

Followers of Swatdom Out With Gloves As Spring's First Day Comes

LEAGUE BATSHINERS READY FOR OPENER

Several Leagues Forming Plans for Beginning of Early Schedule

Today is officially the first day of spring. Official or otherwise, the signs have struck Salem, and struck in abundance.

Sparrows are noisily fighting each other and all that chatter. Students grow slumberous in classes. Willamette students are off on their spring vacations, and surest sign of all, followers of swatdom are out with their gloves and bats and little horseshoe pellets.

Although the season proper for baseball is still in the offing, practice is becoming a daily occurrence. And with practice comes the forecast from those familiar with Salem's baseball status that this season will be the biggest baseball year in the history of the city. Several leagues will be formed, for the youngsters as well as for the adults.

Salem's Twilight and Sunset leagues will, of course, continue through the season. The city's Commercial league will function, if six teams can be mustered into service, a Fraternal league will be formed, consisting only of teams comprised of lodge members.

As for the junior bat experts, at least two leagues will be formed. One will be of those qualifying in the 19 year old class. The other will be for those under the age of 15 years.

Oregon Pulp & Paper Mill players have started practice with the object in view of winning for the second time in succession the championship of the Twilight league. The Valley Motor boys are expected to be in the running once more, and the Pop company lads will be out again. The Eagles runners up in last season in the Twilight league, are expected to be "at bat" again this season.

If the Fraternal league materializes, teams will probably play representing the Eagles, El Kader Grotto, and Knights of Columbus. It is likely the Knights of Pythias, WOW and Modern Woodmen will also list to the call of the "pop" spaces.

A new team to sign up for the Commercial league is the Elton Elston. Art Elumenberg will manage the new arrivals. High school grounds as well as Oxford Park will be mastered into the service for the games.

Dr. L. E. Barrick, Biddy Eshor and Bob Boardman, prominent in baseball circles, all predict a bumper crop in baseball interest for the season. And in the meantime the Salem Senators are balancing their bats and testing the whip of their arms and pounding their gloves into shape.

As for the Juniors, a local sporting goods house is offering a silver cup to the winning team of the 19 year old league. We hope, Oregon Journals and Lerner's Silver Rats have already declared themselves in the running for the cup. All three teams are considered strong.

In the monkey league, co-players of the youngest players, Higeman's Wives were top notchers last season. Boy Scouts, Pioneer clubs and smaller grade school teams and club teams.



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WALTER TAYLOR IS GIVEN INTERVIEW

"Amateur," of Prize Ring Gives First Thought to "Customer" in Bouts

By NORMAN E. BROWN

Back in 1916, the year that Cleveland welcomed the arrival, with loud acclaim, of Tris Speaker, a young amateur boxer drifted in to that city. The boxer was Walter Taylor. He had left Syracuse a short time before, beat on earning his way to the Pacific Coast by boxing. He carried a bank account of \$1,400 with him.

Taylor wasn't accustomed to the chill days of the Great Lakes region and a few days after his arrival in his shirt sleeves he was stricken ill.

The illness cost him his savings and his ring career. The winter he was to have spent on the coast he spent trying to keep a job in Cleveland—and trying to keep up in his studies in night school.

Boxing was in a moth-eaten condition. When Taylor and a friend decided to promote an "amateur" night in a neighborhood hall their friends discouraged them.

The first show drew a capacity house. The second such an overflow house that the fire warden put the ban of further shows there.

Taylor looked around for larger quarters and found them. His first "downtown" show in the Moose Club hall was another success. Taylor needed more room. He acquired the Grays' military armory for a night and packed it.

When the city gave Taylor and five other "amateur" promoters the use of the Public Hall—with its 12,000 seats—for a show, Taylor filled it.

Then he bided his time. The lid on professional boxing was lifted. There was a mad scramble for dates by everyone except Taylor. Sport men had forgotten him when one day he announced he had signed the bantamweight championship of the world to meet Carl Tremaine. He turned 3,000 people away and the other promoters growled at conductors and everybody else.

It wasn't until Taylor bashfully admitted that he was building a \$15,000 "bowl" for outdoor bouts that the public took him seriously. His fights in that bowl are putting him on the high road to big money.

This at the age of 29, with a personality which is the direct antithesis of the average promoter. Taylor has yet to call a sporting editor by his first name. That's his way. He reminds one more of a theological student than a fight promoter. He has much the air of a bashful young clerk about to hit the boss for a raise—except when you speak of Jimmy Trannett, his one protegee.

Taylor learned his boxing while working out with Tommy Ryan, old-time undefeated welterweight champion, in the Y. M. C. A. at Syracuse. Ryan spent most of his time teaching the college boys the forbidden sport. Now Taylor is teaching Trannett Ryan's style.

Incidentally Taylor's next outdoor is indicative of his style. Cleveland fans had been clamoring for a match between Carl Tremaine, a veteran bantam star and Benny Gershe, rising youngster.

The first time Taylor's name was mentioned in connection with the bout was in the story announcing they had been signed for Oct. 12.

And Taylor will be the meekest looking man in the box office that night—sort of worried that someone isn't getting his money's worth.

