

MEDFORD LOSES CHAMPIONSHIP BY A COSTLY ERROR

Wilkinson!
There, gentle reader, boiled down, condensed, edited and pared for your edification of this story of Sunday's baseball game at Weed, which cost Medford the championship of the state of Siskiyou by a 6 to 5 score. Whatever there was of brilliant playing is summed up by those nine letters—and ditto on errors which cost the game.

The game revolved about Wilkinson. Playing out of his position, nearly every chance went to the boy whose name has adorned the roster of the New York Highlanders, but Fate seemed bent on handing it to him. Bad bounds, awkward positions, dizzy angles were handed him in profusion and although he struggled manfully it must never-the-less be recorded that his error in the eighth spasm cost Medford the game.

But there is a bright side to the picture. It was Wilkinson with a clout which drove the ball out of the lot and mayhap out of the county, which brought Medford three runs and should have given her the game.

Wilkinson's hard luck started before the game. He was summoned from Fort Klammath to play first base. When he arrived he found he was wanted for shortstop. He objected strenuously as he has not played any other position than first for three years. However he was prevailed upon to go in at second—then he had some real troubles.

The game started off well. Weed annexed a run in the first due to an error by Wilkinson at second. Medford tied the score in the second when Wilkinson started the fun with a single, Gill sending him home with another single. In the third Weed annexed a run when Antle in a soft outfield misjudged a long fly—the first in many moons, by the way.

There she stood, Weed 2, Medford 1 until the eighth. Burgess and Whir pitched great ball and when the seventh closed it looked as if the long expected break wasn't coming.

The eighth was the inning in which most of it happened. Weckler came up and singled. Baker followed with another. Then came Wilkinson's sensational homer. Three runs, nobody down the Medford contingent went crazy.

When the noise subsided Mattly struck out. Gill singled but was caught shortstop to second on a fielder's choice by Isaacs, who stole second. Isaacs scored on a single by Antle. Burgess struck out.

Then it was that things looked good. In the last of the eighth, after two men were out, it started. Two men on, a pop fly was dropped by Wilkinson. Then a couple of two baggers—and three runs were in. The score was tied.

In the last of the ninth Weed drove in another run winning the game.

Burgess pitched splendid ball throughout and deserves full credit for the game. Rank errors at critical periods effected him somewhat, but throughout he worked well. Whir played good ball and made a great showing.

Here's the way Withington caught it:

Medford—	A	B	R	I	B	E
Bigsbee, 3b	5	0	1	0		
Weckler, ss	5	1	1	0		
Baeker, c	3	1	0	0		
Wilkinson, 2nd b	5	2	2	4		
Mattly, 1st b	4	0	0	0		
Gill, rf	4	0	2	0		
Isaacs, cf	4	1	1	0		
Antle, lf	4	0	1	1		
Burgess, p	3	0	0	1		
	37	5	8	6		

Weed—	A	B	R	I	B	E
Bowden, ss	5	1	2	0		
Johnson, rf	5	1	0	0		
Vettle, 2nd b	4	0	1	0		
Hooten, c	4	1	0	0		
Williams, 2nd b	5	0	1	0		
Cramer, 1st b	4	0	0	0		
Winters, cf	3	1	2	0		
Gutz, lf	3	1	2	0		
Whir, p	3	0	0	1		
Brooks, p	1	1	1	1		
	37	6	9	3		

Summary: Home runs, Wilkinson. Struck out by Burgess, six; by Whir, 8; by Brooks, 2. Hit by pitcher, Burgess, 3; Whir, 2. Double play, Bigsbee to Baker to Wilkinson. Umpires Horn and Johnson. Scorer Withington.

NOTES ON THE GAME

The game was clean-out. Very little ragging. Umpires Johnson and Horn were fair and nothing that looked like trouble developed. Of course Williams ragged a little but that's his way and the fans enjoy it. The grandstand was crowded with belles of Northern California and they



HOW HAPPY HE COULD BE WITH EITHER, IF OTHER DEAR CHARMER WOULD KEEP AWAY

are some belles, too. They're baseball crazy and had lots of fun with Medford. The only time they were silenced was when Wilkinson lost the ball through the tops of the pines.

Jim Potter, formerly of Medford, now manager of the bank at Weed, entertained the Medford bunch royally but rooted hard for Weed.

Bill Coleman led Jacksonville into the rooting fray for Medford. He had 61 of the county seaters in tow and proved a capable captain of the host. Ben Collins officiated as his first lieutenant.

Medford visitors were treated very courteously. Edgar Hafer, Mose Barkdull and Chic Wilson were there only ones who got in wrong. They talked politics too loud at a lunch counter (not free) and the cook threatened to throw them out. They shook hands with the dishwasher, however, and squared things.

H. C. Kentner gave two very interesting psychological demonstrations. One when the home run came and one a few moments later.

Captain Winter of the Weed team was very much of a gentleman throughout. He handled his team well.

The Weed band played "Everybody's Doing It" until the boys got started in the eighth, then they quit.

Third baseman Bigsbee is a marvel. He fielded a slow bunt in such a rapid fashion Sunday that the base runner had hardly started when it was all over. The lad is a comer.

Baker laid down a beautiful bunt. The ball struck close and rolled about 15 feet just six inches inside of the first base line. He bent it out.

Young Burgess worked nine full innings and won his game—only to have it lost by bad errors. He was in good shape throughout.

Pug got his usual stolen base. He was robbed of a three-base hit by a marvelous catch in the outfield.

