

EXCITING BOAT RACES ON SATURDAY

ANNUAL REGATTA UNDER AUSPICES OF J. B. A. A.

C. B. Kennedy's Crew Won the Flumerfelt Cup - Other Contests - Baseball at Oak Bay.

All the seating accommodation both in the J. B. A. A. club house and on the barge near the racing course was occupied on Saturday the occasion being the seventh annual regatta under the auspices of that association. The causeway overlooking the finishing line was thronged from one end to the other, and by all the progress of each contest was watched with intense interest. While the programme was carried through the reception committee ably attended to the comfort of guests, a pleasing time as they arrived and placed seats at different vantage points. The balcony of the club house, which had been recently decorated with flags and bunting, appeared to be the favorite spot for spectators anxious to witness the races from the "hot" point of view.

Immediately at 2 o'clock the rival crews in the first heat of the Flumerfelt cup contest made their appearance as they made their way to the starting point the different styles were freely criticised by spectators. It was generally agreed that although the four—A. McLean, D. Leeming, W. R. Jenkins and T. L. Crocker, they did not row as well together as the crew stroked by "Pat" Andrews, and backed up by W. W. Laing, G. G. Hobbs, J. Simpson and H. E. Hobbie. The latter were undoubtedly supported by the majority, and the opinion proved to be correct. Andrews' crew swung around the starting point in practically the same time as their opponents, but their stroke was steeper. About half way down the third man in McLean's crew broke, throwing the four half length behind. Recovering rapidly, however, they put up a plucky but vain attempt to regain the lost ground. "Pat" was called for a second time, and crossed the line about a length in the lead, amid enthusiastic cheers.

D. O'Sullivan, the chief official starter, immediately called for the second race, the following four then left for Coffin Island, where the races commenced: C. B. Kennedy, T. Watson, Y. Woffenden, J. Y. Simpson, and J. Donaldson, W. T. Andrews, W. R. Jenkins and T. L. Crocker. The former made a splendid impression as they swept away to the point. This proved to be a rare fall of interest from the time the crews rounded Coffin Island until the crack of the gun was heard. At first Donaldson's four were leading by about a length, which advantage was maintained until within a couple of hundred yards from the finish. Kennedy then called for a spurt and his crew responded nobly, gradually diminishing the gap and then taking the lead by half a length. J. Simpson, however, was the man for the winning crew, secured a beautiful course.

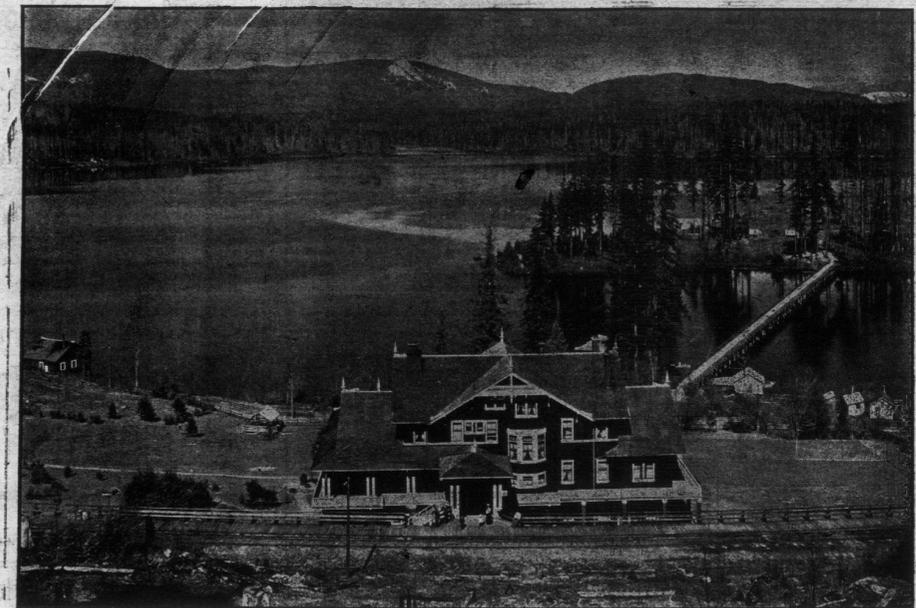
After the third heat between crews stroked by F. Dillabough and R. B. King had been won by the former, a race that had been looked forward to by many was called. This was between two exceptionally strong crews, namely, W. W. Wilson, J. Sutherland, E. Robinson and E. F. Geiger vs. E. Brown, E. Hughes, S. Joet and V. Gray. It was exceedingly surprising to spectators were surprised at the difficulty the redoubtable Wilson had in passing his opponents. He won the race by a bare half length.

