

CORBETT REVEALS OLD FRIENDSHIPS

Ex-Champion Finds Many Familiar Faces in New Orleans After 18 Years.

NEW YORK CLUBS WARNED

Affairs Like McFarland-Attel Flasco May Clamp on Boxing Lid Again—Present Squabbling Hurts Sport.

BY JAMES J. CORBETT. NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—During the holiday week in this quaint old city I have had the great pleasure of re-encountering old friends and acquaintances...

Playing One Against Other?

As a result of the hot competition between the National Sporting and Fairmount clubs of New York City to secure the Packey McFarland-Abel Attel encounter the match has gone up in smoke...

I would not be surprised if the boys simply were playing one club against the other to get some soft money, and overplayed the hand. At any rate, the bout is off and, for one, I believe that's the best thing that could have happened.

Just at this time when there is a plan on foot to introduce a bill in the coming session of the Legislature of the state of New York which will legalize public boxing exhibitions, this scrapping over the services of a couple of boxers will not do the game any good.

The National and Fairmount clubs have bona fide lists of members and do not stick the law in this manner, but why all the noise over Attel and McFarland? One would think it was the Jeffries-Johnson affair over again. Let the highest bidder get the prize...

A Western statistician has it figured out that during his ring career to date Battling Nelson has won more money than any other boxer of note, and lived through it all. To be exact, according to the dope, the Battler has assimilated about \$1,200,000.

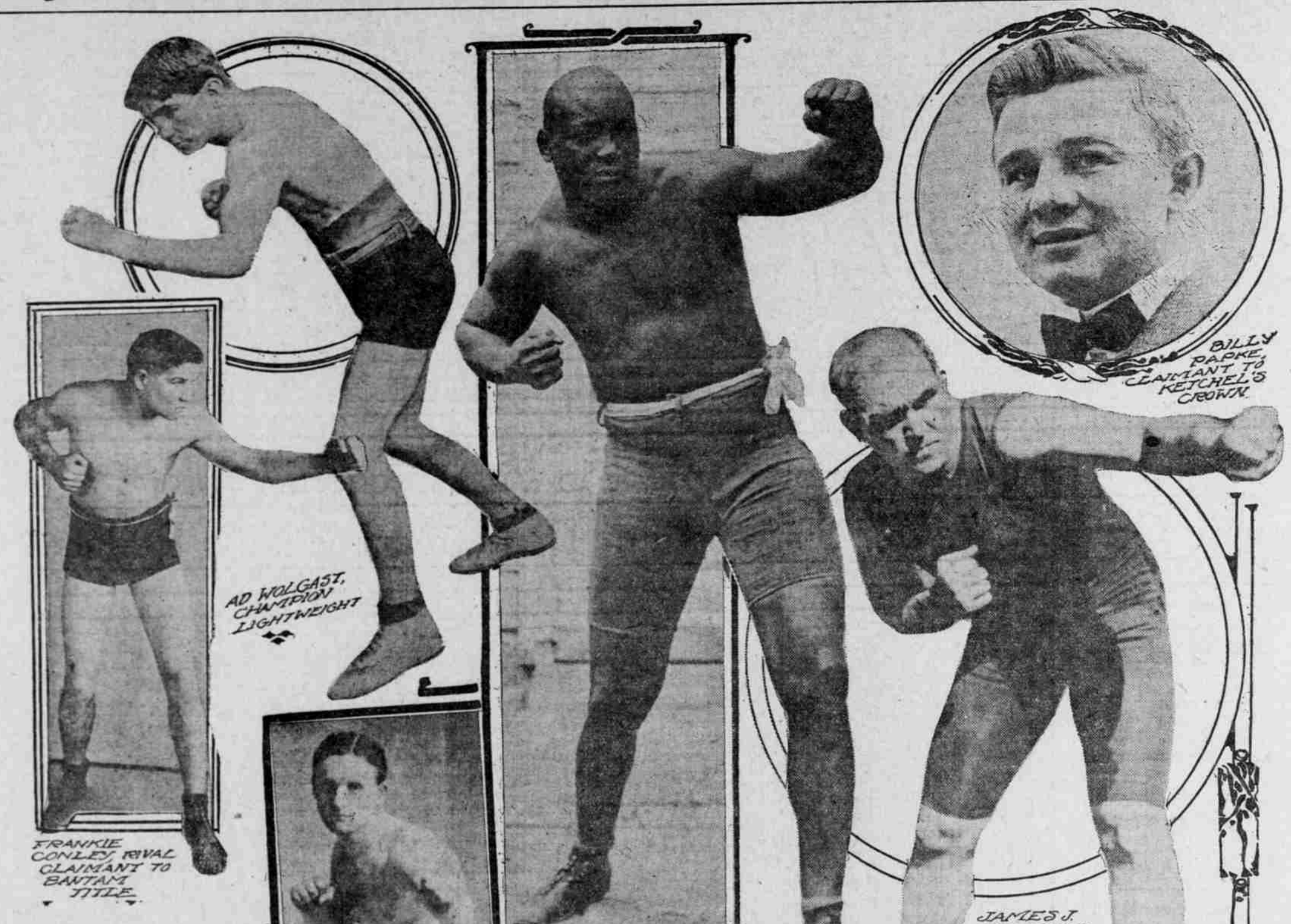
The bout between Freddy Welsh and Jean Driscoll at Cardiff, Wales, ended in an unsatisfactory manner. From accounts Welsh had a shade throughout and Driscoll was blowing some when he committed the foul in the second round.

