MILWAUKIE PLANS FEBRUARY 24 CARD

Heavies Will Step Aside for Lighter Talent.

GIBBONS BOUT DEBATED

Ringside Experts Give Tommy Best of Boy, With "Draw Didn't Hurt" as Reservation.

BY RICHARD R. SHARP

With the Tommy Gibbons-Boy McCormick fracas seeking a resting-place in the background, the fans are already beginning to look forward to the next set of mills slated for this neck of the timbers.

The next boxing show will hold forth at the Milwaukie arena Tuesday night, February 24. The main event is yet an unsettled question, but it is not likely that light-heavyweights will be used in the topnotch position. The big bruisers will be given a rest for a couple of shows, with some of the lighter mixers holding the limelight. Tommy Gibbons will leave for Edmonton, Canada, where he will meet Jack Reeves of San Francisco, February 16 or 17, over the distance route, while McCormick is planning on returning to San Francisco immediately, where he will seek a bout with the winner of the "Chuck" Wiggins-Jimmy Darcy fight in San Francisco tonight.

Getting back to the next card in Milwaukie, Matchmaker Frank Kendall is dickering with a half dozen well-known mittmen at various weights, but will not close with any of them until tomorrow at least.

Earl Baird, the popular little Seattle boxer, has been mentioned as an opponent for Joey Fox, the English featherweight champion. Fox has been fighting all through the east and is at present in Philadelphia.

Harry Schuman, the Tacoma lightweight, who is laying claim to the Pacific coast title, is another contender for main-event honors. Eddie Shannon of San Francisco and several others are also in the field.

Kendall has already signed Jimmy Marshall, the San Francisco lightweight, to box some good boy in the semi-windup. A heavyweight match between Marty Cutler and Dick O'Brien may also be found resting some place on the bill below the main go.

Travie Davis, the Everett welterweight, and Johnny McCarthy would be a big attraction.

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Al Byers, former amateur featherweight champion of the northwest, will meet Georgie Eagles of San Francisco in a 10-round bout in Tillamook, Or., next Wednesday night.

Jimmy Grady, a recent arrival from Bremerton, Wash., weighing 152 pounds, will tangle six rounds with Johnny Houser of Wheeler in the semi-windup of the Tillamook card. Battling Macke and Bud Stengel, two willing Portland 130-pounders, are down for a four-round clash. The Tillamook fans should get their money's worth of action of the initial card arranged by the boxing commission and Matchmaker C. E. Mowrey.

While there are many who think McCormick deserved the verdict in his match with Tommy Gibbons Wednesday night and many more who thought Denver Ed Martin's draw decision was right, a majority of the so-called experts undoubtedly would have given Gibbon's the decision he earned.

Mike Butler, head of the Butler school of boxing, remarked yesterday that Gibbons won, but the bout was close and a draw didn't hurt anybody.

James J. Richardson, former boxing referee, thought Gibbons won, and the same is true of Bill Hayward, the Oregon trainer, who referees bouts at Eugene.

"Gibbons did much the better boxing," said Bill. "His work was done at close range and only those close to the ring could appreciate his work. McCormick did a lot of clouting and looked good to the fans at some distance from the ring, but few of his blows landed anywhere except on Gibbons' gloves or arms. I think Gibbons won with ease."

Stanley McDonald, well-known instructor and referee, said a draw didn't hurt anybody, although the edge was Gibbons' by a slight margin.

Jack Grant, one of the best-known referees on the Pacific coast, and matchmaker of the Portland boxing commission, is of the opinion that Denver Ed Martin's decision was correct and the only one possible, taking into consideration the amount of action the two men furnished.

U. S. SUPPORTS OLYMPICS

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS LEND SANCTION TO GAMES.

President Becomes Honorary Head of Committee—Baker, Daniels Named Vice-Presidents.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12. — Official government sanction and support for the team which will represent the United States in the Olympic games at Antwerp next summer was obtained by the Olympic committee in a series of conferences today with high officials of the government. The position of honorary president of the American Olympic committee was accepted provisionally by Secretary Tumulty on behalf of President Wilson. Secretaries Baker and Daniels were made honorary vice-presidents of the committee.

The Olympic committee also met a number of officers of the army and navy in a conference at which the assistance and co-operation of both branches of the service was pledged. Tentative plans were discussed for the inclusion of athletes from both the army and navy in the team of more than 200 which will sail from New York in July, and ways and means were considered for the formation of the team.

The American Olympic committee was represented in the conferences by Gustavus T. Kirby, president; F. W. Rubien, secretary, and Colonel Palmer E. Pierce, president of the National Collegiate Athletic association.

ROSS ANNEXES 100-YARD DASH

Ex-Portlander Defeats Beaurepaire, Champion of Australia.

