

# MAN BOXERS SEEK SCALP OF BRONSON

Challenges Pour In Following Portland Lad's Defeat of Farren.

## RIVERS MAY BE FOUGHT

Pacific Coast Lightweight Champion Said to Be Desirous of Obtaining Fight With Mexican if Latter Will Make Weight.

Al Sommers, middleweight boxer, and his manager, Joe Flanagan, returned yesterday from Boise, Idaho, where Sommers battled Gordon McKay to a ten-round draw last Friday night. Both Sommers and his manager, McKay, are a good two-handed fighter with a wallop in either mitt.

When Flanagan opened up his accumulated stack of mail he found a score or more of challenges from aspiring lightweights who are desirous of trying to win Huff Bronson's title of Pacific Coast Lightweight champion which the Portland youngster defeated by knocking out Frankie Farren in a six-round bout.

San Francisco fight experts cannot figure how Bronson managed to win such a clean-cut victory over Farren who held a near title to the Pacific Coast Lightweight crown.

Phukan seeks Bout. Among the challenges received by Joe Flanagan was one from Eddie Phukan, Northwest lightweight champion, who wants to fight Bronson for the Pacific Coast and Northwest title in Seattle.

Before departing for San Francisco, Dolph Thomas, manager of Frankie Farren, left word that his protegee would like another chance to fight Bronson and wear the championship crown again.

Tommy Simpson, the Oakland promoter who manages Jimmy Duffy, is anxious that his fighter get a chance to meet Bronson. Simpson is confident that Duffy can beat Bronson via the decision route and wants Flanagan to agree to a match some time next month.

Eddie Campi, of San Francisco, is among the boxers desirous of putting their ability against the new champion. Alex Trambler, former champion of the two local fighters who have decisions over Bronson and who again would like to tackle Flanagan's man.

Rivers Bout Sought. "We will accommodate all of them," said Flanagan. "But if the first bout probably will be with Joe Rivers, of Los Angeles, if the Mexican will make any reasonable weight. This bout will not be a feather weight, but Bronson thinks he can defeat Rivers. If the Los Angeles battler will make 125 pounds, a fight between Rivers and Bronson will demand that his opponents make 125 pounds."

Frankie Russell, New Orleans lightweight, was appointed boxing instructor at one of the cantonments. Russell knew his ability as a boxer and proceeded to give some of the members of the military police an exhibition of the many art at a Little Rock dance hall. After the group had seen his boxing instructor at Camp Pike.

Ray Campbell, Seattle boxer, defeated Dock Wallis in a four-round bout at Woodland, Cal., the other night. Press agents say Campbell fought a great fight and held the lead in every round.

"Kid" Williams received \$557, when he was knocked out by Joe Lynch in Philadelphia the other night.

## FRANKLIN COACH IS MARRIED

Herbert W. White and Miss Martha Sturchler Are Wedded.

The number of February benedicts was increased when Herbert W. White, head of department of commerce of Franklin High School was married February 3, to Miss Martha Sturchler, at the bride's home, 31 East Fifty-third street.

"Doc" White was the first basketball coach at Franklin High School and has coached basketball since 1914. He is one of the most popular members of the Franklin High faculty.

Mr. White is a former Simpson College, Ia., graduate having made his letter three years. He finished his law course at George Washington University and played football with that institution against the Navy, Swarthmore, Virginia and Virginia Polytechnic.

Mrs. White was one of Portland's well-known teachers, having taught in the Glencoe and Croston schools. She is a graduate of Washington High School and spent a year at Reed College and two years at the University of California.

SHELEIGH LEADS THE LEAGUE Large Crowd Witnesses Redmond Basketball Team's Defeat.

REDMOND, Or., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—In the fourth round of the schedule of the Central Oregon Basketball League, Prineville defeated Madras, at Madras, 13 to 11, and Bend defeated Redmond, at Redmond, 23 to 25 last night.

