RICKARD GETS THE BIG FIGHT

JEFFRIES AND JOHNSON ACCEPT HIS $101,000 PURSE.

Ring May Be at Colma After Coffroth's Arena Has Been Leased—Salt Lake City Favored, but There Are Doubts —McCarey Says Best Bid Didn't Win.

After considering the matter for twenty-four hours Jeffries and Johnson, through their managers, announced at Hoboken yesterday afternoon that they had decided to accept the bid of Tex Rickard and Jack Gleason for the heavyweight championship fight to be decided next July. This bid consists of a purse of $101,000 and 100 per cent. of the moving pictures, divided equally between the pugilists, who must pay 33 1-3 per cent. of the profits from this source to the promoters. Final articles of agreement incorporating this bid will be signed by the interested parties to-day and will stipulate, it is believed, that in addition to the $20,000 forfeit already in the hands of the stakeholder Rickard and Gleason must post $30,000 sixty days before the date of the mill, July 4, and the remaining $50,000 forty-eight hours before the men enter the ring, also that Jeffries and Johnson must each put up a $10,000 forfeit to guarantee appearance.

Rickard and Gleason in these articles will reserve the right to select Salt Lake City, Ely, Nev., or California as the place for the fight. But it is the opinion that under certain conditions the big pugilists will settle their differences at Colma, Cal., in the arena owned by James W. Coffroth. While Rickard denied emphatically yesterday that Coffroth was in the deal he admitted that he might have to lease Coffroth's arena, which would have to be enlarged to accommodate at least 40,000 spectators. Rickard stated that Salt Lake City had a chance to get the fight, however, in spite of the existence of an anti-prizefight law in the State of Utah. He stated that he had received assurance from Salt Lake City business men that there would be no interference, but that if he decided upon that place the citizens would have to post $101,000, the entire amount of the purse, as a forfeit to go to the fighters and promoters in the event of inability to pull off the battle. Rickard wired to persons in Salt Lake City early yesterday that the fight might take place there, whereupon County Attorney Job P. Lyon of Salt Lake county said:

"My attitude toward the Jeffries-Johnson fight is no different from that toward any other prizefight. Such contests are illegal in the State of Utah and I shall do all in my power to prevent the fight or to punish the offenders afterward."

Gov. Spry of Utah when asked about the mill said:

"I cannot make a statement as to my attitude until I find out what the law is. But if I am convinced that prizefighting is illegal I shall prevent this affair from taking place."

Rickard admitted that if it is impossible to fight in Utah California will have second call and that if anything should happen to block proceedings even at Colma the battleground would be located in Nevada, where finish fights are legal, upon the payment of $1,000 license fee.

"This will be the biggest prizefight the world has ever known," said Rickard after he learned that his bid had been accepted. "I made my bid as a matter of pride and if I break even on the venture I shall be satisfied. I think nearly 50,000 persons will want to see Jeffries and Johnson fight and I shall set apart a reserved section of seats for women. I am in no deal with Coffroth whatsoever, Gleason being my sole partner. We've got the money to put up for this mill and we intend to have it settled on the level without a hitch."

When Managers Berger and Little informed the stakeholder at Hoboken that they had accepted the Rickard offer Promoter Tom McCarey was apparently warm under the collar. He declared that he had come all the way from Los Angeles to bid for the fight, only to be made to look ridiculous.

"Let me read Rickard's bid again!" he shouted as he grabbed up the paper. Rickard and Gleason did not object to this and McCarey proceeded to show that the wording of the bid involved two separate offers—one of a $101,000 purse and the other one of 100 per cent. of the pictures, with a third of the profits to the promoters.

"Do you mean to say this is one offer combined?" asked McCarey.

"Certainly it is!" replied Gleason. "The offer was worded that way to make it more clear. What's the use of all this talk anyway? Hasn't our bid been accepted by both fighters?"

"Sure it has!" chimed in the fighters' managers.

"This is a frameup, a four flushing game all the way through!" exclaimed McCarey hotly. "My offer is better than Rickard's. Yes, and Graney's offer is better than mine. You can figure it out too. Just put a price on the value of the pictures and I'll show you!"

"It's all over!" laughed Rickard. "We are wasting time!"

"I had an offer in of $125,000 which included the entire privileges," said Gleason.

"Yes, and it ran last!" cried McCarey. "If you will say that the pictures are worth $200,000 I'll raise that offer in forty-eight hours and buy the privileges outright!"

"We'll sell our third of the profits to you now for $66,000!" yelled Gleason. "Will you put up or shut up?"

"I'd get a fine deal in the minority, wouldn't I?" snapped the Los Angeles man. "It's a frameup, I say, and the fighters are in with it. Let me tell you how I did! You let me know I didn't have a chance to get the mill with the best bid? Why didn't you tip Graney off?"

"You're talking through your hat!" laughed Gleason. "We have got the fight by the consent of the principals and you are a bad actor. The only thing left is the signing of a contract, which will take place to-morrow."