ADELAIDE, South Australia, Feb. 12.—Norman Ross of San Francisco won the 100-yards swimming championship of Australia here today, defeating F. E. Beaurepaire, the Australian champion.

Ross' time was :57 3-5.

HEISMAN SUGGESTS "MOTION" IN FOOTBALL BE DEFINED

Coach at Pennsylvania, Who Was Rumored to Be Coming West, Gives Bright Idea to Rules Committee on "Shift"—Other Sport Comment.

BY ROSCOE FAWCETT.

Jack Heisman, the football coach who was rumored to be coming to the Pacific northwest, now at Pennsylvania, has an excellent suggestion for the rules committee. In connection with his shift Heisman would have the rules committee define "motion." The rules state that no man on the offense shall be in motion at the moment the ball is put into play except one man who may be in motion toward his own goal line, that is not in the direction of play.

But, as usual with the football rules, the committee failed to define motion. A player may have both feet planted solidly on the ground and move his arms and shoulders or wag his tongue and that might be construed as "motion" toward an opponent's goal line. Many a man has been penalized for moving his tongue, of course, but not under the non-motion statute.

Rule Is Quoted.

The rule in question follows:

Rule IX, section 5. "At the moment when the ball is put in play in a scrimmage no player of the side which has the ball shall be in motion except that one man of the side having the ball may be in motion either directly or obliquely toward his own goal line or line extended. . . ."

The rule makers undoubtedly meant the prohibition of moving the feet toward the line of action, but college football coaches are as finicky as a bevy of prima donnas before a big game and this "motion" point has been discussed by coaches and officials as many times as there are hairs in John Dee's toupee.

In a measure the interpretation is important to those teams which use shift plays. The shift loses much of its force if the players must come to a dead stop before the ball is snapped. There should be a happy medium. The jump should be made and the feet brought to a dead stop, but there should be no penalization for swaying or moving the arms and shoulders. The rule has been in the book for years without interpretation and it is time the committee got busy.

Changes Were Extensive.

A few years ago the committee used to tinker with the rules every winter and when they came out in printed form one might easily imagine that they had been thrown together like a jigsaw puzzle by a flock of psychopaths.

The changes and interpretations that appeared later as supplementary to the rules used to fill two and three closely printed pages.

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It makes a lot of difference where your proficiency lies. The champion boxer rolls in wealth while the champion bowler gets only pin money.

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The New York newspapers say that Stecher won his wrestling title with a scissors. Willard lost his title by a paste.

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Igoe, a writer in the New York World, pens the following:

Reuben, Reuben, I've been thinking
What a swell world this would be,
If reformers were transplanted
Far beyond the Northern sea.

Without doubt it's going to be a dark day, 25 years from now, when there will be nothing left to reform or suppress.

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Some things ought to be suppressed and among them the boxing gink who sits in a corner with a large pan almost under his chin and then expectorates on the floor in front of the press box.

Undoubtedly, Percy, Yes.

This is what an English editorial writer has to say about boxing:

"Boxing teaches the manners which make men. To be able to take severe punishment without loss of self-control, victory without exultation, and defeat without depression, is a sound mental and physical discipline; and we have little patience with those who frown — usually without much knowledge of how it is conducted—upon a sport with which they have no sympathy."

Quite true. "Quite true."

As a supreme test of physical endurance, strength, skill and condition there is no sport which approaches boxing. Boxers, like good cricketers and crokinole players, are not produced by accident, but must have the rough edges—if any—taken off by degrees as they advance in the chosen profession. We have never seen Ike Cohen or Ping Bodie exult at victory. Tom Sharkey learned in the prize ring practically all he knew of parlor etiquette and I dare say the same is true of Gunboat Smith, Arthur Pelkey, Jim Flynn, Willie Meehan and a host of other boxers. You could sit any of them down in an English drawing-room and nobody would ever suspicion that they were not society hounds—unless the butler happened to catch them expectorating on the carpet or whittling initials in the piano stool.

Undoubtedly boxing teaches the manners which make the men.

AGGIES TO MEET OREGON

RIVAL FIVES TO CLASH FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

Corvallis Team Handicapped by Injuries to Captain Reardon and Eikelman.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Coach Hargiss' Oregon Aggie basketball five will mix with the university tossers from Eugene in a two-game series Friday and Saturday on the home floor.

The O. A. C. quintet now leads the Pacific coast conference in basketball despite the fact that injuries have kept Captain Reardon out of the game for more than a week, and a fractured jaw has seriously handicapped Eikelman, the rangy center. Out of six games played with conference teams, O. A. C. lost but one, and that to University of Washington on the Seattle floor, 22 to 20. Since then the Aggies have won two games from W. S. C. and two from Washington, besides the second game of the first series at Seattle.