The crews stroked by Andrews and Kennedy, winners of the first and second heats, then went out to decide the question of superiority. It was a desperate fight, and the contest was never abandoned by either crew until the finish was announced. They kept well together for some time, when Kennedy quickened his stroke and crept along until a length in the lead. Then Andrews quickened a little and for a minute he looked like a winner. Kennedy, however, kept up the pace stubbornly, and then it was apparent that Andrews' crew was not equal to a final spurt. As Kennedy's four crossed the line a length and a half to the good they were greeted with hearty applause.

The next heat between Wilson and King was not so exciting, the former winning out by a length with comparative ease. The championship and Flumerfelt cup rivalry between C. B. Kennedy and W. W. Wilson.

Before this was called there was a number of events to take place. The first was a dingy race, double sculls, with lady steersman, over a quarter mile course straightaway. W. Laing and W. H. Jesse, with J. as waterline steering, were victors, while S. Cameron and T. Geiger, with Miss O'Sullivan coxswain, were a close second, and F. Dillabough and P. D. Astin, with Miss Leeming, crossed the line third. Another interesting contest was the single scull race with lady passenger, over a course of the same distance. F. A. McLean and Miss D. Leeming won, C. B. Kennedy and Miss Austin were second, and E. Geiger and Miss O'Sullivan were third to reach the finish.

Only three starters could be found when the junior single sculling event was reached, and these were: C. B. Kennedy, Jack Finlayson and E. F. Geiger. This race



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was for the Mahandahna cup and a handsome trophy presented by C. E. Ledford, to be won outright. More than usual interest therefore centered in the race and the competitors underwent close scrutiny as they passed out to the starting point. From the first Kennedy's shell boomed ahead, followed closely by Geiger, while a little behind and holding to the pace with bold dog tenacity was Finlayson. After passing Sehl's Point the latter's superior starting powers enabled him to pass Geiger and close the gap between himself and Kennedy, who was pulling a steady stroke. When Finlayson commenced to creep up the former increased his pace perceptibly and finished well in the lead. Geiger dropped out.

Following this was the tandem canoe race, for which there were four entries. J. Finlayson and Carl Pendray secured the lead and were followed up closely by Geiger and Cameron, Macrae and Stride, and J. Donaldson, G. G. Simpson. The former crossed the line first, and Macrae and Stride were given second place. Geiger and Cameron having been disqualified on account of entering in a racing canoe.

Next on the programme was undoubtedly the event of the afternoon. It was the final for the Flumerfelt cup between crews stroked by W. W. Wilson and C. B. Kennedy, and the boys were cheered as they swung out from the club house. Some spectators were of the opinion that Wilson's strong sweeping stroke would win, while others thought that the perfect time of Kennedy's crew would bring them in first. When the four appeared at Sehl's Point the crews were even, both coming on at an exceedingly fast clip. Wilson's four gradually took the lead, and then everything depended upon the course Simpson, boy man for Kennedy, pursued. However, he succeeded in turning short, securing in a straight line or home. The crews were now even, and Kennedy slightly increased his stroke and pulled up three-quarters of a length while his opponent continued his peculiar steady swing. About two hundred yards from the finish Wilson quickened his stroke and it looked as if he would win, but Kennedy was equal to the occasion and with a grand spurt rushed over the line barely half a length ahead.

Immediately after the upset canoe race, which was won by J. Finlayson, the senior singles were called. This was for the Heimken cup, and was between Kennedy, the winner of the juniors, and Heisthote, last year's champion. This was won by the former with comparative ease.

P. B. Austin won the tilting match, which was fought off in several heats, while the swimming match between Crocker, Heisthote, Simpson and Knox was won by the former. Simpson and Knox tied for second place, while Heisthote reached the finish at the point last. This brought the regatta to a conclusion.

A general adjournment was then taken to the reading room where the president of the association presented Dan O'Sullivan on behalf of members of the club, with a memento of the occasion. It is an exceedingly handsome token, being a locket of gold with crossed oars in which is set a diamond, with the letters J. B. A. A. inscribed in different colored gold. Upon the reverse side are the words: "Presented to D. O'Sullivan by his fellow members, August 27th, 1904."

BASEBALL RAINIERS V. VICTORIA.

