

PUGLISST RYAN. IN HOFF, RESIGNS

"Unfortunate Middle" in Recent Armory Fiasco Cause of Action.

NEW YORK IS ATTRACTIVE

Tommy Catches Oregon Cold and It Stays With Him, He Says, When Confronted for Explanation. Ryan Reputed Rich.

BY ROSCOE FAWCETT. Tommy Ryan, month-old boxing instructor at the Multnomah Athletic Club, last night tendered his resignation to Edgar Frank, chairman of the boxing and wrestling committee, and the famous ex-welter and middleweight champion will leave Portland within a week for his home at Syracuse, N. Y.

MIDDLEWEIGHT AND WELTERWEIGHT EX-CHAMPION RESIGNS AS BOXING INSTRUCTOR AT MULTNOMAH CLUB.



TOMMY RYAN.

Ryan is reported to be worth from \$75,000 to \$100,000, but he claims to have only about \$40,000, which, he says, is tied up in realty and other properties in Syracuse, Chicago and Kansas City. The boxer, raised in Denver, is a great exponent of the glove game that never lived, made \$10,000 in Syracuse last season running boxing clubs.

Ryan Pays Respects to Boxing Here. Ryan, in the parting, pays his respects to amateur boxing such as included in by the Northwest Amateur and laughingly labels it as "mors to be pitted than censured."

"I don't want to knock the Multnomah Club," declared Tommy, as a smile lit up his visage, "but let me say that the only distinction I have been able to discern between amateurs and professionals is that the professionals are well trained and know how to box, while the amateurs are in no condition at all and rip each other's heads off with no semblance or earmarks of skill."

Ryan became entitled to call himself middleweight champion about 1900 although, like Ketchel, Packey, Tommy Burns and other champions, he never gained his spurs more through newspaper ratings than in any one fight to which he can revert. Ryan, who is now nearly 30, was a contender for the "press" championship in three main battles with Craig, English champion, whom he defeated in ten rounds at Honey Island; Bommer, whom he beat in 29 rounds at Coney Island; and "Kid" Carter, who succumbed in six rounds in Chicago on November 27, 1906.

"When I retired," says Tommy, "Ketchel, Hugo Kelly, Papke and all that bunch claimed the title. No, McCoy had no claim on the middleweight title because McCoy was a light heavyweight."

OUR LONG-HIDDEN HOARDS

Many Millions of Dollars in America Without Owners. Harper's. None can estimate the wealth hidden in Civil War times. Down mountain slopes, across the great plantations, and along the streets of cities of the South are the trails of lost fortunes. On the Mississippi River the shanty-boaters tell tales of golden hoards and money that were buried in the brakes or revealed in the caving bank of the Mississippi by a cascade of coin rushing down the crumbling slope into the flood. Now and then some shanty-dock appears with a handful of old gold.

AHRENS AFTER MATCH

PORTLAND BOWLER ISSUES AN OPEN CHALLENGE.

Expert Makes Average of 243 for Three Games—Hood River Will Play Team Here Again.

With an average of 243 for three games as his latest achievement, Gus Ahrens has issued a challenge to any bowler in Portland or the Pacific Coast for a ten-game match. Ahrens and Raymond rolled in the turkey contest which the Saratoga Alleys were conducting. The two made the score of 1228, of which Ahrens made 728, which is the best record made here for some time past.

The week past has been one marked by high scores all around, especially those made in the contest for the turkeys. A good many of the figures ran close to Pacific Coast records. R. M. Gray made the highest single score, which was 284. George Henry made the highest record for 200 pins, having 28 tallies which were above that mark.

McDonald was another turkey winner. His number is 132 duck pins. "Doc" Meleen, one of the oldest men on the Portland alleys, came in a few minutes late with a score of 150 duck pins, as the contest closed at 3 P. M. Wednesday, so he had to go hungry on Thursday or would have had to had he depended on the contest for his turkey.

The record made by Dale last winter which was 154 duck pins, is the only one ever rolled on the Saratoga slides which surpassed that of Meleen's.

