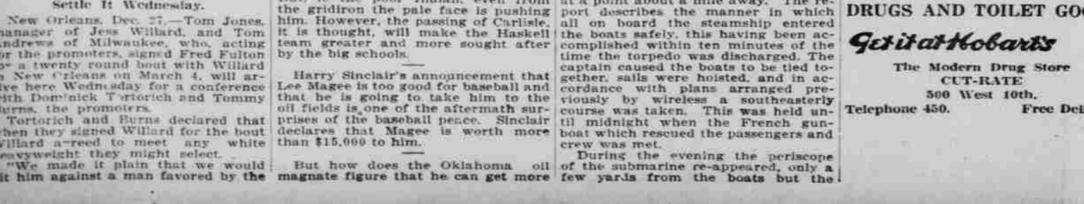
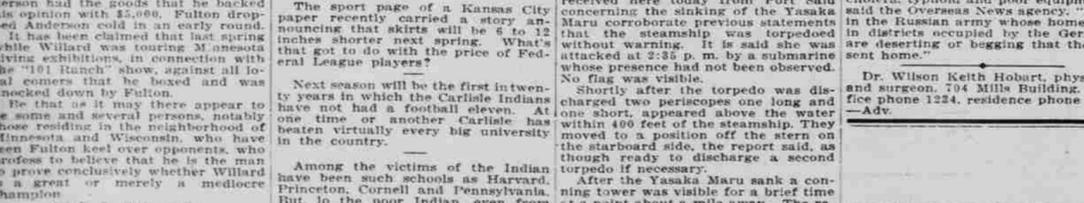
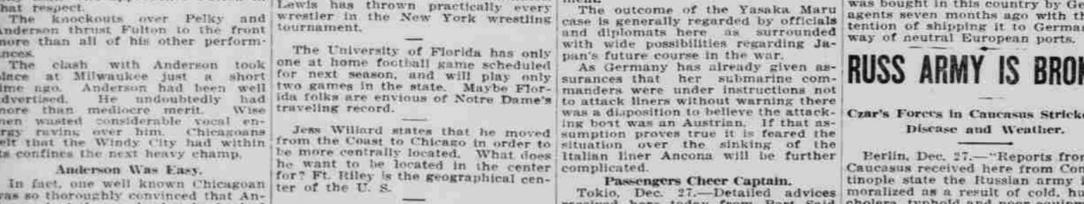
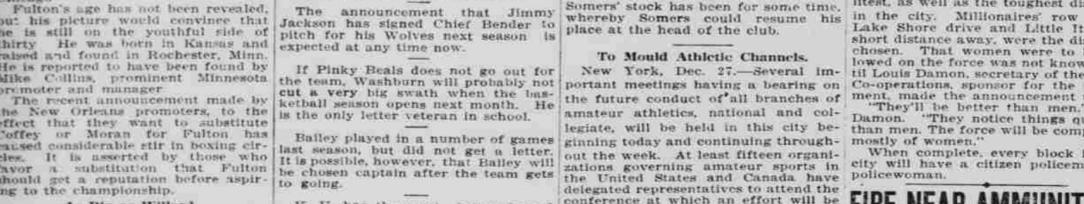
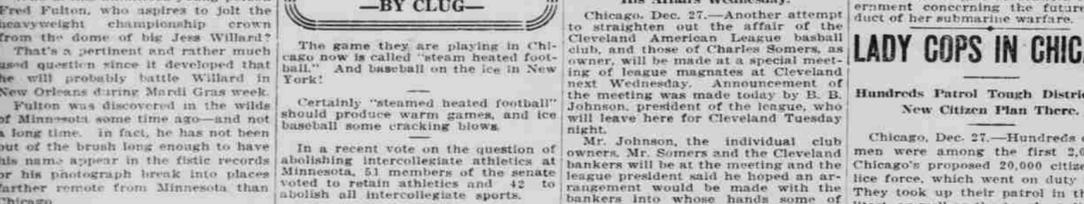
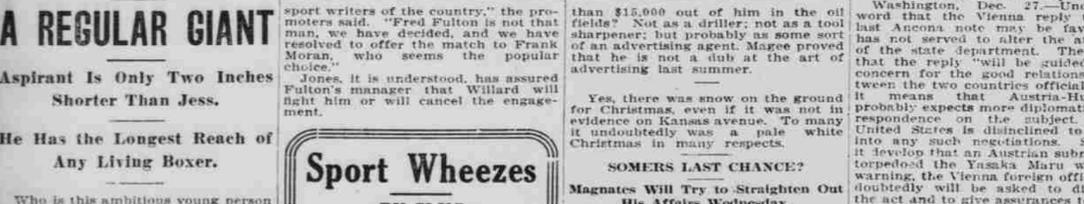


