

FIGHTING LEADERS HAVE GATHERING

Fighters, ex-Promoters and One-Time Managers, Congregate in California.

RICKARD WINS WITH GAME

Tex Is Now Argentine Cattle King. Jack Robinson Says Johnson Didn't Train as Hard as He Might for Last Bout.

BY HARRY B. SMITH. SAN FRANCISCO, May 29.—(Special.)

Fighters, former promoters and ex-managers of fighters have conspired to make San Francisco resemble the former stamping-ground of the cattle game this week. Tex Rickard, whose chief claim to fame is the fact that he staged the Johnson-Jeffries match at Reno, has been here for several days and promises to stay a fortnight more. Jack Robinson, former manager of Battling Nelson, was in our midst until Thursday, when he left for Australia. Fighting Billy Murray, the Pacific Coast middleweight scrapper, has returned from the East, and is awaiting the arrival of Jack Kearns, his manager, who plans to take a stable to the Antipodes. And on top of all that, Willie Ritchie is expected to arrive almost any day to spend the Summer months in the West.

Tex Rickard has nothing to do with the boxing game these days. Instead, he is a cattle king in Buenos Ayres, where he has thousands of acres given over to stock raising. Tex, he said, is considerably more of a millionaire than when he was delving in the gold mines of Nevada or promoting prize fights. He can afford to sit back and take affairs leisurely, which is just what he is doing.

Fights Not Popular in Argentine.

Boxing game wouldn't take in my new country, I am afraid, he said the other day. "The people are not 'fans' because it is a game they know very little about and they are not accustomed to pay the same big money as Americans. No, I guess if there is any future to the fight game, it remains for this country. I'm sorry to see the sport put out of commission in California, but it wasn't altogether surprising that it happened."

Rickard is not here on business. He is touring the country for pleasure. He wants to see as much of the exposition as possible, and he expects to spend several weeks in the right amount of time to give to San Francisco and its environs.

Robinson, who, as manager of Battling Nelson and press agent for a variety of contests, has been mixed up in the boxing game ever since he quit newspaper work, spent several days in San Francisco before departing on a steamer for Australia. He came direct from Havana and had been around the world before he concludes his outing.

The fight man hints that Johnson didn't try as hard as he might in the Willard fight. He doesn't go so far as to make an out and out statement to that effect, but Johnson does declare that Johnson's training was nothing more than a pretense.

Johnson in Spain.

"The last I heard of Johnson," said Robinson, "was that he had gone to Spain and was trying to get to France. He has the moving-picture rights for France and England and if this war is ever ended he will never get a cent of money. He hardly trained a full day for the Willard match. Whether that is an act of confidence or something else, I wouldn't care to say."

"At all events, he was fat and plainly out of condition. Willard might have been a good deal better than Johnson, but the negro was in no trim at all. I took wild swings, and who ever saw Johnson do that when he was serious?"

"Curley made it up to enemies for himself in Havana by failing to keep his promises. He was in 'Dutch' with the newspaper men and some of the fellows who were his friends. I had a match all ready between Freddie Welsh and Bat Nelson. A couple of fellows agreed to make good a \$15,000 purse for Welsh. And, believe me, Welsh is mighty close to being through with the game. Johnson had several tryout contests and proved that he was better than a lot of people could be led to believe."

Willard Poorly Handled.

"Willard's theatrical work has proved a farce, and now they tell me he is traveling with a circus, which is funny stuff for a heavyweight champion of the world to be pulling. As has been said right along, he was poorly handled. In New York he should have been out on the streets attracting attention. Instead of that they tried to make a secret out of him and it wouldn't work. He drew the crowd for two days at Hammerstein's. After that he was a frost and only worked his week out."

Robinson says he isn't going to do anything but rest while he is on the ocean.

As soon as Manager Jack Kearns puts in an appearance, which will be about the first of the week, he will set sail for the Antipodes with his stable of scrapper, including Fighting Billy Murray and Red Watson, the lightweight. Murray returned head of his manager, inasmuch as there was nothing doing for the middleweight and he wanted to see some of his friends. Watson, according to Murray, has been doing mighty well in the Middle West. Murray figures on five contests in Sydney under the promotion of Snowy Baker and a similar number of events are scheduled for Watson. Kearns has also planned to take under his wing several other boys who will appear in minor contests.

The advent of hot weather in the East, with the prospects of no matches, is causing what is termed a "blow" in Ritchie to lay plans for coming home to remain here during the Summer. He has his business interests in the way of an apartment-house and stock in a local hat store which will require his attention, and he would much prefer to be at home than hang around the East.