Sullivan Would Be Slugger.

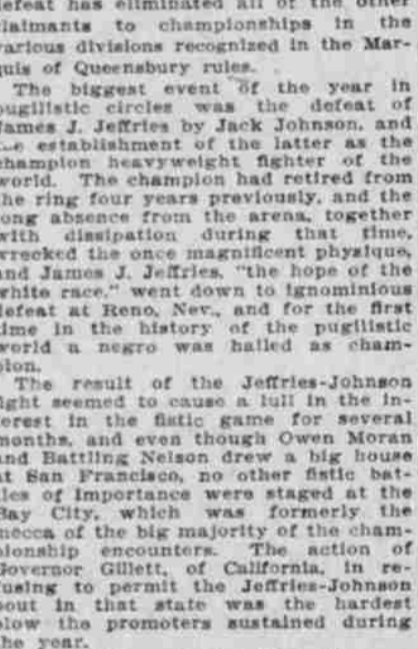
Jack ("Twin") Sullivan is quoted as saying he will cut out scientific boxing in the future and try to develop into a slugger of the most approved type.

Does "Twin" imagine for a minute that, without bringing into play the skill in boxing that it has taken years to develop, he could have accomplished so much? Supporting he had chosen to mix it up with the big fellows, would he have won so easily, does he think?

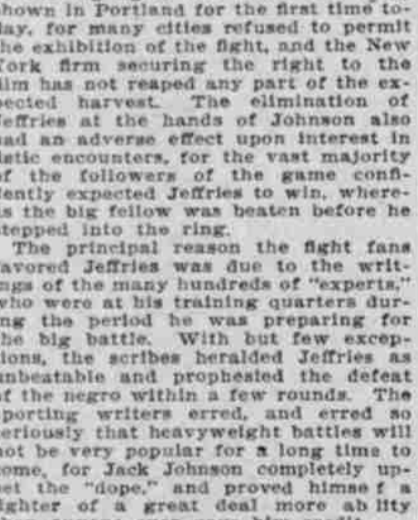
Fighters Who Won, Lost or Retained Championship Titles During 1910



