

BOXING THROUGHOUT LAND GOOD IN 1916

California Alone Fails to Share in Boom to Pugilistic Game.

AMATEUR STATUS MUDDLED

Portland Lacks Definition of Amateur—Willard's Victory Is Greatest of Year—Welsh Does Nothing to Help.

Everything considered the year 1915 has not been such a bad one for the boxing game in this country. This, despite the fact that Freddie Welsh, the English pugilist, still retains the lightweight title and the European war, hasn't been a bad season after all.

In Portland the amateur situation is considerably muddled due to the fact that no definition of an amateur was given when the city promoters drew up their boxing ordinance.

During the year the American Boxing Association was brought into existence and it looks like a mighty good thing for the game, although the fact that the boxing game is such an organization needs to be successful.

In the welterweight division a hopeful tangle is found. Willie Gibbons claims the title, but it would seem a good idea that Willie and Kid Graves, the Cleveland writer, get together and settle the dispute.

In the lightweight class a battle between Charley Frazier of Chicago, and Freddie Welsh should settle the argument, but at present it again seems as far off as ever.

Who is the bantamweight champion? That's what the fans would like to know. Johnny Kittle won from Kid Williams on a foul in the title fight.

The new association created a new class to be known as the flyweight division. It takes in the little fellows up to 115 pounds and should give Abe Gordon a chance to place.

Tom Andrews, the Milwaukee boxing expert, predicts the number of contests staged in this country this year up to the present time at 2573.

Bowling Notes.

THE O'DONNELL, one of the leading bowlers of the Pacific Coast, who formerly resided in Portland, but who now makes his headquarters in Seattle, Wash., is in Portland for a championship tournament.

Columbia University is featuring a house league among the students. The standings of the teams up to the time of the Christmas holidays last week were: Ithaca Sharp and James Mahoney, first; Father Howard and the South, second; "Duke" Everett and Charles Foley, third; and Father Cunningham and Professor Conway, fourth.

Because of the Christmas holidays there was little league action on either the Oregon or the Pacific coast during the past week. After the first of the year five circuits will be set up in this country on the Pacific coast.



No, dear reader, this is not a "badman." He is only an ordinary trapezoider and wing shot, well known in Portland. That big gun barrel is nothing more than a regulation trap gun, but it is taken in such a position that it appears as big as a megaphone.

This is a birdseye view of Frank Templeton's gun just before he pulled the trigger. Frank can be seen in the distance—most distinct when the gun Club, and in the recent Gilbert trophy shoot he carried off first honors by breaking 39 out of 100.

Walter Woods holds the record for the Portland alley for a league game so far during the present season with one game at 37 and the other at 27. Manager Frank's record is 28 and 24 in two different contests.

The Woodmen of the World and Oregon House League will not be in action at the Oregon alleys until after the first of the year. All the participants are taking a week's rest to begin a more strenuous campaign later on.

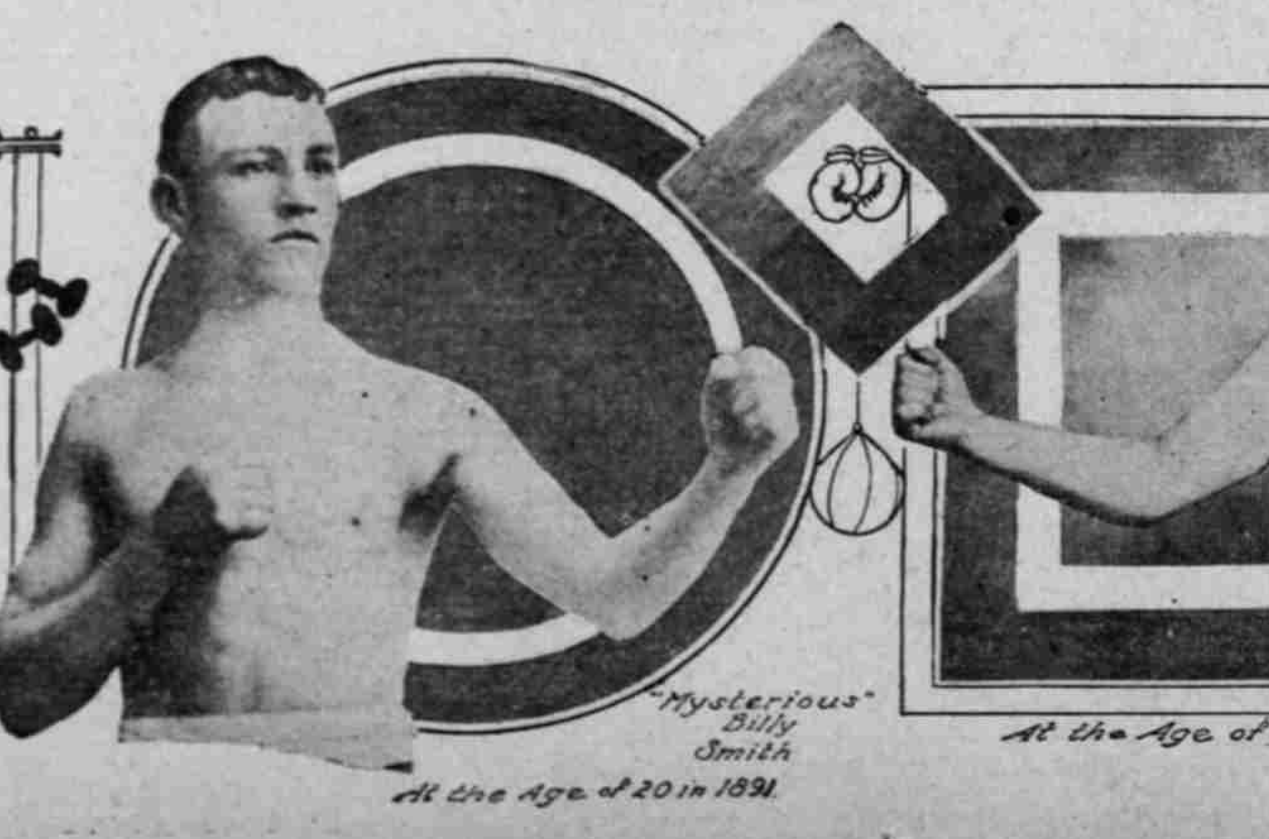
The Journal and the Telegram bowlers are in a deadlock for leadership of the Portland duckpin circuit. Both quarters have equal 19 wins and 11 defeats.

