

Great Heavyweight Contest Is Expected in the Milwaukie Arena Wednesday Evening

Roped Arena Made Boxers Shift Views

Boxing More Lucrative to Meehan, Would-Be Vaudeville Star, and Boy McCormick.

By Bob
WILLIE MEEHAN almost took to the vaudeville stage instead of the roped arena, and Boy McCormick almost answered the call of the ministry instead of the punching bag. Willie found he could make more money hitting people than he could by singing to them, and McCormick discovered that punching an opponent was more lucrative than punching the devil.

Who will win when these two meet at Milwaukie the night of November 24—the sidetracked vaudeville or the derelict sky pilot? The man who can answer this question right, can feather his nest for many a day, for there are lots of fans who are anxious to wager anything from doughnuts to dollars one way or another.

BOY HAS FOLLOWERS
Some are favoring McCormick because he has boxed to splendid advantage here on four occasions, and in consequence the dopsters are familiar with what he can and may do. There are others who like Meehan because he has what is almost an unjust advantage in weight—some 25 or 30 pounds. However, McCormick has fought men as big as Meehan, some times bigger, and he has yet to come out on the loser's end. On the other hand, there are Meehan's two victories over the redoubtable and almost unbeatable Jack Dempsey to cause worry and speculation among the Boy's admirers. Is Meehan as good as he was when he vanquished Dempsey? Some say he is. Many others say he is not. Whether or not Meehan has improved or gone back, it is certain that McCormick is a better boxer and a harder and surer hitter than he was when he fought here a year ago.

WILLIE MAKES BOAST
Meehan has boasted that he will knock McCormick out. McCormick never brags himself, and he doesn't like Meehan's attitude. The chances are that that boast will make McCormick fight with more fury than he ever did before. He has never been knocked out, and he doesn't believe that any other man can put him to sleep in 10 rounds.

Apart from the probability of the bout being a little fighting, the pugilistic standpoint, there is the certainty that it will be one of the greatest "kidding" matches ever staged on or off the boards. McCormick has a record of 10 wins and 10 losses, and when they fought here last New Year's day, Farmer would hit McCormick flush on the nose or smack in the stomach with that sweet knuckle that Meehan would only grunt and smile back.

"That was a good one, Frank. Come on, now, let's do a little fighting. You don't seem to be able to hit hard, Frank. What all's your blooming fist? Take that one," and the Boy would sink one of his maulers into Frank's broad back and Frank would begin to look pensive and lonesome.

That is the McCormick as Portland fans have known him in the past—a piece of fighting machinery that seems impervious to punishment while at the same time being able to inflict sleep or drowsiness on any opponent. Can Willie Meehan dent the mighty sinews that give McCormick a chest almost as thick as it is wide?

A phonograph record and a motion picture machine would both find plenty of work in following the McCormick-Meehan fight, for that Willie is certainly going to add his acrobatic stunts and interminable chatter to verbal rope assumed by the flaming-headed Irishman. Meehan is just as apt to warble a song to the crowd when he is hurt worst as he is to take the count. Meehan likes to sing and is proud of his mocking-bird-like qualities, and he is full of valiant of his sweet stretch of water fight crowd escape without lullabying to them.

