

AUTOMOBILE AND SPORTING NEWS

WOLGAST MADE AN ERROR

McFARLAND MAY HAVE FOOLED THE CHAMPION.

Chicago Boy Expects to Win MHI at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Has the world's lightweight champion, Ad Wolgast, made a serious mistake in consenting to meet Packy McFarland in a ten round contest in Milwaukee, Sept. 15? Sporting men who have followed the work of these crack boxers cannot agree in framing an answer to this oft-repeated question.



Photos by American Press Association. PACKY McFARLAND AND AD WOLGAST WHO ARE TO MEET IN MILWAUKEE.

James J. Jeffries, for instance, declares that Wolgast has blundered in allowing McFarland to weigh 133 pounds at 3 o'clock, and even Tom Jones, Wolgast's manager, holds a similar opinion. Wolgast, on the other hand, is as stubborn as a mule and refuses to admit that McFarland will have even a slight advantage in physical strength, although he admits that Packy will enter the ring at least six pounds heavier.

Having induced Wolgast to agree to his terms, therefore, McFarland, in the opinion of those who knew his methods, has put one over on the world's title holder.

It is conceded that Wolgast has never met a boxer like McFarland. The stockyards pugilist is a marvel in point of science. He is the quickest man on his feet in pugilism, and for that reason he can put up a wonderful defense. Moving about the ring with dazzling swiftness, McFarland can shoot in blows with either hand in such a manner that a slower opponent becomes bewildered. Wolgast is not a scientific man by a long shot, and McFarland is well aware of the fact. The champion's best work is done at close quarters by rushing in, covered up, and letting fly at his rival's body with a free hand in half clinches. McFarland never has allowed an antagonist to fight him that way, for he persists in keeping at long range, sacrificing hard hitting for speed.

Wolgast intends to fight McFarland just as he did Moran, but McFarland is Moran's master in every way, and the ring sharps believe that Wolgast will find it a difficult task to inflict severe punishment. Wolgast is what is known as a "rope fighter," because he persists in driving his opponents to the edges of the ring or the corners so that they cannot get away from his rough assaults. But not one of the men Wolgast has conquered could begin to compare with McFarland in footwork. As a matter of fact, nobody has possessed sufficient cleverness to know how to fight the lightweight champion, but McFarland says he has studied his man with great care and has hit upon a plan to offset his rugged assaults.

PLAYERS FOUND RUBE MARQUARD AN EASY MARK.

Rube Marquard wasn't quite sure he had been bought by the Giants from Indianapolis three years ago until he was on a train bound for New York. The big southpaw had been beaten out of \$2 in McGraw's name two years before and, once bitten, was twice cautious. John Henry Myers, a teammate



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of Rube's on the Canton (O.) team, Marquard's first one, got the \$11,000 beauty's \$2. Here's the story:

Myers showed Rube a fake telegram from McGraw, asking Myers to report to the Giants at \$500 a month. Myers borrowed 50 cents of Rube to pay for the message. He borrowed another half dollar to wire McGraw that he could bring Marquard with him.

Later Marquard paid 50 cents for a telegram supposed to have been sent by McGraw, saying he would give Marquard \$400 a month. Rube gave Myers 50 cents to wire McGraw his acceptance.

Myers told Rube they would jump the Canton club that night. Rube was nervous at the park. Myers told him to act natural, pack his clothes after the game, check his trunk at the depot and wait at a certain poolroom.

Bade Myers, Canton manager, found Marquard at the pool room. "How much did John Henry work you for?" Bade asked. "Two dollars," said Rube. "Why, what's the matter?" "Oh, nothing," said Bade, "except that those messages are written on sending blanks, and you were receiving them."

long as a man can make 133 pounds during any part of the day of the fight the championship is involved, but on this point there may be a serious hitch.

Enterprise Plans Races.

There will be a good track for racing at the county fair next month if constant work, regardless of expense, will make it so. A big water wagon was being used until the hard rains this week makes its further use unnecessary. More rolling and leveling will be done later on. Interest is already at white heat over the 15 mile relay race. It is thought there will be at least four entries. It is violating no confidence to say there will be some class to the horses entered in that race, and to the wagers on the result, too. —Enterprise News-Record.