AL KARASICK WINS

SPOKANE, March 20.—(AP)—Al Karasick light heavyweight wrestler of Oakland, Cal., defeated Sailor Jack Woods of Klamath Falls, Ore., here tonight, winning two out of three falls.

Woods won the first fall in 25 minutes with a toe hold. Karasick came back and took the second and third both with reverse head locks. He won the second in 27 minutes and the third in 9 minutes.



AMAZING PROMOTER Takes "Bull" Out of Boxing



At twenty-nine Walter Taylor ranks as the most amazing and one of the biggest boxing promoters in the west. He owns one of the biggest outdoor arenas in the country, "Taylor Bowl," in Cleveland, and is on his way to wealth. The amazing thing about him is that he has eliminated all ballyhoo and cheap methods of boosting his fights. Learned boxing from Tommy Ryan, famous old middleweight, and is teaching just one protegee, "Jimmy" Trannett, Ryan's style. Holds last outdoor fight of season October 12—a battle between Carl Tremaine, veteran bantam, and Benny Gershe, one of the best young bantams.

Will Urge A.A.A. Bureau Be Established In Salem

Chamber of Commerce Calls Special Meeting Monday Evening at 8 O'clock With Invitations to All Interested in Securing Tourists

With the endorsement of the Chamber of Commerce, efforts will be made this week for the locating of an information bureau in Salem by the American Automobile Association of Oregon, generally known as the A.A.A.

While all cities of any size in Oregon have already maintained such an information bureau, Salem has been lagging far behind, and as a result has been at a disadvantage in securing its share of the auto travel on the highway north and south.

For the past few years the A.A.A. has maintained office information bureaus at Corvallis, Eugene, Roseburg and in fact, all the larger cities to the south. In its official magazine, The Oregon Motorist, the A.A.A. instructs its readers where the services of the association may be had. Naturally, with no office in Salem, the capital city has been left out of the picture.

The Chamber of Commerce has called a meeting for Monday evening at 8 o'clock, when the proposition of establishing a A.A.A. information bureau will be taken up. This meeting is not only of special interest to all motorists for the protection it gives, but especially to those who believe that Salem should line up and do everything possible to secure its share of the extra travel that will pass through the state this season.

Where information bureaus are established, the A.A.A. not only gives extra protection to its members, but also general free information service to the public. The association protects the auto owner against inferior service from garages, service stations, restaurants and hotels.

BEND MAN DIES SUDDENLY

BEND, Or., March 20.—C. P. Dorian, Bend insurance man and formerly of Eugene, dropped dead, today in Lakeview, according to word received here from the Lake county seat. He was 49 years old and had been in the insurance business 35 years. He was born in Ireland and spent his boyhood on an uncle's cattle ranch in Montana.

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Four Changes Are Made In Rulings of Gridiron

Check on Forward Pass and International Safety Taken Care of in New Rules; Penalty Provided for Second and Third Incomplete Passes

NEW YORK, March 20.—(By Associated Press.)—Four important gridiron rules changes, one placing a check on the indiscriminate use of the forward pass, and another designed to eliminate the intentional safety, were made today by the football rules committee in annual session here.

The change involving the forward pass, which provides a penalty of five yards for the second and third incomplete passes in any series of plays, came as a surprise in view of repeated statements from members of the committee that they were opposed to any tampering with the aerial game.

The safety rule was revised so that a team making a safety must put the ball in play on its own 20 yard line by a kick on the first down with the opposing team restricted to the 30-yard line. The other changes involve the boundary lines to keep all play within the legal playing field.

The changes provide that: 1—The second and third incomplete forward passes which shall be made before a first down in any series of plays, each shall be penalized by a loss of five yards.

2—A team making a safety must put the ball in play on its own 20-yard line by a punt, drop kick, place kick or onside kick on the first down with the opposing team lined up on the 30-yard line.

3—The ground rules will apply at the side lines and end lines at the boundaries of legal playing field, thus making the ball dead automatically wherever it crosses the line. The side touching the ball last in fair territory shall be given possession at the point in which it passes over the line.

4—No player who steps out of bounds on a kickoff or free kick shall be eligible to recover a loose ball.

The new forward pass rule was designed to discourage the ill-conceived pass as a last minute resort by a team in the ruck.

Two such penalties would be the most a team could incur in any one series of plays under the ruling.

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ORDER GRAVE MARKERS TO REPLACE WOODEN CROSS-ES OVER AMERICAN DEAD

BOSTON, March 20.—(By Associated Press.)—White stone or marblehead stones are to replace the weathered wooden crosses that mark more than 14,000 American soldiers graves in France, Belgium and England. Plans for the change became known today when the army quartermasters department here called for bids from quarry men on the production and shipment of the stones.

The new markers will be made up in the shape of Latin cross and stars of David. Those for the graves of decorated men will name the medal awarded. Each stone will bear the soldier's name, his unit, division, state and date of death. Those for the unidentified will bear the inscription: "Here rests in honor and glory an American soldier killed but to God."

ROBBERY IS CHARGED

BEND, Ore., March 20.—(AP).—Harry Burton, 26, of Haines, Oregon, was arrested here this afternoon on complaint of Vaughn E. Finch, who said Burton doped him with liquor and robbed him of \$160 and an overcoat the previous night at a local hotel.

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