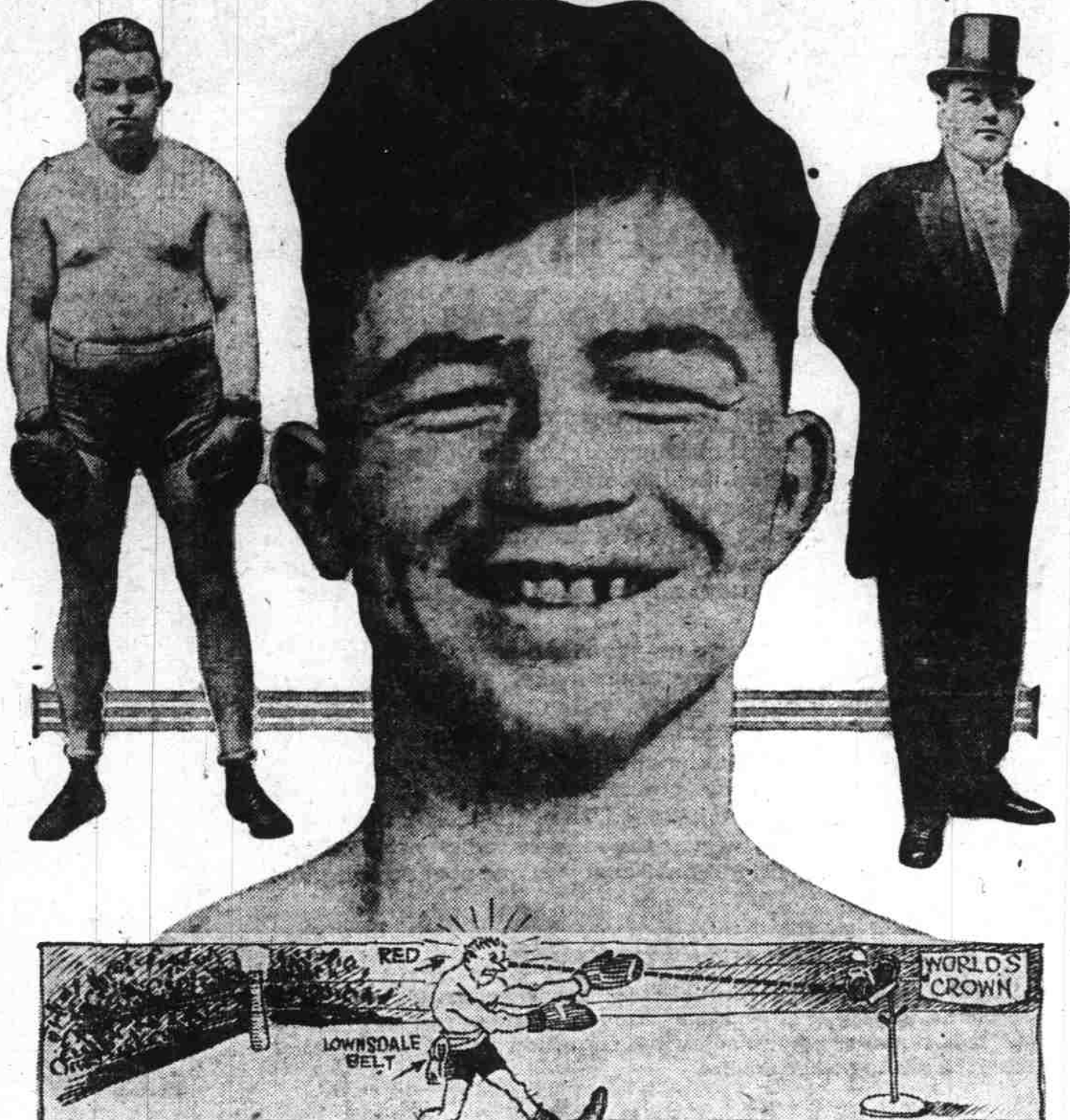
HOBNOBBED WITH DOUG
McCormick's ring repartee has grown considerable since his last appearance here, for he has gathered unto himself a choice lot of Yankee slang words—something he didn't have when he was here before—in addition to possessing all the latest verbal needles from Piccadilly. Willie and the Boy hobnobbed with Mary Pickford and Doug Fairbanks, and one of his most valued souvenirs is a picture of himself and Doug posing like twins. When he stopped in New York, Jack Dempsey, the champion of all champions, and Benny Leonard, another champion, and Georges Carpentier, still another champion, were his playmates and companions. As a result of this hobnobbing with the great and the near great, the goodnatured Irishman has taken into himself a metropolitan air that would grace a confirmed globe trotter.

Yale Has New Boathouse
Yale will construct a new boathouse on its Housatonic river course above Derby, Conn. It will be the Blues home case. It is an ideal stretch of water and has a railroad on one side of the bank and a fine automobile road on the other which aids spectators in following races.

