

GIBBONS BLEED TO BOX BOY McCORMICK

Milwaukie to Stage Match for World Title.

CHARLEY WHITE ON CARD

Show Set for January 1 Schedules Best String of Bouts Ever Offered Oregon Fans.

BY RICHARD R. SHARP. The first world's championship boxing bout ever held in Oregon will take place in the Milwaukie arena New Year's night.

Matchmaker Frank Kendall of the Milwaukie boxing commission and George Moore, manager of the arena, announced yesterday that they had signed Boy McCormick, light-heavyweight champion of England and holder of the Lord Lornedale belt, emblematic of the title, to meet Tommy Gibbons of St. Paul, recognized American champion, in the main event of ten rounds.

Wonders do not cease with the McCormick-Gibbons match. How does this look?

Charley White of Chicago, contender for the world's lightweight championship, who has every great boxer at his weight in the ring today, will battle ten rounds against Muff Bronson of Portland in the semi-main event. Can you imagine Charley White boxing second on a card and in the neck of the woods? The only thing that could be said, or rather the only reason that he permitted the Milwaukie commission to put him in second notch, is that the world's championship battle was on top of the bill.

Wonders Never Cease.

More wonders, Joe Gorman, chairman of the Pacific coast featherweight championship, will fight Earl Baird of Seattle, former amateur champion of the United States, who turned professional last year, eight rounds in the special event. This bout is a main event in any city on the Pacific coast. Baird has not returned from fighting a series of six main events in Los Angeles and is matched to battle Bobby Harper in the main event of this week's card in Seattle.

An eight-round bout will open the show, featuring Al Sommers, former Pacific coast middleweight champion, against the best man that can be obtained to meet him.

If this card is not the greatest bill that has ever been arranged in the northwest, a guess is missed.

Never has such an amount of class been assembled on one card. It will be the first real championship bout staged on the Pacific coast since Jim Jeffries fought Jack Johnson in Reno, Nev., for the heavyweight title of the world.

When the Milwaukie boxing commission first made its bow it announced through Matchmaker Frank Kendall that it would endeavor to give only the best in the line of flat bouts to the boxing followers of Portland and the state of Oregon. This was a most commendable and ambitious goal by matching Boy McCormick and Frank Farmer, one of the biggest bouts staged in years in the northwest, and the fact that Milwaukie was also stamped as the best all-around bill yet to make its appearance is the advent of the ten-round game.

Second Card Good.

In staging the second card, which was held last Tuesday night, Milwaukie went beyond the ordinary and signed Tommy Gibbons to box Jimmy Darcy ten rounds. The balance of the card stuck to the main event and the bill was another hummer.

Now in only their third show, Milwaukie has secured an international bout that will attract country-wide interest and settle the light-heavyweight championship, which has been mired for several years.

Jack Dillon started on the down slide there have been many claimants of the light-heavyweight title. One by one, Tommy Gibbons has been polishing them off until there does not remain a man at his weight who has any better right than he has to the crown.

McCormick is the real champion of England and he has not been defeated since his arrival in this country. In England they are considering him for a match with Carpentier. He is the only remaining British title holder who has not proved a lemon and has held his own against the leading boxer of the continent. McCormick is unlike most of his countrymen in that he is a fighter as well as a boxer. That may come from the fact that he is a through-and-through Irishman.

Farmer Gets Plenty. Although Farmer held him to a draw, it is the opinion of most of the close followers of the game here that the bout been scheduled for several more rounds the Tacoma boxer would have been stowed away.

Gibbons is on his way to St. Paul, but will retract his stay as soon as he gets home and has a peek at a new-born baby that made its arrival while he was in the northwest. McCormick is in Seattle and will leave at once for Portland. Charley White is in Seattle and will arrive here early this week.

Owing to the great expense that will be required to stage the card, the prices will be scaled from \$1 to \$2. The present prices range from \$1 to \$2. Manager Moore announced that the increase of admission will be in force only for such bouts of international importance as the McCormick-Gibbons mill, which means that big guarantees have to be made. It is estimated that the show will draw between \$10,000 and \$15,000.

Baseball War Falls to Stop Trades.

While American league club owners have been at war their managers have kept the peace with each other. Miller Huggins of the Yankees, for instance, lets it be known that one of the trades he is about to conclude is with the manager of a club whose owner differs politically with Jake Ruppert.

Cubs After Reuther.

The Chicago Cubs are said to have made an offer of \$100,000 to the Cincinnati club for Walter Reuther. Of course it has been refused. Now why didn't the Cubs keep Reuther when they had him? They let him go to Cincinnati for \$1500, the then waiver price.

Allen's Volley Ball Team Wins.

