

# FOOTBALL GIANTS ON THE GRIDIRON



RELIANCE GOING THE DISTANCE THROUGH TACKLE WOUND.

## SPEEDY COURSERS IN TRAINING FOR THE GREAT STAKE

Rich Prizes of the John Grace Challenge Cup Event Attract Greyhounds of Champion Class

ALL the high class performers in local coursing are being especially prepared for the next big event, the John Grace challenge cup stake. This will be decided next Sunday at Union Coursing Park. As the time draws near the names of the old-time favorites are heard on all sides and already the dogs with records are in demand. The younger and more recent performers, as a rule, have been a trifle unlucky in getting hard coursing in these last few stakes. As a result of this the champions of last year hold first call in the big event at present. Aeolus has had more than his share of hard running and it is doubtful if his owner considers him a good chance. Cold Shivers, looked upon as the strongest of the youngsters with high ambitions, is out of the game, at least for this stake.

It is expected the nomination of Beacon, runner-up in the last John Grace cup, will be offered. Beacon has been in training for some time and if reports of his try-outs are true the dog has developed such speed that he will go to the slips a heavy favorite. He has not been in the running for some time. Many months ago the senior Curtis, in the heat of passion, said some harsh words about Union Park. He declared his blue dog, Beacon, would never again run on the grounds. The park management took offense at the remarks. The officers said Beacon would not have any privileges, at least not until an apology from Mr. Curtis was offered. Whether the park has withdrawn its ultimatum or the apology has been made has not been stated.

Albert Curtis has in Hector an entry that will bring home a healthy slice of the rich purse. Hector in his last time out won first honors in a stake of class.

Of the other likely candidates R. K. Malcolm will name Black Flush and Fine Fire. Black Flush is the worthy son of the great stake winner Royal Flush, and has already shown himself a good one. On long hares it is a ward worker that can take honors from him. Fine Fire has been in special training and is expected to perform well in this event.

George Malcolm will nominate Charita. This member of the Curtis kennel showed her breeding and captured her last two stakes. While not possessed of great speed Charita is a persistent courser and clever on a hare.

Mr. Shotwell will name Little Sister and Warship. W. H. Hinchman has secured Luxor to represent him in the stake. Luxor has not run up to old-time form recently, but will be trained faithfully. Dr. Leonard will have Game Boy and Herschel's Price on the cards, while H. C. Klevesahl will run Ireland and Firm Fellow. J. H. Rosseter will be represented by Royal Archer and Real Aristocrat. William Manning will name Anchor, Steri & Knowles will have Freeze Out and John Lachman will nominate A. J. Martin.

Palo Alto, of course, will be in the running, and the opening day will find Eugene Geary's champion a favorite. Sacramento Boy, last year's winner, will be named by M. C. Delano. The Boy's recent hard work will not add to his chances.

Esquero will run for his owner, D. J. Healey, and will be a strong choice. Otto Zahl will name Homer Boy. Floodgate and Hickory Dick will represent George Nethercott. Chiarini Bros. will name Dewdrop and either Tame Tralee or White Hat. Tim Cronin with Vandal and Tralee Boy stands a good show. Charles Griswold will take a chance with Flying Fox. In Narcissus W. C. Glasson has the best outsider in the stake.

## DOLPHIN OARSMEN READY TO RECEIVE GUESTS OF HONOR

Members Will Row in Outrigged Skiffs, Shells and Barges, Swim and Dive to Please Fair Sex

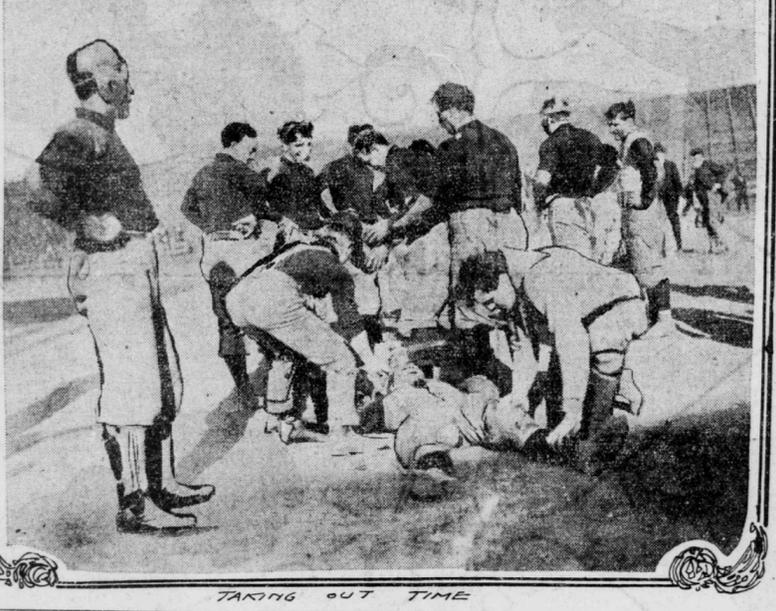
MEMBERS of the Dolphin Swimming and Boating Club hold their annual entertainment-to-day for ladies. The committee in charge, consisting of Captain W. O. Patch, J. S. Earls, F. Seibel, Henry Bernau and Leo Wienand, has arranged an excellent programme. The clubhouse has been prettily decorated with flags and banners, and many forms of aquatic diversion have been prepared.