Graney did not take part in the above controversy. He just listened. He had been conferring with Rickard and Gleason before the meeting was called and it was said that he was trying to land the job of referee. Sporting men who were there said that Coffroth had been "double crossed" or was a silent partner in the deal. They said also that Rickard had "sewed" Johnson up several weeks ago by a secret deal and that when Coffroth learned of it he decided to let Gleason bid for him and trust to luck. It was stated on good authority that Gleason had been "sewed up" with Jeffries and Berger for more than a month and that the inevitable result was the combination between Gleason and Rickard.

Regarding the selection of a referee Rickard said that if the fighters could not agree on this point he would have the final say. Of an Eastern man, Charley White, for instance, though White's name had not been considered as yet. One of the Californians present said that Jack Welsh, Eddie Smith or Billy Roche would be the third man in the ring if the fight took place in Frisco or Colma.

Gleason controls the ball park in San Francisco and his friends said that he intended to ask for a permit to hold the mill there. But it was also stated that there was little chance for the repeal of the ordinance which prohibits bouts of more than twenty rounds in the city of San Francisco.

While it is the opinion of the promoters and theatrical men that the moving pictures under certain conditions may net as much as $500,000 after being shown all over the civilized world, it was pointed out yesterday that in case of rain or a dark day the pictures would not amount to much; also that if the fight did not last more than a couple of rounds there would be small profits. It was also argued that if Johnson should win the pictures would not be particularly attractive and that the only chance to clean up a fortune would be a victory by Jeffries in about a dozen rounds. Under the circumstances it was freely admitted that the picture privileges might be regarded as a gamble.

"I accepted Rickard's offer," said Jeffries, "because it was the best. I am glad Johnson agreed to it, because now there will be no further hitch and we can soon begin training for the fight. All I want is a battleground where there can be no interference and I will do the rest."

"Graney's bid was perhaps the best," said Johnson, "but there was no guarantee. He offered 90 per cent. of the gate and the entire pictures, but it looked too much like a gamble to me. Rickard's offer was more of a sure thing, so I took it."

Rickard is a soldier of fortune. He is well known in Nevada and California as a man who will take long chances. He pulled off the Gans-Nelson fight at Goldfield two years ago and took in nearly $70,000 in receipts. He has been identified with mining and sporting ventures for many years and was sized up concisely by a fighting man yesterday who said:

"Rickard will bet his money on any kind of a chance."

TEAMS FOR SIX DAY CYCLE RACE.

Big Tim Sullivan to Start Annual Event in Madison Square Garden.

Big Tim Sullivan has agreed to act as official starter for the annual six day cycle team race that will begin in Madison Square Garden one minute after midnight on Sunday night. A big force of carpenters began work yesterday on the erection of the ten laps to a mile board track which will be used for the race and the usual programme of short distance events to-morrow night. Frank L. Kramer, American champion, is to meet Jack Clarke, Australia's premier sprinter, in a match race to-morrow night. Charles Parent, European champion pace follower, is to meet Bobby Walthour, American champion, in a match behind motor pacing machines.

The makeup of the teams entered for the six day race is as follows:

French Team—Leon Georget, France, and Emil Georget, France; Italian Team—Giovonni Cuniolo, Italy, and Emilio Carapezzi, Italy; British-French Team—Reginald Shirley, London, England, and Achille Germain, France; Boston-Buffalo Team—Patrick Logan (Ireland), Boston, and Walter Bardgett, Buffalo, N. Y.; Danish-Italian Team—Norman Anderson, Copenhagen, and Carlo Vanoni, Italy; Mormon Team—Iver Lawson (Sweden), Salt Lake City, and Walter De Mara, Salt Lake City; Irish-American Team—Frank Galvin, New York city, and Patrick Keegan (Ireland), Lowell, Mass.; "Native Son" Team—Alfred Halstead, San Francisco, Cal., and Percy O. Lawrence, San Francisco, Cal.; Farmer Team—W. E. Mitten, Davenport, Ia., and Fred G. West, San Francisco, Cal.; "Little Old New York" Team—Eddie Root, New York city, and Joe Fogler (National), Cal.; Brooklyn; German-Holland Team—Walter Rutt, Germany, and Johann Stol, Holland; International Team—Floyd MacFarland, San José, Cal., and Jack Clark, Melbourne, Australia; Dixie-Yankee Team—Bobby Walthour, Atlanta, Ga., and Elmer Collins, Boston, Mass.; Australian Team—E. A. Pye, Australia, and Patrick O'Sullivan, Hehir, New Zealand; Boston-Brooklyn Team—Fred Hill, Boston, Mass., and Charles Stein, Brooklyn, N. Y.; New York-New Jersey Team—George Cameron (I. A. A. C.), New York city, and Floyd Krebs, Newark, N. J.; Messenger Boy Team—George Wiley, Syracuse, N. Y., and Peter Drobach, Boston, Mass.