BASEBALL NOTES

The New England league has turned down an offer to consolidate with the Connecticut league.

The Philadelphia Nationals had a list of 25 players they wanted to land by the draft route.

Pitcher Jeff Pfeffer, of the Boston Nationals, will most likely perform in the Southern league next season.

Rumors of the baseball war are still flying thick and fast, the chances are that there will be nothing doing.

"Nap" Lajoie has passed Jackson and is not crowding Ty Cobb for the batting championship of the American league.

Jack Dalton, now with Newark in the Eastern league, will be given a new trial by the Brooklyn club next spring.

During the stay of the Athletics in St. Louis President Hedges made flattering offers to Harry Davis to manage the Browns next season.

Tuesday, August 31, was the first day this season that not a major league game was played. Rain put the kibosh on the entire schedule.

As the Athletics will be playing at

DEER LAW IS OUT SEPT. 15

FEW BIG KILLINGS IN DUCK LINE THIS YEAR.

Only Male Deer May Be Killed in Union and Wallowa Counties.

The deer law goes out on the 15th, next Thursday, and many local hunters are already planning long trips and journeys that will take them to the deer pastures. In view of the fact that only male deer can be killed fewer animals will be slaughtered, provided, always, that the hunters observe the law in this and nearby counties, which forbid such killing of anything but bucks.

The duck season is now well under way and it is yet to be recorded that anything like limit bags were shot in a day. They are much less plentiful than a year ago, though it is believed the number will be increased as the rainy season approaches.

The yank season ends on September 20, and followers of this sort of sport should bear it in mind.

home while Detroit is hitting the road prospects for the pennant look pretty sweet to Connie Mack.

Catcher "Chief" Meyers, of the New York Giants, has his old war club on the job this season. He stands third in the National league batting averages.

Larry Cheney, the Louisville pitcher has joined the Chicago Cubs, and will be given a chance to show his puzlers against the eastern teams.

It is said that the Pittsburg Pirates form the real "white ribbon" brigade in the big show this season. Last year some of the Pirates were in the habit of "cutting loose" now and then but this season, with the pennant in sight, the boys have lived close to the pump.

WITH THE BOXERS.

Promoters of the Wolgast-McFarland bout in Milwaukee Sept. 15, expect to have a \$50,000 house.

In his recent bout with K. O. Brown, Matt Wells convinced the New York fans that he is as clever as the best in the business.

Jim Johnson, the other colored American heavyweight in England, has challenged Jack Johnson to fight for the world's title.

A LEXINGTON CAR SEEN HERE

CALIFORNIA TOURISTS PASS THROUGH THE CITY.

Cars and Motorcycles Sold This Week —Auto News and Items.

From Los Angeles, California, to points in Wyoming was the tour mapped out by a party of Los Angeles people and which had reached as far as La Grande yesterday. The tourists put up here long enough to rest and to get some minor repairs made at the Dittebrandt garage. The tour is being made in a Lexington, a car new to this territory but which the owner says is very popular in Southern California. It was the first seen here and many, indeed, have never heard of the car at close range. No seriously bad roads had been encountered thus far, reported the party. They left for the eastern border of the state yesterday forenoon.

Cap Tuttle, a business man of Imbler, is the real baby auto owner this week. He has just recently purchased a Hudson Roadster from the Dittebrandt Auto company.

A seven-horse power twin cylinder Indian motor cycle was delivered this week to Ed Kline of Union by the Dittebrandt company. Another motorcycle sale was also recorded when W. W. Adair, an engineer at the Palmer Lumber company's mill purchased an M. & M., four horse-power motorcycle from the same dealers.

The Velle car, owned by Dr. Zimmerman, the dentist, is adding to the list of variety in cars barned at local garages.

The value of the auto was shown the other days when Sheriff Marvin left the office at 10 a. m., went 20 miles to Sheep creek, served some papers and was back a few minutes after noon ready for more business.