Oregon also has administered defeats to the Washington State and University of Washington teams.

The O. A. C. rooks will tangle with the Oregon frosh in preliminary games both evenings. Little is known of the frosh team, except that they are rumored to have a collection of former high school stars that will be formidable. The local first year men have twice defeated the Corvallis high tossers and lost one and won one with the Chemawa redmen.

The Aggie varsity has eleven games to play, eight of which are with Pacific coast conference teams, and the remaining three in the northwest conference. The schedule is:

February 13, U. of O. at Corvallis.
February 14, U. of O. at Corvallis.
February 18, Whitman at Walla Walla.
February 19, Whitman at Walla Walla.
February 20, W. S. C. at Pullman.
February 21, W. S. C. at Pullman.
February 25, U. of Idaho at Corvallis.
February 27, Stanford at Corvallis.
February 28, Stanford at Corvallis.
March 5, U. of O. at Eugene.
March 6, U. of O. at Eugene.

EVEN BEST OF THEM FANNED

Joe Jackson, However, Has Good Average at Bat.

For an American league pitcher to strike out Joe Jackson last season was somewhat out of the ordinary. In 139 contests the expensive member of the White Sox appeared at the plate 516 times, but was retired on strikes on only ten occasions.

Ty Cobb was completely fooled 22 times and George Sisler watched three good ones go by 20 times during the campaign. With Babe Ruth it was a case of hit a mile or a strike out. The champion long-distance swatter fanned a total of 58 times.

The only player to fan more often than Ruth was Shannon of the Red Sox. He struck out 70 times.

NELSON KEEPS SKI HONORS

Canadian Amateur Jumps 185 Feet in Revelstoke Tourney.

REVELSTOKE, B. C., Feb. 12.—Nels Nelson, Revelstoke, claimant of the amateur Canadian ski jumping title, retained his honors when he won the championship event at the British Columbia ski tournament here yesterday with a jump of 185 feet, standing. Steinwall, Chicago, was second with 181 feet.

Anders Haugen won the professional contest with a jump of 200 feet standing. Lars Haugen, in the same event, jumped 212 feet but fell.

HOMER BAKER WILL RETIRE

Sprinter Will Not Compete Again After Olympics Are Over.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Homer Baker, the crack middle-distance runner, who has held various middle-distance championships, has said that he would retire from the running game after the Olympics at Antwerp this year. Baker will not quit the athletic game entirely, as he will coach the athletes of the 14th regiment immediately. However, he will receive no remuneration for this work until after the Olympics.

Baker first came into prominence as a middle-distance runner shortly before the last Olympic meet. He started with the Central Y. M. C. A. and later joined the New York A. C. Baker will probably be selected to compete in the 800-meter run at the Olympics.

CHILDREN VIOLATE GAME LAW

Youngsters at Hood River Caught Fishing Out of Season.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Members of the Hood River Game Protective association declare that children have been caught recently fishing out of season.

"I found some small boys the other day on the west side with a basketful of trout all the way from three to 16 inches long," says Alva L. Day, secretary of the association. "The parents of these youngsters no doubt help eat the fish. We are going to invoke the law, and, unless the practice is stopped, some father will have to pay a fine of $25 for his young son."

TROEH WINS SHOOT-OFF

WASHINGTON GUNNER FIRST IN 125-TARGET EVENT.

Vancouver Man Cracks 123 Birds and Follows With 24 Kills in Aftermath Contest.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 12.—High scores generaly marked the events today at the 16th annual interstate trapshooting tournament here.

Frank Troeh of Vancouver, Wash., was winner in the first event, the 125-target race, while the team of shooters from Iowa captured the interstate amateur cup from a Missouri team.

Troeh, with a score of 123, tied with P. H. O'Brien, Butte, Mont., for high in the target race, and won on the shoot-off, 24 to 23.

In the team cup competition, a 90-target tie developed. The Iowans disposed of their opponents on the shoot-off, 24 to 20.

LEAGUE AVERAGES COMPILED

Frank and Hill Are Leading Pitchers of International.

The official averages of the International league for 1919 show that Hill and Frank of the Baltimore club are the leading pitchers, each compiling an average of .800. Frank won 28 and lost six games, while Hill was credited with 12 victories and only three defeats. Another Ariole pitcher, Parnham, played in 44 games and is the leading strike-out artist, having fanned 187 batters.

The leaders in fielding in their respective positions are: First base, Onslow, Toronto; second base, Bauman, Jersey City; third base, Kost, Rochester; shortstop, Purtell, Toronto; outfielder, Whiteman, Toronto; pitcher, Acosta, Rochester; catcher, Fisher, Binghampton.