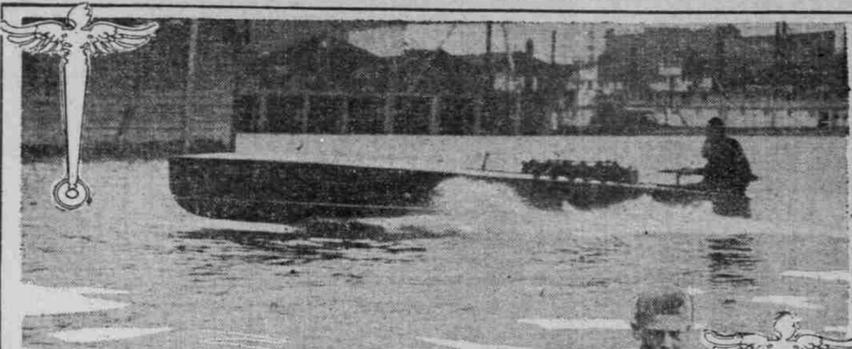
Also Ritchie is one of a group of men who own a spot of land in a good deer hunting country in Northern California, and the chances are that he wants to be here for the annual pilgrimage into the mountains, which likely will be the middle of July or early in August. Ritchie has a deer and he has a reputation of being a sharpshooter.

Boxing Brevities.

Frank Kendall, the Portland heavyweight, who was the pilot on an iron wagon here before entering the roped arena, is scheduled to clash with Al Cowlan at Tulsa, Okla., in the near future, according to word received here yesterday.

In a letter to his brother Kendall said that Cowlan had the reputation of being the only man that ever knocked

INTRODUCING WILBUR J. SMITH, THE WORLD'S YOUNGEST SPEEDBOAT PILOT, AND VIEW OF HIM "HITTING 'ER UP" IN OREGON KID II.



Oregon Kid II. Doing Better Than 50 Per in Practice Last Week.

out Champion Jens Willard, Kendall and his manager, Tom Ratcliffe, have already departed from Kansas City for the scene of the battle.

Ralph Gruman, the Portland lightweight, is coming in for a good deal of favorable comment these days in New York. The newspapers have been taking a good deal of notice of the Portland pit stinger since he defeated Phil Bloom. Bloom is a tough customer and has been fighting the top-notch lightweights. Gruman fought him instead of Sammy Robideau. Robideau refused to show for the bout and Bloom was substituted and received a beating. Gruman has several other bouts lined up.

That Bill Mascott will knock Jockey Bennett out when the two meet at Pendleton is being freely predicted by local boxing fans who have seen both men in action. Mascott is a good deal cleverer than he has been given credit for and besides carries a stiff jolt for a featherweight.

Sammy Good, the Seattle boxer, who originally hailed from this town, has been back in the ring. Sammy retired from the squared circle a short time back to run a jitney and down Seattle's inclines, but fell back on his mitts when he got hungry. Sammy agrees with those who say there is no money in the jitney business.

An effort is being made to have the Tacoma Moose Lodge lift the ban on boxing and begin staging shows again.

"Judge" Flannigan, manager and local adviser of Wing Wang, the Chinese 165-pound boxer, is endeavoring to stage a bout between his boy and some other at Astoria. It will probably be staged under the auspices of the National Club.

SEATOR IS SLUGGEST VICTIM

Brookfeds Defeat St. Louis, 11-0, and Then Tie Second Game.

ST. LOUIS, May 29.—After St. Louis had slugged Pinneran and Seator for an 11-to-0 victory in the first game of a double-header here today, Brooklyn rallied behind a pitched, Wilson and held the locals to a tied game, which was called at the end of the ninth inning because of darkness. Score:

First game—	R. H. E.	R. H. E.
Brooklyn... 11	2	1
St. Louis... 0	2	1
Batteries—Seator, Pinneran, Pratt; Blank and Hartley.		
Second game—	R. H. E.	R. H. E.
Brooklyn... 4	7	2
St. Louis... 4	4	0
Batteries—Wilson and Land; Davenport, Watson, Groom and Hartley.		