The first event on the programme is a race between two four-oared barge crews—the "lightweights," consisting of Curry, Siebel, Woods and Hammersmith, and the "juniors," Dixon, Adderley, Reimers and Wienand. Woerner and Ferguson will contend in a gig race against Perazzi and Coney, and Dr. F. R. Axton against W. O. Patch in a shell race. Leo Wienand will try conclusions in the outriggered skiff with T. J. Sherry, who rowed second to W. G. Hansen in the Lake Merritt regatta. The event which is looked forward to with most interest and which will provoke the keenest struggle is the barge race between the "Irish" and "German" crews, the Hibernians having won the first race in 1888 and the Teutons having been victors in 1899 and 1900.

There will be a quarter-mile handicap swimming race, and for the entertainment of the fair visitors several comic events have been provided, such as kayak races, walking the greasy pole and an old-clothes race, in which the swimmers must wear coat, vest, trousers, hat and shoes, and must return to the side with everything on, the distance being fifty yards out and back.

The Olympic Club is desirous to secure a long lease of suitable ground in East Oakland near Sessions Basin or in Alameda near the Alameda Boat Club quarters, but so far has not been able to get what it wants. It is said that some of the members of the Olympic Club would rather retain the Belvedere house, but the advantages of that location are small as compared with those of quarters on Oakland Creek. Oakland or Alameda can be reached every half-hour during the day, and a large number of associate members could be obtained from those towns who do not care to incur the expense of joining the Post-street club, the dues of which are high for many young men. It is certain an accessible boathouse and smooth water to row upon would greatly increase the interest in boating among the Olympics, who have plenty of excellent material for oarsmen. It is almost equally sure that rowing will never acquire much hold of the Olympic members as long as the inadequate, inaccessible quarters at Belvedere are retained. It is hardly possible to train a racing crew in Tiburon Cove, cumbered as it is with arks and yachts, and the upper bay is not suitable for rowing on summer afternoons.

Many Alameda and South End oarsmen were out last Sunday. The South Ends had a race between a crew consisting of Charles Jenkins, Ed Pallas, J. Pallas and M. Cashman in the racing barge, and a four made up of C. C. Dennis, Matt Harris, J. P. Foley and J. McGeorge in the barge Felton, the latter receiving thirty seconds start. The race to the Union Iron Works and back to the clubhouse was a close one, the Felton crew winning by one length, though on the previous Sunday the McGeorge crew in the racing barge, conceding one minute, had been beaten. It is likely that some South End oarsmen will attend the Dolphin entertainment-to-day. If the South Ends can get the loan of the Ariel racing barge they may send two crews over to the Alameda Club regatta on Lake Merritt, the date of which is not yet settled. Charles Melrose, the well known Olympic swimmer and water polo player, is rowing from the South End house and may join the club.



TAKING OUT TIME

## INCIDENTS OF A GAME BETWEEN RELIANCE AND CALIFORNIA

### Football Men of Each University Continue Their Steady Improvement, Which Augurs Well for the Annual Intercollegiate Game in November

**B**ERKELEY, Oct. 12.—The improvement during the past week of the individual and team playing on the University of California eleven has been decidedly marked. The men have increased in ability in a satisfactory way, although there is of course still much to accomplish before the big game, less than a month away.

In the Olympic game of last Saturday the Californians several times failed to concentrate their efforts at critical moments. After playing in splendid style until the goal line was within their reach, they would go to pieces and fail to score. This lack of united effort was noticeable throughout the game. Recent practice is eliminating this.

Gendotti now has Freshman Morehead as an opposing candidate for center. The new man is heavier than Gendotti but is less certain in passing the ball. He is, however, developing into a promising rival for the older man. Overall, at right guard, is playing a steady, reliable game. When opposed to Cadwalader in the Olympic struggle he was able to play even with that veteran in spite of the club man's superior weight. His punting is strong and reliable.

More and Hudson are trying out for quarter and are making an even race for it. Hudson is playing remarkably well. Womble is back at his old position at right end and plays with his usual sureness and dash. Mini, at left half, is doing remarkable work and is one of the surest men for gains on the team. He is suffering from a badly bruised thigh which is hindering his practice considerably.

