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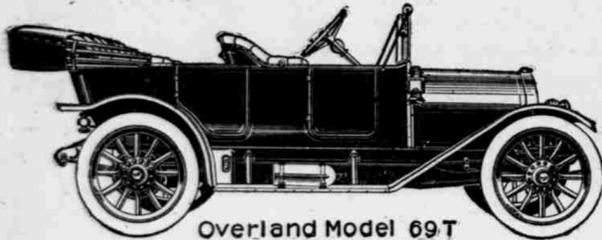
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Will Paris Have a Club Next Year?

The future of the Paris Baseball club is problematical. Unless something is done in the near future, there is an even chance that if Paris is represented in the Blue Grass League during the season of 1913, it will be with a team that will be a disgrace, not only to the profession but to the city.

Last season the club, making a bad beginning, finished with a heavy debt overhanging, and if the baseball season begins in Paris this year it will be under the most adverse circumstances.

To begin with there is nothing left of the club that finished the season last year. Practically all the players of any consequence have been sold, some at fair prices, while others were disposed of for the purpose of raising a fund with which to begin the season. To begin with the treasury is depleted and the club is heavily in debt. With all the purchase money in hand it will stand more than \$1,800 to the bad.

There should be more interest in the club this season than last, for a number of reasons, and unless there is some disposition shown on the part of the fans to boost for the ball club there will be none. President J. W. Bacon is of the opinion that to begin the season would be nothing short of foolhardiness, while others agree that this season should be profitable owing to the fact that not only the Paris club but others in the Blue Grass suffered financial losses last year.

The mailing of contracts to players in reserve will begin about February 1. Paris should not be without a representative in this league and should by all means begin the season. Let the fans get together now, while there is plenty of time and begin boosting for the club. We can have a good one if the proper spirit is displayed by the fans so let everyone begin with that object in view.

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Narrow Escape from Drowning.

J. W. Culbertson, residing in this city, had a narrow escape from death Saturday afternoon when he attempted to cross a stream about one-half mile from Little Rock, and had it not been for the timely assistance of several men in the neighborhood he would have drowned.

Culbertson, who is engaged in the sale of phonographs and supplies, was traveling in a buggy and when he attempted to cross the little stream near Little Rock which was out of its banks as a result of the heavy rains, the vehicle was swept down the stream by the swift current, carrying the horse and driver with it.

In the middle of the stream the buggy turned over, throwing Culbertson out and it was with great difficulty that he kept his head above the water. His cries for help attracted several men in the neighborhood who went to his rescue, bringing him to shore. He was almost exhausted and for a time it was thought his condition was serious.

He was taken to the residence of Mr. Clarence Walls nearby where restoratives were applied and he was soon revived. The horse succeeded in breaking away from the buggy and gained the shore about a quarter of a mile below where the attempt was made to cross the stream.

Second Flood Does Much Damage.

Continuous rains which fell for almost thirty-six hours caused one of the largest floods this section has experienced in several years. The rain began falling Friday and continued unceasingly until an early hour Sunday morning, when a decided drop in the temperature put a stop to the deluge.

As a result of the heavy downpour both Houston and Stoner creeks running through this city, were out of their banks, overflowing the lowlands and inundating cellars of residences located in the lower section of the city.

Farms along the streams were badly washed by the high water and much damage was done to fencing. Reports from Millersburg Saturday night were to the effect that the town was practically cut off from traffic for several hours, owing to the overflowing of Hinkston creek. The raging creek overflowed and submerged a section of the pike near the city rendering travel impossible. Two negro men who were returning from Carlisle to Paris had a narrow escape from drowning when they drove into the swollen stream.

Introduces Bill to Recover Damages.

Hon. J. C. Cantrill, Representative from the Seventh Congressional District, on Friday introduced in the House a bill for the relief of the Fiscal Court of Bourbon county. The bill is to recover damages sustained by Bourbon county during the Civil War, when Paris was occupied by Union troops. The military forces occupied the court house. The bill prays for a compensation of \$2,000 and was referred to the committee on war claims. It is as follows:

A bill for the relief of the fiscal court of Bourbon county, Kentucky. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized directed to pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the fiscal court of Bourbon county, Kentucky, the sum of \$2,000, as full compensation for the occupation, use, and incidental injury of the courthouse and other property of said county by United States military forces during the Civil War.

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