Some Boast
Trenton, N. J., boasts one of the finest halls in the country exclusive for basketball. It has a seating capacity of nearly 2000. Trenton is a member of the Eastern league of professional clubs, with teams in Camden, N. J.; Newark, N. J.; Philadelphia and Reading, Pa.

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No boxing bout staged in years has created as much interest as has the McCormick-Meehan contest, scheduled to be held in Milwaukie Wednesday night. In the center is Boy McCormick, holder of the Lord Lonsdale belt. Willie Meehan is shown in ring togs on the left and on the right in a full dress.

Robinson's Retention Is Popular

By Jack Vefock
(International News Service Sports Editor.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 20. — Wilbert Robinson is stitched up with the Brooklyn Dodgers for three more years.

The jolly Baltimore butcher-baseball manager who piloted the Dodgers to two National league championships in four years has proven himself such a valuable asset to Charles Hercules Ebbets that the worthy squire offered him his first long-time contract as a manager and will pay him \$15,000 a year to boss the Dodgers.

Robby's signing with Brooklyn put a crusher on the persistent report that he would become manager of the Yankees. It was thought that the New York Americans, who are able to pay bigger salaries than the Brooklyn because of their ability to get it back at the gate in greater gobs, would succeed in weaning Robby away from Flatbush. Undoubtedly he was sounded out on the proposition, and though he was under reserve, it was thought that in case he received a tempting offer President Ebbets would not stand in his way unless he felt like meeting it. Evidently Robby was offered a fine plum by somebody, for a three year contract at \$15,000 is not to be sneezed at.

Of all the successful major league managers who have galloped off with pennants in the last few years your Uncle Wilbert ranks as the most popular. He has a way about him that wins him friends wherever he goes, and though, like everyone else, he makes his mistakes, his jolly good nature makes it easy to forgive him errors. For this very reason, no doubt, Robby gets less paning from the "critics" than any other manager in the game.

There is a characteristic about Robinson that makes him doubly valuable as a manager. He not only knows ball-players and baseball, but he has the faculty of making a mediocre player believe he is a world beater, and has brought out the best there is in some of his men in a remarkably short length of time. On top of this he is one of the greatest judges of pitchers the game has ever known and he knows how to handle them, the defeat of the Dodgers in the recent world's series notwithstanding.

Now that Robby is tied up for three years with the Robins it appears that Miller Huggins will continue as boss of the Yankees, for Robinson has been the only man mentioned as a probable successor to the midget manager.

Want Lost Laurels
Cornell university has 140 candidates trying to gain places on the wrestling squad. Previous to losing to Penn State two years ago Cornell held the Eastern intercollegiate title for seven years.

Billings, Mont., Star Sets Goal Kicking Record
George O'Donnell, tackle of the Billings, Mont., high school team, yesterday set what is believed to be a world's record for high school play by kicking 15 consecutive goals, extending his string of goals after touchdowns to 89 successful attempts. Billings defeated Dawson county high 108 to 6.
An effort will be made to match the Billings eleven with the Everett team for the high school championship of the West, it was stated after the game.

Limburger, the Latest Alibi in Ring Contests

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 20.—(L. N. S.)—A new and startling method of a prize fighter to "blame" his opponent has been revealed by Harry Kabakoff, St. Louis lightweight.
Kabakoff has offered the following explanation of the good showing "Kid" Bandy made against him in a fight a year ago: "I was drugged," said Kabakoff. "Some South Siders did it and it wasn't anything they put in my tea, either. I didn't realize what it was until several days after the fight, when one of the birds in on the lay told me. It wasn't any use kicking then and this is the first time I have spilled the beans."
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NORTHWEST MAN IS GIVEN PLACE ON A. T. C. BOARD

THE election of Elmer E. Shaner of Pittsburgh, Pa., to the presidency of the American Trapshooting association meets with the hearty approval of the trapshooters of the United States and Canada.
Shaner for 25 years was manager of the American Trapshooting association, and in his late years was also secretary. It was Shaner who put the "trap" in trapshooting, and was through his everlasting sticktoitiveness that trapshooting is where it is today.