SKI CHAMPION TO COMPETE

Aberdeen Logger Will Try to Maintain His Title.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 12.—L. Larson, champion ski racer and jumper, who has been employed for the last year at the Coats-Fordney Logging company, has left for British Columbia where he will compete in the fifth annual tournament of the Revelstoke Ski club.

Larson won the championship in 1918 and second place in 1919. He does not expect to win this year as he has lacked opportunity to keep in practice.

Football Stars Turns Pro.

"Bill" Erwig, the sensational fullback on the 1919 Syracuse gridiron team, has decided not to return to college this fall for football. It is reported that Erwig has accepted an offer to play professional football in the west next season. The loss of Erwig will be keenly felt by the Syracuse team, and Coach O'Neil will have a stiff problem filling Erwig's shoes in the backfield.

Previous to this year's Davis cup tennis matches between Australia and England each country won the trophy five times. America has won the emblem three times, and no other nation has yet scored a triumph in the matches for the world's title.

WINGED M TOSSERS HAVE TUSSLE AHEAD

Spokane Hoopers Coming for Possible Victims.

VISITORS ARE NIFTY LOT

Record of Inland Empire Outfit Puts Them in Class With Best in Basket Line.

A hard game is ahead for the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club basketball team Saturday night when they meet the Spokane Amateur Athletic club quintet here, according to all the dope that can be gathered on the boys from the Inland Empire city. Out of seven games played the Spokane five has dropped only one contest and that to the Washington State college team, by the close score of 42 to 38. In the rest of their games the Spokane team were victorious by decisive margins. They have defeated the Lewis and Clark high school, 49 to 18; Spokane university, 59 to 20; North Central high, 29 to 19; Whitworth college, 61 to 16, and have handed out two defeats to the Gonzaga university, the first by a 19 to 17 score and the second, 60 to 39.

It will be the Spokane team's first trip away from home this season when they invade the Willamette valley this week. A tentative game had been arranged between the Willamette university and the team from the north, but Coach Mathews of the Willamette "Bearcats" who is having his own troubles right at present with two members of the team sick and another at home on account of illness in his family, was forced to cancel the game. The Mount Angel college hoopers probably will fill in on the Spokane team's schedule.

The Multnomah guard basketball team will be the second quintet that will play the team from the Inland Empire metropolis in this city.

The guards will meet the Spokane team Monday night on the Washington high school floor.

Manager Harry Fischer of the Multnomah team says that while the local team is not in the best of condition they will be prepared to give the visitors a run for their money Saturday night. Gus Clerin, one of the winged M regulars, has recently recovered from the "flu" and it may be that Manager Fischer will have to use a substitute in his place against Spokane.

The Spokane team which is being coached by Dr. George Pynn formerly captain of the University of Minnesota quintet, will carry eight men on the trip here. Captain "Toss" O'Neil, Perk Low and Dan Sweeney, forwards; Harry Doose, center, and Ed Kuhn, Pete Hupperton and McDonald, guards, with Manager Weatherhead are the players who will arrive in Portland Saturday morning.

The game Saturday night will start promptly at 8 o'clock and will be followed by dancing in the club gymnasium.

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After a conference yesterday between Harry Fischer and R. L. Mathews, who handles the reins of the basketball teams at the Multnomah club and Willamette university respectively, it was decided to switch the dates of the games which the two institutions have scheduled with the University of Idaho for this month.

The winged M team was originally slated to meet Idaho on February 26 and Willamette had a game with the Gem Staters on February 23, but as Willamette plays Stanford on February 24 Coach Mathews did not want a tough game on his hands the night before the contest with Stanford, and as it was agreeable to all parties concerned Multnomah and Willamette switched dates on the games with Idaho, which brings the winged M team and the quintet from Moscow together on February 23 and Willamette and Idaho February 26.

The local clubmen will play a two-game series with Willamette on February 27 and 28. The first game will be played on the Willamette floor and the second in the winged M gymnasium.

SHANNON DEFEATS SCHUMAN

Tacoma Crowd Thinks Heinie Earns Draw on Aggressiveness.

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special)—With the big majority of the crowd conceding that Heinie Schuman, Tacoma's crack lightweight, had earned a draw by his aggressive tactics, Referee Harry Andrews surprised the fans here tonight when he raised Eddie Shannon's hand in token of victory after one of the greatest six-round bouts ever seen here.

Shannon fought a clever fight, boxing carefully, but Schuman did all the leading and piled up points on aggressiveness. Shannon hit the cleaner blows in the closing rounds, but his holding-on tactics took the edge off this. Most of the sporting writers conceded the bout a good draw.

Walter Mason, Tacoma lightweight, won a six-round decision over Frenchy Vaise of Renton in the semi-windup of six rounds. It was a great go, with Mason's ruggedness winning.

