willamette Valley, and in the state for that matter.

Although Columbus leads by one game still Lents has played 22 and Columbus only 21. Then too, Lents has played stronger teams than have the club men. Lents lost to Gresham 2 to 1 but this game was really lost by the umpire's decisions, this being admitted by the winning team and the umpire himself.

Gresham has lost two games to Goldendale, one to Ruperts and one to Vancouver. The former and latter have disbanded and as they beat Ruperts 3 out of 4, the Giants claim a clean title to the championship.

Ruperts and the Derbies have played in hard luck and generally were forced to patch up their teams with Gresham's surplus men. At that they have a good record having played only first-class aggregations.

The Lents team enjoys the distinction of having all home talent and who proclaim themselves strictly amateur, although they are now playing in the semi-professional territory.

Sunday's game will materially transpose the percentage column as the two leaders are scheduled to hook up here. Gresham goes to Sheridan for another game with the team they shut out last Sunday 3 to 0.

Doesn't that bring the past back to you very vividly Mr. Fan, or you fair Fannette?

Will you duplicate, nay excell, this enviable record the coming season?

This team was one of the best advertisements the town ever had—it was the pride of the district and the envy of the state. So we say "get busy it's not too soon to talk organization."

### A Hero in A Lighthouse.

For years J. S. Donahue, So. Haven, Mich., a civil war captain, as a lighthouse keeper, averted awful wrecks, but a queer fact is, he might have been a wreck, himself, if Electric Bitters had not prevented. "They cured me of kidney trouble and chills," he writes, "after I had taken other so called cures for years, without benefit and they also improved my sight. Now, at seventy, I am feeling fine." For dyspepsia, indigestion, all stomach, liver and kidney troubles, they're without equal. Try them. Only 50c. at all dealers.

### O. A. GRADUATES ARE BEATEN BY STUDENTS

With a score of 16 to 28 the alumni of the Oregon Agricultural College went down to defeat in an unofficial game of basket ball against the undergraduates Saturday night. Another game will be officially scheduled later in the season. The lineup Saturday night was as follows: Alumni—Forwards, L. E. Swan, La Crosse, Wis., and S. E. Tripp, Hood River; Center, C. C. Cate, Hillsboro; Guards, H. S. Bilyen, Athena, and K. C. Colbert, Corvallis. Undergraduates—Forwards, B. H. Cooper, Corvallis, and B. Burdick, Portland; Center, C. A. Mattson, Astoria; Guards, T. E. May, Salem, and G. T. McFarland, Sitka, Alaska.

The new uniforms for the basket ball men have arrived, and are orange and black jerseys, khaki trousers with orange stripes, orange and black stockings, and special basket ball shoes.

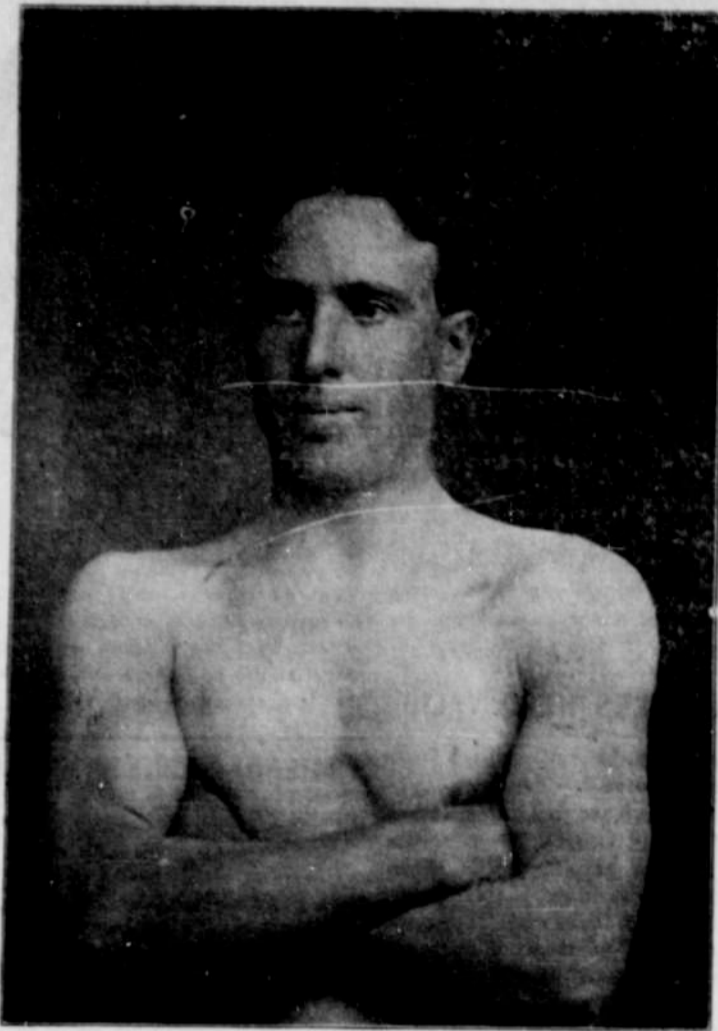
A call for track team practice has been issued for Wednesday, and the first practice will be in the armory, where there is an eight lap track.