Table with columns for 'Standing of League on Oregon Alleys', 'Team', 'Wins', 'Losses', 'Ties', 'Total'. Lists various teams like Standard Oil, Auto Top Co, etc.

Table with columns for 'Individual Averages', 'Player', 'Average', 'Total'. Lists players like Peterson, V.P., etc.

During last year the Police Department of the City of New York aided 101,247 sick and wounded soldiers who had been returned by the police from Germany.

WELL, WELL, HERE'S OLD "MYSTERIOUS" STEPPING BACK INTO THE ROPED ARENA JUST TO SHOW DIFFERENCE BETWEEN GLADIATORS OF PAST AND PRESENT.



INTEREST SIMMERS IN BASEBALL AGAIN

Production of Machines for 1916 Coast League Race to Start in Two Weeks.

AX IS LIGHT ON SEALS

Many Switches in Harry Wolverton's Championship Nine Not Expected—Team Will Be Kept Down to the 17-Man Limit.

BY HARRY E. SMITH. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Two or more weeks at the outside will see the baseball pot once more boiling, this time turning out material that will make up the Pacific Coast League for 1916.

There has been little or nothing with the mention so far as new moves are concerned, and largely what the sporting writers have handed the public has been largely "made" news.

But judging from indications here and there, Harry is shrewd enough to realize that the fans are in need of a rest after the long season, and he has been bent on taking their minds, so far as possible, off the subject of the National pastime.

So far as the San Francisco champions are concerned, it doesn't look that Wolverton will make many switches. He has already declared his intention of keeping his team down to 17 men during the bulk of the season, and says, further, that he will not take more than 24 into training camp, which number will include several novices who are to be tried out more for the future than for the immediate present.

The boss of the Seals also has told us that he expects to make a couple of changes in his squad by releasing some of his regulars. He has already declared his intention of keeping his team down to 17 men during the bulk of the season, and says, further, that he will not take more than 24 into training camp, which number will include several novices who are to be tried out more for the future than for the immediate present.

At the beginning of the fourth round the "Mysterious" Billy as one of the toughest customers that ever stepped into a ring. In those days Smith fought at 145 to 150 pounds and is credited with having been the winner of the undisputed world welterweight championship.

Smith began professional boxing along about 1890 in New York City. While he was engaged in the saloon business he got mixed up in a shooting scrape and got the worst of the decision. Four bullets punctured his chest and another went through his left arm.

Some friends went to the hospital to get a dying statement from him. When he told what they were after he nearly wrecked the place. "Get out of here!" he yelled, rising as it were, almost from the grave, and said he would again in three weeks.

Smith's first name is Ames. He was born in Eastport, Me., May 15, 1871. His latest attempt to "come back" will take place Wednesday night at the Rose City Club when he takes on Jack Root.

Many are the stories that are told of the old gladiator. Some years ago Harry Tutbill took Smith to Boston for a match. Taking Smith any place in those days was some job, when it is recalled what a mussy person he was.

In Boston he got mixed up in a bar-room brawl and was stabbed on the back with a razor by a colored carver. After quite a run the police caught

says he proposes to stick by the ruling and to keep his club within the stated \$1500 a month.

High-Salaried Players Signed. It is freely whispered that of all the clubs the Vernon Tigers will have the toughest time getting down to the limit. Ed Maier has signed up a lot of high-salaried ball players and his salary roll is bound to mount up in consequence.

That lops just a ninth off the Maier financial bill, which means \$1500 a year, which means \$500.

Prohibition Real Blow to Coos Bay Bohemian.