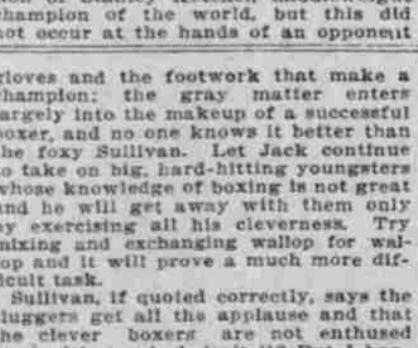
AD WOLGAST, CHAMPION LIGHTWEIGHT



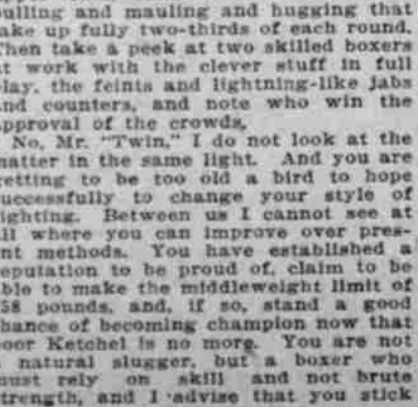
JAMES J. JEFFRIES, DEFEATED HEAVYWEIGHT



JACK JOHNSON, NEW CHAMPION HEAVY



STANLEY KETCHEL, MIDDLEWEIGHT

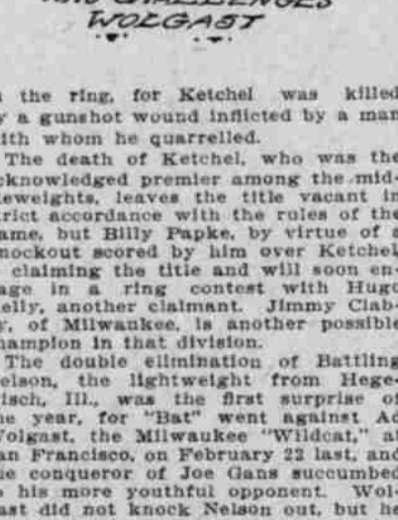


OWEN MORAN, WHO CHALLENGES WOLGAST

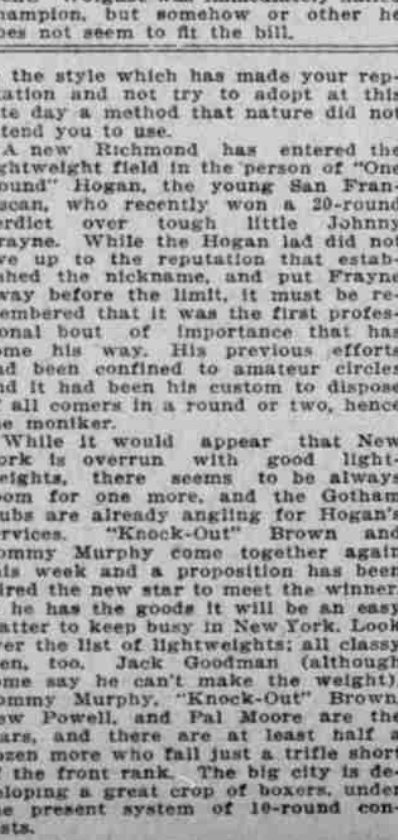
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CALIFORNIA WILL RESTRICT BOXING

Promoters Look Forward to Legislation and Are Willing to Compromise.

ROUND LIMIT SUGGESTED

Trip of Boston Americans Clear Across Continent for Spring Training Arouses Interest of Ball Fans.

BY HARRY B. SMITH. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The forenoon of recent California bills that is expected will be introduced at the coming session of the California Legislature has appeared. The newly-drafted bill has been prepared by an Oakland assemblyman named Rogers, who is a District Attorney's assistant in Alameda County.

If Rogers has his way, there will be no more prize fighting and the sporting exhibitions allowed will be about as deadly as tennis matches. Rogers wants to stop the game and the only thing that he would allow would be sporting bouts of not more than six three-minute rounds, with eight-ounce pillows for the boxers.

Promoters May Compromise.

It is expected that there will be a score of anti-boxing bills. The promoters admit this and declare that they would not be surprised to see some measure passed. As a matter of fact, it will occasion no surprise if the promoters get together on a sort of compromise bill that will permit matches of 15 rounds' duration with decisions at the close. It has been pointed out that this would not be a bad scheme and at least would save the game in part for two years more.

When Papke first fought Ketchel in San Francisco, the yellow streak from which he has always suffered. Since that time, however, he has gone back until he could be considered a regular contender. Unless Papke can wipe out this defeat, he will have mighty little chance to lay claim to the middleweight title, as he has been doing.

Lang's Victory No Surprise.

On the other hand, the way that Bill Lang beat Jack Burns, the California heavyweight, in London, was not a surprise. Burns never had anything to recommend him save his size. He is a big chap, with absolutely no speed. Somebody referred to him the other day as being as slow as molasses and that hits him off about right.

Low Powell is on his way home from New York, after a disastrous financial campaign in the East. Powell didn't get many matches, and even in those bouts the Eastern newspaper editors have not all been for him. Financially, Powell's trip was a decided failure. In a recent match with Young Otto, Powell drew down the magnificent sum of \$167 for his end and in the bout where he lost the decision to Jack Goodman, he lost the decision to Jack Goodman, he lost the decision to Jack Goodman, he lost the decision to Jack Goodman.

Baseball Gossip Renewed.

The arrival in San Francisco of Tip O'Neill, who is destined to be president of the Western League is the advance man for the Boston Americans who will train on the Coast next Spring. O'Neill will remain here until February, is authorized to make contracts for training camps for the two squads and also will arrange days for exhibition games as played.

One of these training camps is to be located outside of Los Angeles and the other somewhere in the San Joaquin Valley, where the boys can be assured of good weather. The exhibition games will start the first Friday in March. Five days a week will be given over to playing outside clubs and interior cities. Port-land will be the games that it desires, after Walter McCreedy has made up his mind where he will train, and so will Sacramento.

Games to Last Through March.

The whole month of March will be given over to these games, at the end of which time the Coast League will be ready for the opening of the New York State League. The Red Sox will have to start for home. As the longest Spring training trip ever taken by a baseball team, the journey will be watched by people all over the country with deep interest. Danny Long left this week for the San Joaquin Valley to pick out a training camp for the Seals, who will start work on February 20. Long has several towns that he wants to look over before making his choice and he will not announce his decision before he returns to San Francisco in about a week.

GOLF CLUB HAS PLANS

Waverly Organization to Build Anew. New Year Contests Among Local Golfers Arouse Much Interest. Prizes Are Offered to Winners.