Captain Baltes Allen's volleyball team won the business men's interclass tournament at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday in twelve games. They entered in the tourney. Captain Allen's team was composed of the following: C. A. Wood, W. E. Nash, H. E. Jacobson, I. C. Cunningham and A. D. Cutler.



INDEPENDENT FIVES BUSY

PLANS FOR SEPARATE LEAGUE ARE UNDER WAY.

Multnomah Guard Team to Go to Dallas December 27; Maroon F. Wants Out-of-Town Games.

Independent basketball is on in full swing. Plans for organizing an independent hoops' league are under way and final arrangements will be made and a schedule drawn up at the next meeting Tuesday night at the Multnomah guards' clubrooms in the Chamber of Commerce building.

Six teams were represented at the first meeting held last week, and it is expected that several more teams which have expressed a desire to enter the proposed league will have their managers or representatives present at the meeting Tuesday night.

With such a large number of teams already in the independent field and new ones springing up daily, there is no reason why one league or possibly two cannot be organized and carried on successfully. An organized circuit would do away with the worry and trouble that the team managers are put to in scheduling contests, and would prevent teams from taking the well-known "runout" at the last minute after the game has been scheduled.

Some of the teams have hesitated about entering the circuit, and they felt that they would stand no chance against the crack Multnomah Guard five.

Manager D. M. Simonson of the Multnomah Guard five says he will not enter the guards' first team in the league, but will place a team in the circuit known as the Multnomah Guard Intermediates, which is composed mostly of high school players.

Billy Lewis is coaching the intermediates and will select his team from the following players: Edlund, Irvine, Gilman, Tuma, Kenneth Hill, Daniels and Wright.

The Maroon F team, composed of Franklin high school lettermen, wants out-of-town games. Negotiations are under way for games with some of the valley high school teams. A team will be selected from the following players: Harry Thomas, Babe Thomas, Charles King, Claire Badley, Bill Poulsen, Kenneth Farley, Charles Kelley, and Stain Reynolds.

Jack Routledge, who is managing the Maroon F team, can be reached at Sellwood 1791 or houseboat I. Williams mortgage, Milwaukie, Or.

The Y. M. C. A. Acorns, holders of the 18-pound city championship for the past two years, are in the field for another championship this season, with practically the same five that has represented them in the past.

The Oregonian quintet, composed of employees of the composing-room, will play the Lincoln high school team tomorrow afternoon on the Lincoln floor.

Right Off the Bat.

FRANK NAVIN passed up an opportunity to arrange a spring series for the Tigers with the Cincinnati Reds. He had promised to have his team engage in another joint tour with the Braves. The Reds

would have meant a not more money but Navin passed up the champions.

Ed Konechky, who led the National league first basemen in fielding during the 1918 season, did nothing novel as he had been at the top of the list or tied for that honors in five previous campaigns.

Bill Carrigan, one-time manager of the Boston Red Sox, made a visit to Boston a few days ago and while there he denied a report that he was contemplating a career as part owner of the Red Sox. He said, however, that he might become a club owner later if an attractive opportunity presented itself.

Three members of the Red Sox, Al Russell, McNeil and White Hoyt, are working in a shipbuilding plant near Baltimore during the off season. All are awaiting the time when they will tie themselves to a southern training camp.

Miller Huggins returned to his home in Cincinnati without being able to make any progress in his quest of a big-hitting outfielder, but interviewed several managers, but could not coax any of them to give up the talent he sought.

John H. Farrell, secretary of the National Association for many years, is now being mentioned as the next chairman of the national commission. Farrell would be an ideal man, as he has been settling baseball problems for many years and knows the details of the game from A to Z.

Eddie Collins, after drawing down \$15,000 a year for the last five years, is anxiously awaiting that registered letter which will arrive about January 1 with an autograph of C. A. Comiskey attached. Collins is hoping that Comiskey will stand up on the size of this particular contract.

Chick Harley, football star of the Ohio state eleven, is being besieged with offers from owners of baseball clubs. Harley is quite a ball player, but he has not decided whether or not he will join the professional ranks.

WILLAMETTE BEATS CHEMAWA

Lack of Practice Shows in Play of Indian Tossers.

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, Salem, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—The Willamette Beacrats opened their basketball season by defeating the Chemawa Indians on the latter's floor Friday night, by a score of 34 to 22. The Indians played a rough and tumble game from start to finish and the failure of the referee to call fouls gave them an unexpected advantage over the Beacrats, who were not used to this style of playing.

Although outplayed, the Indians fought hard and the game was fast throughout. Their forwards, Bitles and Downey, played fast, consistent game of ball, but were handicapped by lack of practice in basket shooting.

Game Birds Saved.