The largest crowd to attend a game here turned out. Bend sent about 50 rooters. The first half was easy for Bend, 13 to 4, but the local boys came back strong in the second half, netting 13 to Bend's 14.

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FRANK TEMPLETON.

## GOOD SCORES MADE

Nineteen Participate in Everding Park Shoot.

Frank Templeton, Winner of Pacific Coast Handicap, Is in Rare Form and Breaks 88 Targets Straight, and Gets 99 Out of 100.

Nineteen shooters braved the inclement weather yesterday and tried their luck in the Armenian fund shoot of the Portland Gun Club at Everding Park.

The wind blew a gale and a heavy rain fell during all the time the trappers were at the park.

Frank Templeton, winner of the 1916 Pacific Coast handicap, was in rare form yesterday and broke 88 targets straight, finally getting 99 out of 100. Gladys Reid broke 87 straight and managed to finish the day with 97 out of 100.

Three women shooters, Mrs. A. W. Bowker, Mrs. E. E. Young and Gladys Reid, were among the five in the squad shooting for first prize, having registered plenty of amusement and recreation for the "medicos" after laboring indoors all week.

On account of the covered stands at Everding Park shooters do not have to work about the rain, which accounts for the large number of shooters who participated in yesterday's event.

The remarkable scores turned in yesterday speak well for the arrangements at Everding Park.

The Armenian fund was enriched \$2.25 as a result of yesterday's shoot.

Second Shoot Arranged. The second merchandise shoot of the Portland Gun Club will be held next Sunday at Everding Park. New entrants are wanted for these events.

There are six more shoots to be held and shooters only need to participate in five of them to get in on the high-average prize.

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SPOKANE TO MEET BOISE MEN Traphooting Schedule Is Set to Open February 17.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—Spokane's first opponent in the Northwest championship traphooting tournament, starting next Sunday will be the Boise Gun Club. In the Inland Empire competition the Spokane No. 2 team will start against Pendleton. As there are an even number of clubs en-

tered in both tournaments, every club will shoot weekly. The Northwest event will continue seven weeks and the Inland Empire tournament nine weeks.

The big majority of clubs in both tournaments have voted in favor of 125 target matches, so that the scores made by the contestants in their first 25-target event will count in the contests.

The clubs favored the 125-target matches largely account of the increased cost of the sport, several of the organizations having reduced their programs to 25 targets a week.

## TRUE FORM WINS

Law of Averages Applies to Golf as Other Sports.

## CHICK EVANS GIVES VIEWS

Bad Breaks in Luck Are Handicap Sometimes to Success, but General Results Count; Timely Advice Is Given.

BY CHARLES (CHICK) EVANS, JR. Does success in golf, or in life, for that matter, come from hard, intelligent work in building up skill, or is it mainly the result of a good break at some critical moment? Can the training of years be overthrown by an unfortunate speaking, he foresees or provided against? I think that all thoughtful persons must agree that accidents may in one disastrous moment sweep away the work of years.

It is in the ordinary conditions I must confess the race usually to the swift and the battle to the strong.

General Results Count. We hear a great deal about "the break of the game," and indeed, it is a very real thing. We have all seen the course that came at an unexpected wrong moment and destroyed a good shot. Then again some players—and not always very good ones—seem to have the art of grasping respectful consideration in the gallery, and their shots are made amid a deathlike stillness, while the other player always seems to strike his ball to an awkward burst of conversation.

Game of Life is Similar. All sorts of bad luck may delay success, but skill averages well in wins in the long run in golf as well as all the important things of life.

The player must learn to forget his opponent's score and concentrate upon his own shots. He must learn to take these things as they come, for luck is not always one-sided.

The player must especially avoid crying over the varying luck of the game while it is in progress. Of course, it is too much to ask that he should discuss it when the game is over, for therein lies the real charm and delight of the 19th hole.

The Dallas Girls' Five Wins. HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—While both the girls' and boys' second teams of the Hood River High School defeated teams of the White Salmon High School at the latter place Friday night, the girls' first team of the local institution was defeated by The Dallas High School at The Dallas by a score of 14 to 9.

