

GOLEY KILL BUT EGOPSES WEBSTER

Rapid Footwork and Clever Dodging Save Angeleno From Defeat.

FIRST BOUTS ARE LEMONS

Kenosha, Wis., Boxer Astonishes Spectators Who Class Him With Attell, Opponent's Mixing Near Fatal, Conley's Covering Stellar.

BY W. J. PETHRAIN.
It was lucky for Danny Webster that he is a quick boxer. Had he not been so active on his feet and agile in his movements at the Exposition Rink last night, Frankie Conley, of Kenosha, Wis., would today have but one rival to dispute his claim to supremacy in the bantam-weight division of the pugilistic world.

Conley proved a surprise in his action against the speedy Little Los Angeles scrapper, Webster, who had landed on the Pacific Coast, while the Kenosha land was scarcely heard of out this way before his visit to Portland. As the battle ended with both sides firm on their feet, and with only a shade to favor the rugged Little Wisconsin boy, it would be an injustice to Webster to call it either a draw or a draw-it was, and it was also the most spectacular exhibition seen in Portland for many years.

Webster is a boxer par excellence. He depends on his science more than he does on his hitting proclivities. But Conley is a rugged, hard-hitting chap, who reaches in-fighting better than any other mode of aggressiveness. He is surely entitled to be considered in reckoning as a champion possibility in this division. It is safe to place Conley in the same class as Attell and Webster in all departments.

Preliminaries Are Mild.

The main event served to satisfy the crowd, which was disappointed at the showing of the preliminary bouts. The first preliminary was between Jack Tucker and Jack Moriarity. It went only one-third the distance, as Tucker put over a haymaker in the second round, which gave Moriarity visions of comets of all descriptions. The bout was stopped.

Cardinal Lucan Loses

When Conley appeared, a little late, he was greeted with applause, and Webster being better known, was cheered to the echo. Soon after the boxers commenced their argument, popular approval went to the Conley standard.

Webster's Leads Fail.

Conley has a most peculiar style of covering, which is not at all scientific. It was all he could do in the earlier rounds to evade the punches of the Kenosha man. Webster was not at all did resort to the straight boxing game, easily evaded Conley at all stages. In fact, at times the Los Angeles lad appeared so fast in his action, that Webster was away, that Conley seemed hopelessly out of it. However, Webster showed too great confidence in his own strength, and in the mixups, where infighting told, Conley had the better of the argument from time to time.

Opening Matches Sour.

The opening bouts appeared to be lemon-picking parties for Jack Tucker and Danny O'Brien. The former was sent in to give an exhibition with Jack Moriarity. Moriarity possessed a "windmill" punch which he endeavored to direct in the direction of Tucker, but the best he did was to cut wild circles in the atmosphere. Finally he managed to put his jaw in the way of a right cross from Tucker. This ended the curtain-raiser in the second round, and the fresco was followed by a scheduled round affair between Danny O'Brien and Charles Ray.

Whitman Delegates Coming.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Professor B. H. Brown, chairman of the faculty committee on athletics, and Harold E. Crawford, football manager, left for Portland this evening, where they will represent the



Left to Right, Standing—Eckridge, Guard; Baker, Captain and Center; Phillips, Forward. Kneeling—Rudkin, Guard; Babbitt, Guard; Zbinden, Manager and Forward; Rinehart, Coach. Sitting—E. Garrison, Mascot.

Merrill's Hall Scene of Match.

Merrill's Hall is to be the scene of the wrestling match between Eddie O'Connell, of Portland, and H. Matsuda, a Japanese grappler. O'Connell and Matsuda have each posted \$500 a side for this match. O'Connell is training hard. Matsuda will arrive here Sunday or Monday.

Lamey Wins Skating Honors.

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y., Feb. 3.—Edmund Lamey, amateur skating champion, today won the final in the 220-yard, the half, the mile and three-mile events at the second of the international outdoor skating championships.

Junction City Is Champion.

JUNCTION CITY, Or., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Junction City defeated Corvallis basketball team on skates, score 27-23. This victory gives Junction City the championship of Oregon, as Corvallis had won it by defeating Portland and Falls City.

Platform Men to Play Pool.

Representatives of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company car barns will hold their second annual pool tournament at the Piedmont barn on Tuesday, February 15, at 8 P. M. The barns represented will be Piedmont, Savier and Ankeny, and the O. W. P. barn at Milwaukie. This tournament will be open to platform men only, and each barn will enter one man. Entries are being listed with P. G. Smith, 4 Strowbridge building, and must be in before February 12.

Militia Favors Athletics.

The third regiment of the Oregon National Guard will meet next Tuesday night at the Armory, Tenth and Couch streets, for the purpose of reorganizing an athletic association among the members of the guard. Some years ago the old First Infantry had an athletic association which was held to be equal to the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club and the Portland Athletic Club, but after the disruption of the guard at the outbreak of the Spanish-American War, the athletic association ceased to exist.

