

# BURNS WILL MAKE SCHEDULED WEIGHT OR FORFEIT \$25 IN RING TONIGHT

## PHIL BAYES IS SET FOR ANOTHER WIN

Spark Plug McCoy-Demps Hiller, 160 Pounders, Ready for Party

Solly Burns of Seattle, scheduled to match wits and fists against those of Salem's Phil Bayes in the ten round main event at the Armory smoker tonight, has posted with Harry Plant, local match maker, a \$25 forfeit that he will make his scheduled weight of 131 1/2 pounds.

Phil Bayes has been turning in a string of wins recently. Indications are he will be giving all he has tonight in an endeavor to keep the string unbroken. Solly will try to take the victory back to Seattle. Both boys are hard on their smashes and a sleep route win is predicted.

Spark Plug McCoy of Aberdeen is declared to be in top form for his six round semi wind-up affair with Demps Hiller of Corvallis. The boys will enter the ring in the 160 pound class.

Shadow Gretz of Salem meets Johnny Rose of Portland in a special four round go. Gretz' speciality is said to be punch, but Rose is able to take some heavy ones as well as to give.

Bill Kendall, Salem boy who meets Art Mayer in the preliminary battle, is worthy of mention. He has been training faithfully, and has developed punch. Fight fans predict that it will not be long before he works himself up out of the preliminary class.

## WILLAMETTE SEASON WILL OPEN TONIGHT

Cage Squad Ready for Normal After Fast Work-out, Sked Announced

Willamette university will meet Oregon State Normal's quintet on the home floor this evening at 7:30 o'clock. The game will be the first of the season for both schools. The Normal boys are said to have a fast squad this year.

Greater chance for team work for the Bearcats five was realized yesterday when it was learned that Hartley, two year center, will be able to play tonight. With him in the game, Willamette has four of last year's squad to start. Fasnacht and Robertson at forward and Erickson at guard complete the bill. Extra men will probably be Baker, Flesher, Roundtree or Litchfield.

Last night the Bearcats played a practice game with Kenneth Brown's professionals. Every man on the team was given a chance to work out. One of the surprising developments of the game was the work shown by Roundtree, high point man.

Conference games on the Willamette schedule for the coming season are:

January 9—Linfield at Willamette.

January 15—Willamette at Whitman.

January 22—Willamette at Pacific.

January 26—Whitman at Willamette.

February 9—Willamette at Linfield.

February 11—Willamette at College of Puget Sound.

January 17—GPS at Willamette.

February 24—Pacific at Willamette.

Washington University will meet the Bearcats on the Willamette gym floor January 23. College of Seattle is also trying to schedule a game when it makes its trip through Oregon in February. One or two other big schools will be scheduled, probably Ore-

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## BATTLING SIKI SHOT TO DEATH



Killed in a street brawl in "Hell's Kitchen," in New York's underworld, the body of Battling Siki, Senegalese pugilist, lays in the morgue while police seek his slayer. This picture of him was taken while he was being brought to Ellis Island for a deportation hearing following another street fight some time ago. Bob Levy, his manager, is with him.

## OREGON UNIVERSITY AND OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

One of the features of the rejuvenated Northwest conference will be annual conference track and field meets. This spring the meet will be held on Sweetland Field, Salem, May 29. It was agreed that not more than 10 men shall be on each team.

At Whitman a conference tennis tournament will be held May 21 and 22. All of the schools are planning to participate.

As an added incentive to work for the championship of the conference this basketball season, the winning team will meet with the championship school of the smaller colleges conference of California for smaller school coast honors.

## OREGON GRID COACH RECORD IS STRONG

McEwan's Army Squad Road Over Notre Dame, Defeated Navy Twice

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Dec. 15.—(Special to the Statesman.)—The record of Captain John J. McEwan, who has just been elected head football coach at the University of Oregon, is one who has resigned as head coach at the United States Military Academy, West Point, indicates that he is one of the leading gridiron mentors of the country.

In three years, the Army team, under McEwan, has defeated the Navy twice and tied them once. In addition, McEwan's team defeated Notre Dame this year 27 to 0.

Captain McEwan will sign a five-year contract at the university, according to an announcement by the executive council. He is to resign from the Army immediately and assume his duties shortly afterward in Eugene. He will be a full-time coach, with the privilege of selecting his own assistant coaches.

The election of McEwan came after a nation-wide search for a coach. Both Jack Benefiel, graduate manager, and Virgil Earl, athletic director, have spent some time in the east looking for the most outstanding prospect, and they selected McEwan as the best man.

McEwan has been head coach at West Point since 1923, before which he was assistant to Major Daly for four years. In 1911 he played under Coach Williams at the University of Minnesota. For three years, 1912-13-14, he played on the Army team. From 1915 until 1916 he was in active service in the army. He was on Camp's all-American team in 1914.