Antle got a hand from the girls in the grand stand on a great catch in left. He deserved it.

Gill had a horrible field to contend with but was in the game all the time. He was forced to jump from one rock to another to avoid holes and snags.

If there is anything else you want to know about the game ask Mose or Court. They've got it all doped out.

ROOSEVELT TO ATTEND CURREN CELEBRATION

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Aug. 19.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, progressive nominee for president, will go to Wilkesbarre, Pa., Wednesday to attend the celebration marking the ordination of Father Curren. Later Roosevelt will leave for Vermont where he will continue his New England campaign in his fight for election.

Leaves Grants Pass at Seven and picks up picnickers all the way to Coletta. Leaves Medford 8:30, Ashland 9:10, arrives Coletta 11:00. Lots of fun on the way; more during six hours at Coletta. Remember the Union Church and Sunday school picnic, Tuesday, August 20. Stuff your lunch basket. 127*

NEW FISHWAY IS ORDERED IN AT GOLD RAY DAM

Stating that the present fishway at Gold Ray is inadequate to properly allow fish to ascend Rogue River, Master Fish Warden Clanton has served notice upon H. L. Walther, manager of the Oregon-California Power company to construct a new fishway at the south end of the dam before November 1, 1912.

Mr. Clanton states that the capacity of the present fishway is inadequate and that the fishway is not in the proper place. Recently he made an inspection of the dam and had Engineer Harry E. Foster prepare plans and specifications for the new fishway. These plans have been endorsed by the state and the new fishway must be constructed in accordance with them.

RED WATSON AGAIN READY TO BATTLE

NILES, Aug. 19.—"Red" Watson the doughty little lightweight is again in line for a prospective battle with some fast 130 pounder, having regained the strength of his left arm which was injured in his fight with Frankie Burns, in San Francisco last June.

Ring followers are predicting a bright future for this lad, who has yet to become of age. Many who witnessed the battle between Watson and Burns saw a great improvement in the young fellows work over that of a few months previous. They think Red would have probably won from Burns had not a tendon in his left forearm been strained early in the fight rendering it useless. Despite this handicap, Watson put up a strong fight against his opponent who was much more experienced.

With proper care the injured member has again gained its strength and Red is now using it to advantage in punching the bag.

DON'T KNOW THEY HAVE APPENDICITIS

Many Medford people who have chronic appendicitis, which is not very painful, have doctored for years for gas on the stomach, sour stomach or constipation. L. B. Haskins, druggist, states if these people will try simply buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as compounded in Adler-ka, the German appendicitis remedy, they will be surprised at the QUICK benefit. A SINGLE DOSE relieves these troubles INSTANTLY.

CONGRESS PLANS STRENUOUS WEEK

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—Hoping to adjourn not later than next Saturday, both houses of congress have arranged today a strenuous program for the week. House and senate leaders believe that possible vetoes by President Taft will be the only hitch in the adjournment plan.

The first business before the senate today was consideration of a new "budget bill." If this measure also is vetoed by the president, attempts will be made Wednesday to pass it over the veto. If this plan fails, another "budget bill," minus the provision to abolish the commerce court, will be passed.

President Taft is undecided today as to what action he will take on the

Panama Canal bill. It is reported that he plans to test the legality of the free tolls clause before affixing his signature to the measure.

The army, navy and post office appropriation bills also will occupy the attention of congress today.

PINCHOT IN SADDLE IN ROOSEVELT'S BEHALF

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—Gifford pinchot, former head of the bureau of forestry, today has completed plans for leading the progressive party's campaign against the republicans and democrats on the conservation issue. He has prepared pamphlets which are being sent out showing that the national conservation policy as preached by Colonel Roosevelt and practiced by Pinchot would be in serious danger if either Governor Wilson or President Taft should be elected.

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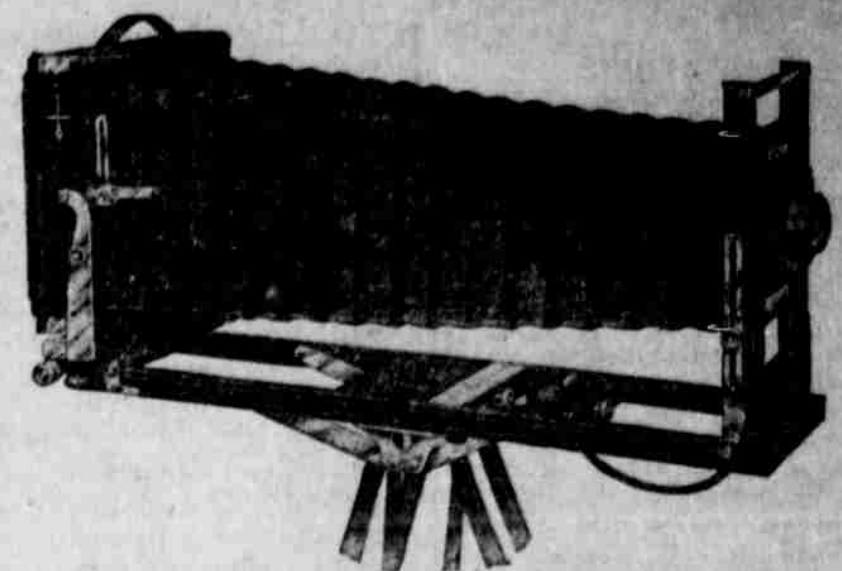
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