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## DICK WELLES IS OCCIDENT'S PRIDE

Hard to Convince Men from the West That He Cannot Give Savable a Run.

## GREAT WORK AT CHICAGO ENDEARS HIM TO SPORTS

Conqueror of Savable at His Best Will Be One of the Horses Upon Whom the Westerners Who Are Betting Will Keep Their Eye When They Go to Put Up Their Money.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS. New Orleans, March 2.—While Savable is the winter favorite for the American and other Derbys in which he is entered, and is being generally touted, East and West, for the big 3-year-old races of this season, it would be hard to convince the shrewdest of the Westerners that he is the best colt in the list of eligibles to the Western events.

With all the halo of a Futurity victory surrounding him, it is claimed in this part of the world by critics who saw both, and are competent to judge, that in Dick Welles Savable met a conqueror who could always beat him, and beat him decisively.

They have made Dick Welles second choice for the American Derby. Little has been heard of him since he went into winter quarters. He is on the Glendale farm of Rome Respass, across the river a short way from Cincinnati. Being out of the range of vision of the general chatters of the turf, not much has been known publicly of him.

A private letter concerning him, which has come to New Orleans, says he has wintered as well as could be expected and should be, as a 3-year-old, all that he promised as a 2-year-old. If he comes out of the woods in good shape he is the one that will be played for the big Western race at Washington park by the shrewdest of the Western bettors.

### Better Than Savable.

The East saw Dick Welles, and he did not perform there as well as report suggested he should. I am told that at no time during his stay in the East was the colt within 20 pounds of himself, and that his Eastern effort was no line upon him at all.

If Savable was a good 2-year-old—and the winning of a Futurity warrants some praise of him—Dick Welles was a cracker-jack amongst the youngsters, for they say outside of New York that Dick Welles could do what he liked to Savable when Savable was supposed to be at his best.

The Hyde Park stakes at Washington Park settled the Western opinion of Dick Welles. In that race he had up 118 to 121 on Savable, and, although Savable was able to be second, Dick Welles simply romped home. He was off well, went at once to the front and was pulled up at the end in 1:13 3-5 for the six furlongs. The fractions of the race were 23 3-5, 48, 1:13 3-5, which is pretty good going for the Washington Park track.

Those who saw the race say that Dick Welles could have run a second faster, so easily did he gallop the last quarter. As we shall have to do with Dick Welles in the East this year, and as the Easterners must meet him in the American Derby, it might be well to know that in him we have no mean quality with which to deal.

As a 2-year-old he won six out of nine starts, the Hyde Park being unquestionably his best race. He is not a mudder on his record, and horsemen say he is very bad in it. He won one race during the year in bad going, but he was twice beaten on sloppy tracks when he seemed to outclass his field.

### The Derby's Thing.

As the American Derby is frequently run in the mud future bets on this colt should be made with the reminder that in the event of a bad course on Derby day Dick Welles will not run his race. At that he is the best bet in the winter books at this stage of the game, better than Savable, lame or sound, and infinitely better than Early, another colt that is getting Western support.

Although the big Washington park event is yet months away, much gossip is given to the race through the Middle West. You hear more of it than you do of the Brooklyn or Suburban. Two of the Eastern colts in the race are highly regarded and will be played with Western money. They are Lord of the Vale and Irish Lad.

Irish Lad is slightly favored over the Belmont colt. His victories in the East, particularly his Great Trial winning, are regarded as among the most brilliant performances of the Eastern year. Lord of the Vale will be played on his ownership and on his Futurity race, when he was second to Savable.

Charlie Ellison's lucky colt Skiff will get some early backing, though if the bettors could see his legs now they would hesitate to back him. He doesn't look much like a Derby candidate now, but the trainers who have looked him over say he will come around all right and that he will be able to go to the post at the Memphis meeting.

### We're All Taking Notice.

Another factor in the American and other Derby propositions has cropped up in this California performer Claude. While he did not beat much when he won the California Derby the other day, the tale of his running says that he did his mile and a quarter journey in Derby horse fashion.

Since his performance the folks in this part of the world have begun to sit up and notice him, and he will be at shorter odds in the next quotations issued on the American Derby. Incidentally, Claude is in the Tennessee Derby. Perfectly fit as he is, if he should be shipped to Memphis for that event, there is good reason to think that condition and quality would combine to make him winner of another much-talked-of event of the near future. I am told that his coming to the river town is not unlikely. If he lands there good he will beat more than will beat him. He will be ready. The others may not be.