JACKSONVILLE RACES.

Flying Start Aids Ben Double in Winning Handicap.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 2.—Ben Double won the handicap at six furlongs to-day, aided considerably by a flying sendoff. Flarney and Black Oak, winners of the last two events, were the successful favorites. Gramsar was thrown going around the turn in the fifth race and for a time it looked as if Jockey Howard was seriously injured, but he came around all right.

Among the newcomers to-day was Frank Gardner. He said that his crack three-year-old Statesman gives promise of standing training again. Gardner will mate Statesman to fifteen mares this winter and will start training him about May 1.

The summaries:

First Race—Six furlongs—O. E. Herndon, 108 (Gilbert), 11 to 5, won; Harvey F., 106 (Reed), 4 to 1, second; Top Notch, 94 (Moore), 30 to 1, third. Time, 1:17 1-5. Amanda Lee, Our Nugget, Lady Frederick and Coonskin also ran.

Second Race—Six furlongs—San Gil, 109 (Butwell), 8 to 1, won; Hoyle, 105 (Howard), 6 to 5, second; Alencon, 109 (Grand), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:17. Tivoilnio, Eustasian, Enlist, Pallas and Clamp also ran.

Third Race—Six furlongs—Royal Captive, 102 (King), 4 to 1, won; Woodlane, 109 (G. Burns), 15 to 5, second; Lord Nelson, 109 (Powers), 11 to 10, third. Time, 1:15 2-5. Daruma, John Garner, Bosom Friend and Lady Carolina II. also ran.

Fourth Race—Six furlongs—Ben Double, 103 (Howard), 4 to 1, won; Jack Parker, 105 (G. Burns), 8 to 5, second; Besom, 113 (Butwell), 11 to 5, third. Time, 1:14 3-5. Sinfran, Summer Night and Rialto also ran.

Fifth Race—One mile—Flarney, 101 (Obert), 6 to 5, won; Sandpiper, 98 (King), 6 to 1, second; Admonish, 103 (Franklin), 30 to 1, third. Time, 1:44. Irrigator, Ballot Box, Pearl Point, Trappe and Gramsar also ran.

Sixth Race—One mile—Black Oak, 112 (Butwell), 6 to 5, won; Cablegram, 109 (Musgrave), 9 to 2, second; Paradise Queen, 95 (Fain), 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:43 2-5. Wingohocking, Home Run, Silverin and Throckmorton also ran.

KILLING WITH BANBURY.

Jimmy Blute Scores at Juarez With Heavily Backed Son of Blues.

JUAREZ, Mexico, Dec. 2.—When Banbury won the closing race to-day Jimmy Blute scored the first big killing of the meeting. Banbury opened at 6 to 1 and drifted back to 15 to 1. Here Blute began to send his money in the ring and the price gradually went down until 6 to 1 was obtainable at the close. Little Garner had the mount and rode a perfect race on the son of Blues—Lamyra. In the stretch Garner coming through a small opening on the rail managed to win in a hard drive by a head from Howard Pearson, with Fred Mulholland third.

Marchmonet, a long shot, beat King Cobalt a head on the handicap at six furlongs. Jockey McIntyre, who was suspended at Lakonia this fall, is here looking for mounts. The weather was again ideal and probably 3,500 persons were in attendance.

The summaries:

First Race—Five furlongs—El Perfecto, 102 (Mondan), 20 to 1, won; Lord Clinton, 102 (Austin), 11 to 5, second; The Wolf, 106 (Warren), 23 to 1, third. Time, 1:04 4-5. Steel King, Rounder, Tipster, Brunhilde, Lady Panchita and Slewfoot also ran.

Second Race—Six furlongs—Anne McLee, 105 (J. Wilson), 13 to 5, won; Goldfish, 104 (McCahey), 10 to 1, second; Silver Stocking, 102 (Ramsey), 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:19. Plume, Belle Brady, Lillian Ray, Bright Skies and Posing also ran.

Third Race—One mile—Bonnie Prince Charley, 106 (Small), 4 to 1, won; Keep Moving, 106 (Kennedy), 2 to 1, second; Arcourt, 105 (Pickeros), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:49 2-5. George Young, Wineberry, Adriania and Dr. Downie also ran.

Fourth Race—Six furlongs—Marchmonet, 102 (Benson), 6 to 1, won; King Cobalt, 114 (Creery), 5 to 2, second; Glorulo, 113 (C. Henry), 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:18 2-5. Bellwether, Morse, Abe and Serville also ran.

Fifth Race—Five and a half furlongs—Dave Montgomery, 108 (Donovan), 9 to 2, won; Rustom, 101 (Creery), 5 to 1, second; Kiddy Lee, 102 (Kennedy), 9 to 2, third. Time, 1:15. Gaitor, Camer, Dolf and Alveb also ran.

