

### COMING OF WARD KING THIS MONTH MARKS ROADS ERA

Auto Club Extends Itself to Meet Expenses—Other Sport News of Interest.

#### IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Frank Moran, Who Is to Fight Jack Johnson.



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Is Jack Johnson about to lose his crown as the heavyweight champion pugilist of the world? Sporting men who have closely watched the fighting game say that he is and that the man who will turn the trick is Frank Moran. Moran is agreed to be the most promising of the ever increasing crop of "white hopes." He is confident that he can take the measure of the big black. The men are to meet in Paris on the night of June 27, which is the eve of the running of the Grand Prix de Paris, the richest turf event in the world.

Anticipating big success from the visit of Ward King log drag expert the Auto Club is sending out letters to all auto owners appealing for payment of dues, and for new members. If no letter has reached any auto owner, that owner is urged to see Chas. Reynolds at the Security Land & Savings company at once. Relative to the coming of King this month,

regarding which more will be announced later, the letter says:

"Dear Sir: It isn't smoothness of life that we notice, but the bumps—the same way with the roads here in the valley. To remove these bumps in our many miles of roads is a problem that Mr. King, inventor of the "King Road Drag" will solve at a demonstration to be held on April 30th May 1st and 2nd.

"To defray the expenses of this demonstration, the Union County Motor club will co-operate with the County and the La Grande Commercial club. Our share of the expense will be one hundred and fifty dollars and to raise this money we must have every owner of an automobile or a motor cycle as a member of the club.

"Besides helping the cause of good roads at the present time the Union County Motor club proposes to help the members derive the full benefits of their motors—namely:

"Will devote all the energy possible in obtaining good roads with the idea of hard surface in the near future.

"Will be affiliated with the State and a membership card will protect you.

"Will co-operate with the County Judge and Commissioners in an effort the cause of better roads.

"The annual meet will be held at Hot Lake in June, and we are making an effort to enroll every owner of a motor in the county a member by that time. It is not fair for one to not belong and enjoy the benefits of good roads when someone else has done the work.

"Upon remittance of the membership fee of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) the secretary will forward a membership card which will entitle you to one year's membership to the club."

To determine once and for all just what disposition is to be made of the much-mooted dam at Minam, R. E. Clanton, state superintendent of fish hatcheries and C. H. Evans, state game warden, arrived in the city this morning to visit Minam and be in position to give an immediate and final answer. President Halzarth and Secretary Halzarth of the Elgin club joined the delegation at Elgin and assisted in the inspection.

Among the men who went with Clanton from here were Wing, Fin Fleetfoot officials: President Kohl, Secretary Wenzel—S. D. Crowe, and Deputy Game Warden Lefel. Another matter that is to be decided at the conference on the scene, is the one about fish distribution, and the local club men will likewise point out to the superintendent today, the excellent facilities existing on the lower river for the planting of bass, a project originated and prompted by the local club. The letter to the gun club

here from Clanton stated that all Wallowa county was asked to be represented at the conference at Minam.

Wallowa, Ore., April 11.—(Special)—On May 2nd the Eastern Oregon track meet will be started in this city. This event has promises of being the greatest yet, and with the help of the good spring weather the participants will be in better trim and will have had more experience than in previous meets.

The baseball park has been chosen as the place where the contest will be held. This place affords ample room for a good-sized track and places for the other events. The enclosure of the park will also make it easier to collect the small charges which will go to pay the expenses.

The territory which this meet embraces is: Malheur, Baker Umatilla, Union and Wallowa counties, namely, the greater part of Eastern Oregon. This is the same territory that has supported the past meets, the last meet being held at Pendleton. The high schools that will probably enter are: Pendleton, Baker City, La Grande, Ontario, Athens, Union, Cove, Joseph, Lostine, Enterprise and Wallowa.

About seventy-five students are expected to enter from the different schools. Practically the same events as previously, will be entered for competition with the exception of the hammerthrow.

W. E. Lefel of La Grande was in town Wednesday and organized a rod and gun club, says a Union paper. Lefel is deputy state game warden. A. Crowley was elected president and L. A. Wright secretary. A pretty good membership was secured and it is proposed to look to replenishing stream and field with fowl and fish. An effort will be made to prevent the wanton destruction of game and to make this a special resort for sportsmen.

The long-talked-of Wallowa county baseball league has at last come to a head, and Joseph has organized with T. H. Morelock as manager. New suits and a complete outfit have been ordered. The old ball park just below Joseph will be put in better shape than ever before, and will be the scene of some of the world's greatest conflicts this season. The first league game will be with Enterprise at Joseph, April 19.