Morgan Jones and Earl Conners, Tacoma feathers, fought a great draw.

Jimmy Harris, Denver, won from Mike Depinto of Portland.

Billy Nelson, Portland lightweight, beat Kid Lavigne of Tacoma.

SWIM RECORDS CUT DOWN

George Cunha Sets New Mark for 220-Yard Event.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—One middle-Atlantic swimming record was broken and one equalled in an indoor swimming meet at the Meadowbrook club here tonight. George Cunha, representing Meadowbrook, shattered the record in the men's 220-yard event, his time being two minutes and 30 seconds, 4 3-5 seconds under the old mark held by himself.

Miss Ruth Smith of the Morningside A. C., New York, equalled Olga Dorfner's middle-Atlantic mark of 29 seconds in the women's 50-yard swim.

POWERS IS CLASS D CHAMP

Rialto Cushion Players Reel Off Three Good Matches.

Three matches were played last night in the Rialto three-cushion billiard tournament to break the three-cornered tie for first place in class D. Robert Fennell, B. S. Wilson and William Powers were the three players tied for the top position and the matches last night resulted in Powers taking first prize, Fennell second, and Wilson third.

Powers took the first game from Wilson 15 to 11 and then stood by while Wilson lost another match to Fennell 15 to 9. Powers and Fennell then met with the title of class D champion at stake and the match resulted in a victory for the former by the count of 15 to 4.

All of the matches in class D have now been played. The high run prize goes to W. R. Phillips, whose string of eight for one frame, made early in the tournament, has not been equalled by any of the cue artists.

Two matches are scheduled in class A for tonight with Harve Hicks playing Sam Goodland, and George Hart and W. A. Walby crossing cues.

Charlie White Gets Decision.

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 12.—Charlie White of Chicago scored a technical knockout over Carle Macke of Denver here tonight when the referee stopped the fight in the second round of what was to be a 12-round affair.

BARBERS TOP ST. NICKS

BOARD OF TRADE ROLLERS WIN 2 OUT OF 3.

Wells Realty Five Falls Before Rialtos—Vogans Down Hadley-Silver Alley Outfit.

The Board of Trade barber shop five staged a comeback at the expense of the crippled St. Nicholas cafeteria bowling team and annexed two out of three games in the city league on the Portland alleys last night, notwithstanding the fact that two of the "lunch grabbers" shot better than 600. Johnson totaled 615 and Weibush managed to gather 612 pins.

The Rialto team won two out of three games from the Wells Realty shooters. Blasich of the losers shot the nice total of 622 pins. The Vogan Candy company bowlers won two out of three games from the Hadley Silver five. Charley Goodwin came to life and gathered enough wood to get the high average of the evening, a total of 644 pins. Bill Hanson and Nielson shot their way into the charmed circle of 600 shooters with 609 and 604 respectively.

The scores follow:

Board of Trade Barber shop—	1	2	3	Ttl.
Converse	191	200	168—	559
Kalk	175	157	178—	510
Hingley	237	166	192—	595
Casey Jones	180	163	171—	514
Henry	160	200	186—	546
Totals	943	886	895—	2724

St. Nicholas Cafeteria—	1	2	3	Ttl.
Johnson	201	181	233—	615
Absentee	160	157	168—	485
Weibush	216	225	171—	612
Anstey	160	137	228—	525
Estes	161	182	193—	536
Totals	898	882	993—	2773

High score, Hingley 237; high average, Johnson 205.

Wells Realty company—	1	2	3	Ttl.
Konz	156	161	165—	482
Tonery	180	193	158—	531
Bakke	178	189	191—	558
Blasich	219	200	203—	622
Bell	194	205	168—	567
Totals	927	948	885—	2760

Rialto Billiard Parlor—	1	2	3	Ttl.
Flavin	225	173	201—	599
Wilkinson	171	204	195—	570
Housdorf	141	201	154—	495
Plummer	200	154	174—	528
Franklin	227	168	184—	579
Totals	964	900	908—	2772

High score, Flavin 225; high average, Blasich 207.

Hadley & Silver—	1	2	3	Ttl.
Goodwin	234	204	206—	644
Raymond	168	180	180—	528
Hendricks	162	181	187—	530
Neilson	166	198	240—	604
Wood	172	176	165—	513
Totals	902	939	978—	2819

Vogan Candy company—	1	2	3	Ttl.
Kruse	182	156	182—	520
Krebs	200	196	149—	545
Watkins	182	167	199—	548
Hanson	205	192	212—	609
Heffron	160	234	202—	596
Totals	929	945	944—	2818

High score, Nielson 240; high average, Goodwin 214.

