

PORTLAND TO SEE GOOD RING BOUTS

Tourney at Multnomah Club Will Bring Out Many Clever Amateurs.

ALSO CONTESTS ON MAT

Reorganization of the Old Pastime Athletic Club is One of the Evolutions of Renewed Interest in Boxing.

BY W. J. PETRAIN. Fistic admirers will have much to occupy their attention the next few weeks, and while the proposed tourneys will consist of merely limited amateur bouts, the scrap fans will be afforded an opportunity to witness some high-class contests in the roped arena and on the mat as well.

The boxing and wrestling championships of the Pacific Coast jurisdiction of the Amateur Athletic Union will be held in this city under the auspices of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club. This event will be the first big meet to be held in Portland since the Lewis and Clark Exposition. When the tourneys were held at the fair grounds, at that time the Olympic Club, of San Francisco, was successful in most of the events. At the coming tournament the San Francisco club will not have such an easy time, for Seattle, Spokane and Portland will be represented by some exceedingly clever mat and ring fighters.

In addition Aberdeen, Vancouver and the Reliance Club, of Oakland, will probably be well represented.

The latest program for the tournament are April 23, 24 and 25, and the indoor athletic committee of the club is inquiring into the advisability of securing a more commodious hall than the club gymnasium, for the tournament is expected to draw immense crowds.

The Pastime Club, which, in the olden days, when the little Jack Dempsey made Portland his home, was the principal exponent of the art of self-defense, has been reorganized and has entered the field as the sponsor for the coming tourneys. Next Thursday night the Pastime Club will hold its first smoker, and the management announces a programme consisting of three three-round bouts and one four-round affair. All the boys enrolled as members of this club, and those affiliated with any other club, desiring to compete in these matches will be required to undergo an examination as to their physical condition at the hands of the club physician, before they will be permitted to appear at any of the club entertainments.

The matches announced by the management are as follows: Harry Brady vs. George Egger, three rounds at 135 pounds; Al Maxson, Fred Ulrich, three rounds at 125 pounds; Denny McCarthy vs. Eddie Toy, three rounds at 115 pounds, and Young Gianelli vs. "Kid" Donovan, of The Dalles, four rounds at 125 pounds. Gianelli is now located in Portland and is an ironworker by trade. He was a "jerkie" in Uncle Sam's Navy for several years and while there he was heralded as the lightweight champion of the Pacific squadron, and is said to be a clever and scientific boxer. Donovan has been selected by excellent judges, who had occasion to go to The Dalles to look him over because the original man matched with Gianelli failed to meet the physical requirements. Donovan is rated higher by the fight fans of the Upper Columbia city and a large number of them will be at Rohrer's park, where the bouts will be held, next Thursday night.

Tommy Tracey, the physical instructor of the Columbia Athletic Club, originated the limited round bouts among the youngsters of this city, will shortly announce his regular monthly card. Tommy has been at work developing a couple of young fighters, and he expects to surprise the many patrons of his club, and hopes to see all his friends present at the ring-side on the night of the programme, the date of which will be announced later.

Tracey has a large number of business men and boys of this city, whom he instructs in the art of self-defense. He has arranged the monthly smokers in order to give those of his pupils who desire to display their cleverness a chance to do so in public.

With all these bouts in prospect the fight fans of Portland will have an abundant opportunity to satisfy their desire for this sport. At any rate, it behooves them to keep in mind the dates of the Multnomah Club's tournament, which will furnish the real classy exhibitions strictly amateur in character. Herbert W. Kerrigan, the former Portland athlete who is now located at Oakland, where he is one of the most active promoters of sports at the Reliance Club, has written for his friends in the Multnomah Club that his club will be well represented at the coming tournament.

The California fistic promoters are talking of matching Battling Nelson with Abe Attell which bout would undoubtedly prove an attractive one to the hungry patrons in the Golden State, who pay their money to see any old kind of scrap. It seems to be the disposition of the fight trust magnates to keep Bat Nelson and Jimmy Britt before the public, and to keep out any possible interloper who would be likely to share glory with the few real fistic exponents now in that locality. The stars like Attell and Ketchell will be kept before the public, but in arranging matches for them the promoters seemingly care very little as to the possible opponent's past record of defeats. Nelson and Britt need the money and the classy scrappers must beg for a chance to get a match that would be interesting to the public.

"Packy" McFarland continues to do his training at Santa Barbara and has made a favorable impression on the California sports who have seen him work. The members of the Portland baseball team were also favorably impressed with the dapper little Chicagoan. "Packy" is slated to meet the pride of San Francisco, James Edward Britt, and there are still a few Native Sons who pin their faith in the erstwhile champion.