A dry hacking cough is hard on the lungs, often causing them to bleed. BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP is a healing balm that quickly repairs damage in the lungs and air passages. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Lents Pharmacy.

The foolish trust to the safety-pin, but the wise see to it that the buttons are well sewed on.

Things are not always what they seem. When Johnny is met at the door with the injunction to "wipe his feet," what really is meant is that he must clean his shoes.

### LOSES TWO STRAIGHT FALLS TO SMITH



OSCAR GUSTAFSON

Champion of Sweden, who lost his return match to Strangler Smith in two straight falls here Monday night.

### SMITH WINS BY STRAIGHT FALLS

Defeats Gustafson Easily—One Armed Reed Defeats Young Arndt.

Charles Bakscy "Strangler Smith," defeated Oscar Gustafson, Champion of Sweden, in two straight falls here Monday night. While it was a genuine surprise to many, Smith's supporters had voiced this opinion ever since their last meeting here two weeks prior.

In the preliminary the 150 fans present really found it as good as the main event. It was between Frank Reed, the one-armed man of Hillsboro and Walter Arndt, the Frisco light-weight.

Reed is certainly a phenom in the use of his limbs and one arm. While Arndt put up a good defense never the less the one-armed man out-generated him 2 to 1.

Reed won the first fall in 9 minutes and 40 seconds. The second fall was more lengthy but resulted in Reed's victory in 47 minutes.

Then announcer Dunbar, after introducing Tommy O'Brien and other people figuring in athletic sports announced the main event, introducing Smith and Gustafson and Referee Frank Bethel. Strangler Smith explained that as the strangle hold was barred he wished to demonstrate and make clear other holds that the public sometimes misconstrued as the strangle.

After this both men shook hands and the contest began. From the first it was evident that Gustafson was not in the condition he was when he appeared here on two other occasions.

Lightening work figured in every move. Smith went at his man viciously, evidently intending to get him and get him quick. He won the first fall in 4 minutes but the crowd was not satisfied saying Gustafson was half off the mat. After some wrangling, Reed was substituted for Bethel as referee, the two men took their same position and hold in the center of the mat and Smith forced Gustafson's shoulders down in 55 seconds.

The second fall was a surprise to the fans, for Gustafson was overcome as easily and quickly as you please by a bad head hold, thus terminating the match in less than a half hour.

Reed challenged the winner to a return match which will be staged here two weeks from that date. Smith was bested two out of three times by this man at Forest Grove last Friday evening and wrestled to a draw in a previous match. This should be a great go if both men are in condition.

### Blackjacks.

The earliest drinking vessels for wines and ales were those made from skins of animals, and these vessels still retain their popularity in the east and on the continent. In England these vessels were made of carefully tanned hides which were unbreakable and possessed everlasting properties. The blackjacks, famed in song and story, were shaped like pitchers and were fashioned from one large piece of leather, which was curled in the necessary manner. Pitch was smeared over the inside. These old blackjacks gave their name to the heavy riding boots worn by cavaliers, which came to be called jackboots. Owing to the popularity of the blackjacks the French declared that the English drank out of their boots.—London Globe.

### The Seeing Eye.

I know a man who has lived on one farm half a century. He sleeps in the room in which he was born. He knows every rod of his farm in the dark. Yet his lambs and his pigs, the velvet roll of new sprouting wheat, the procession of the seasons, the apple trees he planted and has watched for years—all are new to him each day. I have seen him stand and look at his sheep as if he were a city man long shut out from such sights. A sunset or a sunrise is to him a miracle new performed each day. That man has the seeing eye.—Detroit News.

### Not What He Expected.

"Darling," he murmured, "whatever induced you to care for a fellow like me?" "I really don't know, George," she replied. "Pa has threatened to send me to a brain specialist."—Boston Transcript.

### Old Time Vintners.

In the city of London at the time of King John every vintner was required to hang outside his shop an iron vessel with pegs marking the different quantities sold.

