

PELSINGER, BRONSON BY VETERAN SECOND

"Moose" Tausig, Who Will Be In Lad's Corner, One of Wisest in Business.

TUESDAY'S CARD IS GOOD

Golden West Athletic League Will Have Six Bouts for Edification of Boxing Fans, According to Promoters' Announcement.

BY HARRY M. GRAYSON. If Harry Pelsinger, shiftily little 125-pound San Francisco champion of the Pacific Coast, loses to "Muff" Bronson at the Golden West Athletic League's show at the Rose City Athletic Club Tuesday night it will not be because he was badly advised.

In the lad's corner will be "Moose" Tausig, one of the wisest seconds and conditioners in the business. The same "Moose" took Abe Attell out for his first fight, whispered advice in the ear of Willie Ritchie in all of his big California engagements; advised Packey McFarland when he defeated "Harem Tommy" Murphy in San Francisco in 1911; combed back the hair of Stanley Ketchel in all his big setoffs and nursed Sailor Patsenky along until he became a dangerous middle-weight contender.

The same "Moose" made "Red" Watson, a lad with only a fighting heart, a capable lightweight in seconds. "Bud" Anderson in all of his engagements when he startled the pugilistic world in Los Angeles three years ago; made "Gunboat" Smith beat Jess Willard in 20 rounds and wallop Frank Moran; started "Fighting Bob" McAllister on the high road to success and handled Al Neil when he was in his prime. His seconded Frankie Nell and Tommy Murphy in many scraps.

It was "Moose" Tausig who carried Ralph Gruman in the ring when he first went to San Francisco and beat Sully Salvador, Johnny O'Leary and Dick Kendall. It was "Moose" to whom Billy Gibson came in New York. "Moose" Winter to have the famous San Francisco second Benny Leonard the night he beat Johnny Dundee. "Moose" in New York with Meehan and Miller. Tausig is a credit to the boxing game. He is a gentleman, always quiet and soft spoken. Just now he is handling Pelsinger, Willie Meehan, heavyweight; Frankie Jones, welterweight; and Eddie Miller. Last winter he took Willie Meehan and Eddie Miller, featherweight. Meehan won 14 straight battles.

Harry Pelsinger and Jimmy Duffy have been working out under the eye of "Moose" Tausig and are in wonderful condition. Sammy Morris also has been in this stable.

Following is the Golden West Athletic League's full card for Tuesday night: Featherweights, "Muff" Bronson vs. Harry Pelsinger; 115 pounds, Wellington Wing vs. Jimmy Duffy; of Oakland; 160 pounds, Valley Trambitas vs. "Young Jack" Johnson; 125 pounds, Sammy Morris vs. Jess Willard; 135 pounds, Frank Huelat vs. Kid Irish; 135 pounds, Jim Moscow vs. "Buck" Smith.

"Moose" Tausig returned from a trip to Australia in May, 1915, after a three months' sojourn there with Eddie Miller, Frankie Jones and Willie Meehan. He saw Leslie James Darcy in action several times, and his opinion, coming from one of the shrewdest judges of boxers in the game, goes for something.

"Mike Gibbons or any other clever middleweight will beat Darcy decisively in ten rounds and end the fight at night. "But he will beat any man in the world save Jess Willard in 20 rounds."

Tausig is a great admirer of the present heavyweight champion, "Willard's too big to get beat soon," is the way "Moose" put it.

Harry Pelsinger, who meets "Muff" Bronson Tuesday night, has, like Bronson, lost but one fight in his career. He has been boxing two years. Among the boys he has defeated are: Jimmy Carroll (twice), Frankie Malone, Frankie Farron (ex-amateur Pacific Coast bantamweight champion), Jimmy Fox, Joe Hill (twice), Walter South, Al McManus, Billy Hughes, Bobby Johnson and Billy Liver.

"Muff" Bronson will box Frankie Sullivan four rounds at Tacoma February 7.