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Up to the Minute SPORTING NEWS From Every where. BY "CLUG"

Fred Fulton Has Longer Reach Than Champion Jess Willard

A REGULAR GIANT
Aspirant Is Only Two Inches Shorter Than Jess.

Who is this ambitious young person Fred Fulton, who aspires to jolt the heavyweight championship crown from the dome of big Jess Willard? That's a pertinent and rather much used question since it developed that he will probably battle Willard in New Orleans during Mardi Gras week.

Fulton was discovered in the wide of Minnesota some time ago—and not a long time. In fact, he has not been out of the brush long enough to have his name appear in the fight records or his photograph break into places farther remote from Minnesota than Chicago.

Fulton's age has not been revealed, but his picture would convince that he is still on the youthful side of thirty. He was born in Kansas and raised and found in Rochester, Minn. He is reported to have been found by Mike Collins, prominent Minnesota promoter and manager.

The recent announcement made by the New Orleans promoters, to the effect that they want to substitute Coffey or Moran for Fulton has caused considerable stir in boxing circles. It is asserted by those who favor a substitution that Fulton should get a reputation before aspiring to the championship.

As Big as Willard. However, Fred is the only boxer in captivity who closely approaches Willard in size and general development. He stands 6 feet 4 inches in height. Willard's height is 6 feet 6 inches. His batting weight is 220 pounds. Willard battles at about 225 or 230 pounds.

And Fred's reach is 84 1/2 inches, which everyone must admit is some reach. "Care it out for yourself and you'll find that to be seven feet and one-half inch."

It's the longest reach possessed by any living boxer. Willard measures 82 1/2 inches in reach, and Jess is the only man who approaches Fulton in that respect.

The knockouts over Pelky and Anderson thrust Fulton to the front more than all of his other performances.

The clash with Anderson took place at Milwaukee just a short time ago. Anderson had been well advertised. He undoubtedly had more than mediocre merit. Wise men wasted considerable vocal energy raving over him. Chicagoans felt that the Windy City had within it confines the next heavy champ.

Anderson Was Easy. In fact, one well known Chicagoan was so thoroughly convinced that Anderson had the goods that he backed his opinion with \$5,000. Fulton dropped Anderson cold in an early round. It has been claimed that last spring while Willard was touring Minnesota giving exhibitions, in connection with the "1915 Ranch" show, against all local centers that he boxed and was knocked down by Fulton.

Be that as it may there appear to be some several persons, notably those residing in the neighborhood of Minnesota and Wisconsin, who have seen Fulton keel over opponents, who profess to believe that he is the man to prove conclusively whether Willard is a great or merely a mediocre champion.

Settle It Wednesday. New Orleans, Dec. 27.—Tom Jones, manager of Jess Willard, and Tom Andrews of Milwaukee, who, acting for the promoters, signed Fred Fulton for a twenty round bout with Willard in New Orleans on March 4, will arrive here Wednesday for a conference with Donnick T. Torich and Tommy Burns, the promoters.

Torich and Burns declared that when they signed Willard for the bout Willard agreed to meet any white heavyweight they might select.

"We made it plain that we would pit him against a man favored by the

HIGH LIGHTS IN EUROPE'S WAR ONE YEAR AGO TODAY

President Wilson's first note protesting British interference with American shipping was sent. Russia claimed to have routed two Austrian armies in the Carpathians. Germany informed the United States that certain American consuls in Belgium were disloyal to Germany and must be withdrawn.

submarine itself was not visible. The passengers praised the captain and crew for their coolness and discipline. There was no sign of panic throughout the long ordeal.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Unofficial word that the Vienna reply to the last Ancona note may be favorable has not served to alter the attitude of the state department. The word that the reply "will be guided with concern for the good relations" between the two countries officials take it means that Austria-Hungary probably expects more diplomatic correspondence on the subject. The United States is disinclined to enter into any such negotiations. Should it develop that an Austrian submarine torpedoed the Yasa Maru without warning, the Vienna foreign office undoubtedly will be asked to disavow the act and to give assurances to government concerning the future conduct of her submarine warfare.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Another attempt to straighten out the affair of the Cleveland American League baseball club, and those of Charles Somers, as owner, will be made at a special meeting of league magnates at Cleveland next Wednesday. Announcement of the meeting was made today by B. B. Johnson, president of the league, who will leave here for Cleveland Tuesday night.

