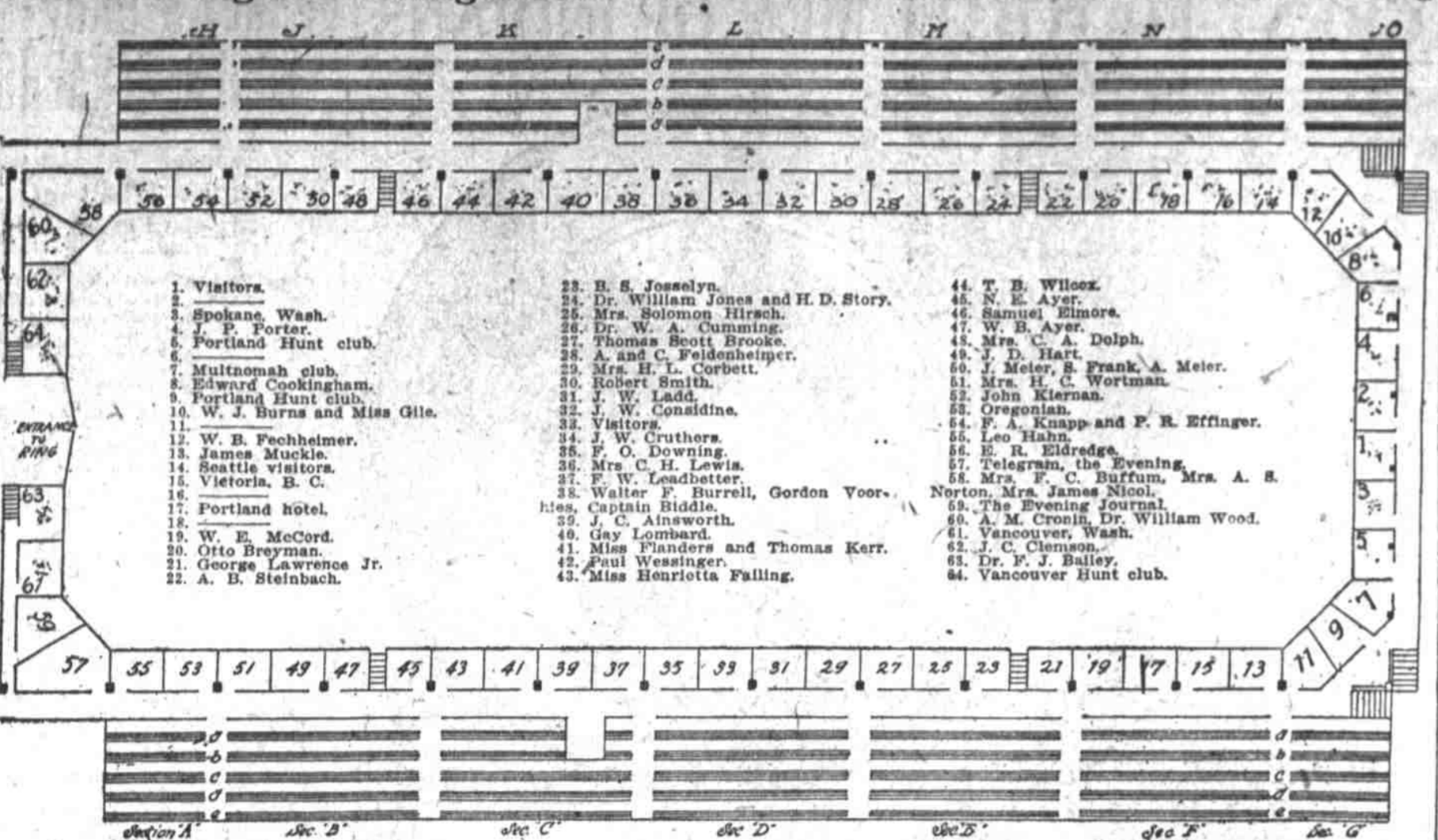


Plat Showing the Arrangement of Boxes and Seats at the Horse Show Ring



NELSON ABOUT READY TO MEET MFARLAND

KETCHEL WILLING TO FIGHT LANGFORD

By Will J. Blatter. San Francisco, Oct. 10.—That battling Nelson and Packey McFarland will meet in the ring at Jim Coffroth's Mission street arena on the afternoon of New Year's day seems assured. After holding his peace and crying for the last month for a rest, the champion has at last decided to accommodate the stockyard's bride and as New Year's day seems the most available date, Coffroth wants to stage the great match then.

