

Late Gossip Of The Sporting World At Home And Abroad

FRED WELSH AND PACKEY M'FARLAND

"Promoters in New York and elsewhere are trying to work up interest in a Packey McFarland-Fred Welsh match, so do not be surprised if you wake up some of these fine mornings and learn that the champion has agreed to box the stockyards expert ten no-decision rounds," says a writer in the Cincinnati Enquirer.

"If the match is made New York will probably get it. McFarlane is a tremendous card in Gotham, and no matter who his opponent may be will be sure to draw a big card. Against Welsh even Madison Square Garden would be none too commodious. McFarlane, although apparently taking little interest in the sport these days, has, so I am informed, been working assiduously, and is prepared to step in the ring on a week's notice. Instead of weighing in the neighborhood of 150, as the critics will have it, I am told that Packey will find it a joke to make 135 at two o'clock, the weight condition suggested in the proposed bout with the champion.

"McFarlane's early return to the ring will be welcomed by sports everywhere. An artist of his type was bound to be missed, and there are many who never realized just what a great little man with the gloves Packey is until he voluntarily retired. Welsh at his best would give McFarlane a warm argument, as he has done several times, but the Welsh of today will find it a difficult job to keep Packey from showing him.

"The lightweight champion of the world is ripe for a licking. I trust that when Welsh is beaten it will be by a boy worthy of the title, and not by some dub who has been picked as a mark, and who manages to put over a lucky haymaker."

UMPIRE A DUMMY

Dummy Taylor, former pitcher for the New York Giants and Buffalo Internationals, will be one of the Kansas State League umpires for the coming season, according to President Roy Gafford. In calling his decisions, Taylor will use a whistle, blowing once for strikes and twice for balls. A special code will be worked out for base decisions. President Gafford believes that Taylor is especially fitted for the work because he cannot hear the raising of the fans, and the disputing of decisions by players will be minimized for the same reason. Fat McDonald, of Kansas City, probably will be hired again.

LOCAL BOWLING YESTERDAY

TWO MEN LEAGUE.

The Two Men League opened on the Victoria alleys last night with No. 9 team, Williams and Cunningham, bowling against No. 11 team, Coughlan and McKeen. The game was interesting and was watched by a large crowd. It was a fine exhibition of bowling, Coughlan carrying off all the honors. Following is the summary:

Williams—	82	88	86	88	84	428—85-3-5
Cunningham—	79	92	87	87	88	433—86-3-5
161	180	173	175	172	861	86-1-10
Coughlan—	88	83	109	101	103	484—96-4-5
McKeen—	85	96	94	88	86	449—89-4-5
173	179	203	189	189	933	93-3-10

No. 9 team, 1 pt. No. 11 team 5 pts.

Second Game.

The second game was between Leonard and Vaughan vs. Wright and Anthony, and resulted in a win for the latter by 5 points. It was a very exciting game, full of good plays. Following is the result:

Leonard—	73	92	85	80	72	402—80-2-4
Vaughan—	82	83	83	94	88	430—86
155	175	168	174	160	832—83-1-5	
Wright—	77	78	96	94	85	430—86
Anthony—	84	90	87	80	98	439—87-4-5
161	168	183	174	183	869	86-9-10

Tuesday Night.

7.30 o'clock—No. 3, Latham and Taylor vs. No. 4, Ritchie and Boyer.
8.30 o'clock—No. 5, McKeen and McFarlane vs. No. 6, Hill and Teed.

WELSH IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, March 22.—Public boxing exhibitions, allowed by a by-law recently passed by the city council, will be inaugurated next Saturday night, when Freddie Welsh, world's champion lightweight, will meet Max Lustig, a New York Hebrew fighter in a ten-round bout.

LIVE TOPICS ABOUT LIVE RING STARS

BOUNTS THIS WEEK.

Tuesday.
George Chip vs. Al (Rudolph) McCoy, Pittsburgh.
Phil Brock vs. Hal Stewart, Lorain.
Ray Temple vs. Red Watson, Milwaukee.
James O'Hagan vs. Soldier Bartfield, Albany.
Battling Levinsky vs. J. Hanlon, Astoria.