ST. HELENS, Or., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—During the week that the snow was the deepest and the weather the coldest, members of the St. Helens Rod and Gun club, aided by Deputy Game Warden Brown sent out many sacks of wheat to feed the game birds in the work of saving the pheasants and quail the club and the state game department had the cooperation of many farmers. Many birds were saved that would have perished.

YALE TO PLAY CADETS

BLUE ALUMNI ANXIOUS FOR CLASH WITH ARMY.

Eli Wants Game Played in Big Bowl Instead of Journeying to West Point Lot.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 20.—Yale's efforts to stiffen its football schedule for next season will center around the arrangement of a game with West Point. The cadets will be offered a date, it became definitely known today, but with the explicit understanding that Yale cannot visit the military academy on the Hudson. The game must be played in the bowl, and the Yale management will offer the army the chance of filling the bowl as Harvard is expected to fill it the succeeding month.

Yale alumni and undergraduates believe that a game with the army here will fill every seat in the subway structure. Hope that the game will be permitted by the war department has been heightened by the announcement that the navy will be permitted to take a trip to Princeton, inasmuch as the journey from West Point to New Haven is much shorter than that from Annapolis to Princeton. Yale is very optimistic about the prospect of a game.

If it is arranged it will be played in October, and will be the first test of the Yale team's strength. Yale has gone to West Point a dozen times for games, but they have been an aggravation to the football public, because not more than 7000 to 8000 persons have been able to be present, because of the lack of transportation facilities and seating, or even standing accommodations at West Point.

The Yale bowl has \$1,000 permanent seats and will probably construct about 8000 more for the Harvard game next year. Yale men believe that West Point will attract a crowd that will fill even the temporary seats in the bowl. The fact that Yale was the

first American university to form an artillery unit after the world war began, organizing one in 1915, and for nearly two years being the only American university that would give a degree which carried with it a military commission, has brought the university into the spotlight.

Another bond exists in the recent appointment to West Point as commandant of Colonel Robert Danford, who was head of the Yale artillery battalion from 1915 to 1918.

Des Moines Loses Ball Park.

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 20.—The ball park that has been used by the Western league club has been sold to the school board for a high school athletic field. It means that if Tom Fairweather keeps his Western league club in Des Moines he will have to find a new park and practically confirms the opinion that the club will be shifted to Lincoln—provided a park can be found in that town.

CATHOLIC PLANS LARGE

NOTRE DAME LOOKS FOR BIG 1920 GRID SEASON.

Schedule Most Pretentious Ever Handled by Catholics—Harvard Asks for October Date.

NOTRE DAME, Ind., Dec. 20.—Notre Dame university looks forward to 1920 as the greatest year in history for football.

Plans are being formed for a 1920 schedule that will be the most pretentious ever attempted by a western eleven. Negotiations are under way for a contest with Harvard as the feature attraction on a chart bristling with sterling opposition. Harvard officials wired Athletic Director Knute Rockne the fore part of the week, asking for a game at Cambridge on October 9. The local athletic chieftains are striving to secure a more favorable date before signing

COUGARS TO PLAY IDAHO

TENTATIVE DATE SET FOR OCTOBER 16, 1920.

Agreement for Gridiron Battle Good as Signed—Montana Also on Pullman Schedule.

PULLMAN, Wash., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Contrary to expectations, the University of Idaho will be met by the Cougars on the gridiron next fall, the date having been tentatively set for October 16. The game will be the opener for the 1920 season of the State college and will be played in Moscow.

Although the contract for the battle has not been signed by the rival institutions, President Lindley of the Gem State institution, who was in Pullman yesterday making overtures for the contest, expressed the opinion as being favorable to the immediate signing of the instruments. Athletic Director Bohler before departing for the east last night to attend a meeting of college athletic authorities, stated that the game was as good as booked.

This gives the Cougars five games for next season, including another game scheduled with the University of Montana yesterday. The Bruins will be played on October 30.

The reported break with the University of Washington over the 60-50 split of gate receipts is not taken seriously on the campus here, either by athletic authorities or students. It is the opinion that it is another attempt by the Seattle school to force the colleges situated in smaller towns to come to the terms of those in cities with a big drawing capacity.

The State college will adhere to the agreement as made with the university and will rely upon the support of the other schools similarly situated, including Oregon Agricultural college, the University of Oregon and Stanford, to assist in the fight.

Fight promoter in Pueblo charges admission at the gate. Right now there is an appalling amount of idleness among the fake reformers.

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Advertisement for 'Big Dance Tonight Riverside Park At Milwaukie'. It states the dance is from 6 to 10 o'clock, cars are first and Alder Butterfield will sing with Cotillion orchestra.

Advertisement for 'BICYCLES' from 'Dayton Cycle Co.'. It mentions a large stock to select from, the best make of bicycles, lowest prices, and considering quality. The address is 28 Third Street, Corner Third and Ash Streets.