To Willis Britt is given all the credit for winning the fight over McFarland. The first thing that did upon his arrival in Chicago was to bid Nelson up, talk the matter over with him and finally convince him that he could do what he could do to take McFarland on at the earliest opportunity and then, in the event of his winning, receive from the game on the same footing as the champion of them all, Jim Jeffries.

Nelson hates to get back into the ring now and nobody can blame him. He is picking up a cool hundred a week at the present time doing sort theatrical turns in and about Chicago. Thus far, the Dane has averaged something like \$1,000 a week and, strange to say, he has proved to be a great drawing card throughout the middle west. All these things tended to make him a bit about twenty-five rounds, but as soon as he realized that his only chance to get a match with the champion was to come to the latter's arena, he readily came down a notch.

This is the battle that all fightmen have been looking forward to since Nelson came last Fourth of July. The following meeting between the men amounted to nothing for the reason that Nelson must win unless he pulled and he never did anything like that in his fight with McFarland. He rather weary of seeing the same old ones over and over again and consequently, the houses which turn out are getting slimmer and slimmer with each fight.

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Jimmy McAleer of the St. Louis Americans has succeeded in doing what no other manager ever did—taming the wild and woolly George Edward Wadwell. Here is the secret which no other manager was ever able to solve with relation to the erratic "Rube." I treat Wadwell as I would wish to be treated myself," says Mac, "and I do not have the least bit of trouble with him. I find him a willing fellow and what he does he does in the open and allows all the world to know about it. He is not two-faced and he does not sulk or nurse fancied grievances.

HUNTERS ROUND UP BY HUNDREDS

Oklahoma Mecca of Sportsmen Who Would Kill Big Game Together.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Lawton, Okla., Oct. 10.—This city and vicinity is to be the scene during the coming week of a notable and interesting gathering on the occasion of the annual meet of the league of American sportsmen. For eight days the sharp crack of the hunter's rifle and the deep bay of the faithful hound will resound over hill and vale while the wolf and bear and other beasts of prey are run to cover.

The league of American sportsmen numbers among its members hundreds of crack shots scattered throughout every section of the country. Last year scores of sportsmen participated in the annual meet and much game was killed. This year the hunt has been most extensively advertised, and even a larger number of sportsmen are expected to participate. Hundreds of sportsmen will be here from Oklahoma, Texas, Kansas, Arkansas and other southern states, and New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Iowa and other states more distant will be represented. A delegation from Colorado and the west will also be on hand.

Lawton's Gates Thrown Open.

The Lawton chamber of commerce has completed its elaborate plan for the entertainment of the visitors. The program provides for several days of amusement of various sorts immediately following the business convention, including trap shooting contests, quail hunting, wolf chases and rabbit drives. Ketchel believes that the Illinois thunderbolt will repeat next time. It looks like a good even bet, however, that Ketchel will get the coin. Both are slugs who know nothing save take a chance and these sort of men never last long in any ring.

The fight game is none too good in San Francisco at present and the general impression among the knowing ones is that it will fade away gradually unless some new faces are introduced into the arena very quickly. The public is rather weary of seeing the same old ones over and over again and consequently, the houses which turn out are getting slimmer and slimmer with each fight.

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military camp, which is being arranged by Lieutenant George Finston and Colonel R. A. Sneed, to be established in the Wichitas at the foot of Mount Shidan. The camp will be kept open for the entertainment and accommodation of such of the visiting sportsmen as care to make use of it. While the hunting and the shooting contests will be the most important features of the week's program there will be an abundance of other entertainment for the visiting sportsmen. The Indians will do their share towards the entertainment of the guests, as will also the officers and soldiers stationed at Fort Sill. Each day and evening, according to program, there will be Indian dances, bow-wows, parades and military maneuvers. The elaborate entertainment program and the large attendance of sportsmen are expected to combine in making the gathering the most notable and successful of its kind that has ever taken place in this country.

MAIL VOTE CAN'T SETTLE MATTERS

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tion. The New York College has made such a splendid showing under the tutelage of Coach Rice that they will surmount their difficulties and raise money that will justify them in maintaining their aquatic department.

Value of Cross Country Running

One of the odd things about athletics on the Pacific coast is the dearth of good distance runners. The climate of the ideal west of the mountains for the developing of high class middle and long distance runners is just what the Pacific coast has produced very few men of great ability in these events. Hurdles, jumpers, sprinters and weight throwers of splendid class have received their training in this section of the country but it is only occasionally that a runner is found who can run the mile under 4:40. This is doubtless due to the fact that enough interest is not taken in races of longer distances. Cross country running is one of the best sports for the developing of men for the mile, and as both O. A. C. and Oregon have organized cross country clubs, it may be expected to see runners of class in the longer distances developed in the next few seasons.