Berkeley's Star Pitcher Gone.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Berkeley, Cal., Feb. 3.—A proposal for this year has received a serious setback by the announcement that "Bill" Foraker, who last year pitched the winning IP-IT game, is not in college this term. As there was really no good substitute last year this leaves the development of a man for that position necessary.

Auto Driver Is Careless.

DENVER, Feb. 3.—The Coroner's jury investigating the death of three persons and the serious injury of a fourth in the automobile accident in Denver Monday night, today returned a verdict charging criminal negligence against Morris Meyer, who was guiding the machine.

GLEASON TO PERSUADE

SAYS HE CAN TALK RICKARD INTO GIVING UP SALT LAKE.

Fight Will Be in California, Says Tex' Partner—This Last Fight for Jeffries.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 3.—"Rickard will come around all right after I have talked to him and the fight will go to California as was originally planned," said Jack Gleason, of the Jeffries party today. "I have a verbal agreement with Tex Rickard that I shall have the right to name the place where the fight shall be held. If Rickard has obligated himself to any people in Salt Lake I will take the matter into my own hands to carry out the original agreement which the principals, California should have the big fight."

Invitation Saves Comiskey.

MARIANNA, Ark., Feb. 3.—The possession of a written invitation to hunt has saved Charles Comiskey, owner of the Chicago Americans, and his guests, aboard the little craft White Sox, from arrest at the hands of the Game Warden of Arkansas. Preparations had been made by Warden Vinsart to arrest the hunters when his attention was called to a recently enacted statute which makes it permissible for a resident of another state to hunt in Desha County if he had written invitation.

Vancouver to Play Washougal.

WASHOUGAL, Wash., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Friday evening, February 4, the Boys and Girls' Basketball Teams of Washougal will play the Vancouver High School team at Vancouver.

Fandom at Random.

SID HUMPHREY, a lightweight boxer of Los Angeles, who arrived in Portland recently, is anxious to secure a match for an exhibition bout with Danny O'Brien or Gene West, the two Portland boys who are quite popular among the followers of the boxing game at present.

San Francisco writers of sporting news are flattering themselves into the belief that Danny Long has put one over on McCredie by picking up Rex Ames, the little twirler McCredie had vowed to pitchers of 1908. The great number of points in the tournament will be champion of the series.

"Spider" Baum, the coast pitcher, who was one of the mainstays of the Sacramento Club last year, is worried because of the objectionable features of the baseball situation when a player is compelled to go to a place against his will.

At the Spokane meeting Wednesday night the reporters and some of the magnates of the Northwestern League voted to secure reentry into Portland for 1911. That is the way to do things. Go to the meeting of the National Association and demand recognition. If you don't get it, get the law and they'll come to time like they did with the "bankrupt" California State League.

"Truck" Egan seems to have passed from the fold of the Pacific Coast League. The champion slugger has asked Charley Leach, manager of the Sacramento State League Club, for 10 years "Truck" was the terror to pitchers of the California League which later branched out to the Pacific Coast organization, and his many friends regret his decline.

Harry McArdie, the speedy San Francisco infielder, who is generally recognized as one of the best shortstops who ever came to the coast, is to bat left handed this season. The change may help Mac wonderfully, or he was "wrestled" weak as a stickler when hit with a right handed, and some players have been known to improve with the reversion of the position.

"Speck" Harkness and Frank Schmeider, the latter a trainer, will leave Portland February 29 to report to the Cleveland American League team at Alexandria, La., and both are anxiously awaiting the date of departure. Harkness has signed his contract with Cleveland and returned same to Manager McGuire.

Louie Long, the Spokane boxer who appeared here recently, returned to Portland yesterday and is now negotiating for a match at Vancouver. F. C. Long expects to get the match at the British Columbia metropolis which would otherwise have gone to Gene West.

Senators Jones Investigates

Complaints Affecting Homesteads.

VIGOROUS ANSWER MADE

Charge That Inexperienced Men Were Sent to Western State and Placed in Charge of Forests Is Met With Strong Denial.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 19.—Complaints have been received by Senator Jones from residents of the Cowitz Valley regarding the methods of the Forest Service, that it seemed almost impossible to get the approval of the Service to an application to secure a homestead within the limits of that ranger National Forest; that land was posted for "administrative sites" that would have good names for some worthy settler; other good sites were reserved for rangers' quarters; that inexperienced men were sent to Washington and placed in charge of the forests and several other troubles of like nature.

The Senator felt that there must be two sides to some of the complaints especially with reference to the sites for homes for the forest rangers in that if they were not given on the public lands of the reserve the Government might be compelled to buy them elsewhere.

Jones Gets Vigorous Reply.

