

### HETLING MEMBER SPOKANE TEAM

So Declared Officially Today by Judge Graham, President of Coast League—Portland May Lose the Games She Won.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 3.—Gus Hetling, second baseman, has been officially declared a member of the Spokane team by Judge Graham, president of the Coast league, and the three games won by Portland from Oakland in which he participated will either be thrown out or awarded to Oakland on Manager Wolverton's protest.

That a regular signed contract between Hetling and the Spokane club had been recorded with the national commission was the information contained in a telegram which Judge Graham today received from Secretary J. H. Farrell of the national commission.

### ANDREWS BACK FROM TRIP TO CALIFORNIA

F. G. Andrews, local agent for the Los Malinos Land company of Los Malinos, Cal., has just returned from a trip to the home of the famous California irrigated lands, where he went to show a party of buyers. He reports several good sales and expects to make another trip soon. He brought some samples of the products of the great Sacramento valley back with him and will be pleased to have any interested parties call and see what is being raised on the land which he has for sale.

Mr. Andrews has made the trip so often that he is being called California Andrews. If you wish to make a trip to Los Malinos you should call on Mr. Andrews at No. 6 South Fir street and he will be glad to explain how long it takes and the expenses, which are small.

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### PLAN GREATEST PEAR ORCHARD

Modoc Orchard to Be Largest in World—Extensive Improvements Made and Under Way—Model Community Settlement Built.

The "Modoc Orchard" promises to become the model orchard property of Southern Oregon as well as the largest pear orchard in the world. It comprises 1500 acres, with six miles of frontage on both sides of Rogue river in the vicinity of Upper Table rock (formerly the old Bybee place), and is one of the most picturesque spots in the country. It is under the management of W. A. Sumner and is owned by the estate of Potter Palmer of Chicago. Extensive improvements have been and are being made, which when completed will make the orchard one of the show places of Oregon. The soil of Modoc orchard constitutes the largest body of river bottom loam under one ownership in the northwest. Though it flows the beautiful Rogue. Drives and scenic roads form part of the proposed improvements, and rapid progress has been made during the past year in carrying out comprehensive plans for creating one of the great orchards of the world.

**Twenty Buildings Erected.**  
Upon a slightly hill, along the county road at the north end of the county road, 20 buildings have recently been erected, which form a little village by itself in which the ranch force and employes will reside. These buildings have all been painted white, overlook the entire orchard and form a model community. There is an immense barn in which several hundred tons of hay and 30 head of livestock are sheltered; there are six neat cottages in which employes and their families can reside, besides the ranch house with accommodations for a score of single men. There is a refrigerator house, woodsheds, chicken houses and numerous other necessary structures. There is a completely equipped blacksmith shop, a washhouse and all the features that make life agreeable as well as many modern conveniences usually found only in cities. Water is supplied from a newly drilled well, which is lined with a concrete tube to bedrock, and is pumped into a distributing system which supplies the community, barn and corrals.

Around the greater part of the entire orchard a woven wire fence runs, sawed and dressed cedar on posts painted white with numerous wire gates for exits. A lawn will be made in front of the houses, while the court, walks and drives in the rear have been graveled. Each of the cottages contains three large rooms which are attractively papered as well as a sitting porch, and everything is provided to make a contented community.

Before planting, the ground is all graded so that it can all be irrigated from Table Rock ditch, which runs through and above the greater portion of the property. From this ditch the ground slopes gently toward the river. Seven thousand young pear trees planted last spring have made wonderful growth. A still greater number will be planted this winter, and each year will see an annual increase in the orchard area. The pears comprise seven varieties, including Bartlett, Bose, D'Anjou, Comice, Winter Nelis, Howell and P. Barry. One variety will mature just after the other, so that a single picking and packing crew will be kept busy throughout the season. Motor trucks will haul the fruit to the railroad at night, and a pre-cooling plant for the treatment of fruit before shipment will be erected.

**Six Hundred Acres of Pears.**  
A large donkey engine is busy pulling stumps on the hill above the present orchard. Some eighty acres of this hill will be set to pears this winter. On the most slightly portion a costly residence, which will command a view of the entire family, will be erected as a summer home for Honore Palmer and family. When the present plans are carried out there will be a continuous pear orchard of 600 acres north of the river. Eventually the land to the south of the river will also be planted, but for the present it will be farmed for grain and hay for use on the property.

In order to avoid damage by flood water it is the intention in the near future to construct a retaining dike nearly a mile in length near the present river channel, the crown of which will form a portion of a scenic driveway. The Palmer estate, owners of the

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property, are the heirs of the late Potter Palmer of Chicago and comprise Mrs. Potter Palmer, Honore Palmer and Potter Palmer, Jr. Modoc orchard, however, is largely the creation of W. A. Sumner, who believes that the development of this property means much to the valley. Some three years ago Mrs. Pal-

mer and her sons visited the valley and were so delighted with conditions here that they made heavy investments. Since then Honore Palmer has visited here each summer in many ways has indicated great interest in Rogue River valley and confidence in its future.

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