January 28 the Moose Club at Seattle will present a card. The main event will be between "Oakland" Burns and "Sailor Eddie" McManus, while the semi-main event will feature Chet Neff against Eddie Pinkham.

Personal Touches in Sport.

The Holdout.

WE NOW are drawing near to that sad season of the year when we shall be quite sure to hear the hold-outs' names. The hold-outs are the convales, and walls that fifteen thousand beans his boss must dig up from his jeans, or else he'll quit the job. He says he'll never, never, unless he gets a boost in pay, and maybe he'll quit anyway—he's tired of the old game. He weeps and walls players are but slaves, word better much be in their graves—oh, it's a awful shame! His words drive us all most to drink, and we're so sorry for the gink we lie awake o' nights and think and worry o'er his lot. Yet he gets dollars for the dime a guy can earn in writing rhymes—yep, he will grab at least ten times as much as we have got.

The Baffling Question.

The gods who dwell on Olympus' heights used off to rather on rainy nights, the spell of politics, sport and war. And love and scandal and fights and gore. They argued long and they argued loud. And some were humble and some were proud. For this gang of gods were much like men. And they punched each other now and then.

And so, with much argument and fuss, Many the problems they settled thus. But one there was they could not decide, Though with mouth and fists they often tried.

If the gods still lived, it's one good bet They'd be equalizing that question yet. What got the gods of the gods on high Was, "What is an amateur and why?"

Boxers nowadays pay a lot of attention to footwork and headwork, but the fans would like a little more handwork.

"Kitty" Bransfield used to speak plain English, but now that he is to be an umpire, he'll probably soon forget it.

The European war is costing a lot of money, but just think what it would

VETERAN TRAINER AND HIS TWO SMILING PROTEGES, WHO MEET PORTLAND'S BEST TUESDAY NIGHT.



Above, Left to Right—Jimmy Duffy, "Moose" Tausig and Harry Pelsinger. Below—"Moose" Tausig.

coot if they had to pay Jess Willard rates for their fighters!

This is a punk world. Eggs are highest in price just when bum boxers, wrestlers and actors are most prevalent.

Basketball's Birthday.

Basketball's 25th birthday finds the game flourishing as never before, and crowding baseball and track athletics for popular favor. It was just a quarter of a century ago that the first match game of basketball was played in Springfield, Mass., between two classes of the Y. M. C. A. training school. The sport was invented by Dr. James A. Naismith, then of the Springfield institution, but now of the University of Kansas. It is estimated that at least a quarter of a million persons now play basketball as members of regular clubs, and the sport has spread to every part of the United States and Canada, and to Europe, South Africa and the Far East. In the early days of the game there were as many as 20 men on a team, and the rules have since been standardized of late years, and basketball is now in its improved form, promises to become the great American indoor sport.

Although he did not do very well in 1916, Ray Chapman, the great shortstop of the Indians, is expected to come back strong this year. Raymond is 30 years old, but he was born in Old Kentucky, at Owensboro, on January 15, 1891. He is now at the age when he ought to be at his best, and the fact that about 15 major league clubs have been trying to get him indicates that there is no lack of faith in his ability to regain his 1915 form, when he was hailed as the best shortstop in Ban Johnson's little old ball league. Chapman broke into professional ball in 1910, playing with Dayton, Ill., and Springfield and Kewanee, Ill. In 1912 he was with Toledo, where he played the most brilliant season of his career. Toward the close of the season he was turned over to Cleveland, and won a regular berth with the Indians right from the jump. Last year he broke an ankle, and that put him out of the game for some time. He was tried at third and second last year, but did not show up well.

Thirty years ago Harry Gilmore, the clever Canadian, attempted to wrest the lightweight laurels from Jack McAuliffe at Lawrence, Mass., and he gave Williamsburg Jack a run for his money. The bout was for the championship belt and—just think of it—\$500 a side. The men fought with skin gloves. Twenty-eight rounds had been fought when Gilmore's backers tossed up the broken nose and several other injuries. McAuliffe was also pretty much battered, and of his career he has almost closed. He afterwards admitted that he was mighty glad when Gilmore gave in, because he couldn't have kept on fighting with his bum nose. McAuliffe retired from the lightweight championship undefeated, and has since been making a living on the vaudeville circuit. He is now in Chicago as a boxing instructor.