The exact date for the field day to be conducted by the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot club is in the hands of executive committee, but it will probably be soon. The plan is to choose captains, but to keep the membership of the teams secret until after the day is ended and then compile scores. Mudpies, squirrels, coyotes and similarly worthless animals will be the game sought, not only for the sport, but for the benefits derived from ridding the community of these particular pests.

Harvard Baseball. Harvard's baseball prospects for the approaching season are made bright by the presence on the squad—which has been at practice in the Hemenway gymnasium since the opening of the spring term—of many accomplished veterans and several fine players from last year's freshman team. Of the nine which defeated Yale in the 1913 series only three have been lost through graduation. This, however, includes the Crimson's main reliance in the box, Sam Felton, the filling of whose place seems to confront Dr. Sexton, the coach, with one grave problem. Other twirlers who were relied upon by the coach, Rex Hitchcock, especially, are in difficulties with the college office and may not be counted upon at present, although success in the April examinations at Harvard will permit not only Hitchcock, but H. J. Coolidge, last year's freshman pitcher; S. M. Richardson and F. B. Withington to give their services to the team.

Copeland Goes Abroad. The ranks of former famous American athletes now serving as Olympic trainers in Europe were augmented with the sailing of Alfred Forbes Copeland to assume his position as head coach of the Austrian Olympic team for the Berlin games of 1916.

Copeland is the fourth trainer of a brilliant American athletic record to be signed to coach foreign track and field teams for the Olympic games two years hence. He follows in the footsteps of Ernie Hjertberg, Sweden's coach; Alvin C. Kraenzlein, Germany's coach, and W. R. Knox, England's head trainer.

In addition to these men other famous American athletes of past decades, including James Lightbody and Joseph Horner, have either signed or are considering secondary or specialty coaching positions abroad.

Lawyer Now an Umpire. President James H. O'Tourke of the Eastern Baseball association has announced his staff of umpires for the coming season. The men selected are George Barnett, Louisville, Ky.; Marty J. Phalen, Troy, N. Y.; P. Chrisham, Syracuse, N. Y., and M. J. McLaughlin, Waycross, Ga. Barnett and McLaughlin are each more than six feet tall. Barnett is a lawyer. Phalen played first base on the Bridgeport team in 1907 and 1908.



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Straighten Athletic Records. The documents necessary to obtain credit for two world's records made last year by California athletes were mailed from San Francisco by the records committee of the Pacific Athletic association to the similar committee of the Amateur Athletic union. The reason the two athletes have been so long in getting official credit for their achievements is that the original affidavits were lost and new ones had to be drawn.

Fred Kelly of the University of Southern California ran the 120 yard hurdles in fifteen seconds flat at the Pacific conference meet at Berkeley, May 10, 1913, setting a new American record and tying the world's record made by Forrest Smithson of Portland, Ore., at the Olympic games in London in 1908. This was one of the misplaced records.

The other was the indoor record for throwing the fifty-six pound weight for height, made by Pat Donovan of the San Francisco Pastime Athletic club last year. His distance was 16 feet 1 1/4 inches.

There are empty "cars" about La Grande or else there have been mistakes in the print, comments the Union Scout. Mr. Maxwell goes on to say. For instance, Joe Carr is trying to hold off eating for thirty days and another, a Bert Carr has been abstaining from eating for about 22 days more or less. No doubt the stunt will prevent food from laying heavy on their stomachs. Of course there is no use in joking about this for a man has a right to stop eating if he wants to. Besides there are other queer things going on in and about Union county.

For instance we have a citizen here at Union that drives his cattle to and from the pasture in an automobile. We mean the man rides in an automobile. The cattle walk of course. Then last summer a span of Shetland ponies delivered goods all over town. The first unique delivery wagon was owned by R. H. Brown and was a little red auto with side wheels. It was either a hot air cooler or a cold air burner and we almost or quite disremember which. Anyway it took fire one evening just about the time the sun went down and burned the whole inside out of itself. That might not have been so funny but the blamed thing run better without the insides than it ever did in its life. It looks as though some machines don't need any insides. They used to tell a story on Barnum. Barnum used to run a little show. He run it so long and gave it such a start that its running yet. Barnum isn't here so he can't sue the Scout for libel. Barnum used to do his spring plowing with an elephant. The game worked so well that he plowed all summer and most of the fall. And, he didn't do it for advertising purposes either. Its funny how these things happen. One man will do something and everybody else will cuss him for it and do something different. Human people are great imitators.

Announcement. W. H. Bohnenkamp Co., wish to announce that they have secured the exclusive agency for sale of Haywood trout flies in Union county.—Adv. 4-11-15-18.

Notice. Parties who have been hauling dead dogs, tin cans and rubbish of various kinds above the electric light plant and in other sections of Road District No. 3 will hereby take notice that severe prosecution will follow unless this practice is stopped at once. I. C. KENNEDY, Road Supervisor.

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