Durnell & Herz have been congratulated

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## HERE IS THE TEAM WHICH IS TO BOWL FOR THE PFISTER ALLEYS IN THE TOURNAMENT



THE PFISTER TEAM.

Here is the team that will represent the Pfister alleys in the state bowling tournament that opens in Butte March 16 and continues until the evening of the 17th.

The bowlers on the Pfister team are J. S. McKinley, Arthur Perham, T. Tonery and A. Y. Ellison. Tom Markley has been chosen manager. He sits in the center of the group.

This team is sure to be heard from in the race for the Colender trophy, a picture of which was run on this page a month ago. The other Butte teams will compete—the Thomtons and an independent team headed by Phil Fisher. With these local teams in the race it certainly seems that Butte stands a good chance of keeping the prize at home.

Other teams entered in the race are as follows: The Livingston team, the Missoula team, the Miles City team and the Anaconda team.

To decide on the men to compose the Pfister team an individual tournament was held recently on the Pfister alleys and McKinley, Perham, Tonery and Ellison finished the four highest in the order named. Following were their scores:

Player	Played	Won	Lost	Total	Average
McKinley	43	29	16	1,147	26.44
Perham	45	28	17	1,099	24.44
Tonery	45	30	15	1,072	23.82
Ellison	45	24	21	1,150	25.55

### SIX ROUNDS TO A DRAW

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Milwaukee, Wis., March 7.—Kid Abel of Chicago and Hugh McPadden of Brooklyn went six rounds to a draw before the Badger Athletic club last night.

### McChesney at Memphis.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Memphis, Tenn., March 7.—McChesney, recently purchased from Burnell & Hertz by E. E. Smathers, arrived today from New Orleans. McChesney is a favorite for the Montgomery handicap.

## HERMIS WILL RANK AS ONE OF THE LEADING RUNNERS ON AMERICAN TRACK NEXT SEASON

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS. Lexington, Ky., March 3.—Not since the days of Longfellow and Harry Bassett or Ten Broeck and Parole has there been such rivalry between two horses as now exists, with the \$35,000 McChesney and L. V. Bell's sensational Hermis in the leading roles. In central Kentucky, where both these cracks were bred and raised, their respective merits are discussed probably more warmly than elsewhere, as all the railbirds have a remembrance of the two stars when, as yearlings and in their early spring 2-year-old form, they were in training at the grounds of the Kentucky association.

The similarity of their careers is decidedly striking. Neither was conspicuous as a yearling, both being late in the summer of their 3-year-old form to show the class which has since made their names familiar throughout the country. Both were bred by small breeders, and both are the first foals of mares that went to the stud with no racing record.

The following table, giving the races won by these cracks since the beginning of their 3-year-old form, gives an insight of the true merits of the son of Macduff and the son of imported Hermene by comparison.

Distance	Weight	Time
6 1/2 furlongs	105	1:19 4-5
*6 furlongs	113	1:18 3-4
1 mile	103	1:39 3-4
1 1/8 miles	122	1:51 2-5
1 mile	113	1:59 2-5
1 1-16 miles	126	1:47 4-5
1 1/8 miles	123	1:54 1-5
1 1/4 miles	122	1:55
1 1/2 miles	125	2:05 3-5
1 mile	126	1:41
1 mile	125	1:49 4-5
1 mile	128	1:41 1-5
1 mile	113	1:43 3-5
1 1-16 miles	132	1:48 2-5

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1 1-16 miles	116	1:46
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7 furlongs	110	1:28
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### UNIQUE SCHEME OF NEW YORKERS IN RACING

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN. Philadelphia, March 7.—Plans are being perfected here by a big syndicate in which wealthy New York gamblers are said to figure as the financial backers for the formation of a corporation that is expected to put anti-pool selling laws at defiance and carry on a general business in this and other states by which wagers can be openly laid on horse races to any amount and without fear of police interference. The men back of the movement plan to do business as an insurance company and to have the full benefit and protection of the insurance laws.

Instead of invading the field of insuring life or property or against fire, cyclones or storms, they will insure horses to win or not to win certain races in which they are entered. Regular policies are to be issued, which in effect will be pool tickets, but on the face technical writs of insurance instead of slips covering wagers. The wide scope of Lloyds in London, which will practically take a wager on anything under the sun where chance is a possible factor, is said to have given the gamblers their idea.