The strength of Michigan in the distance run is largely due to the cross country team, stimulated by Keen Fitzpatrick. Jack Mookley's Cornell cross country team has furnished the most splendid material for the Ithaca school. Mike Murphy is a great believer in the value of cross country running. Blankenagel, middle west champion in the mile, running under Wisconsin colors in 4:28 1-5 was defeated by Ewing, who ran the mile in 4:15. The winner of the 1,500 metres race at Athens in the Olympic games held there, was a cross country man of great ability. It will doubtless be found that all great distance men have received a large part of their training in cross country running. It is persistent, continuous, year in and year out running over the road that makes England strong in the distance runs and as the Oregon climate is very similar to the English climate, and because it is possible to run out of doors all of the year, there is no question but that the next few years will see some of the best distance men this country has ever developed coming from this state.

This Date in Sport Annals.

1859.—At Staten Island, Josh Ward defeated Fay, Dave and Hanson in scullers' race, five miles, for championship belt. 1887.—Willie Hoppe, billiard player, born at Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, New York. 1893.—At Terre Haute, Ind. stallion Axtell, two years, trotted a mile in 2:21. 1892.—At Morris Park, N. Y., Nomad, three years old, ran 1 1/4 miles in 2:15. 1901.—At Baltimore, "Young Peter Jackson" knocked out Bill Quinn in the ninth round. 1907.—At Detroit, Chicago Nationals defeated the Detroit team of the American league, 6 to 1, in the fourth game of world's championship series.

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GREATER COAST LEAGUE IS CAST FOR YEAR OF 1910

San Francisco, Oct. 10.—The Pacific Coast league will be made up of six clubs next season and all the talk about eight teams or the possibility of Portland running out and joining forces with the Northwestern league does not go. This comes right off the bat from President Ewing and when he spoke the other day, he declared his utterances were voicing the sentiments of the other officers and magnates of the league. Ewing has abandoned his idea of forcing Manager Dugdale of Seattle into line and instead of attempting to fight him, Ewing will enter into an agreement with him whereby a big combination will be brought off in the year 1910. According to Ewing, Dugdale has agreed to this. When the big deal has been made, the hopes of Ewing will have been realized and the Pacific Coast league circuit will comprise eight clubs—five California teams and three in the northwest. At present, Seattle is sure to break in while both Tacoma and Spokane have a chance with the odds about even up. Ewing realizes that the placing of the two additional clubs in California is only an experiment and he knows

WRESTLING GAME WINTER'S SPORT

Classy Professional Grapplers Polishing Up to Cut Into Mat Sessions.

With the big Acton benefit smoker at the Multnomah club Wednesday night next and the Eddie O'Connell-Strangler Smith wrestling match lined up sometime within the next three weeks, the winter ring and mat season will be given an auspicious start. Just now the signs point to a revival of interest in wrestling. There are few amateur boxers and wrestlers on the coast with an edge on the youngsters who will entertain the ample crowd at the club on Acton night. Several days matching the boxers and wrestlers on an equality. They have succeeded unusually well, but insuring a high-class entertainment. O'Connell promised the club members that there would be a looking up in wrestling when he came to the coast so far as his personal engagements were concerned. He has made good and now every wrestler of class along the slope is after the young Yale graduate. First challenges came in from the north, from Joe Heinrichs of Spokane and Frank O'Connell of Seattle, and then they waited up from the south. There are several men in San Francisco and as far south as Los Angeles who would meet O'Connell. They will be accommodated if suitable arrangements can be made.

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Smith on Ground Floor.

Of course "Strangler" Smith was the first to get a chance at the newcomer, Smith was on the ground floor and got his right off the bat. He has a great reputation in and around Portland. He has met some of the best men on the mat, including Champion Goss. He has won many more of his matches than have been won from him. Therefore it is right that Smith should be the first man to take on the newcomer. It may take more than one match to settle the supremacy. At any rate the two new wrestlers of class along the slope will be given a good showing between the pair.

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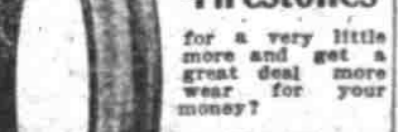
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