COMISKEY NOW HAS CHANCE

White Sox Owner Has Opportunity to Make Good Offer to Walsh.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 12.—Charles A. Comiskey, owner of the Chicago Americans, at last has a chance to make good on his often-expressed willingness to do anything he could to help Big Ed Walsh, whose pitching helped to make a fortune for Comiskey.

Walsh has been signed as manager of the Bridgeport team of the Eastern league, and he is hoping that Comiskey will make Bridgeport a farm for the Chicago White Sox. Kid Gleason, the White Sox manager, is also a firm friend of Walsh and may be expected to come to his assistance.

Walsh spent his entire big league career as a member of the White Sox. In his palmy period he thought nothing of pitching every other day and sometimes every day in order to keep the club in the race. Comiskey has not forgotten this, and as he knows Walsh is a good judge of young players he will probably be glad to send his youngsters to this city.

It was announced last week that Walsh would be the next manager of the Bridgeport club, so the actual signing of the papers was no surprise. Walsh says it is too early to make any announcements regarding players.

McLEAN'S CLAIM DISPROVED

Films Show U. S. Skater Got Correct Signal at Turn.

CHRISTIANIA, Feb. 12.—Films taken of the 10,000-meter ice skating race on Sunday between Oscar Mathiesen of Christiania and Robert McLean of Chicago show that the flagman at the curve where McLean took the inner instead of the outer track gave the American skater the proper signal. It is therefore held here that McLean's claim that an incorrect signal given by an official at the curve was the cause of his mistake in taking the wrong course is untenable.

McLean announced on Sunday that if the moving pictures of the event showed blame for the mistake did not rest with him he would challenge for another 10,000-meter race.

Spokane Gets Players.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 12.—A deal whereby the signed contracts of "Spud" Murphy, first baseman; Earl Gatewood, outfielder, and Denny Walsh, infielder, have been turned over by Robert Brown, of the Vancouver club of the Pacific International baseball league, to the Spokane club, was closed by Cliff Blankenship, manager of the local club, it became known today. All three men played on Spokane city league teams last season.

Gowdy Signs Contract.

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 12. — Catcher "Hank" Gowdy of the Boston Braves, hero of the world's series in 1914, and the first major league ballplayer to enlist in the world war, today reached an agreement on salary with the Boston club. Gowdy announced tonight. He had been a 'holdout."

MAGNATES WORK ON MAJOR-MINOR PACT

Old Federal League Suit Gums Up Progress.

BAN'S CIRCUIT TIED UP

Opinion Favors Restoring Draft but Minors Want Changes—Committees Sit on Job.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Prospects of drawing up a new working agreement between the major and the minor leagues, who have been at outs for a year, brightened today following a double session between a committee from the minors and one from the National league. The American league was represented but did not have an official committee present, because most of the magnates had left the city.

No definite action was taken, but it was announced that the meeting between the National league and the minor league committee was progressing satisfactorily.

The American league will not enter into any written agreement until after the disposal of the Baltimore Federal league suit. It was said by Connie Mack, president of the Philadelphia club.

The Baltimore suit now is pending in court. It was said that this suit, which is stopping any legal agreement between the majors and minors, charges that the old agreement between the two bodies was proof that organized baseball was a trust, and they base their demand for an injunction on that point.

Draft Is Favored.

The sense of opinion at the afternoon gathering was that the draft should be restored. Several members on the minor league committee declared, however, that there must be certain reservations made. The minor leaguers also declared for appointment of an arbitration board consisting of two members from the majors and minors. In case this board could not agree on a point under discussion it was declared that a third party outside of baseball should be named to decide.

The optional agreement also was discussed, but everything was put over until tomorrow. John Heydler, president of the Nationals, and August Herrman, retiring chairman of the national commission, presided at the forenoon meeting.

Committee Named by National.

Albert Tearney, president of the Three-I league, was informed by Mr. Herrman that the major leagues were not in the position to take official action and it was decided to appoint a committee from the National and American leagues to go into session in the afternoon with a committee from the minors. The National league appointed Mr. Heydler, Charles Ebbetts, Brooklyn; Barney Dreyfuss, Pittsburg, and August Herrman of Cincinnati.

It was impossible to get in touch with President B. B. Johnson of the American league. However, the conference in the afternoon was attended by Harry Grabiner, secretary of the Chicago White Sox, and William Richardson of the Washington club.

The minor league committee was composed of J. Cal Ewing of the Pacific Coast league, Albert R. Tearney of the Three-I, E. J. Hanlon of the Western, J. D. Martin of the Southern, David Fultz, International; T. J. Hickey, American association; J. W. Morris, Texas league, and J. H. Farrell, chairman of the National Association of Professional Baseball Clubs.

REFEREES ANGER BOHLER

PULLMAN COACH THINKS HIS QUINT WAS ROBBED.