Dr. W. B. Hayden's Unique Little Den, Haven of Many Wreath Travelers, to Be Blotted Out.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—One of the unique places in Oregon will lose an important source of its charm when January first circumscribes the privilege of liquor saloons. Dr. W. B. Hayden's Bohemian den has been the gathering place of good fellows in Marshfield for 15 years, and since Coos Bay is unacquainted with the hospitality the place always held out to the visitor, Good eats and liquor in quantities to suit have always been the attractions of Dr. Hayden's home for the lame duck or the millionaire.

Dr. Hayden is a graduate of Oxford University and has had children born in the States. He has been a whaler for several years, and, in knocking about the world, has gathered a fund of information on the habits of men, and it is known by every friend and acquaintance as a man with unusual viewpoints on life.

Dr. Hayden is a scientist, and pays much attention to botany and geology than other branches. He has a collection of fauna and fossils which is the only complete one of its kind in Humboldt County. Through this line of endeavor he has made acquaintances throughout the coast region among college students who have honours for their pursuits of collecting, and his classifications are found in Washington, D. C., the University of Washington, the University of Oregon, Stanford, San Diego University, and the Albany, New York, Museum.

Drinking the fate that removes drinking from amusements, Dr. Hayden looks upon the new law as a spoilation of personal rights.

GIRL KIDNAPED IN AUTO

Victim Chloroformed by Abductor and Left Helpless by Roadside.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The mystery as to the identity of the girl found unconscious at the roadside in Rockville Center, Long Island, was cleared today. Dr. L. Enzor Hutchison, into whose hands she was carried, made it known that she was Miss Louise Bommer, daughter of Emil Bommer, a wealthy Brooklyn steel manufacturer.

WAR ENTIRELY WIPES OUT GOLF IN FRANCE

Links Which Are Not Used for Battlegrounds Abandoned Because Golfers Are All at Front, and Women Don't Play Out of Sympathy.

Finalist in 1915 National Championship. PARIS, France, Nov. 27.—There was a time when France boasted many thousands of golfers, when the spirit of international rivalry in golf was so great that the clubs always insisted on their professional championship being held each year in Belgium, France, Germany, and gladly paid all fees and expenses when their professionals evinced a desire to play in the biggest golfing event of the year, the British Open.

Ever since Arnaud Massy won the open championship of Great Britain at Holyoke and cried out in ecstasy, "The British professionals have all been beaten today," the French lovers of the game have been unusually keen to produce another champion.

Massy, Jean Gassiat, Louis Teller, Bombardier and others have successfully met shot for shot and putt for putt with a large percentage of victories. Enthusiastic crowds have followed the golfers, who are always paired up so that a Frenchman will go around with a well-known English or Scotch golfer, and the spotlight is given at every opportunity. I have been at two of these championships and know that they are more enjoyed by the professionals than anywhere else.

No scorekeepers are ever had, and it is not possible for a professional to play for either food or drink. Railway fares and hotel bills are always cut in two so that from a financial standpoint of view the holiday taken by the visiting professionals is inexpensive, but full of joy.

While in Paris I called upon one of the foremost officials in the association. He said, as dead there as it had been 50 years back. It was true that at La Boule and the other courses there were many hundred members who were not of the warring nations, but almost without exception the men and women chose to absent themselves out of sympathy for those who could not play. It indeed has provoked many expressions of praise and will not be forgotten when the war comes to an end.

BURNS WOULD CALL OFF BIG RING BOAT

Promoter Avers New Orleans Papers Aren't Supporting Fight Well Enough.

ANDREWS OPPOSES CHANGE

Fulton Entitled to Chance to Go Against Willard for Title Is Statement of Milwaukee Boxing Representative.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 25.—Asserting that New Orleans newspapers are not lending their support to the proposed 20-round bout between Champion Jess Willard and Fred Fulton, of Rochester, Minn., to be staged next March for the heavyweight championship of the world, Tommy Burns, the promoter, today notified Tom Andrews, his local representative, that he desired to call the bout off. Andrews told Burns such a move would be a serious mistake.

Andrews also said that if the New Orleans promoter decided not to stage the match, he (Andrews) would gladly take over the project by offering the boxers a purse of \$25,000 for a ten-round bout during the first week in February.

"It would be a serious mistake for Burns to drop the project," said Andrews tonight. "Fulton is the best of the heavyweights in the world. The proposed substitution of Frank Moran for Fulton would be a poor one. Moran has refused to meet Fulton.

SLANG SLINGERS DOOMED

Rhetoric Faculty of University of Minnesota Makes Move.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 21.—That type of University of Minnesota student from whom Addisonian English comes forth in the classroom, but who goes upon the campus and wants to know what's the buzz, or "who's his queen" or refers to every professor as a "barb," is doomed. High may that type of student stand as a slingslinger, but in marking in English work all jumpy language ordinarily used will count adversely.

The rhetoric faculty met recently and decided the time has come when the use of slang in ordinary campus conversation is bad as the agreement of the faculty.

Head Bumped; Woman Gets \$5000.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 21.—Because Mrs. Anna C. Donovan bumped her head against an iron box which delivered milk, she was awarded \$5000. The case was heard in the Superior Court of St. Paul, and Mrs. Donovan sued for \$20,000 and got a verdict for \$5000. The Supreme Court sustains it if she will consent to a reduction to \$5000.

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