Sixth Race—One mile—Banbury, 96 (Garner), 6 to 1, won; Howard Pearson, 101 (McCahey), 7 to 2, second; Fred Mulholland, 104 (Small) 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:49 4-5. Tony Faust and Tremargo also ran.

VANDERBILT'S BIG WINNINGS.

American Leads French Turfites With a Total of $230,650.

W. K. Vanderbilt heads the list of winning owners on the French turf with a grand total of $230,650, and this is more than has been credited to any winning owner in Europe. It is $45,000 more than the sum won by Mr. Taine, who heads the English list. Baron M. de Rothschild is second to Vanderbilt with $152,700. Among the winning horses Verdun is on top with $130,600, and this is several thousand dollars ahead of the figures won by Bayardo. The leading French sire is Rehelais, with a total of $180,650, the dead Childwick being a good second with $135,200, so to judge by all the returns in France the turf had a prosperous season there.

Just now steeplechasing holds the boards, there being a number of first class fixtures, but the cross-country sport is scheduled to close on the 15th of the present month. From that date until February 15 next there will be nothing but trotting matches under the patronage of the Government. It is unknown what the French will have in the Grand National next spring, but Parfrement, who rode Lutteur to victory at Liverpool last year, has had some engagements of late. There is no talk of sending Lutteur to Aintree again, but in all likelihood he will try his luck there.

Colonial Y. C Election

The annual election of officers of the Colonial Yacht Club took place on Wednesday evening at the clubhouse on the Hudson River at 138th street, resulting as follows:

Commodore, Carlton S. Welch; vice-commodore, Charles M. Hilliker; rear commodore, M. H. Dyckman; recording secretary, Franklin P. Pratt; financial secretary, Charles H. Stone; treasurer, Frederick Gerst. Board of directors—W. Gerald Philippeau, Charles P. Holland, George J. Vestner, Richard E. Weldon, Frederick Schmidt and Frank Totten.

After the election the auction sale of boxes for the entertainment and ball to be held at the Harlem Casino on January 27, 1910, took place and it realized higher prices than heretofore.

A committee was also appointed to make arrangements for some suitable recognition by the club for the untiring services of George J. Vestner, the retiring commodore.

Basketball Games for Yale.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 2.—The schedule for the university basketball team has been announced by Manager J. C. Platt, '10. Fourteen games are to be played, a great decrease from the schedules of past years. The schedule:

December 11, St. John's College at New York; 15, Second Company, Signal Corps, at Brooklyn; 18, College of the City of New York at New York; January 11, Trinity at New Haven; 15, Fordham at New York; 22, Pennsylvania at Philadelphia; 26, New York University at New York; 29, Brown at Providence; February 5, Williams at Williamstown; 8, Columbia at New York; 12, Dartmouth at Hanover; 15, Columbia at New Haven; 18, Pennsylvania at New Haven; 23, Princeton at Princeton.

CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

JACK JOHNSON REGARDED WITH INCREASED FAVOR.

Negro Champion Has Come to His Senses and Has Convinced the Public That He Is Not a Bluffer—Jeffries in Need of Hard Training—Syndicate Ball.

Jack Johnson seems to be making friends nowadays. The big negro pugilist evidently has received some good advice from his manager and associates. He has dropped the overbearing, loud talking methods that caused a storm of criticism when he arrived here from Australia after whipping Burns and is creating a more favorable impression wherever he goes. At first regarded as a pugilistic joke, Johnson has commanded the respect of the sporting public by whipping Al Kaufman and Stanley Ketchel and by signing articles to fight Jeffries without raising a rumpus. In Madison Square Garden Wednesday night Johnson was loudly applauded by hundreds of white men when he jumped on the platform, and as he skipped about the ring, showing remarkable boxing skill, words of praise were heard on all sides.

Johnson's head was turned when he won the heavyweight championship from Tommy Burns. Prior to that mill the negro did not have a dollar. Sam Fitzpatrick had paid his way around the world to secure that fight, only to be turned down cold in the hour of triumph. Johnson left Australia with less than $10,000 in his clothes, but that was more money than he had ever dreamed of having. He could not keep his head from swelling as a result, and when he set foot on American soil he found that he was extremely unpopular with white men. It made no difference where he appeared in public, he was hissed and hooted. The night he entered the ring in Philadelphia to box six rounds with O'Brien there was such a hostile demonstration that Johnson, usually good natured, was as mad as a hatter. It was all he could do to keep from hitting out right and left as he left the ring and heard the abuse at every turn.

It was then that Johnson was advised to show the American sporting public that he was not an overrated pugilist and could beat Kaufman, Ketchel or any of the other heavyweights who were hot on his trail. When he made Kaufman look like a novice in a ten round bout therefore Johnson's critics paused in the use of the hammer. Then came the knockout of Ketchel, and the negro's attempt to vindicate himself was even more successful. The fact that as soon as actual negotiations with Jeffries were under way Johnson displayed extreme fairness, a quality he has shown ever since, also convinced white men that he was entitled to recognition. When bids for the fight were opened on Wednesday Johnson was applauded when he said:

"I want everything done fairly and above board. The promoters must have a square deal and when the matter has been settled all I ask is a fair chance to beat Jeffries in the ring. I am not trying to get the best of anything by technicalities and am anxious to show everybody I am on the level."