James J. Jeffries is said to be planning to enter the fight promoting game himself, and for the purpose of so doing is about to lease a large building at Los Angeles and pull off a few exhibitions. Big Jeff is immensely popular in the Scraphic burg and his debut in the promoting game seems likely to attain success from the start.

but in Corbett's case it is different, for he is said to be really clever in his roles. Since Tommy Burns has succeeded in disposing of the English talent so handily, it might be suggested, by way of diversion, that he visit China and display his handiness at cleaning up the champions of the Flowery Kingdom. The Asia sports could not find any easier game than Tommy has found in Mott, Palmer and Roche, and the only remaining possibility of a match, Bill Squires, to China with you, Tommy.

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MEASURE HARD TO FRAME

Legislation That Will Protect Public and Work No Hardship on Chauffeurs Is a Difficult Municipal Problem.

BY W. J. PETRAIN. The drafting of laws for the purpose of regulating the operation of automobiles is a problem that has occupied the attention of the general public for the past decade, or since the horseless vehicle has come into general use. In some instances various localities in the United States have enacted good laws and some have enacted bad ones, but no matter what character of law is enacted, it usually displeases either the public or the automobilists themselves, and sometimes is unpopular with both.

The present city law recently enacted is considered a fairly good ordinance, and is probably on a par with any law enacted anywhere in the last few years. It has its defects and some of them are declared to be serious enough to warrant its being held void were its legality tested. However, it will be remedied soon and by suitable amendments can be made thoroughly legal.

All automobile laws are framed to provide against reckless speeding and fast driving and in this one instance the measure seems to be in error. The laws of the State of Oregon provide that an automobile shall not be driven faster than eight miles an hour in a fairly thickly populated district, while outside of that a machine may be speeded at 20 miles an hour without danger of conflicting with the state authorities. It might also be mentioned that the state law does not specify what is meant by a fairly thickly populated district, which is construed to mean cities, towns or villages.

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The automobile dealers of Portland object to the provision of the city ordinance which requires that automobiles shall have the license number bolted, screwed or painted on the body of the vehicle. The dealers say that a great number of cars are sold out of town points, and as they are installed in the Portland garages in order to be run about the streets on demonstrations, will be required to have these tags. The tags once put on cannot be removed without mutilating the body of the car.

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TOWN IS TOO SLOW

Why McCredie Pulled Stakes at Santa Barbara.

NO EXPENSE MONEY THERE

Weeding-Out Process Among Players Begins—Carr to Be Dropped. Marshall's Fate in Doubt. Pitchers for Sale.

LINE-UP FOR OPENING GAME. Here is the line-up and batting order that will face the Seals in the opening game: Casey, second base; Conroy, shortstop; Batters, center field; McCredie, right field; Johnson, third base; Kennedy, left field; Madden, catcher; Groom or Kinsella, pitcher.

BY WILL G. MAC RAE. SANTA BARBARA, March 21.—(Staff Correspondence.)—It's goodbye to this burg, White Manager McCredie and his crew think a lot of this seaside city as a training spot, the town is on the blink as a sporting center. It Teddy Roosevelt and a trained band of trust-busters were to hit this hamlet and show at the ball park, they would not get a corporal's guard out to see them. It's a good place for Cook's tourists, who travel with \$2 in their kick and one clean collar, for they hit Santa Barbara on the Espee, go through the town like water through a sieve, and don't change the money or the collar en route. The fleet is coming here, and the town is going to try to look gay, but if the townspeople used all the bunting made in

New England they could not make it look lively.

Out After Expense Money. This is why the Portland rag hunters break camp. McCredie has 20 men in camp and he is paying \$10 a week for their fodder and 20 cents a day for their baths. He played two games with the White Sox and one with Santa Barbara team and his share of the gate won't pay his bathhouse expenses. Every town and hamlet along the Coast between San Francisco and Los Angeles has written McCredie for a game, but they are silent about the cash. A few live birds at San Luis Obispo want today's game and have guaranteed \$150. If the new road uniforms get here in time—they have been in the hands of the Espee now for five days—McCredie will accept this date and then move on to Salinas. He can pick up a couple of hundred there, and this will help some.

Players to Be Dropped. McCredie has decided to drop Carr, Charley Baum, who is managing Fresno, has written to McCredie for a shortstop and Mac has told Carr he had better take the offer. Micky Malloy, who has been playing center during the wait for Rafferty, will also be passed up. If this Irishman could only sling the ball he would develop into a great ball player. He handles a ground hit ball better than any outfielder I have seen in the Coast League and in fact. His weakness is in his hitting and in his base-running. McCredie would like to develop him, but the expense stands in the way.

