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# WEIGHT QUESTION IS UP

Noted Fight Critic Believes Lightweight Limit Should Be 135 Pounds or at Least Not Placed at Wolgast's Own Weight.

BY JAMES J. CORBETT. NEW YORK, March 25-(Special.) Lightweight Champion Ad Wolgast will have the time of his young life if he ever gets into the ring with one Patrick McFurland of Chicago. After witnessing McFarland of Chicago. After witnessing Ms classy exhibition of bexing with Owen Moran as opponent, New Yorkers are willing to swear Packey is the best ever. Old sports who are fond of faving about the remarkable perfor-mances of the old timers admit that nothing to surpass McFarland's beau-tiful display of fisite wares ever has been even in a Gotham ring. Owen Moran can show a lot of speed On occasion and was thought to be

on occasion and was thought to be equally clever as any boy in the game of his weight, but Packey made him look rather like a novice in their 10-round bout. He had the little Eng-lishman guessing throughout the con-Packey showed everything the tent, best boxers carry and his feinting alone was more than worth the price

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Moran "Hands It" to Packey. Good judges agree that the clever Frank Erne and the "old master," Joe Gans never had anything on McFar-land. The wonderful display of sci-ence took the spectators by storm, and when the bout was over there was no question as to which was the better boxer. Even Moran admitted he had met his master, but offered as an ex-cuse that he was giving away too much beef. Owen may rest satisfied with the knowledge that he was licked by the best man in his class, and there is no disgrace attached to honorable defeat.

detext. Of course Packey did not make the 122 pounds singuide, which will be demanded by Woigast before a match between them is consummated, but he did what other lightweights before did what other lightweights before him have done, and weighted in at 135. Frank Erne, Joe Gana, and Jack Mc-Auliffe regarded a 135-pound oppon-ent as a legitimate lightweight, and did, not insist upon a lower scale. Gans won the championship at about that figure from Erne and the only champion of recent years who insist-ed on the 132-pound thing and got away with it was our esteemed friend Battling Nelson.



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convention of so-called "Federation of Roxing Clubs," which was booked for this month and which was to be called primarily to adjust the scale of weights in the various classes? Pack-ey contends that nearly all the cham-pionship battles of the last 20 years have been contested at from 125 to 128 pounds, and that 123 ringside is not a fair weight to govern the possession of the title.

### Former Weight Higher.

He cites as his anthority that "Kid" Lavigne met Dick Burge, the English champion, at 113 pounds at 2 o'clock, and that Earne won the title from Lavigne at 135 pounds, weighing in at 5 F. M. Also that Gans defeated Frank for the honor at 138 pounds, scaling at 5 o'clock. Therefore Packey Insists he is justified in commanding a match with the present champion at 135 pounds, and agrees to weigh in at 6 o'clock. According to precedent there is much justice in Mac's claim, any Weigest has the Bat Neisem statistics to tal back to cites as his authority that "Kid"

According to procedent there is much justice in Mac's claim, but Weigast has the Bat Neisen statistics to fall back on and support his argument that 122 is th

was forced to undergo was the direct means of hastening his death.

## Plan to Settle Question at Once.

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I think the matter of weight revision shead be taken up at ence. No time like the present Here we have Packey Mc-Farland, admitted exe of the best beys in the grame and his chances for the champtonelly of his chase are reduced by the matter of two pounds by the scale. That he provided Weights as he is ex-ported to da it must be remembered Weights is champton. Of that there can be no doubt, even if the majority who have seen him perform opice he is a mightly poor one. There is only one way to take the champton will not concer the the sole of the there is and the second be the doubt, even if the majority who have seen him perform opice he is a mightly poor one. There is only one way to take the champton will not concer the two pounds then let the powers that be get together and raise the limit. This will pressit Packey and other sood beys who coming into the game as legitimate light weights.

Another Chance for Lang. Another Chance for

tours by automobile and found such de-light traveling by the luxurious medium of the motor that she determined to pur-chase a car for herself upon her return to Portiand and to learn to operate it. This she lost no time in doing and with-in a fortnight after arriving in her home

Jack Is Poor Instructor.

and support his argument that 122 is the lightweight limit. I believe it was Billy Nolan, one-time manager of the Date, who imangurated the system of weighing in at 132 ringside, and the rule was made for the express benefit of one Joe Gams. The latter had to make the weight to get the fight and, game boy that be was, nareed to the task. It is believed that the right and, game boy that was cored to undergo was the direct. While an the subject of weights it.

While on the subject of weights it would appear that Packey McFariand was the lucky kid when he turned down Hugh McIntosh's enticing offer to invade the antipodes. "Cyclone" Johnny Thompson left these shores a

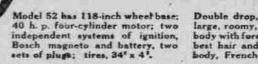
so, as McParland is without doubt the bast lightweight in the country and it is his misfortune and not his fault that he is not champion foday. I believe he would have the fight all his way and that he would easily prove his superior-ity to the satisfaction of both the cham-olon and the public.



At the annual dinner of the Multhomah Amateur Athletic Club football players, held last week at the Hotel Bowers, H. E Rhinehart, quarterback, was chosen to lead the winged "M" gridiron squad this Fall.

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Australian, but expects to sail for home goes through and he defeats his ancient within the next few days. where Nelson is hanging his hat just at present, as he has been unusually MeFarland and Moran one after the silent for him of late. If the match other without delay, and what's more

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suil for home goes through and he defeats his ancient will, with the aid of his trusty type-Don't know foe there will be no holding Bat. He writer, make some folks believe he is Gresham public school. About 50 cares are reported, all of a mild type, and with GRESHAM, Or., March 25,-(Special.)no serious results apparent thus far.