Grandview Boy Shot by Accident.

GRANDVIEW, Wash., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—Edward Hagdale, son of Mr. Mrs. E. Hagdale, of Grandview, was accidentally shot in the side Thursday while driving in a buggy. The jolting of the buggy discharged the gun, which was hanging behind the seat. The wound is not regarded as serious.

RITCHIE SAYS DARCY'S IDEAS OF WORTH AS ATTRACTION HAVE RISEN IN LAST 12 MONTHS

Willie Tells How, Year Ago, Australian Was Willing to Accept Contract for \$35,000 if He Could Have Gotten Out of His Native Land, but Now He's Here Offers of More Cash Cause Him to Spurn Former Terms.

BY HARRY B. SMITH. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20.—(Special.)—Willie Ritchie, this week told a story of lost opportunities, a chance to make a fortune and the chance that went to pieces. It's all about Les Darcy and a scheme that was planned a year ago to bring the much advertised Australian to America.

Ritchie and Leonard Hicks, a personal friend and Chicago hotel men were in on the deal and now that the dream has been spoiled they are quite willing to let friends in on the proposition. Ritchie is still in New York, Hicks conceived the idea of bringing Darcy to America. He opened negotiations and proceeded to the point when it was apparent something might come of the proposition. Then he took Ritchie into his confidence and the pair became equal partners in the proposition. It was Ritchie who suggested they should offer Darcy two round-trip tickets and a guarantee of \$30,000 for three fights.

Darcy's Terms Accepted. They sent the offer and Darcy replied, this time by cable, that he figured he ought to receive \$25,000. He explained it would be necessary for him to put up a bond to insure his returning to Sydney within six months and also that he would be forced to make a move to leave Australia. He said their offer was O. K. and that he would have enjoyed making the trip. Which was rather slim solace to a man who had twice forwarded transportation to Australia and also had spent something like \$100 in cablegrams.

However, there was nothing to do but grin and bear it. Darcy Flees From Country. Later came the word that Darcy had fled from Australia. Ritchie, just about ripe for his yearly winter campaign in the East, postponed his departure, because he figured Darcy would be coming this way and he wanted to be

WALKER REAL STAR

Seattle Player Likely to Be in Line for Prize.

AMATEUR BOXERS PASSING

Non-Professionals, Particularly in Seattle, Seem to Be on the Tobeoggan—Northwestern League Season to Be Short.

B' PORTUS BAXTER.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—When the official statistician of the Pacific Coast Hockey League tries to figure out the player who is entitled to the "Legion of Honor" for special achievements during the present playing season one of the names before him will be that of Jack Walker, Seattle's brilliant defensive star.

Early in the season it was announced that a prize would be given to the player whose work stood out in bold relief. The official scorer of each club will name one candidate for the honor and then the statistician of the league will make his selection from this list.

It may seem a trifle premature to pick Walker as the selection for the Seattle club, but general gossip has it that he is leading and when I talked with Royal Brougham, who takes care of the statistics for the Seattle club, I did not have much trouble arriving at the conclusion that Walker was really as good as a clinch.

Walker is the inventor and most successful user of what is known in professional hockey circles as the "hook" defense. He has increased in interest. Walker has stopped more rushes with his patented maneuver than any other player in the league. He is also fairly prominent in the matter of scoring. After all is said it is his defensive work that gives him the lead for the prize.