The freshman eleven is an erratic body and has been playing some bad ball. Candidates for positions are numerous and among them are some good men.

The executive committee of the student body has reported favorably on an Eastman trip for the track team. Graduate Manager Decoto has been instructed to look carefully into the financial side of the matter and if necessary funds can be secured the team will go. An early decision is wanted, as the men wish to make dates as soon as possible for meets next spring with Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Cornell and possibly Chicago. The men would like also to take part in the Mott Haven and Ravenswood games.

**Stanford Freshmen Improve.** Lately the youngsters have taken a brace, and if the improvement continues will put up a hard fight for the intercollegiate championship. In the practice Tuesday afternoon the freshmen opposed the big eleven, making consistent gains and finally carrying the ball over the line for a touchdown. The freshman backs—Bartell, Dole and Terrey—are playing in fine form. Sefton and Wilbur, the ends, are also showing up well.

**STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Oct. 12.**—Improvement in the football teams, particularly the freshmen, has been quite marked this week. While the weather has been decidedly warm for hard work, the men seem to get into the game with much more snap than they did last week. Undoubtedly the improved condition and spirit of the men is due in a large measure to the strict training rules enforced since Monday and to the fact that they have been eating at the training table under the supervision of Trainer "Dad" Moulton during the week. After the game with Reliance Saturday the coaches decided that something must be done to put more life into the players. As a result an order was issued Monday that candidates for the football teams must refrain from attending dances and other social functions during the football season.

The freshman team is gradually rounding into form, and the cardinal's hopes for a victory over the California youngsters on the 19th inst. are rising correspondingly. The freshmen in the earlier part of the season showed so little class spirit and interest in the game that the coaches became discouraged at the outlook.

On the big eleven "Fluffy" Traeger is the particular star, his place-kicking being a feature of the practice. The coaches have been trying him at end, and the big fellow may play that position instead of tackle.

There will be an exhibition doubles match on the park courts this morning between a quartet of the best players in the California Club. The contestants will be W. B. Collier and Harold Crowell and R. N. Whitney and Grant Smith. These men are not accustomed to playing on clay courts, and for this reason will not appear at their best, but the match should be a good one, as the contestants are all clever and evenly matched.

## FLIGHT OF BIRDS EAGERLY AWAITED BY DUCK SHOOTERS

Winter Storms Will Soon Drive Them Down From Their Breeding Grounds in Northern Wilds

**Y**EAR after year the sportsmen who enjoy a day on the marsh after ducks go through the same experiences. They bait their fresh water ponds and furnish their shooting lodges in anticipation of the opening day of the season, when they can lawfully go in quest of birds. Their hopes are always high and their promises of a brace of teal or mallard made to friends are many.

The result is always the same, and this year is no exception to the rule. The weather is too warm; the flight of the northern birds has not set in; results are disappointingly small. Your true sportsman readily adapts himself to the conditions which surround him and settles down to await the arrival of the birds from the north, which means royal sport and a full game bag.

On the lower bay about Alviso there are large numbers of home bred ducks. As there is almost continuous shooting there the birds are timid. A dog moving about a bunch of decoys or a clumsily arranged shooting stand at once attracts their attention and sends them far beyond the range of a shotgun. They spend the days on the bay, where they are inaccessible, and go in to feed at night.

Conditions are different about Cordelia. Here the marsh is preserved for some seven miles by the clubs whose members shoot over it. They allow shooting only on Wednesday and Sunday of each week. As there is no continual bombardment the birds are not shy and feed about the preserves, apparently oblivious of the danger to them which lurks there two days each week.

The gun men are all waiting patiently for the winter storms, which will send down the birds from the north. It is the consensus of opinion that when the season shall have ended the sportsmen will be able to say it was the most satisfactory in years.

ule for the next six months. There will be a Davis cup tournament one Sunday in each month until the cups are disposed of, and on one other Sunday in the month there will be a tournament for special prizes. On the 20th inst. there will be a class singles tournament. There will be five classes, the winner of each receiving a prize, with a special prize for the winner of the final. The men will probably be classified as follows: First class—G. F. and R. N. Whitney; second class—W. B. Collier, Merle Johnson, H. W. Crowell, Fred Brown, J. D. McGavin, Grant Smith and F. Mitchell; third class—F. D. Stringham, C. J. Smith, Sidney Salisbury, Ray Cornell, J. A. Code, Harry Haight, Orville Pratt and Allyn Miller; fourth class—Carl Gardner, W. Gorham, C. Kuehn, R. Erskine, Percy Williams, H. Schmidt, J. Gibson, F. Schiefel, Dr. Lane and K. C. Hamilton; fifth class—Dr. Noble, A. Worthington, Judges Hunt, Trout and Kerrigan, George Lane, B. Wallace and B. G. Wood. This will undoubtedly be the biggest tournament held at the club in years. Outside of the first class, which is composed of the Whitney brothers only, each class should put in at least eight entries. At this rate there would be an entry list of over thirty, while heretofore twenty has been considered a heavy list. Previous to this time there have been but four classes in the club, but the presence of so many beginners has made it necessary to form a new class.