Marshall Too Young. Pitcher Marshall is another player that McCredie is worrying about. He likes this youngster, but is afraid that he hasn't enough steam. Marshall is still growing, and while he has a nice assortment of curves and a brain he uses, he is frail. When he quits growing and fills out, he is sure to make big league timber. The question with Manager Mac is whether it will be worth while to hang onto him or farm him out. About what he will do is to drop Marshall and when he has developed put a draft on him.

The more McCredie sees of Harmon, the more he is impressed with the man. The game between the Irish and Dutch has been a revelation. It has shown up the strength and weakness of the fielders and pitching staff. We have played a game every afternoon since Monday. They have all been hard fought, and it has given us a line on the players that would not have been developed otherwise until the season was on.

Picking the Left Field. At the present writing McCredie is trying to decide upon his left field. Danzig is a fixture at first; that's a cinch; and now the battle is between Bassey and Kennedy, with a break in Kennedy's favor. McCredie, in case Ryan shows up, will not play either Kennedy or Bassey in the outfield. He may decide upon Kennedy as his utility man, so it looks now as if Bassey's anchor is drifting.

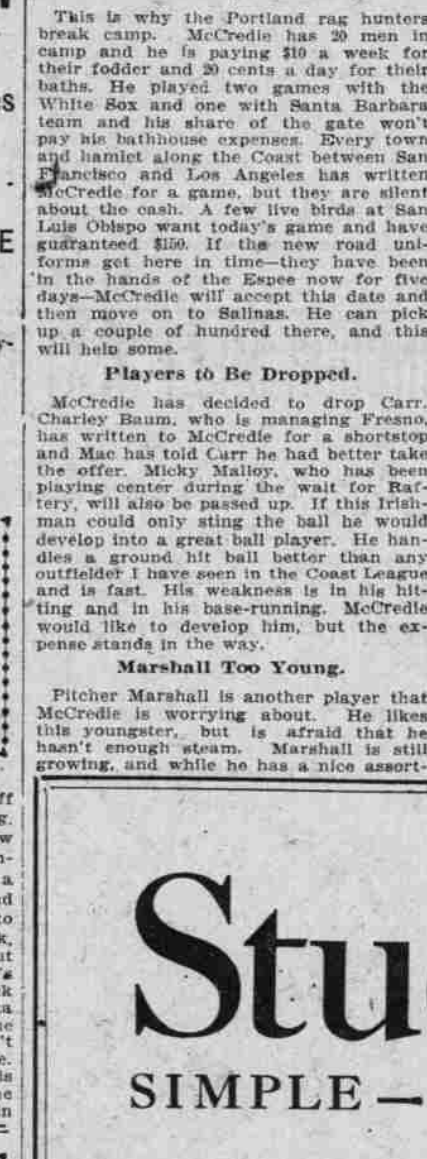
The big Portland manager is also up in the air over his catching staff. Madden will sure make the team, so the battle for change catcher will hinge between Walsh and Whalen. If little red-headed Walsh had Whalen's physique, there would be no question as to which would make the steamer, for the red-headed one has the pepper. On the other hand, Whalen has a great throwing arm and is a deadly marksman. At that, I rather look for McCredie to cling to Walsh.

There is a chance for the Northwest League to get hold of a couple of very good pitchers when the weeding process begins. Of course, Groom, Kinsella, Bloomfield and Lakoff will be the first four. McCredie will carry six twirlers pawns through the whole season. He will select the other two from Garrett, Ponance, Harmon, Perroll and Marshall.

Ultimatum of the Brewers. ST. LOUIS, March 21.—The local brewers announced today that they would retain all competent men employed since the strike of brewery workers began, but would re-employ any of the strikers who returned before Monday next, providing their places had not been filled in the meantime. The strike leaders say the men will not return to work under these conditions.

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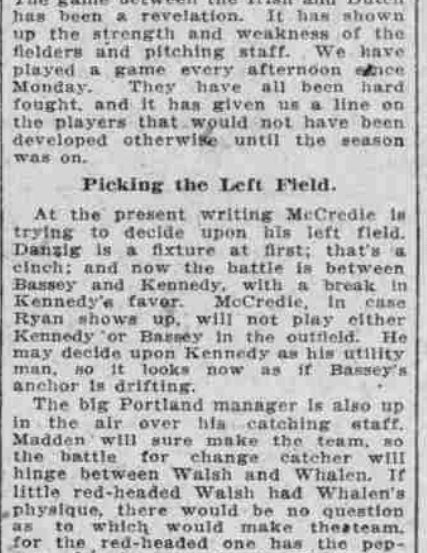
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