Last Sunday a picked team from Hood River defeated the Foresters here by a large score. Thursday a team consisting of men who are acknowledged to be the best in the city when it comes to bowling, went to Hood River and met defeat by a score of 2844 against Hood River's 2621. The Portland team consisted of Ahrens, Henry, Raymond, Kneese and O'Donnell. The Hood River team will invade Portland again in the near future and play the Portland team.

The Foresters have exciting games

every Wednesday evening between teams in a league of their own.

The teams in the Big Four League now stand as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Team Name, Won, Lost, Points. Includes Dilworth Derbies, Jarrett, White Cross, Excelsiors.

MODERN WILLIAM TELL

Lurid Story of the Alpine Rebellion of the Year 1848.

Harper's. "There were many thousands of the Austrians, and they came against us from the north and from the south, and from the east, so that we did not know which way to go. But our Captain knew, and the priest knew, even though we did not know."

"At last there was better than building and gilling and mining, for there was a cry, 'The Austrians! They are coming!' And every man went to his place, as our Captain had directed, for he knew the rules of war."

"The soldiers came on very brave, marching steady, steady, keeping step. Then they halted and spread out across the mountain-side, and some were set to climb the rocks. And in all there were thousands of them."

"We cheered and we fired, and we shouted when men fell; but the Austrians had a leader who would not easily give up, and his men all fired back at us, and more of them were set to climb the rocks."

One of Life's Mysteries.

"Oh, the fool and his money are soon parted," said Elshars, sentimentally. "That's all right," said Hobbs, "but the thing that I can't make out is where in thunder the fools get all the money they are parted from."

WOLGAST'S ILLNESS UPSETS ALL PLANS

Busy Programme Which Had Been Arranged for Him Is Now Abandoned.

FINANCIAL LOSS IS HEAVY

Estimate Made That Ad's Appendicitis Attack and Operation Have Cost Him \$100,000 in Hard Cash Missed.

BY HARRY B. SMITH. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 2.—The untoward accident to Adolph Wolgast that necessitated an operation for appendicitis the day prior to his scheduled match with Freddie Welsh has knocked the plans of the light-weight beller adrift. Tom Jones had a busy programme arranged for the Michigan boy following the Welsh fight. Ad was to have a crack at Knockout Brown and then a few weeks later was to take on Packey himself.

As matters now stand, there isn't a chance for Wolgast to do any fighting this year in Los Angeles. He must then it is a question whether he will be in fit condition to tackle hard hitting. In the meantime, no one knows just who is champion in the light weight class, and it is going to be some lively scrapping for the honor.

Freddie Welsh very coolly annexed the honor in Los Angeles. He gave out for a story saying how sorry he was for the misfortune of Wolgast and when he found that Willie Ritchie, of San Francisco, had been substituted as his opponent at the eleventh hour, he gave up his remarks by declaring that he was willing to defend the title and whenever Wolgast was ready would give him a chance to avenge his forfeited crown. That's all very nice, but just how a chap who has lost the British title and is no great smokes in the game expects calmly to appropriate an American title is beyond me. Freddie may get away with that sort of rough stuff in Los Angeles but nowhere else in the country. He might better style himself the Welsh light-weight champion of the world and let it go at that.

Wolgast is Champion. If there is anyone in the country who is entitled to take to himself the championship that boy is Packey McFarland. And Packey has far too much sense. He says, like the others, that he regrets the illness of Wolgast and then backs it up with a logical statement.

"For another and more selfish reason, I am sorry about this. It means that my chance of getting a clear title to the championship has passed for the time being. Wolgast will hardly be able to fight for another 12 months and in the meantime who is there to claim his title? Nobody would admit it and Wolgast is through with the game, it will be a case of working up to the top. Of course, I am willing to take my chances but it is very much like beginning all over again."

That's a sensible sort of talk to be giving out and showing that Packey has a mighty good understanding of the situation. Personally, I think there is no question of his fitness as compared with any other man than Wolgast but it will probably be necessary to match him with Freddie Welsh to convince the world at large.