Johnson is supremely confident that he can whip Jeffries. He seems to be overanxious to get into the ring with the former world's champion. He has stated all along that it made no difference who got the fight or whether Jeffries was in with the successful promoter or not.

"I'll win, and that means I'll get the big end of the money," Johnson is repeating from day to day. Many critics who saw Johnson and Jeffries in the Garden Wednesday night were positive in the opinion that if the men were to meet within a week the negro would win because of his superior physical condition. While it is true that Jeffries has taken off many pounds of flesh and seems as light as he was when he beat Fitzsimmons for the title there is no doubt that the boilermaker lacks the old stamina and will have to put in three or four months at hard labor before he can hope to withstand the gruelling test.

Jeffries shows signs of being wind broken after two or three one minute rounds of light sparring with Berger. This work is very different from rounds of three minutes each at top speed, at the same time giving and taking heavy blows. Jeffries and Johnson are matched to go forty-five rounds or more. If the bout should end with the forty-fifth round the men would be in the ring exactly three hours, of which two hours and fifteen minutes would be consumed by actual fighting. Jeffries, never an aggressive pugilist, must contend with the greatest defensive boxer in the world, which is taken to mean that the mill may be a long drawn out test of endurance. For that reason Jeffries, it is believed, will have to be absolutely fit as to stamina, which involves lung power, if he expects to beat this formidable colored man.

Barney Dreyfuss of the Pittsburg club says he never favored syndicate baseball. Dreyfuss may be speaking the truth, but it is never the less a matter of record that he was one of the backers of the Philadelphia club up to about a year ago, while it has been the general belief that he furnished the money for the purchase of the Boston Nationals by the late George B. Dovey. William Murray and Fred Doe tell a story which would seem to indicate that Dreyfuss's money landed the Boston club. They say that they secured an option on the club from A. H. Soden and W. H. Conant, and later informed Dreyfuss of the fact; that before they could close the deal Dreyfuss got in ahead of them and used Dovey as a figurehead. Dreyfuss has persistently denied this story, but it is said that if John Dovey, the present owner of the Boston club, should decide to sell out Dreyfuss's connection with the club would be disclosed. Garry Herrmann of Cincinnati, who is also denouncing syndicate ball, put up money with Dreyfuss to secure the Philadelphia club, and did not sell his holdings until the club changed hands a year ago. It is currently reported that Herrmann offered to buy the Brooklyn club from C. H. Ebbets a few weeks ago. According to the yarn in circulation Ebbets told Herrmann that Brooklyn would have to cut a more important figure in the affairs of the National League or the club would be for sale.

"Name your terms and I will buy the Brooklyn club at once," Herrmann is reported to have said, whereupon Ebbets backed down and refused to put a price on the club. Harry M. Stevens offered $185,000 for the Brooklyn club a year ago, but Ebbets just laughed at him.

When Horace Fogel, representing the Philadelphia club, comes to the National League meeting here it is said that the magnates will try to compel him to disprove the widely circulated statement that C. W. Murphy and Charles P. Taft are the real owners of the club. Murphy and Taft have positively refused to answer all questions about the recent deal, which naturally has strengthened the belief that Fogel is merely a dummy president. Murphy is said to be favoring the election of Joseph D. O'Brien to the presidency of the National League instead of John M. Ward, but it may be accepted as a fact that if the Chicago magnate withdraws his support from Ward, John T. Brush will come out in favor of Heydler, which means the latter's election. Men in close touch with the affairs of the Giants said yesterday that Brush is working earnestly for the election of Ward and is receiving encouraging reports from various club owners supposed to be on the fence. Mutual friends of Brush and Ward say that Ban Johnson cannot dictate who shall sit with him in the National Commission and that Johnson does not care to act with Ward he can resign from the Supreme Court of Baseball. Johnson is fair minded and broad in his views, as a rule, and nobody believes that he would carry out his published threats if Ward should be elected. Heydler refuses to talk baseball in any way, but it is known that he is not worrying about his chances for reelection.

Fred Crolius, a Dartmouth College graduate who is proficient at baseball and football, says the Highlanders have secured a star catcher in Joseph Walsh, who attracted attention in the South last summer. Walsh played football on the Villanova eleven this year and was a sensational end rush. "Walsh will be one of the great catchers in the American League next season," said Crollus the other day. "He is a six footer, weighs 190 pounds and is a natural ball player. He also can play a fine backstop and thrower but is also a corking good hitter, and as soon as he joins the Highlanders he will work into a regular berth. It will be impossible to keep him down. I've seen many clever young ball players, but Walsh, in my opinion, is the best."