Baltimore 4, Kansas City 1. KANSAS CITY, May 29.—Johnson had one lead in the ninth inning rally by the locals failed to overcome, and Baltimore won, 4 to 1. Quinn pitched a nice game and was seldom in danger. Score:

R. H. E.	R. H. E.	
Baltimore... 4	8	
Kan. City... 1	4	
Batteries—Quinn and Owens; Johnson and Henning, Brown.		

GAMES TO BE AT FAIR

NATIONAL TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS TO BE AUGUST 6 AND 7.

Senior and Junior Events Will Be Held as Originally Planned—Troyouts in June and July.

NEW YORK, May 29.—Frederick W. Rubin, secretary of the Amateur Athletic Union, said today that the Amateur Athletic Union senior and junior track and field championships and the outdoor-swimming championships will take place at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, as officially announced on August 6 and 7, and July 19 to 24, respectively. And that the Panama-Pacific International Exposition indoor-swimming championships will be held in the Sutter Baths July 16 and 17.

Secretary Rubin hopes shortly to announce full details of the Eastern tryouts at the Harvard stadium at Boston on June 26 and the Middle Western tryouts in Chicago on July 17.

Secretary Rubin says that John J. McGovern, who has tendered his resignation as assistant director of athletics at the exposition, had strongly urged all along the athletic programme as prepared for the exposition to be carried out in full, but the exposition authorities had deemed it wise to curtail their athletic programme. They propose to eliminate a few events, such as tug of war, relay racing and the seven-mile walk.

KELSO ELECTS TEACHERS

Eight of Former Force Retained and Six Others Employed.

KELSO, Wash., May 29.—(Special.)—The board of directors of the Kelso school district has completed selection of the grade teaching force. Eight of the teachers during the past year will be retained, and six new teachers have been elected to replace those who are leaving.

Miss Sarah Waldrip, of Seattle, has been selected as German and Latin teacher in the high school. The grade teachers are as follows: Ethel Goerig, Myrtle Alexander, Beaulieu Vick, Gertrude Sears, Dean Vance, Mildred Ross, Ruth Nelson, Nettie Hargrave, all of whom are retained; Lillian Stewart, of Republic; Bertha Kimmel, formerly of Port Townsend; Elva Nuttall, Bellingham; Helen Boucher, Bellingham; Myrtle Alexander, Coupeville, and Evelyn Dobler, Sumner.

The booby, a Bahama bird, is so spiritless that when it is attacked by a fish it does not fight, but gives up the fish it has caught without resistance.

BIG REGATTA NEAR

Yacht and Motorboat Clubs' Joint Affair Tomorrow.

VARIED CONTESTS SET

Multnomah Divers to Perform and Several Special Feature Races on Programme to Be Given on River Near Oaks.

All things considered, the greatest joint regatta ever held on the Willamette River will be staged tomorrow afternoon at the auspices of the Yacht and Motorboat Clubs at the Portland Motorboat Club at the Yacht Club moorings near The Oaks. E. J. Carr, chairman of the regatta committee of the Oregon Yacht Club, and Len Myers, chairman of the same committee at the Portland Motorboat Club, have been working overtime in securing entries for the various events.

Any gambling scheme is sure to hurt the reputation of baseball, the very life of which depends on its being kept free of every taint," President Baum said. "We have done our best to prevent the operations of gamblers who would like to sell pools or make bets upon baseball, and several arrests and convictions have helped to drive them to

Divers to Do Stunts.

Louis J. Balbach and Clair Tait have been secured from Swimming Instructor Jack Cody, of the Multnomah Club, to give fancy diving stunts for the benefit of the tower. A special feature race will be made up of 16-foot speed boats. Already the Bear Cat, owned by Roy J. Yak and Baby Bell have been entered.

Wilbur J. Smith and his Oregon Kid II will be expected to furnish the greatest attraction of the regatta. In the Wolf IV, in the free-for-all speed boat race, Young Smith is credited with being the youngest "speedboat artist" in the world, and he will be a crowd puller. He is 12 years old, from Astoria, to assist him in the boat.

An added attraction, which is being billed as the best in production, after noon, will be the so-called "jiny race." All old boats of one of the concessions of The Oaks have been purchased, and four passengers will be placed in each one.

Each Passenger to Paddle.

The boats are square at each end, making it almost an impossibility to steer them. Each passenger will be required to carry a paddle, furnishing the motive power. The race will be for about 100 yards and will be started at 4:30 o'clock.

In the class B or 25-footer yacht race considerable rivalry has been created. Captain Todd is going to have his Grayling out and the Argenta will be run by Captain Mendenhall. An unnamed boat, built by H. C. Mastorf and designed from the two other boats, will be lined up to race. The Kenosha, with W. J. Nichols at the steering wheel, and George Sholin, in the Swallow, will be entered in this race.