The past year has been a most successful one among the members of the Waverly Golf Club, which organization fosters the game in this vicinity and possesses one of the finest golfing courses in the West. The Waverly Golf Club is planning extensive improvements during the coming year. For at a recent meeting of the club it was decided to sell off a portion of the big tract of land now owned by the club, to a corporation comprising members of the golf club. The proceeds of this sale will net the club sufficient money to erect a handsome new clubhouse and to make such deemed necessary by the trustees of the club.

Some time this month. According to present plans the new clubhouse will be capable of accommodating the entire membership and invited guests at the numerous social functions conducted by the golfers during the year. Last year was especially notable for these social gatherings, and on such occasions the members found themselves handicapped by lack of commodious quarters at the present clubhouse. The new clubhouse will feel amply able to plan social functions on a larger scale and be able to accommodate all easily.

The Waverly Golf Club is fortunate in numbering among its membership several high-class golfers, who have distinguished themselves upon many links on the Pacific Coast. At present the club possesses a splendid golfing course, and this is one of the attractions the members boast of with pride. Another feature is that the course lies along the banks of the Willamette River, and its scenic environments are unsurpassed. Annually it is customary for the golfers to open the new year with a tournament, and today will be no exception to the rule, for a suitable programme has been prepared and some fine games are expected. One of the innovations scheduled for today will be a match played between rival teams of 12 men each, and captained respectively by G. Voorhies and Major J. J. Morrow. The teams comprise the following players: Voorhies

WOLGAST WANTS BIG END.

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The double elimination of Battling Nelson, the lightweight from Hegewisch, Ill., was the first surprise of the year, for "Bat" went against Ad Wolgast, the Milwaukee "Wildcat," at San Francisco, on February 22 last, and the conqueror of Joe Gans succumbed to his more youthful opponent. Wolgast did not knock Nelson out, but he so completely defeated the former invincible one that Nelson's seconds were compelled to throw up the sponge to save their man from further punishment. Wolgast was immediately hailed champion, but somehow or other he does not seem to fit the bill.

In the case of Owen Moran, who also defeated Nelson, the situation is different, for Moran is looked upon as the most likely claimant to the lightweight honors. Not that Moran's knockout score over Nelson has anything to do with the approval shown him by the public, for Nelson was admittedly anything but the fighter whose bulldog determination won him the approval of the spectators at the time he gamely withstood the assaults of Wolgast.

Wolgast Wants Big End. At present Wolgast and Moran are wrangling over terms for a match between them. Wolgast is demanding the big slice of the purse, win, lose or draw, and Moran refuses to concede him anything of the kind. Wolgast entered the ring to defend it against all comers, as champions are expected to do. The trouble with Wolgast seems to be "high finance," but most of the present day champions are similarly afflicted, so his case is no exception.

ABE ATTELL, FEATHERWEIGHT, AND ONLY CHAMPION TO RETAIN TITLE DURING 1910

Summing up all of the champions, the 3 men who ushered in 1910 still holding the belt, is Abe Attel, of California, featherweight champion, and has been victor in every battle. Attel has shown himself to be a real champion, for he has met all comers and has been victor in every battle. Attel has not fought on the Pacific Coast for all of his encounters in the squared circle have been fought either East or South.

Several Bantam Claimants. The midget division, or bantamweight class, has several rival claimants for the title, who have not met in the arena. Johnny Coulton, of Chicago, and Frankie Conley, of Kansas, both claim the championship, yet they have not met in the arena, and both have claimed the title for ten months in the case of Conley, and nearly six months in the case of Coulton. The division of the purse between the rival champions has been the principal contention, and this is another division in which "high finance" figures more strongly than does the anxiety to defend the title.

(captain), Macleay, Young, Wright, Koehler, Minor, Alexander, Thomas, Kerr, A. Kerr, R. Wilder, Buell and Dougherty; Morrow (captain), Zan, Murphy, Bennett, Lintchum, Huggins, Smith, Sample, Mackay, Wheeler, Honym and Grelle. This contest will be for 18 holes, scratch, match play, with one point to the winner of each nine holes and one point for the general result. Besides the team play today and other special matches, the golfers will also meet tomorrow at Amherst College, to play the Utah State Teachers' Association here yesterday. "Why 22 football players should engage in mortal combat, with 2000 other men on the side lines yelling themselves hoarse at the performance, is a question I have never been able to solve," said the doctor. The 22 men, he added, do not need the exercise and most of the 2000 spectators do. "Athletics for the boy in high school," he said, "should not be too severe. The heart at the time the boy is in high school is yet weak and the tissues are not tough. Every commander dreads to take with him into the field of battle boys of 18 to 20 years. They die off like flies."