It was common talk among racing men yesterday that Joseph A. Murphy might be appointed judge on the Jockey Club's tracks for next year. In view of past incidents this is hard to believe. Murphy, strictly a Western turf official, was the manager of the Buffalo track when the Agnew-Hart measure became a law. Without a word of warning he closed the gates and in so doing dealt the Jockey Club a hard blow. Murphy tried to conduct a half mile track near New Orleans last year in spite of the new law enacted in Louisiana, with the result that all chance for the revival of the sport in the Crescent City was killed. At present Murphy is in the employ of Curley Brown as presiding judge at Jacksonville. Horsemen who race on the local tracks say that they do not believe the Jockey Club will employ any Western officials, as there are several competent Eastern candidates for the vacancy caused by the death of Clarence McDowell.

Juarez has begun well, and with any kind of good fortune it is expected to provide the best meeting of the winter. The track was projected at a time when it looked as if there would be no winter racing in any part of the United States. With Jacksonville, Tampa and Oakland all running Juarez will do very well by holding its own. The presence of responsible men in the stewards' stand at the new Mexican track is sure to guarantee clean sport.

FOOTBALL TICKET PROBLEM.

Everard Thompson Already Struggling With It for Next Yale-Harvard Game.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 2.—Everard Thompson, head of the Yale ticket department, to-night in the *Yale Alumnus* said that a plan to meet the football ticket situation next fall as far as it is humanly possible to meet it will be framed soon. Such a plan may include the cutting off of all borrowed applications. But whatever rules are made, he said, Yale men themselves must cooperate with the department for the benefit of Yale men. He declares that the ticket distribution for the Harvard game next fall promises to be a more harrowing task than ever before. There are 33,100 seats on Yale Field and the number cannot be increased. The Yale stadium is still on paper. Harvard probably will ask for 15,000 seats or may possibly take half the stand, to which she has a right. In his latter case Yale would have about 16,500 tickets. The Yale demand for the Harvard game, figured on the ratio of increase in four years, will be about 26,000 tickets. Of these the graduates may be expected to ask for 16,000 and the undergraduates 10,000. Somewhere there must be a cut of about 9,000 tickets. For this inevitable shortage next fall the remedy will lie in the hands of the college men themselves, in the opinion of Mr. Thompson.

His department has tried to give the choice of seats to Yale men and has made rules to that end, he claims. Applications are lent and tickets obtained on personal applications are given to friends outside the university. To many Yale men the claims of the personal friend outweigh the claims of his Yale classmates, so he says. The department does the best possible for the Yale man; the Yale man does the best possible for his personal friends, according to Mr. Thompson.

He said to-night that his department this year handled in a little less than three weeks a sum of more than $90,000, all in small amounts, and allotted more than 40,000 tickets. On the closing day for the Princeton game 2,000 pieces of mail came into the office. The applications for these tickets—about 20,000 of them—had to be indexed and recorded so that any application could be located at a moment's notice, and finally all tickets had to be put into the hands of the applicants through call at the office or through the mails.

LEXINGTON SALE.

Yearlings on Final Day Bring Only Fair Prices.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 2.—The closing day of the thoroughbred sale was devoted entirely to yearlings, and while there were several which brought good prices as a rule low prices prevailed, only 21 out of a total of 140 bringing as high as $500. One hundred and forty yearlings brought a total of $25,825, an average of $184, while during the three days sale 236 head of stallions, brood mares and yearlings brought a grand total of $95,115, an average of $211. The best sales:

Bay colt, by imp. Sempronius, dam Bon Voyage, by imp. Zorilla; J. W. May	$800
Chestnut filly, by Cesarion, dam Paradise, by Milton; J. E. Madden	500
Chestnut colt, by imp. McGee, dam California, by imp. Midlothian; Hiram Steele, Lexington	1,150
Bay colt, by imp. McGee, dam The Lady, by Kingston; W. C. Overton	1,550
Chestnut colt, by imp. Marta Santa, dam Catherine H., by imp. Cactus II.; O. H. Chenault	425
Bay filly, by imp. Ormicant, dam Proclaim, by St. Hilaire; George J. Stoll	400
Brown colt, by Contestor, dam Sweep Along, by Long Flight; W. C. Overton	1,100
Chestnut colt, by Contestor, dam Laundress, by Magian; W. C. Overton	525
Bay colt, by Requital, dam Prioress by Bramble; W. C. Overton	550
Bay colt, by imp. Wolsthorpe, dam Betsy Broeck, by Tenn Broeck; George J. Long, Louisville	700
Chestnut filly, by Nasturtium, dam Pink Rose, by Fonso; J. L. McGinnis, New York city	1,000
Bay colt, by imp. Woolsthorpe, dam Queen's Quality, by Spendthrift; Milton Young	400
Chestnut colt, by Star Shoot, dam Sister Annette, by Lexington; John W. Schorr, Memphis, Tenn	700

POINTER TRIALS.