Amateur boxing in the Pacific Northwest, and especially Seattle, appears to be on the toboggan. With its disappearance has come increased interest and rivalry between Seattle and Port-

land boxers who do not pose as amateurs. One good feature of the new sport is that there is no occasion to worry over the "purity" of the contestants. The public knows that they receive money instead of medals for services, and it should be a matter of supreme indifference as to how much they receive. That a large percentage of the so-called boxing news deals with the amount of money fighters are to receive is an undeniable fact, but that does not make it news. It is simply a feature of commercialized sport that has been thrust upon the public, with an idea of inflating the value of the performance. The same criticism might be made about baseball. The managers thought to advertise their wares by naming big prices in connection with the sale of players. At the present time the public discounts any announcement about fancy prices.

The Northwestern Baseball League will not get around to worry over its schedule until the early part of next month. Deeply as it is to be expected the probable length of the playing season the probability is that it will not exceed 100 days.

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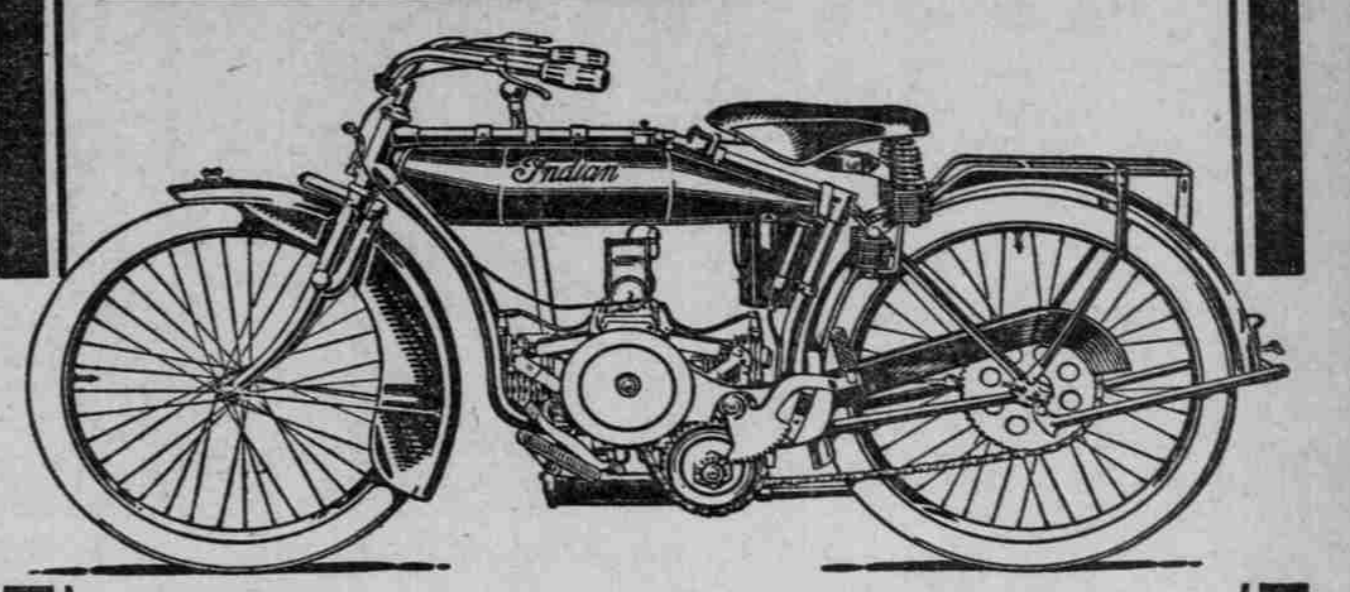
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GUN CLUB IS ACTIVE

Everding Park Grounds Will Be Best in Country.

IMPROVEMENT TO BE MADE

Contracts Are Already Awarded to Build Concrete Walks, Shooting Stands and to Make Entire Grounds More Attractive.

When plans of the 1917 board of directors of the Portland Gun Club are completed, the best trapshooting grounds in the United States will be situated at the Portland Gun Club's Everding Park grounds at Jenne Station.

John G. Clemons, president of the club; Homer A. Pollock, vice-president; Henry R. Everding, secretary-treasurer; Allan W. Strowger and William C. Bristol, directors; C. C. Kelly, consulting engineer, are out to make history in the trapshooting world.