Two Are Injured by Autos. WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—Two near-serious automobile accidents occurred here today. In one an automobile driven by a man named Connors collided with a car driven by J. H. Timmons. The Timmons car caught Derry Galloway, a boy, and dragged him some distance, injuring him painfully. The cars were damaged considerably.

Fifteen Medford Boys in Aviation. MEDFORD, Or., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—In April, 1917, 15 young men from Medford enlisted in the aviation service. Today three of them are in France, four of them are qualified junior aviators flying at Lake Charles, La., and all of them are commissioned or non-commissioned officers. This was the information brought to Medford by Corporal Seeley Hall, who is spending a 10 days' furlough in Medford from the San Diego aviation camp. Corporal Hall and seven other men are in the mechanical department.

Billy Evans Takes Up Case of Near-Home Run.

Veteran Baseball Official Advocates Certain Rule Changes.

IF a batsman is able to drive the ball outside the confines of the ball park, said, and the ball is fair when it passes over the fence, don't you think the batsman should be entitled to a home run? It has always been my opinion that he should get such credit, yet the rules deprive him of the right under certain conditions.

Last year in two important games I happened to be the judge of play when the batsman, to my way of thinking, made a home run, yet under the rules it proved nothing more than a good healthy foul. And as is usually

the case, the batsman in each instance struck out, after having lost a chance to become a hero a few minutes previously by the narrowest of margins. In one of these games two men were on the bases and the team that needed three runs to win. In the other contest the score was a tie, so it is easy to judge the important part either side might have played in the outcome of the game.

One of the games was played at Philadelphia. The right field fence at Shibe Park, while not so far away as some others in the American League, is a good drive, being many feet over the required distance. Joe Jackson, of the White Sox, got hold of a fast one propelled by "Bullet Joe" Bush and sent it on a line over the right field wall. When it passed over the fence there was no question about it being fair or foul, it was apparent to all the ball was several yards fair. However, as it disappeared from the view of the umpire, it was foul beyond a doubt, and so it was ruled.

The rule covering this play is definite. It says that when a batted ball passes outside the ground or into a stand, the umpire shall decide it fair or foul, according to where it disappears from the umpire's view. When Jackson's hit passed over the fence it was in fair territory, but when it disappeared from his view, it was as fair as it had once been fair. A similar occurrence happened in a game at Detroit.

The ball was fair when it passed over the fence, but foul when the umpire got through looking it over. It has always seemed to me that such a hit should settle the batsman to a home run. That the moment the ball passed out of the park further jurisdiction term it on the part of the official should cease.

I have heard it argued that it is difficult to determine just when the ball actually passes over the fence and out of playing territory. I have never been able to agree with such contention. Determining such a thing is a matter of thinking it is not nearly so difficult as at least half a dozen other situations that can arise. If you go running on a drive over the fence you ought to be able to determine if it is in fair territory as they pass first or third, but later drop foul, outside the lines. Neither can I see that argument since in making my claims for a home run I am laying all stress on the fact that the ball was fair when it passed out of playing territory.

COACH PIPAL GLOOMY

O. A. C. WITHOUT TRACK TALENT OF FORMER SEASONS.

Opening of Second Semester Today Expected to Bring Out Some Stars Now in Hiding.

OROVILLE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE. CORVALLIS, Feb. 10.—(Special.)—So far the embryo Aggie track talent has been more anxious to burn up the midnight oil than to get ready to burn up the cinder track in the meet this Spring. As a result the Winter indoor track training has not amounted to anything. Coach Pipal had expected, however, several raw recruits have been out regularly and are showing some promise of running in a number of events. Devoting a lot of attention to raw material is the only logical attitude that a coach can take nowadays, when the rules are so strict that he is not even permitted to give a pleasant smile to the "prep" stars and when most of such talent has enlisted, and would not be eligible even if called.

When the second semester opens tomorrow a much larger squad is expected to be ready for training. Last year Captain Coleman, who is the only letter man back on the squad, will be the nucleus around which the team must be built.