In addition to his coaching, Captain McEwan is a member of the national football rules committee.

"I am sure that Captain McEwan will have the full support of the university and the state. He is a football expert, and his work at Oregon should bring prestige to the state," Earl said.

Record of the Army teams under McEwan follow:

1923  
41, Tennessee 0; 20, Florida 0; 0, Notre Dame 13; 28, Alabama 6; 7, Lebanon Valley, 0; 10, Yale 31; 44, Arkansas Agri. 0; 20, Bethany, 6; 0, U. S. Naval academy, 0.

1924  
17, St. Louis university, 0; 20, U. of Detroit 0; 7, Notre Dame, 13; 20, Boston university, 0; 7, Yale, 7; 14, Florida, 7; 14, Columbia 14; 12, U. S. Naval academy, 0.

1925  
Army, 31; Detroit 6.  
Army, 26; Knox, 7.  
Army, 27; Notre Dame, 0.  
Army, 19; St. Louis, 0.  
Army, 7; Yale, 28.  
Army, 14; Davis Elkins, 6.  
Army, 7; Columbia, 31.  
Army, 44; Ursinus, 0.  
Army, 10; Navy, 3.

Riddle—Long tunnel on Silver Peak mine is expected to uncover great body of rich ore.

## HOUSTON CREDITED AS STRONG CENTER

Four Conference Coaches Mark Him as Outstanding Season Player

While no official or unofficial all northwest conference football team was picked this year, four of the coaches of the conference were unanimous in declaring Leo Houston, Willamette man, all conference center.

Houston has finished his fourth year on the Willamette team. Fans in general expressed their opinion that Houston played better ball this year than he ever did before.

The Willamette offense was built around his ability to judge the right time to snap the ball. On the defense he dragged opposing backs for greater and more consistent losses than any other man on the Willamette team.

Snyder, Quarterback, Leads Albany Eleven

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 15.—Louis (Bus) Snyder, quarterback on the Albany college football team during the 1925 season, has been elected to captain the 1926 eleven. Snyder played halfback for Albany college two years ago and was absent from school last year because of illness in his family. His home is at Kelso, Wash.

## WHEAT CROP LARGER

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—Governor Hartley was sustained on two vetoes by the house of the state legislature today, the first by a vote of 89 to 1 and the second 57 to 36.

## LUMBER MILLS HIT

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—Two fires today caused losses of \$265,000 in timber mills at Rockner and Polson.

## WHEAT CROP LARGER

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—The value of Canada's 1925 wheat crop is placed at \$466,755,000 in the official crop report issued today, approximately \$146,000,000 more than in 1924.

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## CITY ASKED TO PAY \$500 REWARD PRIZE

Attorney Asks Money Offered for Capture of Sloat, Two Years Ago

City Recorder Poulson is in receipt of a letter from Frank H. Layman, attorney for C. C. Ferguson requesting that the city make good the money it owes to Ferguson for information that led to the arrest and conviction of Cloy A. Sloat, moral pervert, some three years ago.

The city offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of Sloat, a school teacher of Linn county who had assaulted two young girls in Salem March 5, 1922. The city attorney gave the opinion that as a state law governed the crime, the city had no authority to post the reward. As a result, the amount has not been paid.

Layman holds that there is an ordinance of the city of Salem concerning the crime, and it is upon the existence of this that he bases his claim for collection of the reward. He asks that the matter be brought up at the next meeting of the city council.

## BEE KEEPERS WILL MEET TO ORGANIZE

Gathering Is Called for December 19, at Chamber of Commerce

Bee keepers of Marion county will meet at the Salem Chamber of Commerce Saturday afternoon, December 19, at 2 o'clock, to effect a permanent organization of the Marion County Bee Keepers' association. Already 65 bee keepers have signified their intention of joining the association.

Polk county is organizing as well. When the two counties have organized, efforts will be made to have the county assessor keep on record, as provided by law, the names of all those having one beehive or more.

Efforts will probably be made also to cooperate with the county clerk to bring about the inspection of hives, as provided by law.

## SILVER CREEK ROAD PAVING IS STRESSED

Fred Erixon Says Tourist Travel Would More Than Return Investment

Construction of a paved or macadamized road between Salem and Silver Creek falls was advocated by Fred Erixon at the luncheon of the Salem Kiwanians yesterday. He declared that the Silver Creek falls have never been fully appreciated by Salem.

Tourist travel would more than return the investment of the road, he maintained. Upon his motion, the Kiwanians instructed the president to appoint a committee of one to work in unison with representatives of the Rotary and Lions clubs of the city to see what can be done toward getting the road.

Directors of the Kiwanis club and members of the public affairs committee had already sanctioned the project.

SOLLY BURNS

## Brave Poses These—

But action will count tonight when fighters hear that Armory gong strike. "Fight if you want a purse," Harry Plant says.

DEMPHS HILLER

PHIL BAYES

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