

NEW OF THE AUTO WORLD

TAXICAB LINE STARTED BY CITIZENS

With an order for 10 Renault taxicabs placed with F. A. Bennett, the Portland agent of the famous French car, by Will Lipman and Gay Lombard, two prominent Portlanders, the first taxicab service for Portland people has started. The cars are to be delivered May 15, less than two months off and probably by June 1, the new service will be installed and running.

Will Lipman is the secretary of the Portland Automobile club and it was under his management that the highly successful auto show just closed was given. Mr. Lipman has always been known as a great lover of automobiles. Gay Lombard is one of the leading capitalists of the city. He is the part owner and manager of the Pacific Grain company, part owner of the Board of Trade and Lumberman's building and one of the most successful real estate dealers of the city. Both men are well fitted to operate the new company.

The new company is to be known as the Portland Taxicab company Renault service. They have purchased 10 four cylinder 14 horse power (French rating about 25 American) taxicabs at a price of \$3750 each. This is much higher than the average cost of the American taxicabs but the new owners figure to gain in the long run. The order for the machines was telegraphed to the factory yesterday. F. A. Bennett is the Portland agent for the Renault cars.

Lipman and Lombard were attracted by the Renault car at the auto show where one of them was on exhibit. The many sales brought about by the auto show. The Renault car is a popular car for taxicab work, as in almost every city there are lines of taxicabs using the Renault car exclusively. New York supports 250, Cleveland and Chicago 150 each, and San Francisco 20 of the Renault cars. The Portland order will probably be raised in the near future.

CUE ARTISTS TO PLAY IN TOURNAMENT

Seven Leading Players of the World Start International Affair Monday.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, March 20.—Seven of the leading cue artists in the world will begin playing here Monday in an international billiard tournament, 18 inches in diameter, for the championship title. Two experts, Jake Schaefer and Willie Hoppe, have not entered, Schaefer on account of poor health, and Hoppe because of personal grievances against the donors of the trophy.

The competitors will be George F. Slosson, holder of the 18.1 championship; George Sutton of Chicago, Louis Cure, the French expert; Calvin Demarest, the former amateur champion who recently joined the professional ranks; Ora Morningstar of New York, Albert G. Cutler of Boston and Harry P. Clina, the Philadelphian.

The games, 500 points each, will be played every afternoon and evening until every competitor has met the other. The tournament will close on April 1. The experts will compete for a trophy, \$2000 in cash and a share in the entrance fees and net gate receipts.

Slosson is the favorite in the betting tonight. He is an experienced tournament player and playing as strong a game as usual.

Sutton is the next choice and Cure is picked to finish third.

Of the seven Slosson and Sutton have shown the best form in practice, having made good averages.

The winner will in all probability be challenged by Hoppe.

The first game, Monday night, will be between Cure and Demarest. Tuesday afternoon Cutler and Clina will play and in the evening Sutton and Morningstar. Slosson will make his first appearance Wednesday night.

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BASEBALL AND TRACK OUTLOOK AT WHITMAN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Walla Walla, Wash., March 20.—With the close of the basketball season and the opening of spring, track and baseball are in the center of the athletic stage at Whitman college and from all prospects the college will make a good showing this season.

In baseball Whitman has the same strong field she had last year, and although she may be short on the battery, it is thought this will be overcome before the season is fully started. Captain Vincent Borleske is on hand and will take a hand in the batting and necessary. Shuber, the crack first baseman, is practicing and Schmidt, who for three years has held the position, will play second. Cushman, a member of the team for two years, will play shortstop. In the field, Bennett, Belt, Wilson and several new men will play.

In the pitcher's box, Wilson will be the mainstay. He has all kinds of speed and wonderful curves, and all that held him out last year was his wildness. This year his control is better and he stands a good show of being the best twirler in the collegiate league. Behind the bat is the main problem, as both Stanley Borleske and "Doc" Brubaker, last year's backstops, are not in school. Several men are showing up, however, and Coach Blanchard is confident he will not be shy in this position. Blanchard is showing as well in baseball as he did in football. In basketball, the team is giving him their full support.

In track, the situation is not nearly so hopeful. Philbrook, last year's captain and the best all around athlete in the northwest, is in Notre Dame and the school feels his loss keenly. Martin, the speedy sprinter, is however, and will captain the team. He will take the sprints, long hurdles and broad jump for his stunts this year. Lewis, counting up in good shape with the weights, and there are several first class new men. Tracy Cox, brother of the well known "Cody," will try for the mile and distance runs. Barnes will be out for the same events and the broad jump. In the mile, Hottel, Wilson and several novices will show. Woods, a last year's high school man, may also be in. Feltouse will vault and try the high jump; and Foster, who showed so well with the pole last year, will vault again. No coach has been secured, but one will be obtained as soon as possible.