Mr. Johnson, the individual club owners, Mr. Somers and the Cleveland league president said he hoped an arrangement would be made with the owners into whose hands some of Somers' stock has been sold, some time whereby Somers could resume his place at the head of the club.

To Mould Athletic Channels. New York, Dec. 27.—Several important meetings having a bearing on the future conduct of all branches of amateur athletics, national and collegiate, will be held in this city beginning today and continuing throughout the week. At least fifteen organizations governing amateur sports in the United States and Canada have delegated representatives to attend the conference at which an effort will be made to adopt a universal definition of what constitute an amateur athlete.

LADY COPS IN CHICAGO

Hundreds Patrol Tough District in New Citizen Plan There.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Hundreds of women were among the first 2,000 of Chicago's proposed 20,000 citizen police force, which went on duty today. They took up their patrol in the politest, as well as the toughest districts in the city. Millionaires' row along Lake Shore drive and Little Italy, a short distance away, were the districts chosen. That women were to be allowed on the force was not known until last week, when the Chicago Police Board, sponsor for the movement, made the announcement today. "They'll be better than men," said Damon. "They notice things quicker than men. The force will be comprised mostly of women."

When complete, every block in the city will have a citizen policeman or policewoman.

FIRE NEAR AMMUNITION

German Owned Rifles and Cartridges Threatened With Destruction.

New York, Dec. 27.—Three million round of cartridges, thousands of Springfield rifles and revolvers and other weapons were endangered by fire in a building in West Houston street today. The fire was extinguished, however, before it reached the ammunition.

Police learned that the ammunition was bought in this country by German agents seven months ago with the intention of shipping it to Germany by way of neutral European ports.

RUSS ARMY IS BROKEN

Czar's Forces in Caucasus Stricken by Disease and Weather.

Berlin, Dec. 27.—Reports from the Caucasus received here from Constantinople state the Russian army is demoralized as a result of cold, hunger, cholera, typhoid and poor equipment, said the Overseas News agency. "Poles in the Russian army whose homes are in the districts occupied by the Germans are deserting or begging that they be sent home."

Dr. Wilson Keith Hobart, physician and surgeon, 704 Mills Building. Office phone 1224, residence phone 1645.

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RAILROADS

HIKE IN WAGES

Santa Fe Boiler-maker Apprentices Will Get a Raise.

Rock Island Assistant Secretary Sees Bright Future.

The Santa Fe boiler-maker apprentices are to be given a New Year's present Saturday in the form of a general hike in their salaries. This report was verified today by M. J. Drury, superintendent of the Topeka shops.

The new system is in the form of a 15 cents a day increase after six months' service to apprentices. At the end of every six months a similar raise will be given.

The boiler-maker apprentices are thus favored because their work is considered harder than that of those in other departments of the shops.

NYQUIST IN TOPEKA

Rock Island Assistant Secretary Talks of Reorganization.

Carl Nyquist of Chicago, assistant secretary of the Rock Island Lines, spent Christmas day and Sunday in Topeka visiting relatives.

In speaking of the Rock Island reorganization plans, Mr. Nyquist said: "I believe that everything will turn out favorably for us in 1916 and 1917 and the road is going to be established on a sound basis. Our operating territory, which includes Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, is composed of rich states where the rehabilitated system ought to make reasonable dividends in the future. The exact nature of the reorganization I can hardly say."

Mr. Nyquist was asked if he knew anything of the successor for A. E. Sweet, general manager of the Rock Island in Topeka, who leaves the last half of this week to become vice president of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad.

"I know nothing about the matter," he answered. "I know that A. C. Ridgeway, the chief operating officer, will make an announcement regarding it some time during the coming week, or possibly return to Chicago Sunday night."