Good Contest in Free for All Stake at Barbers, N. C.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 2.—The free for all stake with heats of two hours duration was begun at Barbers, N. C., to-day under the auspices of the Pointer Club of America. The first brace consisted of the two pointers Dick Brisk, owned by Pierson Lane of Washington, and Masterpiece, owned by A. H. Ball of New York.

Masterpiece went fast and wide and found three bevies and several singles. Dick Brisk found one bevy. Cowley's Pride owned by U. M. Fleischmann of New York, and Sports Riprap came next. Cowley's Pride's work was considerably off color, although much had been expected of him as he won the continental all age stake last week.

Mascot Lady, owned by Dr. S. A. Saunderson of New York, ran against Milton, the setter. Mascot Lady found two bevies. There is still one more brace to run in the first series and the stake will be finished to-morrow. Sport's Riprap showed up well to-day, dividing the honors with Masterpiece. This stake is probably the prettiest that has been held in the field trials at Barbara.

N. Y. U. Cross-Country Run.

The annual cross-country run at New York University for individual prizes took place yesterday afternoon. Cups were given to Thorne, '13; Rosselle, '12, and Ganjost, '12, in the respective order of their winning. The course was from the university gymnasium, to Sedgwick avenue, to Burnside avenue, to Aqueduct avenue to University avenue. The course was taken three times and made in 28 minutes 15 seconds. The men in order of their finish follow:

Thorne, '13; Roselli, '13; Ganjost, '12; White, '12; Scharmiker, '12; Smith, '12; Hamilton, '10; Clark, '12; Murphy, '12; Peterson, '12; Zimlile, '12; Underwood, '12; Peltz, '12.

N. Y. U. Students Honor Football Team.

Four hundred New York University students held a jubilee and smoker last night in honor of the unbeaten football team at Crotona Casino, east of Boston road in 180th street. Impromptu speeches were made by Capt. Wheeler of the team, John B. Putnam, president of the student organization, and the different class presidents, who were: R. S. Osborne of the senior class, D. E. Wiltse of the junior, Y. Brunden of the sophomore and A. Nixon, the star quarterback of this year's team, who is president of the freshman class.

Big Offer for Johnson and Langford.

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—A cable despatch was received in Boston this morning from Eugene Corri, who is representing a syndicate of English sportsmen, asking for a bout between Jack Johnson and Sam Langford, to be held in the Olympiad, London.

Mr. Corri says that they can draw from $60,000 to $100,000, as the Olympiad will hold 20,000 persons. He offers the boxers 60 per cent. and reasonable travelling expenses.

Racing in France.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PARIS, Dec. 2.—The race for the Prix Du Calvados Steeplechase, of 3,000 francs, at Auteuil to-day was won by Heitz's Maisonge. Jahu's Ludivino was second and Pfizer's Pachico third. Four horses ran. The jockeys of the placed horses were Carter, Sauval and Defeyer.

McIntosh Wants Ketchel to Meet Three Men.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—Stanley Ketchel received a cable this evening from Hugh McIntosh of Australia asking him what would be his terms to go to Australia immediately to fight three men. McIntosh did not mention the men, but they are supposed to be Fitzsimmons, Burns and Lang. Ketchel hasn't made up his mind yet what reply to send.

AMONG THE AUTOMOBILISTS

SEVENTY ENTRIES FOR HILL CLIMB TO-MORROW.

Fifty-five Different Machines to Compete in Edgewater-Fort Lee Events —F. K. Burnham's Big Fiat Named —Worcester Run on December 17.

Seventy entries have been made for the postponed Thanksgiving Day hill climb which the Edgewater-Fort Lee Automobile Association has scheduled for to-morrow afternoon. The plan of reopening the entry lists after bad weather prevented the events being run on Thanksgiving day was a good one as ten more cars were nominated. The total of individual cars entered is now fifty-five, many of the machines having been named for two or more of the events. The contest officials have arranged to have the cars in the first event started up the grade promptly at 1 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

The most notable addition to the entry list is F. K. Burnham's 120 horse-power Fiat, which performed so well at the hill climb near T. J. Wetzel's country residence at Richfield Springs last summer. It will compete in the amateur event and the free for all. William C. Poertner has entered one of the 40 horse-power Nationals that won a number of races at Atlanta and named Tom Kincaid. Homan and Schulz have entered an American truck and two couple gear trucks have also been named for the business vehicle event. Other recent entries include Ray Howard, Simplex; T. C. Wolverton, Maxwell; Ferdinand Cimiotti, Pullman, and Louis Warren, Selden.

The Manufacturers Contest Association held a meeting here yesterday, but no news regarding the matters under discussion was given out.