But, in order to ascertain as to whether or not too many such sites had been given, Jones took up the matter with the Forest Service and has received a letter in which these complaints are answered by the Forester in very vigorous and no uncertain tone. In this letter the Forester says:

Since the act of June 11, 1906, which authorizes the setting of lands throughout the forest, chiefly valuable for agriculture and not needed for public purposes, were set aside, there have been many applications on the Rainier National forest more than 60 different tracts aggregating approximately \$200 in acreage. It is therefore, correct that your correspondents were misinformed when they were told that it was impossible for a settler to get the approval of the Forest Service to an application to secure a homestead in the limits of the forest.

You I am sure will agree that in deciding whether land is chiefly valuable for agriculture the future needs of the community, the needs of the farmer and the value of mature timber on the land are considered, as well as the value of the growing crop whatever. During the process of clearing National forest land that is no better, or where an abundance of cheap land is available for far less than the cost of clearing National forest land, it is not believed that the extensive homesteading of heavily timbered National forest land would be a wise and economic policy or a benefit to the West.

The "administrative sites" referred to are the forests, withdrawn from disposal under any of the public land laws, in order that they may be used in administering the forest. On them the forest rangers will maintain their headquarters, and the necessary buildings of such character and of such an amount as to enable the ranger to administer and to protect the forest. The necessary buildings of such character and of such an amount as to enable the ranger to administer and to protect the forest.

In selecting these sites, I believe it is the duty of the Forest Service to look to the future needs as well as its present and, therefore, tracts have been selected which are not at present occupied, should it be found on further investigation that any of these are needed, they, of course, will be restored to their former status.

There have been listed under the act of June 11, 1906, a number of tracts of land since the act was put into effect. This experience has shown that the Forest Service should be given the charge that the service discharges, as much as possible, settlements within the limits of the forest.

Some Tracts Not Valuable.
In some few instances examiners have reported that particular tracts are not valuable for agriculture, for the reason that crops cannot be raised on them because of the altitude and the altitude during the early short season. In such cases the applicant has been given an agricultural application which authorizes the settler to occupy the land without charge and demonstrate its value for agriculture, if possible. This practice works no hardship on the applicant since, under the ruling of the Forest Service, the settler is given credit for the time he has resided on the land in case an entry of it is subsequently made.

The forest officers in the State of Washington are in other states have been selected to administer the forests, and the selection three of the act of February 1, 1907, is not in violation of the provisions of that act. Under the regulations of this Department only legal residents of states or territories where appointments are to be made are eligible for such positions. The greatest number of men has been exercised in selecting the best officers, and I feel absolutely sure the experience made respecting the qualifications of forest officers in the State of Washington are not warranted.

Academy's Claim Hangs on Game.
Portland Academy and the Allen Preps will play the fourth game of the intercollegiate basketball season this afternoon at 2:30 in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium. This game will determine whether Portland Academy has a chance of winning the championship. The Academy was defeated by Lincoln High last week and the Allen were victorious over Washington High. The line-up:

Allen Prep. Position. Portland Acad.
Barr C. Runday
Book G. Bean
Hays F. Babcock
Shaver F. Norris
Cassidy G. Cobb
Gleason and Mackie will officiate alternately.

Dayton Schedule Arranged.
DAYTON, Wash., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—S. E. Atwood, coach of the Dayton High School basketball team, has com-

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lightly, since, it being the second day of February, the groundhogs would be frightened at their shadows and immediately resume their hibernations for the last half of the winter.

So there we are, although, contradictory as it may appear, it leaves us uncertain as to where we are at the afternoon, before sunset the muddy roads were frozen and for 11 days we had clear days and nights, with no snow and a light in the air.

I am reminded that on February 1, 1882, after a "normal January," the temperature changed in the middle of the afternoon, before sunset the muddy roads were frozen and for 11 days we had clear days and nights, with no snow and a light in the air.

It was generally believed that the result in the Willamette Valley was practically all killed. Another week of waiting was established here in the worst fears, and the task of reseeding nearly every acre of grain land in Western Oregon was begun—an experience alone of its kind in this section of the state, before or since. It was really "unusual."

This disaster was followed, however, by four weeks of splendid weather, the first rain occurring Sunday, March 25, after everybody had been indulging in fervent supplications for some "falling weather" to give vitality to the newly-sprouted grain, which had little chance to make a normal crop, even under the most favorable climatic conditions. The two weeks preceding the rain referred to were quite warm, with very little cloudy weather, the result being that the grain which had been sown abnormally late got an abnormally late start and the subsequent harvest was abnormally light.

I do not now recall whether the groundhog did his annual stint in '83 on the first or second day of February, but the foregoing reminiscence of one who was an injured party will show that it has never been at all "unusual" to have "unusual" weather in the Willamette Valley—or elsewhere.

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