### Easy Prediction.

"I have often predicted that my wife's hair would be nice and curly at night," said the clever one. "How did I know? Why, I saw it in the morning papers."

Every man has a right to judge one individual only, and that is himself.

## WRESTLER'S LIFE READS LIKE A FAIRY TALE—SON OF ROYALTY

Charles Bakscy de Albis, "Strangler Smith," was born in Szatmar Hungaria April 1879. His life reads like a fairy tale of old.

During his career we find him first a scholar in the Royal Marine Academy in his native country. Next he is a Royal Marine. Becoming tired of the strict discipline and of Royal life he left the parental roof and joined the Spanish navy.

This was during the Spanish-American war. Accompanying him were ten other Hungarian marines thirsting for adventure. They decided to join in the war, some enlisting on the American side and some on the Spanish.

The ship Smith, or Bakscy, was on was captured by the Americans shortly after and here Smith decided to join Uncle Sam. Since then he has been a loyal American and now enjoys all the benefits of an American citizen.

After the war was ended Smith decided to visit his folks at home. Here he was severely chastised and threatened by his father, an officer in the army, with imprisonment. This threat was carried out and it was three days before he could get word to the American Consul of his imprisonment.

After his release he left his native

land for good and from that day until last week, when the first letter came, had never heard one word from his folks.

During these 11 years he has seen service with Perry in his Alaska expedition, sailed up and down the Pacific, around the Horn, has been to India, China, in fact all over the world.

He first took the name of Chas. Smith in 1900 when he arrived in Seattle. Shortly after he took up wrestling as a profession. He is the originator of the Strangle Hold, with which he has beaten some of the best men of the day. For 9 years he has held the Pacific Coast Welterweight championship.

He has held various positions of trust in the commercial world and at present holds the position as a deputy harbor patrolman at Portland.

He speaks 14 different languages fluently and holds sheepskins from his native Academy. The letter that arrived the other day, bringing the first news from home in 11 years, prays parental forgiveness and asks his return to his native land, but he says he has his wife and little home at Tremont and it is good enough for him, so here he shall live as he has done the past 6 years.

### HIS MEMORY CLEAR.

The Witness Proved to the Lawyer That He Could Remember.

A story is told of an eminent lawyer receiving a severe reprimand from a witness whom he was trying to browbeat. It was an important issue, and in order to save his cause from defeat it was necessary that the lawyer should impeach the witness. He endeavored to do it on the ground of age in the following manner:

"How old are you?" asked the lawyer.

"Seventy-two years," replied the witness.

"Your memory, of course, is not so brilliant and vivid as it was twenty years ago, is it?" asked the lawyer.

"I do not know but it is," answered the witness.

"State some circumstance which occurred, say, twelve years ago," said the lawyer, "and we shall be able to see how well you can remember."

"I appeal to your honor," said the witness, "if I am to be interrogated in this manner. It is insolent!"

"You had better answer the question," replied the judge.

"Yes, sir; state it," said the lawyer.

"Well, sir, if you compel me to do it, I will. About twelve years ago you studied in Judge —'s office, did you not?"

"Yes," answered the lawyer.

"Well, sir, I remember your father coming into my office and saying to me, 'Mr. D., my son is to be examined tomorrow, and I wish you would lend me \$15 to buy him a suit of clothes.' I remember also, sir, that from that day to this he has never paid me that sum. That, sir, I remember as though it were yesterday."

### A Wonderful Vine.

Grapevines are known to live a great many years and bear almost yearly crops of good fruit. One of the oldest grapevines in this country, which grows on Roanoke Island, North Carolina, is claimed to be more than 300 years old. Its yield is still very abundant, and the vine appears to be in good health. Historians declare that it was planted by members of Sir Walter Raleigh's party, who sailed from England for the coast of the new world in the year 1584. Many persons have secured cuttings from this plant, but few will grow.—Harper's Weekly.

### Natural Error.

"Will you take me to your circus, Mr. Merry?"

"Why, Willie, I have nothing to do with any circus. What makes you ask that?"

"Why, mother said you was a clown."—New York Times.

### The Reason.

"That lawyer used to be a milkman."

"That accounts for the way in which he pumps his witnesses."—Baltimore American.

### Not Particularly Cordial.

Geraldine—What did you say to you? Gerald—Well, he didn't send for the mayor of the city to make an address of welcome to me.—New York Press.

Two Companies Cut Billion Feet Astoria.—The Deep River Logging company and the Pacific Logging company cut, during 1911, more than 1,000,000,000 feet of lumber, according to a report given out by Secretary B. F. George of those companies.



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