RULES WERE LAW
Shaner is beloved by thousands of the trapshooters who participate in the tournaments of the United States and Canada. The new president during his long term as manager made some enemies, too, but any person who does anything will make enemies. The only ones who do not have enemies or who do not get knocked are those who never do anything. The rules of the old Interstate Trapshooting association were law to Shaner and every shooter had to do what the rules stipulated. Those who did not observe them suffered, and they are the people who worked up a dislike for the manager who put trapshooting on its feet. And it is these shooters who have realized their mistake since Shaner dropped out.

KNOWS SHOOTING GAME
What the trapshooting organization should have done when Shaner resigned as manager was to have elected him to the presidency. He could have continued in the sport then with a full knowledge of what was going on. His return to office will have a beneficial bearing on trapshooting, even though he will not be as active as in the old days. No one in the country can handle an important shooting tournament with the ease that Shaner can. Others can, and do, run shoots, but when Shaner is on hand the machinery is well greased.
Thomas A. Marshall will act as vice president of the association, F. S. Davis treasurer and Stony McLinn secretary manager. The executive committee of the American Trapshooting association is made up of F. G. Drew, chairman; E. R. Galvin, J. Leonard Clark, T. H. Keller and C. W. Hymer. The five representatives of the amateurs are S. S. Foster, Mason City, Iowa, chairman; Jay Clark, Worcester, Mass.; M. D. Hart, Richmond, Va.; F. D. Stoop, Kalspell, Mont.; Dan Bray, Columbus, Neb.

Veterans to Play Kerns Team Today

Portland Soccer Football Standings

W.	L.	T.	Pts.
Canadian Vets.....	3	0	1 7
Kerns.....	1	0	3 5
Peninsula.....	1	1	2 4
Clay Macleay.....	1	1	2 4
Multnomah Guard.....	1	2	1 3
Standiflers.....	0	3	1 1

THE first crucial game of the 1920-21 season in the Portland Soccer Football association is slated for this afternoon, when the Canadian Veterans meet the Kerns eleven on the Reed college campus.

Neither aggregation has been defeated and the Vets are heading the circuit with seven points, by two points. But one goal scored against Goalkeeper Tauscher of Kerns and the squad is out to keep up the good work against the Vets. On the other hand the Vets have won three contests and tied a fourth.

WILKINSON IS STAR
A. H. Wilkinson, is the man that the Kerns team fear most, for the star athlete can boot them from any angle. It may be that he will be on the forward line against Kerns or at left fullback. In either position he is a tower of strength and at present leads the individual scoring list of the P. S. F. A.

The Peninsula and Multnomah Guard teams are billed to appear against each other on the Columbia Park gridiron this afternoon and at the same time the Standifler Shipbuilding corporation representatives will try to break into the win column at the expense of the Clay Macleay delegation on the Franklin high grounds. All games will start promptly at 2 o'clock, rain or shine.

OFFENSIVE IS STRONG
Play in the first four contests of the campaign would indicate that Kerns has a strong defense and that the Vets possess the strongest offense. This combination in the same game today should bring out some mighty good soccer as well as spectacular work on the part of both sides. The Veterans had scored a total of 19 goals as against 8 for the opponents, while Kerns has scored twice in four games and have held the opposition to one lone marker.

Peninsula has registered 11 goals as against the same number for the other teams, while Manager Bragg's Multnomah Guard have counted nine goals against 11 for the opponents. The Clay Macleay team has six for and six against in the scoring record, while the Standiflers have made five goals against 15 for the opposition.

Next Sunday's schedule calls for Canadian Vets meeting Multnomah Guard on the Columbia Park grounds, Clay Macleay versus Peninsula at Franklin bowl and Kerns versus Standifler on the Vancouver Barracks gridiron.

A. H. WILKINSON of the Canadian Vets' soccer football team is P. S. F. A.'s leading scorer to date.



Age and is considered the most polished fielding shortstop ever developed in this section of California. He was signed for Manager Wilbert Robinson of the Dodgers by Walter Schmidt, catcher for the Pittsburg Pirates, whose home is in Modesto and who recommended him to Robinson. Detroit, Sacramento and Portland were also after Keeley.