Wednesday.
Freddie Welsh vs. Patsy Drouillard, Windsor.
Jack White vs. Jim Kelly, Chattanooga.
Al Reich vs. Arthur Peikay, New York.

Thursday.
Artie Simons vs. Dutch Brandt, New Orleans.
Charley White vs. Leach Cross, New York.
Jack Britton vs. Soldier Bartfield, Buffalo.
M. Saylor vs. Mike Sheriden, Jackson, Mich.
Gilbert Gallant vs. Walter Mohr, Bridgeport.
Young Mahoney vs. W. Perkins, Kenosha.

Friday.
Jack Britton vs. Kid Lewis, New York.
Jack Wolgast vs. W. Martin, Cadillac.
Frankie Burns of California vs. Fighting Thorpe, Kansas City.
Mickey Brown vs. Young Merino, Chicago.

Saturday.
Freddie Welsh vs. Young Lustig, Montreal.

CONNIE MACK'S TEAM.

Connie Mack, the manager of the Philadelphia Athletics is quoted as saying: "I have every reason to believe that the Athletics will again win the American League pennant. I am confident that my young twirlers will more than make good and that what remains of my 1914 team will be out there working like the champions of old."

If Mack, with his record of six American League pennants and three world's championships, can win another pennant this season with two pitchers in Bender and Plank and two infielders in Collins and Baker, missing he will go down in baseball history as the managerial marvel of the game.

ENGLISH TURF SEASON WILL OPEN

The first of big feature races of the English turf season will be held at Liverpool on Friday of this week when the Grand National Steeplechase will be run at Aintree course. The effect of the European war is clearly shown in the entry list of forty-six jumpers in place of the usual entry ranging from sixty to eighty horses. From an American standpoint interest will attach to the running of Postboy, the six-year-old entry of Alexander Smith Cochran.

Postboy is the representative American entry with an excellent record to his credit but the Cochran steeplechaser will meet a formidable field in which quality will make up for the quantity of past Grand Nationals. The race will also have an international tinge since in addition to the American entry Australia is represented by Bullawarra, one of the best jumpers over a distance course that the Antipodes has ever turned out and two French entries in Marteau II. and Clitias.

That the winner of the Grand National must have both speed and stamina goes without saying since the race is twice around the Aintree course giving a total distance of close to four and one-half miles. This race is one of the most picturesque events of the English turf year and an extremely small percentage of the starters cross the finish line, for the long course with its difficult going and jumps proves too much for all but the most powerful and perfectly trained chasers.

This race, first run in 1839, has been held without a lapse for seventy-six years. The largest number of starters was in the years 1850 and 1909 when thirty-two jumpers went away for the long race. The Colonel holds the record of winning twice in succession capturing first place in 1869 and 1870. Other horses including Peter Simple, Abd-el-Kader, The Lamb, and Manifesto have won two Grand Nationals but not in successive years.

BOXING NOTES.

Kid Cotton's bout with Al Kubiak, which was to have been decided at Manchester last night, has been postponed for a week. Kubiak desired more time to train.

New Haven promoters were stunned when Freddie Welsh refused an offer of \$10,000 to meet Johnny Dundee there in May.

If Willie Ritchie anticipates boxing in Boston at some time it will not be until he reduces his price. Can anyone imagine Ritchie demanding \$6,000 to meet Matty Baldwin? What would there be in it for Baldwin, outside of another licking?

Jack Johnson has cabled Bob Armstrong to go to Cuba, and train him for his fight with Willard. This is the first real live move made in the fight and makes it look good to take place.

Sam Langford has another match on with Jim Johnson that will be decided either in New York or Havana. New York looks good to the fighters, after which a return battle over the long route could be made at Havana.

For a long time fans wondered what ever became of Charley Griffin, the Australian lightweight. The latter has bobbed up in Bridgeport, Ct., and is conducting a boxing school there with success. Griffin was a popular little fellow and made friends fast wherever he appeared.