The chances of staging the annual indoor relay carnival here in the big Army appear slim at this time. While Coach Pipal has not wholly given up the idea of holding the meet this year it does not seem at present that it would be advisable to attempt it under the present wartime conditions.

German's Entry Accidental. HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—With the expiration last night of the time set for the registration of six Germans had registered with Postmaster T. A. Reavis. E. W. Strubel, Cascade Locks, stated in his answers that he came to the United States accidentally, having been saved by a life-saving crew at Nehalem in 1912, when the ship Miami was wrecked.

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## FORMER WORLD'S HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION, WHO DIED, AND JOHN L. SULLIVAN, JR., IN SPARRING POSE.



THE LATE JOHN L. SULLIVAN AND HIS GODSON.

The former world's heavyweight champion, John L. Sullivan, Jr., who died last week, was the godfather of John L. Sullivan, Jr., 8-year-old son of Larry M. Sullivan, of this city. The above picture was snapped at Sullivan's farm, Abington, Mass., about three years ago. Young Sullivan is now in Los Angeles, and is a brother of Owen M. Sullivan, graduate manager of athletics at Stanford University.

## FEW VETERANS LEFT

Only 15 of 330 Players of 1906 in Fast Company.

SURVIVORS ARE FADING

Average Tenure of Big Leaguers Between 8 and 10 Years; Tyus Cobb, Peerless Then, Is Greatest Player of All Now.

What is the average tenure of the ballplayer in the big leagues? The reader who asked this question caused the dopest to go back over the records for a few years, and there was found something interesting and enlightening on the subject.

Somewhere under 10 years would be the answer, but just at what point would be difficult to determine. There are players who have gone on for a score of years, but players of the Anson, Wagner or Lajoie type are scarce. There have been hundreds who have lasted only a season or two, but it is safe to say that the average ball player is good for somewhere between eight and ten years.

Record Book Tells Story. It is interesting right along this same line of thought to go through a record book of 10 or 12 years ago and find just what percentage of the players in active service then will be ready to report at the 1918 training camps.

The result is astonishing even to the most ardent followers of the game. It seems scarcely possible that out of 330 men drawing salaries in the American and National leagues in 1906 and 1917, only 15 players will be left in 1918. And that is the space of only 12 years.

Of the American League pitchers of 1906, who included Waddell, Mullin, Joss, Chebro and Ooms, only three, Bender, Plank and Cobb, were able to pitch successfully last year, and Plank retired in the middle of the season. One other, Donovan, managed a big league club.

Of the National League pitchers of 1906 Reulbach and Ames were the only ones who saw service in 1917 and Reulbach pitched very little at Boston, and Ames pitched only in the minor leagues. Mathewson was still active in baseball, as manager of the Reds.

Not a catcher of the 1906 troop was in the harvest 11 years later, except Gibson, who did a little relief work at New York.

Six Infielders Remain. Of the infielders six remain of the 1906 crowd, providing Lajoie is counted, for Larry, after a year's sojourn in the minors, is certain to wear a big league uniform next season. The others are Wagner, who only played a few games last year, and Sherwood, who has been released by Boston.

Others actively in the game who were "up there" in 1906 are Fleider Jones, manager of the Browns, and Bob Wallace, who will be back in the big tent next year, probably as a coach. This is a striking picture of the length of time a big leaguer may hope to remain in fast company.

Twelve years means a great deal to a ballplayer.

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## LEAGUE STARS JOIN

Coast Magnates Worried Over Way Players Are Enlisting.

## BEST MEN WITH MARINES

Numerous Coast League and Major League Players Sign With Mare Island Marines and Others Are Expected to Enlist Soon.

The rapidity with which Pacific Coast League ballplayers are joining the various branches of the service is causing the magnates of President Taft's circuit a little worry. Likewise the major leaguers who winter on the Coast are signing up with Uncle Sam's leisure.