E. C. Harris of the local Auburn agency will go to Seattle this week to establish an agency there.

FITZ WOULD HOOK UP WITH BLACK CHAMPION

Bob Fitzsimmons, the old champion, who is in England, is anxious for a bout with Jack Johnson.

Fitzsimmons says: "Mr. Johnson will soon be on the shores of this light little island and I am hoping then to be able to get right down to cases with him instead of this long distance cablegram or wireless message business, and the sporting fraternity can rest assured that if Johnson and I meet in the square ring the 'C. D. Q.' message will not go up from my corner."

This outburst on the part of Fitz was induced by the report that Johnson is out with a deft to Jeffries and all other men with heavyweight championship ambitions. Further, Johnson said that owing to his vaudeville work he would be unable to fight for some months or perhaps a year save for his contest with Langford.

Johnson thinks that I shall be much less desirous in a year from now than I am at the present time. The chances are that I shall be, for age is bound to tell somewhat. Just at present I am only as old as I feel, and I feel well able to give Johnson an interesting time if he will give me the opportunity at an early date."

Fitzsimmons is of the opinion that if Jeffries fights Johnson, the negro will have no chance. He says: "If Johnson and Jeffries meet it will not be Jeffries fighting for the heavyweight championship, but it will be Johnson fighting the real heavyweight champion of the world, a title won in battle and not won by default, something Johnson has not yet done in his career. The reason for this is simple. Jeffries, as champion, was never defeated, and his retirement gave Tommy Burns the championship as long as he might retain it by conquest or until such time as Jeffries might decide again to enter the ring. Jeffries is still in an upright and true the champion heavyweight of the world at any time he wants to fight anybody and should he agree to meet Johnson, it is not Johnson but Jeffries who will be in the position of dictating terms and the place of battle."

STRAIGHT PUNCH WREAKS RING

American Fighting Has Deteriorated During Past Twenty-five Years.

"It has surprised a lot of fight fans, no doubt to see the clever way these little English pugilists have jumped in and trimmed our feather and light-weights off the reel," said the old sport as he discussed recent ring events the other night at the Grand Hotel.

"It hasn't been much of a surprise to me, however, for I consider that the American school of boxing in the last 25 years has greatly deteriorated instead of being advanced.

"Our oldtime boxers knew how to punch straight with both hands, and didn't go in with wild swings, wide open, like Terry McGovern in his 'blazing' style.

"John L. Sullivan, never a really clever boxer, who adopted this wild swinging, and since then nearly every pugilist on this side of the Atlantic has been doing the same thing, forgetting the old straight punches.

"Sullivan won because he was wonderfully strong. Smashing in, he broke his opponent's guard down, walloped him on the jaw with his right and put him out.

"But when Sullivan met Corbett he was up against a clever fellow, and wasn't able to get his right on a decisive blow in the 21 rounds they fought.

"When McGovern met Young Corbett the first time at Hartford, the latter just waited for one of Terry's mad rushes, and nailing him on the jaw, sent him down and out. Many of McGovern's followers thought that it was an accidental blow, so the boys met again, and Young Corbett repeated these tactics with the same result.

"What was Sullivan able to do with Charley Mitchell when he had him in the ring at Chantilly, France, for more than three hours? Nothing. Mitchell was too clever for a wild swinger like Sullivan, and simply avoided the big fight, the latter was so tired that he was willing to agree to a draw.

Driscoll's Aim True.

"You didn't see Jim Driscoll do any wild swinging when he met Atell, Cross, Marto, Baldwin or any of the rest of them, did you? No, not much. The Welshman simply jabbed them all sick with his clever left hand.

"He fought exactly like the old American pugilists I saw a generation ago—like Joe Coburn, Jim Dunne, Mike Donohue, Jim Farnham, Billy Madden and many others. Dunne, Donohue, Farrell and Madden are alive today!

"Ask them about the scientific boxing of old, and they'll tell you that the old, of more recent date, knew how to lead straight. I met McCalliffe at the National Athletic Club the other evening, watching a couple of young swingers beating the air with their gloved fists.

"They're a couple of willing boys, eh?" I said to the former lightweight champion.

"Yes, very willing," replied McCalliffe, "but rotten. It's a pity, old sport, that somebody doesn't teach the young boxers of today how to spar. Why, if either of those boys really met me, I'd have knocked his block off.

"But the good round after round, in the same dingdong way. You remember poor Dempsey, of course? He was an artist. No man ever led to him twice in the same manner without a return, and he never fought one round like another.

"Sometimes he was aggressive, and then again he would play possum on the defensive. Dempsey was a straight puncher and his blows landed where he aimed them.

"In 1891 the great little fighter George Dixon was pitted against Billy Blinzer for four rounds in Madison Square Garden. The bout was for scientific points. Plimmer caught Dixon on the nose every time George rushed in with swings surprised the big crowd. It was simply another case of a straight, clear puncher against a wild swinger.