Distance— Weight. Time. 1 1/4 miles ..... 126 2:06 1-5 1 1/4 miles ..... 126 2:08 1-5 \*Practically a walkover.

By this compilation the balance to date is in favor of McChesney, viewed from a handicap standpoint. The highest weight Hermis has ever carried to victory is 126 pounds. McChesney has won with as

high as 132 pounds up. McChesney's last two races were run, however, since he became a 4-year-old.

Both horses have run a mile and an eighth in 1:51 2-5, world's record time for 3-year-olds, but at a mile and a quarter McChesney's time was 2:06 1-5. At a mile and a sixteenth Hermis has run the fastest, covering the distance in 1:46, but

when McChesney went this route in 1:47 4-5 he carried ten pounds more than the son of Hermene.

It is certain that in years to come have not been as much interested in the prospective meeting of two crack horses as they now are in Hermis and McChesney, and if these two stars can be brought together this season sports will journey miles to see them.



HERMIS, Greatest Horse of the Year, Matched to Race McChesney—By Permission of Richard K. Fox.

## ASKS TO DROP YALE

Harvard Professor Thinks Annual Football Game Too Strenuous.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. Boston, March 7.—Prof. Ira N. Hollis, chairman of the Harvard Athletic committee, in an article written for the Harvard graduates, suggests giving up the annual football contest with Yale. He thinks Harvard would profit by omitting it. In leading up to this point, Prof. Hollis reviews at some length the general trend of college athletics, which he maintains are growing better in spirit. He thinks that one fatal thing for good sport is the suspicion which prevails between rival universities. Then, he says, referring to Harvard football:

"The most demoralizing football game played by Harvard during the year is that with Yale. This has been true for many years with only occasional lapse into a season of good fellowship. The students of the two universities are, in the main, friendly to one another but this game seems to arouse their worst impulses. Suspicions are rife, bets are on, and studies are practically suspended during the entire week preceding the game. The graduates,

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## HAVE ATHLETIC CLUB

Society Women of New York and Other Cities Are Organized.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. New York, March 7.—Society women of this city have organized an athletic club with members from the Newport and Long Island sets. The club will be very exclusive. Members have thus far refused to allow their names to be used in connection with the club. They want a clubhouse exceedingly popular during the far from the Delmonico and Sherry corners at Forty-fourth street.

Athletics among the exclusive set have become exceedingly popular during the past past few years.

### Sunday at Pipestone Springs.

The Northern Pacific Railway company have arranged to stop their train which leaves Butte at 11:35 p. m. every Saturday, at Pipestone Springs, to enable the patrons of that popular resort to spend Sunday there. A free bus will be run from the springs to Whitehall Sunday afternoon to enable passengers to reach Butte on the North Coast Limited at 7 p. m.

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## BASE RUNNING IN BIG BASEBALL LEAGUES

New York, March 7.—A list of the leading base runners of the major organizations for the past 13 seasons, giving the National's honor men from 1890 to 1902, the American association's for 1890 and 1891, the American league's for 1901 and 1902, and the Players' league for 1890, shows four players to have stolen over 100 cushions in the years they excelled. In the National, Hamilton pilfered 102 sacks in 1890 and 115 in 1891, and Lange in 1896, swiped an even 100. In the American association Tom Brown, now a league umpire, committed 110 thefts in 1891. The league's leaders have been Hamilton, four times; Ward, Lange and Sheppard, each twice; F. Clarke, Barrett and Slagle, each once. The roll of honor from 1890 to 1892, inclusive:

Year-Leader	Organization	Average
1890	Hamilton, National	102 0.82
1890	Ward, Curt, in Ass.	95 0.76
1890	Ward, Tom, Players	87 0.79
1891	Hamilton, National	115 0.86

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## ON ANXIOUS SEAT IN BASEBALL WAR

Ramsey Says Coast People Await Result of Struggle With Much Interest.

## GOSSIP OF THE SPORTS ON THE PACIFIC COAST

Britt-O'Keefe Bout Will Be a Corker—Not So Certain That Jimmy Has a Cinch, as O'Keefe Is a Bad Man—Number of Good Bouts Are to Be Pulled Off in Portland Shortly.

### SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN.

Seattle, March 7.—People who are on the inside of the baseball situation on the coast have been kept on the anxious seat for the past week. The visit of President Sexton to the coast hung up the proposed expansion of the Pacific Northwest league, for a time at least, for the men who are to furnish the money to put teams in San Francisco and Los Angeles want to see what he proposes to do before going farther with the deal. Sexton is in California now, so is President Lucas and Manager McCloskey, and probably before this article is in type the whole deal will be put through. Hal Sexton remained away, the Pacific Northwest people would have shown their hand last week, for all arrangements are practically completed. The peace talk, however, made the backers of the new team pause, and Manager McCloskey has been chafing on the bit ever since. He is particularly anxious to lock horns with Harris, the leader of the pirates, for he is confident that he can outdraw him in San Francisco, and he knows he will prove a bigger attraction on the road.

Manager Reilly of Los Angeles is also chafing at the delay. He has secured Russ Hall, Raymer, who was with Great Falls under McCloskey and afterward went to Chicago, and Tomam, the star of last year's Los Angeles team, and he is anxious to come out in the open and announce his line-up. The Pacific Northwest people having gone so far as to grant franchises to the two leading towns of California, cannot very well back out now, no matter what President Sexton advises, and all the clubs so far as heard from are anxious and willing to carry the war right into the enemy's territory. This would make one of the prettiest baseball fights of the country, with opposition clubs in four towns of the two leagues, and it would be a battle to a finish. It could not last more than one year, and it would settle, for years at least, just who is boss of the heap.

Harris is beginning to scent trouble, and has changed his boasting to remarks along the line that he would not object to joining the ranks of organized baseball. When he is asked to come in, something which has not been done yet, he will not be allowed to dictate the terms.

Joe McCarthy, so well known in Montana, has arrived from California. He will play with Tacoma again next year. He has received numerous offers from the outlaws, but has turned a deaf ear to all of them. It is a singular fact that none of the men who played in the California league want to go back there. Matt Stanley never replies to letters or telegrams from there. Hutchison, Hurlbert, George Babbitt, Drennan and Hulen have all received flattering offers, but they say nay, nay, to all proposals. They have had a taste of the Harris domination and they want no more of it. McCarthy says the team signed by Wilson for Seattle will not rate one, two, six with San Francisco and Los Angeles. If Wilson's team should prove a frost in the pirate league, that will settle the fight in Seattle in short order, for this town positively refuses to stand for a loser.

The fans here believe that both Hickey and Stovall will yet go to Cleveland; that Dennis McCarthy will return to Tacoma, and Bill Hurley will come back to Dugdale. That would about wreck Wilson's team, already weak on paper. It is known that the secretary of the Cleveland club has written stating that transportation for both men would be in Seattle on a certain day, and it is supposed the boys will come north with the Seattle pirate team, and go east from here, having had a month's training and practice at Wilson's expense. Dennis McCarthy has been sending so many telegrams, all collect, to Tacoma, assuring the management of his loyalty, that he had to be choked off. Hurley had no earthly excuse for jumping, so it would not be surprising to see him back with Dugdale once more.

The Portland management is being criticised for taking Pierce Chiles out of the state, releasing him and paying his way east. The public thinks the brute who assaulted the young girl there should be in the penitentiary. The ends of justice were defeated when Chiles was taken south with the team, and his fare paid to get him out of the country. Shaffer, last year with Helena, is reported to have signed with Portland to take the place of Chiles. Shaffer is very popular in this section. It is not known whether Flannery had him signed or not, for the Hellett manager has not yet announced his line-up.

The local sports are taking a lot of interest in the go between Jimmy Britt and Jack O'Keefe, which is to be pulled off in Portland next Monday night. Both men are now in Portland and in active training. Britt arrived with seven trunks full of clothes, and when out giving the girls a treat, the millionaire plumber has Todd Sloan faded to a whispser as a dresser. Britt will enter the ring a hot favorite, but O'Keefe is touted as a hard man to beat, and George Siler thinks very well of him. Neither of these boys has ever met a defeat, and as each is ambitious to go to the top, a hot battle is looked for.

O'Keefe is taller than Britt and has the advantage in reach, but Britt is of the stocky build, with a terrific wallop in either hand, and the knack of delivering an effective punch from his crouching

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