Mr. Marvin owns his own auto and is using it for his work as sheriff. He has made a trip to four miles below Innaha bridge; served papers and returned the same day. —Enterprise News-Record.

The Michelin Tire company in its regular advice bulletins has this to say of the care of tires:

The smallest particles of foreign matter in an envelope will ruin the inner tube.

A motorist will find that an inner tube has been injured and perhaps ruined from no apparent cause. Upon examination small holes will be found in its surface, the only logical reason for their presence being apparently poor tube material. This, however, is seldom the cause, says the Michelin man. The real trouble lies with the motorist. He has carelessly fitted

COBB TEACHES JACKSON.

Naps' Outfielder Using Tiger Star's Famous Fall Away Slide. They say Ty Cobb is jealous of Joe Jackson, but listen to this: Ty taught Joe his fall away slide and gave him some advice in base running that is said to have improved Joe's work.



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By watching the outfield Joe couldn't quite see how Cobb made his famous slide, so he got up and asked Ty how he did it. Ty not only told Joe, but made a couple of fall away slides with Joe at the base to see how it was done.

Joe caught on in a second. He hadn't been starting his slide soon enough and didn't get as far to one side of the bag as he should have.

Joe is just about Ty's equal at making the fall away slide, and no other player in the American league, if in either of the big leagues, Cobb excepted, is a better slider than the Nap star.

the tube, allowing small particles of mud and dirt to enter the envelope, the air pressure from within the tube and the external pressure having combined to grind the foreign matter into the tube.

When fitting a tire it is not enough to simply clean the envelope and tube. Care should be taken to admit no mud or sand during the operation. The tire lever should not be left lying on the ground as they will collect dirt which may find its way into the envelope.

Many subjects on the proper care of tires and tubes are instructively discussed in two books issued by the Michelin Tire company of Milltown, New Jersey. Copies will be mailed free on request.

Treasurer's Call for City Warrants.

There are also funds in the treasury to pay all warrants issued against the water of La Grande city up to and including No. 9,729, endorsed September 21, 1911. Interest on all warrants on water fund from No. to No. 9,729 inclusive ceases from date of this call.

La Grande, Oregon, Sept. 1, 1911. ROL W. LOGAN, City Treasurer

NEW RULES IN BETTER SHAPE

EVIDENCE OF EFFORT TO MAKE RULINGS CLEARER.

Football Gossip of Various Kinds—Wallowa Well Supplied.

Though still complicated and intricate, the new football rules for 1911, copies of which have now been received in La Grande, show slight improvement in this respect over last year. It appears to be the aim of the rule makers to occasionally at least throw some simple phrases into the rules and in a few instances the rules are much more clear than a year ago.

One set of the rules changed somewhat from last year is of especial interest, as violations of its observance occur in the open entirely. That is in respect to tackling a man who has caught a forward pass; last year the catcher was allowed a step after receiving the pass, while this year he can be tackled as soon as he touches the ball. This particular rule and others in direct relation of other important points in football, are quoted herewith:

Section 2, Rule XVIII.—No player of either side while in the act of catching a forward pass shall be tackled, thrown, pushed, pulled, shouldered or straight-armed until he shall have touched the ball, provided that any such interference which is incidental to a bona fide attempt to catch or intercept the forward pass shall not come within this provision.

A man who is ineligible to catch the ball may not run into the opponents.

It should also be noted that any forward pass, whether it crosses the scrimmage line or not, must be made from at least five feet back of that scrimmage line.

Penalty.—For side which put the ball in play, if such offense occurs before a "third down" has been declared (i. e., if it occurs during a play following either a first or second down) the offending side shall put the ball in play at the spot of the preceding down, and the play shall not count as a down. The point to be gained shall remain the same.

If, however, such offense occurs after a third down has been declared (i. e., if it occurs during a play following a third down) the ball shall go to the opponents at the spot of the preceding down.

For side which did not put the ball in play, loss of 10 yards from point where ball was put in play and first down to ensue.

If neither side is in possession of the ball, same as free ball.

Section 3. Players of the side which put the ball in play after they have crossed the line of scrimmage may not in any way interfere with their

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