Cougar Team Working Hard to Stage Comeback—Scholastic Failure Bars Kotula.

WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE, Pullman, Feb. 12.—(Special.)—According to advance notices given out today by Athletic Director J. Fred Bohler, the two basketball clashes scheduled for next Thursday and Friday with the Whitman college quintet probably will not be played on account of influenza.

Last night's game with Willamette was fought out with no other spectators than the two rival coaches, the subs, and the janitor because of the influenza ban.

Despite the possible cancelling of the duo of contests the team continues practicing daily and it is preparing for a comeback against the Oregon and Oregon Aggie fives, as well as against the Golden Bears when the California team arrives here later in the season for return games. It is not often that "Doc" Bohler emits a wail over the refereeing his teams are subject to on foreign courts, but this time he rises to remark that throughout the series of games in the recent invasion of California and Oregon his team was the victim of some pilfering that approached highway robbery.

It was learned today that Kotula, guard substitute on the recent southern trip, is now ineligible to participate further in coming conference clashes. Kotula, who was a star baseball player, as well as being a member of the football squad, suffered a mental relapse in the recent mid-year examinations. Pulling the other oar in the same boat with Kotula is the sensational freshman "Viv" Pigg of Sedro-Woolley, who was a certainty for the center job on Bohler's five. This lad also failed to make the scholastic grade.

On the Alleys.

WATCH out for the Plant team! They surely broke some league records Friday night, rolling up the highest team score for the series, 941. It was in this game that Evans scored 257, which topped the previous individual high score by a good margin, and his three-game score of 628 is highest to date.

Accounting were short two good bowlers. Rea and Parr, whose averages were taken, less the arbitrary 15 pins. A change in the personnel of the Accounting team gave Sweeney a chance. He averaged 171 for the three games and each game showed a good gain over the preceding one.

The narrowest margins of the evening were between the By-Products and Sales. Sales were but four pins ahead in the first, By-Products winning the second by 28 and the last by only 8 points.

The present status for games won and lost in the prize contest is as follows:

Team—	W.	L.	Pct.
By Products	29	16	.644
Produce	26	19	.578
Plant	24	21	.533
Sales	22	23	.489
Shipping	19	26	.422
Accounting	15	30	.333

The standing in the race for the other prizes, follows:

Highest individual average (over 30 games), Merrick, 176.
Highest individual score (single game), Evans, 257.
Highest three-game score (individual), Evans, 628.
Highest team score (three games), Plant, 2520.
Highest team score (single game), Plant, 941.
Lowest individual score (single game), Webster, 62.
Lowest individual average (over 30 games), Hesse, 127.

The following list of individual averages is arranged by teams and shows present average of each active bowler in the league:

Accounting. Name—	Games.	Ave.	By Products. Name—	Games.	Ave.
Cronan	26	140	Baker, R	38	142
Darnall	3	164	Merrick	30	176
Layton	33	132	Clapp	24	149
Parr	30	151	Peterson	42	145
Rae	42	154	Thorne	45	138
Sweeney	3	171			
Wester	22	125			
Plant.			**Produce.**		
Burns	35	144	Black	33	138
Claussen	30	142	Bonney	45	148
Evans	45	166	Hessey	45	12.
Greenwell	45	139	Krause	45	160
Hend'ksen	45	154	Morgan	39	164
Kelly	23	119			
Sales.			**Shipping.**		
Ch'p'n, H.E.	21	133	Cameron	45	139
Ch'p'n, H.E.	21	133	Ketchum	45	133
Ch'p'n, R.W.	33	131	Murdock	39	144
Eldridge	35	128	Todd	42	167
Keeler	39	152	Young	6	141
Pitts	42	148			
Thomas	40	147			
Whittaker	9	141			

Next Friday night the 13th schedule will be as follows: Sales vs. Accounting, Shipping vs. By-Products and Plant vs. Produce.

PARKWAY TO ORGANIZE

BASKETERS OBTAIN COACH FOR REST OF SEASON.

Dave Schneiderman Takes Hold of Champion Hoopers — New Talent Adds Strength.

The South Parkway basketball team will be reorganized and whipped into shape for a whirlwind finish of the season by Dave Schneiderman, who has coached the team to two championships in the last two years.

At a meeting of the team last night the players voted to have Schneiderman handle the team for the rest of the season. They have been without a coach up till the present time, aside from the instruction Manager Sam Tessler and Captain Harry Hafter have been able to give. Schneiderman immediately got busy and secured the services of Arbuck, who has been with the team for the past two seasons to play with the Parkway team for the rest of the present season. Arbuck will take the place of Goldstone and when Rogoway gets on his feet again the team will be practically as strong as it was last season.