Arthur Sholin and veteran racer, with his Columbia, Nelson Lodge, in the Wauna; the Nalad, owned by Ted Breyman and sailed by Lucius Mackelvey, and Halsey, piloted by William Wilson, will form the opposition in the cruiser race.

Officials Are Announced.

Following are the officials of the regatta and the complete programme for the day:

Judges: Gos Moser, Dr. Charles Hill, M. M. Ringler, A. A. Hoover, C. W. Booth; timers, V. P. Ross, J. L. Scarth, Fred M. Dammsch, Dr. Dammsch, Dick Jack Yates, Miles Standish; regatta committee Oregon Yacht Club, E. J. Carr, chairman; William J. Towey, A. M. Callen, secretary; Portland Motorboat Club, L. M. Myers, chairman; J. L. Scarth, A. A. Hoover, Gus Gade, M. Jones.

Programme—1 P. M., sailing race for cruisers; 1:35 P. M., six-mile race for runabouts, speed 15 miles or under; 1:55 P. M., ladies' doubles canoe race; 2:15 P. M., 50-yard swim for ladies; 2:35 P. M., six-mile motor cruiser handicap; 2:50 P. M., exhibition of high fancy diving; 2:40 P. M., 100-yard swim for men; 3:15 P. M., mixed doubles canoe race; 3:15 P. M., six-mile race for runabouts, speed 15 miles or over; 3:30 P. M., men's doubles canoe race; 4 P. M., sailing race for class B yachts; 4:15 P. M., speedboat race, nine miles; 4:30 P. M., jiny race; 4:45 P. M., evenude free-for-all; 5 P. M., men's four-cylinder motor cruiser handicap; 5:20 P. M., presentation of prizes; 8:45 P. M., dancing at clubhouse.

SEMI-FINALS ON TODAY

DIRECTORS' CUP TOURNAMENT WILL END AT PORTLAND CLUB MONDAY.

Qualifying Rounds One for Club Championship Matches, and Team for Salem Try to Be Chosen.

Semi-finals in the directors' cup tournament will be played this afternoon at the Portland Golf Club. A. G. Mills will play Dr. W. L. Northrup and John Holchman will play Earl Barker. The finals will be played tomorrow, and the match will be 36 holes.

A good deal of interest was manifested in the tournament and a large gallery is expected at today's and tomorrow's matches.

Yesterday the players started on the qualifying rounds for the club championship tournament, which will be played as soon as possible after the qualifying scores have been figured up. The qualifying rounds are expected to be played off by Monday.

The team that will play the Eugene golfers here during the Rose Festival will be chosen from those having the best scores in the qualifying rounds.

The Portland Club is figuring on having at least 20 players participate in the state tournament at the Waverly Club, Rudolph Wilhelm and J. R. Straight are sure bets for entry. They will compete in the open events.

Changes and improvements are still going on at the Portland course. The bunker across the sixth fairway is half completed and traps are being put in at the eighth hole.

Two new members were voted in at the meeting of the board Wednesday. They are Frederick W. Staff and Miss Ida May Steele. The ban has not been lifted on women members, but Miss Steele was accepted, as her application was filed before the order not to take in any more women members became effective.

Harry Pratt, the club professional, paid a visit to the Salem links yesterday to see how the game was played in the capital city.

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RAUM ON TRAIL OF BETTORS

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SAN FRANCISCO, May 29.—"All forms of gambling on baseball games in the Pacific Coast League must be suppressed," A. T. Baum, president of the league, said last night before he left for Los Angeles to investigate alleged gambling.

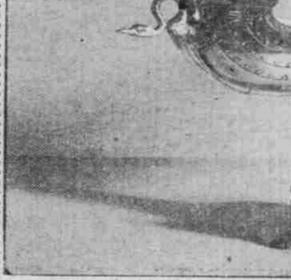
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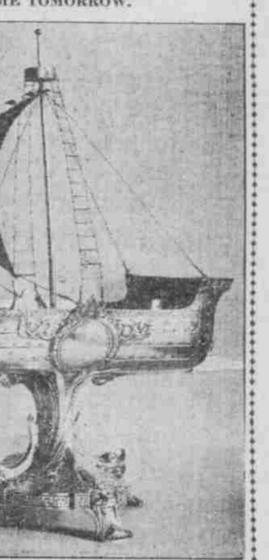
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