"Fike" Bornstein, a personal acquaintance of George Chaney, the clever Baltimore featherweight, will confer with the matchmaker of the Atlas A. A. relative to Chaney meeting Johnny Dundee or some other good man. Chaney has boxed Dundee once, besides giving Johnny Kilbane, the featherweight champion, a hard rub in a 10-round bout.

FAMOUS RUNNER WHO MAY LOSE A LEG.



HANNES KOLEHMAINEN
The daily roll off on Black's alleys yesterday was won by Thos. Cosgrove with a score of 118.

STANLEY KETCHEL AND OTHERS

Figures just compiled demonstrate clearly the difference between Stanley Ketchel, the last man to hold a clear claim on the middleweight title, and those who are scrambling for the championship he left behind. It is found that Ketchel, in his time, engaged in sixty battles, forty-four of which resulted in knockouts. This gave him a percentage of seventy-three, or twice as good a record as his nearest rival in the table—Jack Dillon. Dillon has flattened thirty-eight opponents in 125 fights for a percentage of thirty-six. As Dillon is no longer a middleweight, Mike Gibbons is, in reality, the next best man as a knockout artist. The St. Paul middle, in seventy-four contests, has won twenty-five with a knockout, giving him a percentage of thirty-four. Eddie McGoorty, a doubtful middleweight, has dropped twenty-five with a haymaker in eighty-nine starts, his percentage being thirty, the same as Jimmy Clabby's for thirty-four knockouts in 113 attempts.

Ketchel came by the name "assassin" rightly. He was a terrific puncher and relentless in his attack. An exceptional middleweight, he was classed with such remarkable pugilists as Jack Dempsey and Bob Fitzsimmons. Were he alive and in possession of his wonderful powers, the present crop of middleweights would not have a look-in. Gibbons, Clabby, McGoorty and the others would not be enjoying so much notoriety and banking thousands of dollars. There would be a real champion, not a lot of fancy artists whose foremost idea is to roll the dough.

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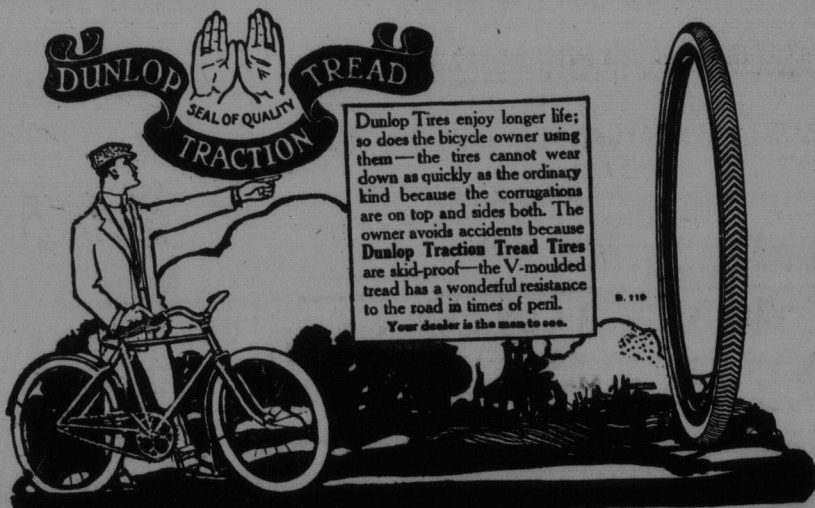
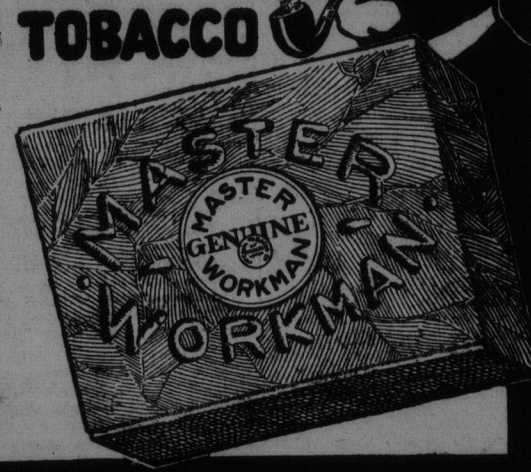


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