Devoid of sensational plays, but possessing features characteristic of the fastest game, the baseball match between the Rainiers, of Seattle, and the Victoria nine at Oak Bay on Saturday afternoon will go on record as one of the finest exhibitions

seen this year. The home team was beaten by three, the score standing 4 to 1. There were a number of important factors responsible for this result. In the first place, Kelly, Seattle's catcher, kept the local boys guessing almost from the start of the game to the finish. And it was not because he displayed any great number of curves, but rather that he used excellent judgment and changed his speed and style with feeling effect. His pitched curve is a down ball that seemed to drop suddenly at the bat. He was struck but seldom, Burns, Schwengers, Goward and McConnell appearing the only ones successful in finding him. As an opposing pitcher, Blackburn did well, but did not possess the speed he has exhibited on former occasions. Smith, for the visitors, made a few bad "muffs," but the work of the Rainiers otherwise was admirable.

Schwengers, for the home team, undoubtedly played the star game of the day. His fielding was excellent, but the weak spot in the local combination was batting. A number of the time did well, and they would have reversed the order of the score had their strength at the plate been exploited throughout on the side.

In the third inning the visitors made two runs through a wild throw to first. The next two were taken in the fifth inning, a long throw home from the right field being responsible for one of the number.

In the last inning Schwengers made a brilliant effort to score. He stole from first to second and from second to third and Moore was still at the bat. "The place called two strikes and three balls. The next Moore struck. Schwengers reached home quick as a race horse, but Moore was caught on first after a close try and the game ended.

LACROSSE WILL PRESENT TROPHY.

Before continuing his tour of the West last evening, Joseph Lally, the Eastern Lacrosse authority, announced his intention of presenting a handsome trophy to the lacrosse clubs of the Pacific Coast. This cup will be competed for by British Columbia, Washington, Oregon and California teams. Mr. Lally's object is to rouse an international interest in the Canadian national game, and there is no doubt that in bringing the teams of this province and the States together he has taken the most effective means of attaining this end.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL ANNUAL MEETING.

At Vancouver on Wednesday afternoon the second annual meeting of the Maritime Association Football League was held, when officers were elected as follows: President, J. W. Wallis, Colfax; vice-president, B. J. Hill, Rovers; secretary-treasurer, R. W. Timms, Colfax; executive committee, J. B. Saint, Columbia College; Geo. Smokey, Colfax; J. McMillan, Canada; W. A. McKeown, Shamrocks; E. W. Payne, Central Park; A. Turnbull, Rovers.

MEETING AT NANAIMO.

Delegates representing the Victoria and Columbia teams, of this city, will attend

CRICKET SATURDAY'S MATCH.

The game played between the West Point Garrison and the Victoria cricket team on Saturday afternoon was an interesting one. The city team showed marked superiority over the soldiers in batting. The scores of Sapper Baser and Corp. Knight, who made 48 and 37 respectively, were excellent.

WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP BANQUETTED AT NANAIMO.

Thos. Russell, Retiring Superintendent of Coal Company, Will Reside in Victoria.

A MODERN WEAPON IN THE BATTLE FOR HEALTH.

Dr. Fagan in this matter, though, if the government seemed willing to relax the matter up, they might make some suggestion to them next year.

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A resolution by Dr. Sullivan, urging energetic legislation in connection with the correct registration of medical practitioners, carried. The convention was closed with votes of thanks to various sources.

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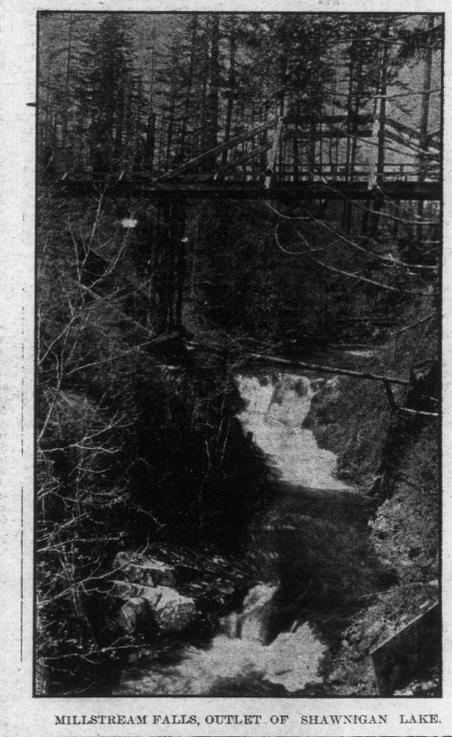
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