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In a closely-contested game yesterday the Nob Hill basketball team defeated company H of the Oregon national guard, on the former's floor, by the score of 16 to 12.

BEARCATS REACH HOME

WILLAMETTE HOOPERS HAVE GOOD LUCK ABROAD.

Washington State, Spokane, Ritzville Legion Teams Fall Before Touring Basketers.

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, Salem, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—The Willamette University basketball squad returned to Salem today, after scoring an even break in their six-game series with Washington and Idaho teams.

Two hard contests were dropped to Whitman, 32-16 and 29-21. The Bearcats won from Ritzville American Legion, 45-15, and Spokane University, 27-22, losing next to the University of Idaho, 42-21. Tuesday they beat Washington State, 27-22.

Gillette, the little forward, was high scorer for the trip with 45 points, while Jackson, Wapato and McKittrick followed closely behind. Captain Wapato was called to Wenatchee, Wash., by his mother's illness and may not be on hand for the remaining games of the season.

The tentative game scheduled with the Spokane Amateur Athletic club for tomorrow night has been called off, Coach Mathews announced this afternoon, so the Bearcat five will have a few days' rest before the non-conference clash with Pacific university Tuesday.

Niehoff Would Play on Coast.

Bert Niehoff, who signed a one-year contract with the Angels and automatically became a free agent at the close of last season, has a number of offers to play with eastern clubs. He would rather remain here and it is believed a coast club will grab him.

STUART MAY GET TRIAL

ASTORIA OUTFIELDER BOOSTED TO JUDGE McCREDIE.

Beaver Boss Hears Husky Lad Does Well in Garden and Wields Handy Hickory.

Sam Stuart, a husky young outfielder who played at Astoria last summer, may be taken to the Portland baseball training camp next month. Stuart is the lad who telegraphed Judge McCredie, collect, from Cottage Grove several days ago and thereby brought down upon himself the ire of his judgeship. However, the judge sat down and wrote him a letter, asking for particulars, and Stuart's reply came in a day or two ago.

Yesterday the judge investigated his claims and got a couple of excellent testimonials for the young gardener—one from Fred Libke, Astoria southpaw. Libke says Stuart is a big fellow, weighing 195 pounds and a right-hand hitter.

"He can field as well as any of the Coast league outfielders," said Libke. "I don't know about his hitting. He hit eight or nine home runs and a brace of triplets in our games last summer and didn't seem to be weak against Rube Evans or Herman Pillett."

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Judge McCredie has decided not to bring George Heir, St. Paul rook southpaw, out to the Ontario, Cal., training camp. The rest of the tyro left-handers will be given an opportunity to make good.

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Biff Schaller is figuring on a banner season with the Beavers this year. He telegraphed Judge McCredie yesterday that a trip to Boyes springs would put him on edge for the coming stretch for the pennant race. The judge has no objections to Schaller boiling out at Boyes springs for a couple of weeks, but will go more fully into the proposition before he gives Biff any encouragement.

STECHER THROWS W. ZBYSZKO

Champion Wins With Body Scissors After Breaking Toe Hold.

BOSTON, Feb. 12. — Joe Stecher, world's heavyweight catch-as-catch-can wrestling champion, successfully defended his title here tonight by defeating Wladek Zbyszko, whom he downed in 1 hour 32 minutes and 30 seconds. The fall was made by a full bodp scissors and a wristlock.

Stecher while reeling under Zbyszko's attack secured the hold that resulted in the fall. For five minutes before he had been held in a toe hold, after he had gripped Zbyszko for an equal length of time with the head-lock.

Movies Taken of Match.

Motion pictures of the recent Stecher-Caddock wrestling bout will soon be shown throughout America. Ten thousand feet of film was used in taking the picture and seven motion-picture machines were operated while the men were on the mat. The match lasted two hours and five minutes, Stecher winning in that time with a scissors and wrist lock. The better part of the film will be used, showing the falls and the most active parts of the match.

Jepson K. O.'s Williams.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.) — Jepson, Alaska champion wrestler, who has been making this city his home for some time past, added a new scalp to his belt last evening when he knocked out his opponent, Williams of Onalaska, in the fourth round of what had been scheduled to be a six-round go. An effort will now be made to secure a match at Chehalis between Jepson and Joe Bonds, well-known Tacoma boxer.

Millers Get Infielder.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—William Roach, infielder of the Columbus American association club, today was sold to the Minneapolis club of the same league. Rube Vickers, formerly a major league pitcher, signed a contract today to manage the Kalamazoo club.

. . . and with our Army Doctors

A fact:

At the Medical Officers' Training Camp, Fort Riley, Kansas, last year, the largest-selling cigarette among these thousands of doctors and surgeons from all parts of the United States was Fatima.

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