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## LIVE SPORTING NEWS

### P. H. S. WILL PLAY THE DALLES TONIGHT

"Dick" Hanley's P. H. S. basketball team will meet The Dalles team on their opponents floor tonight and tomorrow night. While the first team is mixing with the team down the Columbia, the second string men will tangle with the fast Helix players.

Only six players are making the trip to The Dalles as Hanley wants to send as strong a team as possible against Helix. In the previous games with The Dalles on the local floor the Buckaroos won 30 to 14 and 22 to 12.

**THORPE'S CONTRACT RIG**  
PORTLAND, March 3.—(U. P.)—The contract offered Jim Thorpe, the star Indian athlete, by the Portland ball club is said to be filled in at one of the highest figures ever received by a minor league player. Thorpe is a sensational player, a good crowd-getter, a fast base runner, but his fall from the majors is due principally to his inability to clout the ball for a high average.

### ORGANIZATION OF NEW CONFERENCE IS PLANNED

CHICAGO, March 3.—Steps toward organization of the central inter-collegiate athletic conference for all major sports in the middle west were taken at a meeting here today of representatives from a number of non-conference schools in the states comprising the big ten organization.

An organization committee headed by Kaute Rockne, coach at Notre Dame university, and including G. L. Bruce, manager of athletics at Detroit university, and William Coffey of Marquette, at Milwaukee, was appointed to arrange for a further meeting in Chicago March 13, at which final plans for launching the new conference are expected to be formulated.

**AGGIES ARE VICTORIOUS**  
OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, March 3.—The third wrestling victory of the Aggie squad was made Saturday night by a score of 26 to 5, against the University of Washington. Only one bout was won by falls. A fractured rib was received by "Y-Z" Stenstrom, Aggie lightweight, and he was unable to finish the third bout.

### HOWL GOES UP ON BOXING PROCEDURE

BY DAVIS J. WALSH  
(International News Service Sport Editor.)

NEW YORK, March 3.—That raucous blarney you hear roistering down the right of way is neither the echo of a street riot nor the annual convention of happy hucksters singing the National Anthem. You may discern a note of pained and incredulous surprise in the general ballyhoo, but that doesn't mean "Fatty" Arbuckle has been elected President or that some gent has had a tooth pulled.

It is merely the affronted citizenry, passing the time of day on the boxing and wrestling rules under which these sports happen to be laboring here at the moment. The country at large constantly is sending its best boys on to New York rings because the money and prestige are here. Guy Gotham is supposed to be the centre of the boxing and wrestling industries, but if matters do not

look up pronto both will awake one of these fine mornings to find themselves dead, which is no way to find yourself.

**What Rules Require**  
The present boxing code calls for a composite decision by a referee and two judges. The latter are not popular, and no matter who occupies the judges' chairs their decisions are derided as being the handiwork of men stricken prematurely blind.

At the Britton-Shade championship bout recently Tommy Shortell, once a prominent fighter himself, and Artie McGovern, who conducts a gymnasium for boxers, occupied the judges' chairs. Both might be looked upon as qualified ring jurists, but after they called the bout a draw popular opinion condemned them as incompetent.

It therefore harked down to a question of what may be deemed the more acceptable verdict, the popular or the judicial. The spectators thought that Britton was given the worst of it in receiving a draw, yet it is a matter of record that Britton didn't receive a single vote. Shortell and referee Patsy Haley voting for a draw and McGovern for Shade.

**'Tis Mysterious, This**  
All these are practical boxing men. How, then, to account for the fact that they failed to realize that Britton was supposed to have made Shade look like a novice? Also, what of the story given some circulation that Shortell first voted for shade and then changed his decision because it was alleged, a member of the boxing Commission, standing behind him, checked his tongue in astonishment?

These incidents are cited, not to prove the incompetency of judges, but the fallacy of the law in expecting the public to accept decisions with better grace because three men render them instead of one. Indeed, the "old system" of referee's decisions never received the storm of protest that greet the triangular verdict.

A return to the old system seems preferable, particularly since Benny Leonard declined to carry his title into a local ring for more than a year, and Johnny Kilbane, who defended his featherweight crown here since the Smith Prothers stepped shaving, both are presumed to have feared the worst.