The consulting engineer is a newly created office of the club and Mr. Kelly is the first man to hold the position.

Improvements to Be Made. Already contracts have been let for \$1600 worth of improvements, and active work will commence this week.

Of that sum \$1200 will be used to build concrete sidewalks and shooting stands from one end of the trap stands to the other. Concrete roofs on all four trapphouses will be erected and the grounds leveled so that all the traps will be the same height.

The grounds will be beautified with shrubbery, lawns and flowers according to the original plans.

H. A. Pollock, manager of the club's teams at out-of-town competitions, is now acting president, as President Clemons is in the East on a business trip, and will not return until late next month.

The first big tournament to be staged under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club will be that of the annual Northwest Sportsmen's Association. It will take place early in June and in July the annual convocation of the Pacific Interstates will be held at Everding Park traps. It is planned that everything will be ready within six weeks.

The money for all the improvements was donated by one of the wealthy members of the club.

Sunday Shooting to Be Allowed. The Pacific Coast handicap tournament will be held in May at San Jose, Cal. This will mean that airroads along the Pacific Coast will have plenty of trapshooting during the coming summer.

The club's registered courses each month will be on the schedule. The Interstate Association, through its popular president, T. E. Doremus, of Willamette, Del., has announced that Sunday shooting will now be registered.

The Western trapshooters have been working for Sunday schools for years without result, so it was planned to give the idea a tryout during the 1917 campaign.

The weekly shoot at the Everding Park traps will be held as usual today, starting at 10 o'clock and again Wednesday afternoon. The clubhouse is open to club members and their friends at all times. Complete renovations are planned for the clubhouse, but nothing will be done along those lines until the weather moderates.

Movie Produces Pledge Decency. NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Twenty-five producers of moving pictures, constituting the censorship committee of the National Association of the Motion Picture Industry have pledged themselves and the association here to aid in the prosecution of every producer of indecent or obscene pictures.

WESTERN FOOTBALL SAID TO BE ENTITLED TO RECOGNITION

Oliver B. Huston Declares Oregon's Victory Over Pennsylvania Absolute Demonstration Eastern Elevens No Better Than Pacific Coast.

BY OLIVER B. HUSTON, Captain Oregon Track Team '09.

IN view of the thorough trimming of the football team given Pennsylvania at Pasadena on New Year's day, which I was fortunate enough to witness, following the notable defeat of Brown by Washington State College a year ago, it seems a fitting time to make a comparison of Eastern and Western football by one who knows, or thinks he knows, something of the respective merits of both.

As to being qualified to judge, I will state, without intending any defeat in praise, that I had considerable football experience at Pacific University and the University of Oregon, and in 1910 played Yale Law School for a period of three years. During my stay in the East I saw practically all the big Eastern teams in action, including Yale, Harvard, Pennsylvania, Cornell, Army, Navy, Brown, Colgate and various others, and will say unqualifiedly that I feel that the Eastern elevens are no better than the Pacific Coast elevens.

When Oregon, with 450 men from which to choose a team, can vanquish a team which has 4500, or 19 times as many, it is time some of the other parts of the country, older, but not necessarily more advanced in all lines, including football, should realize that we excel in other lines of sport than shooting Indians.

There is no question but that Parsons, Huntington and Beckett should have been placed near the top in All-American circles. Certainly they made their All-American opponents at Pasadena look like mere tyros. Also it is my opinion that it would have been exceedingly difficult to have kept Mitchell, Torgar and Bartlett and others off of any team in the country had they been trying out for the same.

In conclusion I want to say that the Pacific Coast not only requests but demands better recognition in the choosing of All-American teams in the future, and if we do not get it I suggest that we start a subscription list and purchase an immense periscope, by looking through which Walter Camp and other Eastern football authorities will be enabled to see over the Rocky Mountains during the football season and so get a more proper idea of what the Pacific Coast elevens are accomplishing on the gridiron.

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