Wolgast Probably Through. Wolgast is probably through with the game. Physicians with whom the writer has talked seem to feel that after an operation of that sort, a man is always liable to a collapse, particularly in case of violent exertion of the athletic sort. Furthermore, a year after the game is a bad thing for any man, as past events have proved, and Wolgast will probably appreciate this when he is well enough to think over the situation.

There is no question but that his illness will cost him something like \$100,000, particularly if he is out of the harness a full year. He would have gathered in something like \$20,000 from the Welsh match. A bout with the Knockout Brown would have meant another \$20,000 and with Packey McFarland, he would probably have been good for \$30,000 all told.

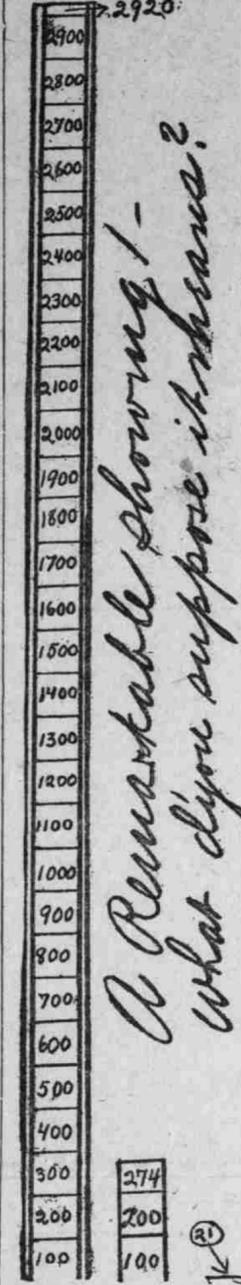
Then, in addition, there would be the moving-picture rights and his theatrical work. So Tom Jones isn't exaggerating when he says that Adolph Wolgast will be practically ruined. Along with his expenses, stands to be out \$100,000. At the same time, I understand that the little chap has saved a fair proportion of his money, so he can get along and perhaps it will be as well for him.

That was a pretty little story that one of the press associations sent out on the day of the operation. Wolgast was described as walking from his anaesthetic and asking if he had been knocked out by Welsh. Sounds good, but it didn't happen to be true. Wolgast was perfectly normal when he recovered consciousness and told his wife that he would be all right within a few days.

Ritchie in Luck. Willie Ritchie, a local San Francisco lightweight, fell heir to some good fortune as a result of the appendicitis. Tom McCaray denied that he wanted to go through with some sort of a match and so wired an offer to Ritchie. He offered Ritchie \$1500 with the privilege of accepting 20 per cent of the house, which is more money than Willie ever dreamed of making in a fight. Willie rushed to the train Wednesday night, arrived in Los Angeles in the forenoon and was ready for his scrap in the afternoon. Very fortunately, Willie has been acting as a sparring partner to Packey McFarland, so he more than 133 pounds and probably would not do better than 138 at such short notice. At the same time, McCaray was able to go ahead with his arrangements.

San Francisco fight fans are wondering whether Jack Welsh is the Wolgast jinx. Jack went to Milwaukee, having said he would referee for Wolgast and McFarland. The authorities did not allow the match and Welsh had his trip and trouble for nothing. Since Jack was practically demanded by the champion to referee the Los Angeles bout, and Jack Welsh arrived the morning that Adolph was rushed to the hospital, there's no use talking. It begins to look as if the hoodoo was working over time.

It Explains Many Things



The record of ten months' shipments show that Eilers Music House secured 2920 pianos, while its next rival in this city had but 274. One concern had only 21, and still another concern in this city had none at all!

Does this record mean anything? It means everything for the piano-buyer. Twelve years ago the Eilers business was new required for the office, marked small store, not larger than a shoe space now required for the office, marked the commencement of this enterprise. Before that time most of the pianos sold in Oregon were of low grade. Prices, however, were maintained by the dealers then at the very highest possible notch.

The coming of the Eilers Music Stores changed all this. Instead of continuing along the beaten path of trade, the plan of Eilers Music House was to supply the highest grade of instruments. Instead of putting prices as high as they could possibly be placed, the Eilers plan was to make the prices as low as they could possibly be put.