J. P. Coghlin, president of the Worcester Automobile Club, has issued the following announcement:

"The date for the second annual endurance run of the Worcester Automobile Club has been fixed as December 17. The rules are being printed and will be substantial as of last year and will be mailed in a day or two, together with entry blanks. Our run of last year was novel and created considerable interest throughout the automobile world. We had five routes over rough, hilly New England roads of about forty miles each. This brought about the checking in of cars at Worcester about every two hours. It created enthusiasm during the day and large crowds were attracted to the control at the Worcester Automobile Club.

"One contestant last year claimed that he sold four cars as a result of the contest. He took different prospective customers with him on each route. A feature that will be employed this year which will make the run all the more successful will be the arrangement with the Worcester Polytechnic Institute. We have arranged with the gas engineering department, and the technical committee will be made up as follows: C. M. Allen, chairman; David L. Gallup, in charge of the tests at laboratories; I. C. Harvey. These tests will be of a very interesting nature. The testing laboratory enables one to determine the horse-power developed, the speed at any given horse-power and at any given grade, the drawbar pull, &c.

"This test is alone worth the price of entrance to any one interested in the performance of an automobile. These tests will be conducted entirely by professors and instructors, all of whom are familiar with the handling of automobiles. Another feature which eliminates one of the unsatisfactory conditions of an endurance run will be observers. Heretofore the observers have been furnished by contestants and they have been invariably indifferent to conditions, oftentimes not reporting serious irregularities. Arrangements have been made with the Worcester Polytechnic Institute for students who have been trained in observing mechanical performances to act as observers on the road.

According to cables from Paris the Automobile Club of France did not receive the number of entries it declared must be made by November 30 if a Grand Prix road race was to be organized by the club for next summer. The club announced that at least forty-five entries must be forthcoming before it would proceed with plans for the race and the number received fell short of forty-five. It is still possible that the Grand Prix, or a similar event under another name, may be arranged for next summer, as a syndicate of French sportsmen have expressed their willingness to promote a race, provided thirty entries are forthcoming. If the syndicate organizes a race it is likely that it will be run over a circuit near Dieppe, as a number of residents of the latter place have offered a large subscription in case the race is run near their city. Definite action is not expected until after the annual meeting of delegates of the International Association of Recognized Automobile Clubs, which is to be held at Paris on December 7.

The road judges of the recent New York to Atlanta endurance run promoted by the New York *Herald* and the Atlanta *Journal* have awarded the first prize of $1,000 for counties north of Roanoke, Va., to Mercer county, W. J. The second prize of $500 goes to Jefferson county, W. Va., and the third prize of $250 goes to Rockbridge county, Va. The first prize of $1,000 for counties south of Roanoke, Va., was awarded to Guilford county, N. C.; the second prize of $500 to Spartanburg county, S. C., and the third prize of $250 to Henry county, Va. In deciding the awards the judges took into consideration alignment of road, grading, width of roadway between ditches, width of roadway surfacing, slope of shoulders and condition of ditches and general appearance of roadsides.

The show committee of the Pittsburg Automobile Dealers Association has allotted space to the agents or branch managers of the following makes of cars for the annual show that is to be held in the Duquesne Gardens in April: Pierce-Arrow, Maxwell, Elmore, Baker electric, Marion, Winton, Corbin, Autocar, Buick, White, Peerless, Knox, Everitt, Welch, Overland, Velie, Franklin, Lozier, Chalmers-Detroit, Hudson, Locomobile, Packard, Mitchell, Stevens-Duryea, Stearns, Rauch and Lang electric, Pope-Hartford, Waverly electric, Cadillac, Premier, Reo and Ford.

One of the unusual features of a recent endurance run between Dallas and San Antonio, Tex., was the use of a portable telephone outfit to keep towns along the route informed of the progress of the competing cars. D. A. Walker, president of a telephone company, carried the outfit in his Rambler car. Mr. Walker had a wire attached to a long fishing pole with a hook at one end and when he wanted to talk put the hook over the telephone wire and rang up the nearest town.

Harvey Ringler and Ira L. Brown, the Philadelphians who are to have a 50 mile match race to-morrow afternoon at the Point Breeze track, have posted their forfeits for the match. The agreement is that Mr. Ringler is to drive his own Chalmers-Detroit and Mr. Brown is to drive his Buick. Both cars are 40 horse-power machines. In case either contestant fails to appear at the track to-morrow afternoon the forfeit will be paid to his opponent. If both men appear the forfeit checks are to become part of the $1,000 stake for which they will race. The agreement stipulates that the net profits are to be added to the $1,000 stake, the winner to receive the whole amount.

It is reported that a number of automobile dealers of Pittsburg who are not members of the Pittsburg Automobile Dealers Association are making plans to conduct an independent automobile show early in February. It is said they are planning to hold their show under the grand stand at Forbes Field, which is the grounds of the Pittsburg Baseball Club. The twenty agents who are members of the Pittsburg Automobile Dealers Association will hold their second annual local show in the Duquesne Gardens some time in April.

With the approach of very cold weather priming caps are much more appreciated than during the summer season, for the lower temperat