As for wrestling, they have inaugurated a distasteful feature known as the "rolling fall." Its chief virtue is found in the fact that it shortens the bouts. Otherwise it is particularly abortive to those spectators who pay their way in to actually see a man thrown.

### COAST LEAGUE BASEBALL TEAMS START TRAINING

Spring Baseball training of the Pacific Coast ball clubs has started according to reports from the various camps. All camps report fine weather conditions and have an optimistic attitude.

Following is a list of the teams in the Pacific Coast League with their training camps: Portland, Pasadena; San Francisco, Boys' Hot Springs; Oakland, Myrtle Hot Springs; Seattle, Stockton; Salt Lake, Modesto; Los Angeles, Lake Elsinore and Vernon, Los Angeles.

### DATE FOR OREGON AQUATIC MEET SET

PORTLAND, March 3.—March 11 has been decided on as the date for the annual Oregon state swimming and diving championships to be held in the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club tank. This announcement was made Saturday morning by Jack Cody, swimming instructor at the Winged "M" institution, and he added that standard events will be on the program. Representatives from the University of Oregon and the Oregon Agricultural college are expected to be on hand and the Portland Natatorium, which did not enter one contestant in the recent city tournament, is expected to have several entries.

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### PUBLIC MAY NOT GET TO SEE HARVARD GAME

CAMBRIDGE, March 3.—(U. N. S.)—What is regarded as the first official intimation that the public will be excluded or discouraged from attending Harvard gridiron contests is contained in President A. Lawrence Lowell's annual report to be read to overseers. Rumors were current following various hostile demonstrations at games last year that the public would henceforth be barred.

While avoiding any direct statement on the matter, President Lowell questions the advisability of making the annual football clashes a big public spectacle.

President Lowell's report also practically makes it plain the Harvard squad will make no trip to a western college. He says such a tour would interfere too seriously with studies.

### Movies

ARCADE TODAY  
If you don't want to miss a snappy, well directed and excellently acted feature picture, be sure and visit the Arcade today, where David Butler holds his sway in his latest and what will probably be termed greatest screen presentation, "Making the Grade." Young Butler has rapidly risen to the ranks of stardom and has long been a shining light in the film firmament. His pictures have caused keen enjoyment to film lovers but "Making the Grade" outshines all of his previous screen endeavors by far and brings to the silver sheet a five reel comedy drama so chuck full of snappy and ginger that it will be very hard to duplicate.

In some fortunate manner, David Butler seems to sense the pulse of the picture public. He has a happy faculty of giving the fans the sort of pictures they have been looking forward to, and "Making the Grade" is certainly no exception to the rule.

RIVOLI TODAY  
No fashionable cabaret in New York City of lights, can surpass in brilliance or color or extravagance of finish that which is used in George Fitzmaurice's paramount production of "Experience," which is to be shown at the Rivoli Theatre today. The scene

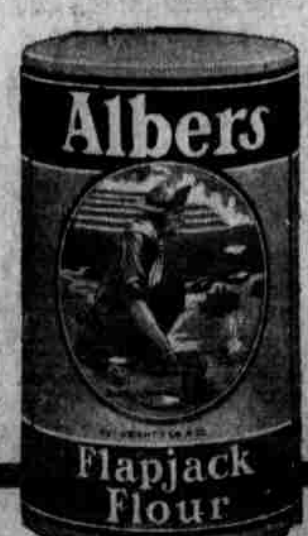
ario of this well-known play by George V. Hobart, called for a typical New York restaurant, after the manner of such institutions of pleasure before the days of prohibition. No expense was spared to make this scene realistic and beautiful.

The color scheme is black and gold with a background of gold metal cloth. Huge ornate pillars, capped with metal domes, are set at intervals on the dining room floor.

A striking effect was obtained in this scene by the use of four little girls

who soared above the dancers in swins and dropped rose-leaves on the crowd below. Five hundred pounds of artificial rose-leaves and two bushels of confetti were let loose from "snow" banks above the setting.

Although only one quarter of the cabaret was built it accommodated four hundred people. For richness of color and novelty, this has seldom been surpassed in any picture. Richard Barthelmess, a popular young screen player, has the leading role of "Youth."



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