"Of course, we've had a lot of clever fellows, like Jim Corbett, McCoy, Ryan and Choyinski, but they were not really out-and-out swingers. They all had clever specialties of their own.

"Corbett's left hand did the best straight work. McCoy's famous cork-screw punch was as straight as an arrow with a slight twist just before it landed. Ryan and Choyinski had mixture of jabs and swings, but they were not really far better boxers if they had stuck to straight left-handed blows.

"Old Jim Mace was the real master in the art of boxing. His style was simply perfect, and all those English lads who have been boxing here lately have been imitating him.

"Along in the seventies Mace went to Australia and taught Larry Foley and other young fellows how to hit, stop and get away. His teaching developed a lot of clever fellows who invaded America 20 years ago and proceeded to wait through our fighters with ease.

"As soon as I saw Young Griffo box I immediately recognized Mace's style, although I don't believe Griffo ever saw the veteran English pugilist. But was Larry Foley who taught Griffo, and Foley got it all from Mace. There was Jim Hall, the cleverest big man I've ever seen since Mace was in active service!

"Fitz by the way, was one of the Australians who learned his art from Foley and then came here. He was a straight puncher and a quick cut-out way to the middleweight championship, afterward to the heavyweight title when he landed his famous solar plexus punch in Corbett's stomach."

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MOTERING NOTES.

The hard time he is having satisfying people as to delivery of cars. The Cadillac people are so generally sold out that they cannot promise any cars before May 15.

M. W. Williams, the Studebaker company's traveling representative, reports that the condition of the roads of the northwest is getting better every day. He hopes to make a number of trips by machine this summer.

The Portland branch of the Winton company expects two more carloads of Winton sixes the latter part of this week. Among the lot will be one of the new seven-passenger, 70 horsepower sixes.

What is said to be the first plain glass windshield ever built has been installed in a new high school in San Jose, Cal. It accommodates 48 switches and two meters.

Electric power is used on 2100 miles of street railways in Great Britain, 10 1/2 miles operated by other means.

In Monticuma, Ga., a cotton gin is operated by the power obtained from two artificial wells.

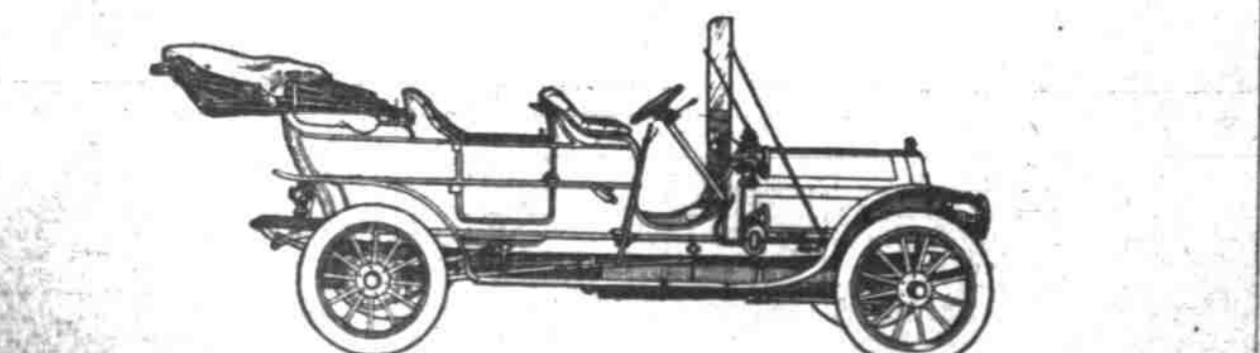
The local Auburn people are rejoicing over the record made in San Francisco by George C. Murray when he drove a light Auburn 6-cylinder roadster around San Francisco bay, 100 miles in 2 hours and 17 minutes. This time was 45 minutes better than the previous record.

D. I. Trout, the traveling representative of the Cadillac company, was here this week. He is very much worried over



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Anyone who has piloted a windowed launch or car in the rain will readily agree that seeing any distance ahead, owing to the raindrops sticking all over the windshield, is a difficult task.

To obviate the difficulty, wipe off the moisture and then rub the outside of the glass with a piece of cloth soaked in glycerine. The glass will at once appear dull, but as soon as it is rubbed upon, will become as clear as though it had never been rained on.

If glycerine cannot be obtained, kerosene will be found a good substitute. When this has been rubbed on it is necessary to rub it over with the hand to make the drops of rain run even all over.

MOTOR CLUB TO HOLD SHORT RUN TODAY

There will be an informal run of the Motor Club today in which all riders of those machines are invited to ride. The start will be at 9 a. m. at the corner of Sixth and Stark streets. The route will be Out Vancouver avenue to the Slough road, out Slough road to Troutdale, from Troutdale to Sandy from Sandy home.

Seven members made the run to Sandy in three hours last Sunday, which is good time considering the road conditions.