Instead of making big profits whenever an occasional piano was sold, the aim of Eilers Music House was to make an aggregate profit on many sales. This plan, coupled with many other innovations, was carried out in the face of bitterest opposition. But, nevertheless, all competitors of those days vanished, and today the Eilers Music House stands as the Nation's largest.

Bitter opposition against so-called Eilers methods exists today. The comparative showing herewith published indicates only too plainly why there is so much vilification, so much abuse, so much knocking, to employ a phrase of today, of Eilers Music House, and its fine pianos, by individuals who have instruments of their own to sell.

Particularly of late, when business has been found in many quarters to be rather unsatisfactory, many of our patrons in making their investigations about town, have found the attacks upon Eilers Music House, and its excellent pianos, particularly virulent. We are pleased to say that in every instance where people have made careful investigation, their patronage has been bestowed upon Eilers Music House.

As was stated by us in 1899, every item of expense that enters into the cost of selling pianos and organs will be found reduced to the lowest degree at Eilers Music House. Every member of the firm brings into the business a thorough knowledge of affairs down to the smallest detail. Here are found the very best makes of pianos, for the least money, and here every caller finds careful and painstaking attention to every want.

People always find our stores busy, bustling and enterprising. The facilities we have are equaled by none in the United States. Our earnings do not have to be divided with bankers and note-shavers. We do not have to pay a jobbing or wholesale profit to San Francisco or other houses. There are no idle drones in this house, because of which many concerns are compelled to add considerable to the price of their goods.

We have our own delivery service. Instead of paying rent, we collect rent. Our freights are less—the cost of doing business is so much less in every way. And for these reasons, quality considered, we can afford to sell for less than can any other dealer or agency.

The growth of our business is limited only by the number of people who investigate the advantages we have to offer. To examine them carefully means to become a patron of Eilers Music House. We sell pianos that will please you and that will bring your friends here when they are ready to buy.

And while firms have come and firms have gone, during the years that Eilers Music House has been in business, one has the reasonable assurance that Eilers Music House will always be found here to make good every promise and obligation.

Our customers are our references. We feel that no transaction can be right that does not give satisfaction to the buyer, and thus it is today, as it was the case as announced by us in July, 1899, that "Eilers Music House leads the procession because it belongs at the head, and those in the rear should learn to contain their souls in peace."

Our methods make prices lowest on worthy goods. We have no time to worry over the selling of questionable articles. We have no inferior, make-believes to foist off. In 1899 we began to sell pianos just as other commodities are sold—on the basis of quick sales and small profits—money back if the purchaser is not entirely satisfied. This was bound to be and has been successful.

Here you will find for \$318 a better piano than can possibly be obtained at any other institution for less than \$425. For \$137 we furnish an instrument which could not be obtained elsewhere for less than \$250.

Paper is patient—many broad claims are made in advertisements, but claims and assertions invariably make a different appearance when stood in a row with downright facts. Eilers Music House for years has sold more pianos, and is today selling more pianos than all other dealers in the Northwest combined. This certainly indicates that Eilers Music House is the place where most people find it to their interest to trade, and undoubtedly is the place where you can do the best, no matter how alluring may be the offers from elsewhere.

EILERS MUSIC HOUSE

NOW THE NATION'S LARGEST IN EILERS BUILDING, CORNER ALDER AND SEVENTH

RULING A BIG CITY.

Instances Where Germans Go From Home After Public Servants.

Springfield (Mass.) Republican. S. S. McClure, of New York City, founder of McClure's Magazine, lectured before an audience of 1000 men at the Young Men's Christian Association meeting for men in Court Square Theater the other afternoon. His subject was "An Efficient Government."

The lecture was interesting in many respects. It brought to the attention of the men of Springfield some weaknesses in our present political system, and especially the weaknesses caused by our loose political methods. Mr. McClure characterized the present system of government as a government by amateurs, and made a strong and effective plea for business administration.