## YACHTS WILL RACE FOR PRIZES OFF SAUSALITO SHORE

San Francisco to Hold Regatta for Mosquito Fleet—Tiburon Tars to Play a Baseball Game

**C**ORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB fleet cruised to Corinthian Cove yesterday, where it lay at anchor for the night. This morning Port Captain John H. Keefe will go to the rendezvous in a launch, conveying the refreshments and the outfit for the baseball teams. The annual baseball match will be played between the "Shorts" and the "Keegans," the former captained by Jack Short and the latter by F. E. Schober.

The California Yacht Club has no scheduled event for to-day. The San Francisco will hold a regatta at Sausalito for small yachts having a racing length not exceeding twenty-five feet. The event is open to boats enrolled in any of the bay clubs and is under the management of the regatta committee, consisting of Dr. T. L. Hill, W. G. Morrow and J. R. Savory. The course, to be selected by the committee, will begin and end at the clubhouse at Sausalito and will probably be triangular.

On Saturday, the 5th inst., the San Francisco Yacht Club received some visiting members of the California Club, who sailed over from Oakland Creek. Owing to the lightness of the wind the California yachts Thelma, Catherine and Secret did not reach Sausalito until after 9 p. m. J. T. Carrier's sloop Jessie E started from her moorings, but after coming out of the creek collided with a schooner, snapping her bowsprit. In clearing away the wreckage two of her crew fell into the water, but were rescued without suffering any harm.

During the evening there was an informal entertainment in the big room of the Sausalito clubhouse. Last Sunday the yachts of the San Francisco Club and of the visitors cruised out to the channel, where there was a moderate sailing breeze. Among the Sausalito craft were the yawls Royal and Phyllis and the sloops Thetis, Mischief, Nixie, Cygnus, Juanita, Dewey and Anita. Secretary W. M. Edgell's yawl Dulce has been sold and will be moored at Tiburon.

Commodore W. N. McCarthy's schooner Ramona cruised to Vallejo on Saturday, the 5th inst., and the schooner Aggie also went out for a spin. George E. Billings' sloop Nixie has taken up an anchorage to the north of the Sausalito ferry slip.

Many Corinthian yachts joined the San Francisco and Californians in their channel cruise last Sunday, but few went beyond Lime Point. A heavy fog came in, driving them toward the upper bay. In Raccoon Straits the wind dropped and the yachts did not reach their destination, Paradise Cove, but dropped anchor in the cove, between the point and California City.

The jinks committee of the Corinthian Yacht Club held a meeting on Wednesday night, at which the details of the closing entertainment, to take place in the Tiburon clubhouse on Saturday evening, the 19th inst., were arranged.

The California Yacht Club holds its closing entertainment on the same night and the last cruise of the season takes place on the Sunday. The Corinthians and San Francisco will cruise in company next Sunday. The San Francisco holds their closing entertainment at the clubhouse on Saturday, October 28, and their closing cruise on the Sunday following, on which day the bridge at Tiburon will be raised to let yachts pass into the lagoon for the winter season.

The challenger designed by Crowninshield for the San Francisco Yacht Club should be ready on or before the 25th, her sails having arrived from Boston. The yacht will be tried by a crew and skipper of the San Francisco and will then be laid up for the winter.

Snakes, it is said, appear to delight in being shocked by electricity. Several thousand volts passing through their bodies merely induces a pleasant sleep with these curious reptiles.

## TENNIS REGAINS ALL ITS OLD-TIME POPULARITY.

**T**HE winter season on the tennis courts is well under way and promises to be the most interesting one in many years. The revival in tennis is not confined to this part of the State, but is noticeable throughout the length of the coast. In fact, the game throughout the entire country has never been so popular as it is at the present time. Tennis has been played for centuries, and although other sports may take its place for a time invariably revives. As evidence of this one has but to go to

Golden Gate Park and note the crowded condition of the eight courts from morning till night. Heretofore the only playing in the city has been done at the California Tennis Club, but with the park courts available it is possible for anybody to become expert at the game. The oil-packed courts have not proved successful so far, for the simple reason that it takes months to get them in proper condition. By next spring these courts will be the finest clay courts on the coast. They will be almost as true as bitumen

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The tournament committee of the California Tennis Club is arranging a sched-