"Speed" Martin, last year with Oakland, took his physical examination at San Francisco Saturday, and probably will be the next baseball star to join the Marines at Mare Island. With Rod Murphy, ex-Portland captain and third baseman, and Billy Lane, Oakland outfielder, already in line, the Mare Island Marines' baseball team will have a real Oakland Coast League complexion when Martin shows off.

Rowdy Elliott, Chicago Cub catcher, visited Marine headquarters at San Francisco and told Lieutenant McCluskey, officer in charge, that he would be in before the end of the week, which means that the Marines will have a big league catcher to handle "Speed" Martin and "Rusher" Blake's shoofs.

Harry Cooper, Boston Red Sox outfielder, will arrive at Mare Island next Wednesday to talk things over with the "boys." If Harry joins the Marines, his aggregation it will gradually rise from a minor to a major league outfit.

The football team of the Mare Island Marines last Fall was a wonderful help in recruiting and the way baseball stars are being picked up it looks as if the Marines' baseball team will be a big attraction as the football team was last year.

Cliff McCarr, ex-Northwestern and Pacific Coast first baseman, has assumed his new duties at the Presidio San Francisco as athletic instructor. McCarr's most arduous duties will be tutoring recruit ball players. McCarr told a good one about his experiences in the Northwestern League.

"I used to be a bat boy for Dad Meek in the Three-1 League. Playing for Spokane, I was hitting .360. Meek was hitting .370 and leading the league. At the time I was the runner-up. Meek said one day: 'All boys, keep ball bats on me if I want to keep in front of my bat boy.'"

Ballplayers may forget about their balance in the game of war, but there never has been a case of a player forgetting his batting average.

ROSEBUDS IN VANCOUVER

PORTLAND SEPTET HOPES TO DEFEAT CANADIAN TEAM.

Effort Will Be Made to Rise From Present Position in Standings—Harris Not to Play Tonight.

HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS.

Seattle..... 6 4,000 40 39  
Vancouver..... 4 3,000 34 34  
Spokane..... 4 4,000 34 34

Where They Play This Week. Tonight, Portland at Vancouver. Wednesday, Vancouver at Seattle. Friday, Seattle at Portland.

Manager Muldoon and his ice hockey gladiators got away yesterday for Vancouver, where the Rosebuds are scheduled to tangle with the Canadians tonight.

If the Rosebuds can tame Vancouver, and Vancouver wins from Seattle, next Wednesday night, and Muldoon warriors defeat Seattle when Lester Patrick's septet plays in Portland next Friday night, the three teams again will be back for first place.

The Rosebuds were all confident yesterday before boarding the train for Vancouver that they would be able to bring home the bacon. All of the players were feeling in the best of condition and will be able to put up the same kind of a game they did against Vancouver last Friday night on the local ice.

"Smockey" Harris did not accompany the team. With Harris out of the game, Muldoon is going to find out that his team will not be as formidable as before.

Referee Ion said regarding Harris' work: "I never saw that fellow so fast." He played the best game of hockey against Vancouver I ever saw him play."

WINLOCK DOCTOR ENLISTS.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—Dr. V. V. Winlock, a former Winlock physician who was secretary of the Bungalow City Club, of this city, tendered his resignation recently before leaving for Fort Riley to begin his duties as a Lieutenant in the Medical Officers' Reserve Corps. Fred R. Ness, cashier of the State Bank of Winlock, has just been elected Dr. Winlock's successor.

22 Enemy Aliens at Centralia. CENTRALIA, Wash., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—Twenty-two German alien enemies have registered in Centralia, 14 at the City Hall and 11 at the Postoffice. Many of those who registered took out their first papers years ago, but failed to complete their citizenship and expressed regret at being classed as subjects of the Kaiser.

BANKS RED CROSS ACTIVE.

BANKS, Or., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—Several new members are taking an active interest in the work of the Red Cross auxiliary here, and it is possible that the present quarters will have to be enlarged. Mrs. Elpha Wilson has been elected secretary and Mrs. McGraw has taken charge of the knitting.

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