The value of trained men for official positions in the government, the speaker stated, could be seen in the German system of municipal government. He took as an example the city of Frankfurt, which is almost as large as Boston. He stated that in Frankfurt the voters nominate their own candidates for office. No printed ballots are used, the voter simply writing the name of his candidate upon a slip of paper and casting it into the ballot box. In case no man receives a majority, the candidates receiving the largest number of votes are voted upon at another election until the election of some candidate is assured.

Candidates elected as councilors are selected for a term of six years, and should they prove their efficiency, they are invariably returned. This system usually guarantees the election of the ablest men in the community.

It is not unusual for a citizen city to go outside of its community for an official. Men who have given excellent service in other communities are often chosen. A regular school of administration is thus created, and in many instances men holding positions in smaller towns and cities are selected to fill similar offices in larger cities.

The speaker said that the Germans want a man who has been tried and not an experiment. So strong is this desire for the best in municipal administration that men are sometimes summoned from any part of the world to fill some responsible position in municipal government. As an illustration, he told how the city of Frankfurt selected an Englishman to lay out and administer the business operation of the street railway. This man held the position for many years, and was succeeded by his son, who now holds it. The city officials of Frankfurt, as well as in many other German cities, usually hold their positions for at least five years and are not re-elected if they give them a good livelihood.

The city of Frankfurt, he said, has millions of dollars invested in suburban property which is sold to residents for a certain amount, made payable to the government, on easy payments, for which the government charges but 2 1/2 per cent for the money which it has invested. The electric street railways are used to carry the people daily to and from the country for less than operation costs. By efficient management and profitable returns from other municipal business the city is able to operate the road without loss. The speaker stated that the city of Frankfurt is a pure democracy and that it was not cursed with a corrupt political machine. The city of Frankfurt holds a lesson by which American cities could well profit. City government today has become just as technical as any large private business, and it requires just as expert men as it does to run a railroad.

The great fault with our American cities, the speaker stated, is that there is no attraction for cable and honest men. He attributed the cause of this state of affairs to the fact that there is no decent reward, no guarantee of permanency and no certainty of income, all of which he believed essential to the services of a good man are to be procured. It is characteristic of Americans to get the services of the best men possible to conduct their private business, he stated, but it is rare indeed for them to endorse an equally efficient man as an official to be entrusted with the management of the public business. It can be fittingly said that in many of our cities government by criminals alone exists.

WAGNER LOSES FORMER JUDGMENT OF HORSES

Ex-Constable Buys Aged Nag From Acquaintance and Decrepit Animal Becomes Care and Expense to Owner.

A NUMBER of years ago, when the banglits were performing at the old Irvington racetrack, among the most expert Portland men at sitting up the merits and demerits of the "speed" horses was Lou Wagner, ex-constable. Since then, according to a story going the rounds, the former official has lost his cunning as a judge of horse flesh, at least so it would seem from the mirth derived by Wagner's friends at each rehearsal of a recent deal in horse flesh manipulated by Wagner.

However, it may be 3-timed to charge Wagner with the deal. Judgment will be left with the rear. Since retiring from public office Wagner has been conducting a grocery store near Willamette Heights. A few days ago he found himself in need of a horse to attach to his delivery wagon, so he started out to buy a horse.

While Constable, Wagner had several "run-ins" with Thomas W. Murphy, a well-known horse dealer and trainer, but the ex-constable evidently forgot these after his tenure of office expired and the first man he visited to buy a horse was Murphy. Now Murphy, it is said, had not forgotten his grudge against the former official, and when Wagner applied for a delivery horse Murphy saw a fine chance for revenge. At the Murphy stables was an ancient, dilapidated specimen of horse-flesh which Murphy desponded of ever getting rid of, but he had his stable hands "doctor" up the ancient rack of bones and when the animal was shown to Wagner it presented a fairly good appearance. Since then, according to a story going the rounds, the former official has lost his cunning as a judge of horse flesh, at least so it would seem from the mirth derived by Wagner's friends at each rehearsal of a recent deal in horse flesh manipulated by Wagner.

BOTH BASEBALL AND FOOTBALL HAVE NOW REACHED THE CAKE SEASON.



COFFEE AND SINKERS 5¢. COME ON OVER TED, AND HAVE SOME ICE CREAM AND CAKE. CAKE.