Brooklyn Dodgers Sign Modesto Short

Modesto, Cal., Nov. 20.—(U. P.)—Walter Keeley, sensational shortstop for the Modesto Reds, and now at St. Mary's college, Oakland, has signed a contract with the Brooklyn league club for the 1921 season. Keeley is but 19 years of

age and is considered the most polished fielding shortstop ever developed in this section of California. He was signed for Manager Wilbert Robinson of the Dodgers by Walter Schmidt, catcher for the Pittsburg Pirates, whose home is in Modesto and who recommended him to Robinson. Detroit, Sacramento and Portland were also after Keeley.

Half Million Dollars
This season for the first time the stakes and purses in the Grand Circuit passes the \$500,000 mark. Since the organization of the association in 1878 over \$15,000,000 has been distributed.

Age Is Ring Factor Begin to Slip at 30

By Tad
NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—There was quite some talk about heavyweights and their ages at Jack Doyle's billiard joint last night.

Some of the gang insisted that Jack Dempsey right now is better than he will be a year from now. One guy insisted that at 35 a heavyweight champion was sitting pretty. He figured that they start to go back at 27 or 28 and blow their laurels when they pass 30. The fellow had figures, too. He showed that no heavyweight champion ever lost under the age of 30.

The list follows:
John L. Sullivan at the age of 34 was knocked out by Jim Corbett. Jim Corbett was past 30 when he was knocked out by Fitzsimmons.
Fitzsimmons was 37 when he kissed the canvas at Coney island and Jim Jeffries was made champion.
Jim Jeffries was 35 when Jack Johnson put the skids under him at Reno. Jack Johnson was 37 when he played the dying gladiator to Jess-Willard at Havana, Cuba.

Jess Willard claims he was 32 years of age when Dempsey dropped him at Toledo.
Thirty seems to be the dangerous age.

DRIVE FOR NEW MEMBERS IS ON AT MULTNOMAH

HOPING to establish a waiting list in the senior membership, the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club has started its annual drive. No great effort is being made to secure members for other classes, as waiting lists are in vogue in practically all of them.

The club directors recently adopted a resolution eliminating the non-payment of initiation fee clause in the application of former soldiers, sailors and marines. The resolution will take effect at the close of this year, which means that all soldiers, sailors and marines desiring to join the club under the "barren day" clause must do so before the first of January.

This year's drive is being conducted on a different scale than those staged in the past several years, each senior being asked to enroll a new member instead of the plan of having teams solicit members.

Bagshaw or Henderson To Coach 'W'

ELMER HENDERSON of the University of Southern California and Enoch Bagshaw of the Everett, Wash., high school are mentioned in rumors current in Northwest football circles as successor to Leonard Allison, coach of the University of Washington team.

Washington's complete failure in the Pacific coast intercollegiate conference this season, it is said, has resulted in the move to secure a new coach. The Washington students are still mourning the loss of Gil Doble and there is much sentiment in favor of one of Doble's former stars to take over the command of the football squad.

WANT EX-DOBIE MAN
Wayne Sutton and Tony Savage, both former Washington ends, who have been successful in coaching, are being boosted for the post by those who favor the Doble style of play. Other factions favor Bagshaw and Henderson.

Henderson has made a remarkable record at the University of Southern California, and at present his 1920 team is among those being considered for the 1921 Pasadena contest. Last year his team suffered but one defeat, losing to the California Bears by a margin of one point, 14 to 13.

Henderson has many supporters in Seattle. Before going to U. S. C. he turned out some very strong teams at the Broadway high school.

MADE GREAT RECORD
Bagshaw's record at Everett, Wash., is unsurpassed in scholastic records. For the past 10 years he has turned out unbeatable eleven, and during that time has piled up an exceptionally high point total. One reason for the success enjoyed by Bagshaw is the fact that he has been unable to secure good players for his teams.

The Sun-Dodgers' record this season is the poorest ever made by a Washington team. Allison's men did not score a single point in any of the three conference games it played, its lone victory of the season being against the Whitman college aggregation, which latter trimmed the University of Montana team that beat Washington by a score of 18 to 14.

Washington lost to Oregon, Stanford and O. A. C. in the coast conference.

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