DEATH LURKS AT CROSSINGS

Nearly 70 Per Cent of Autoists Speed Over Tracks.

The Southern Pacific railroad has issued a statement to show that carelessness is responsible for many of the accidents at grade crossings. Agents of the company say that the actions of 17,023 motor vehicles on approaching railroad crossings in a number of widely separated localities of speeded up drivers, or 69 1/2 per cent, looked neither to right nor left before crossing the tracks; 2.7 per cent looked only one way and only 2.8 per cent looked in both directions, while 3.301, or 19.3 per cent, ran over the crossing at a reckless rate of speed and only 52 stopped before crossing. Of 4,889 drivers of teams, 39.4 per cent looked in neither direction, 8.6 per cent looked only one way, and only 52 per cent looked in both directions. The statement concludes: "As the country develops it will be necessary for the railways to continue to eliminate grade crossings as rapidly as they can, and the increasing population and industry that makes such expenditures necessary should naturally tend to increase earnings so as to enable the roads to meet them; but meanwhile a great deal can be accomplished to make conditions safer if the roads can secure the interest and co-operation of the public and of its representatives."

LADIES ON THE JOB

B. & O. Puts Women Chaperons on Its Trains.

In the appointment of Mrs. C. H. White and Mrs. Samuel Watkins as traveling chaperons, who will have charge of special parties of students and other young women traveling alone over the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, as announced in a circular issued by the passenger department, the latest idea for the comfort and convenience of the traveling public will be adopted.

This is a plan which was once considered by the Santa Fe. Whether or not it is still being talked of by traffic officials of the western road is not known. If it is being talked of, the conversation is on the quiet. A year or so ago it was reported that the Santa Fe was going to put on a few women chaperons and the rumor was printed in the newspapers. The office of J. M. Connell, general passenger agent, was filled for the next two months by ladies who wanted such jobs. His mail clerks were over-taxed. Mr. Connell had to take his vacation several months earlier than usual to get away from the feminine job seekers.

The Baltimore & Ohio officials must have heard of the Santa Fe's dim-

HERE'S A FISH STORY

December 24, 1915. Editor Topeka State Journal: In reading in your paper the account of R. G. Merrick's trained fish, which he caught in the Ozarks, reminds me of my fish which I caught way back in the twenties.

My father owned a dairy farm in Chenango county, N. Y., and in that country at that time, trout were plentiful. I was quite a lad and used to catch large strings of fish frequently. One day I came home with a nice bunch of trout and I noticed that one of them was smarter than the others so I commenced to train him. He learned very rapidly and soon went with me after the cows. After awhile he would go and bring the cows up without me and thus saved me many footsteps. There was a small stream running through the middle of the pasture which we had to cross on a foot log. One day after a rain my fish started after the cows and this log being slippery in attempting to cross on it, he slipped off in the water and drowned. Have never been able to successfully train a fish since then.

B. P. HATCH.

6,781 BILLS FILED

More Than Double Number Filed in Last Session.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Bill clerks of the house, who still are working on the records of the proceedings of the sessions up to the holiday recess, reported today that the number of bills already introduced at the Sixty-fourth congress more than doubled the number of such measures presented in a similar period at the opening of the Sixty-third congress. During the first twelve days of the last congress 3,320 bills were introduced. In the similar period during the present session there were 6,781 bills introduced besides 153 resolutions.

CREW WINS MILLION

Lucky Sailors Awarded Spanish Lottery Prize of \$1,200,000.

Ferrol, Spain, Dec. 27.—(Via Paris) The capital prize of \$1,200,000 in the Christmas drawing of the government lottery was won by the crew of the cruiser Alfonso XIII. The prize will be divided among 713 men who subscribed to the ticket, the price of which was one thousand pesetas.

Cosmopolitan Clubs Meet.
Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 27.—Twenty-four nationalists were represented among the delegates from thirty colleges and universities gathered here today for the opening of the ninth annual convention of the American Association of Cosmopolitan Clubs.

German General Buried.
Berlin, Dec. 27.—The funeral of General von Emmich, who died recently at Hanover, was held at the town hall. All the church bells of the city were rung as the body was taken to the cemetery. The grand duke of Oldenburg and the Duke and Duchess of Brunswick attended the service.

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