NEWS OF THE LITTLE FIGHTERS

"Young Corbett" and Terry McGovern Now Hard at Work.

JIMMY BRITT CHALLENGES.

Has His Eye on Championship but Has an Engagement with Jack Clifford at San Francisco.

Terry McGovern and "Young" Corbett are now settled in their training quarters at Cincinnati. They are close enough together to meet occasionally, and the training spell is being made quite an occasion. From the standpoint of the fighter there is probably no better place in the country for a training camp than Cincinnati. In the first place the local papers are "fight crazy." They teem with all sorts of gossipy matter about the boxers, and it is so much better than the kind of press agent stuff recently dealt out from San Francisco that it affords a relief. All of this, of course, is excellent advertising for the fight, and there is no place where a bout between champions can get quite so much boosting as in Cincinnati. Cincinnati gets the men during the training period and Louisville gets the fight, which is a happy arrangement for the fight followers along the Ohio river.

The fight is still several days off and there has been no great amount of betting on the result, although "Terrible Terry" is said to have a desire to wager about $5,000 on himself. It looks as if there would be more money offered on McGovern than on the champion. The latter has practically nothing of his own, but his Denver admirers will probably come to the scratch at the proper time. Strange as it may seem the greater part of the money wagered on Corbett before the Hartford fight came from New York, where the men who offered it are well acquainted with McGovern.

The proposal of Jimmy Britt to meet the winner of the fight will hardly be taken seriously. Britt, up to date, has made a good record as a lightweight, but he is slightly too heavy for the men who are now called feather-weights. Probably either McGovern or Corbett would be willing to consider Britt's challenge for a bout at 128 pounds, which is a weight that seems to suit both of them fairly well, although it might hustle Corbett a little to make it.

McGovern's reply to Britt was to the effect that the Brooklyn boy is fighting at 123 and not 133 pounds. In this Terry is probably guilty of a little exaggeration. Terry may be able to make that weight, but if he is the fact has been closely concealed by himself and his manager.

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Besides, Britt should not forget that he has a contract on his hands to meet the hard hitting Jack Clifford, and if he ever bumps into one of those swings or punches that took the Montana championship from Jack Wade, his dream of championship will be a sad awakening. Speaking of Britt and Clifford calls to mind a story which came to Salt Lake from San Francisco during the week. It was published in the Bulletin of that city and is as follows:

James E. Britt will spend a week at San Mateo, resting a bit before he goes into training for his go with Jack Slifford.

"I saw that article in last night's Bulletin about Clifford crying over $40 he lost gambling," said Jimmy today. "Well, I can lick any fellow who cries over $40, that's a pipe."

"And beat him like a gentleman, too, eh, Jimmy?" said Gardner, who stood near by.

"That's right, George; they think a fighter from south of the trolley ain't there with the culture, but he is—look at me! The polish might not show on top, but the innate chivalry is there, if they probe deep enough," said the South Side idol with a smile.

"That gentleman stunt reminds me of my fight with Paddy Gorman years ago," said young Mitchell, who thought he was due for a speech. "We were going at it rather strong, and the referee was having a fierce time breaking us, when I said: 'Now, act like a gentleman, Paddy; break nice.' Well, we broke away with plenty of grace after that, and I was feeling my way to sneak one in. 'Nice, now, Paddy,' I'd say at every clinch, and after awhile Gorman got so that he'd drop his hands at the break and look around; he had confidence in the gentleman act. The next time we broke Paddy's mitts went down again and bing * * * I caught him on the jaw and over he went. 'Get up, Paddy, and act gentlemanly,' I said, as the poor fellow was rolling around trying to get up. He couldn't speak, but after the fight he called me over and said: 'Johnny, that was a dirty trick you did me, but I'll get the next fellow with it good and strong, too. It was a new one on me, but for me the gentleman act in the future.'"

The above looks nice in print, but someone on the Bulletin must have been using the pipe when he writes about Clifford gambling, and especially about crying over the loss of $40. Unless Clifford is different from what he was in Salt Lake, he has not been gambling, and whether he was or not, he is not the kind to shed the scalding sob.

THE CIRCUIT CHASERS.

Iver Lawson Gave Frank Kramer a Terrific Race at Asbury Park.

In a race that was nick and tuck from start to finish "Bobbie" Walthour recently defeated Harry Elkes in a manner that adds to his chance to win the middle distance championship. It was at the Revere Beach track, and although Elkes put up a creditable fight, the Columbia team man evolved a winner by about 100 yards.

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Work on the N. C. A. circuit continues to be a topic of interest among cycle raising enthusiasts and all around it looks as though Kramer would again wear the crown, though there is still a chance that Taylor, Kimble or Lawson will reach the front. It depends upon how many more circuit meets are held, the rules providing that the big line of meets shall not continue after Sept. 15.

Iver Lawson's return to the track after a there weeks' retirement on account of a spill, furnished a surprise to the riders as well as to those interested in the sport. It was at Asbury Park, and after winning his heat and his semi-final, the representative of the Cleveland team gave Kramer a terrific fight in the final and was only beaten by a few inches. On the day previous he had given the champion similar troubles at Philadelphia with the same result.

Owen S. Kimble continues to be an important factor in the struggle, capturing points at every circuit meet. The Tribune rider has had a most successful season, and his fame has reached the other side. He is considering an offer to visit France during October and November.

John T. Fisher, who has been out of cycling racing for a couple of weeks on account of a severe fall at Ottawa, is now on the Grand circuit of the N. A. C. and his forced rest has evidently increased his speed. At the Vailsburg circuit meet he came within a few inches of winning the five mile professional handicap, and after a few more meets should show his championship form of early in the season.

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P. O. Sheehan's "find" of Basil De Guichard has proved of mutual benefit. The stocky-built Frenchman, who was brought to America by the manager of the Providence track, has shown extraordinary speed behind the motors and has captured his share of the purses. A couple of falls tended to decrease his pedalling abilities for a time, but now the pace-follower seems to have speed enough to take the place of his team mate, Will C. Stinson, who last year won the middle distance championship. Incidentally, Stinson is now ready for matches, and Sheehan reports him to be going faster than ever before in his life.

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Since acquiring his ten horse power motor tandem, "Bennie" Munroe of Memphis, has proved his right to be considered among the best middle distance riders of American. Day after day he follows the big machine at railroad speed and wins over riders of the first class. At Philadelphia recently he won the twenty mile race from Freeman and Lawson to the delight of the Quaker city followers of the sport, with whom the star member of the Cleveland cycling team is a great favorite. His partner, Joe Nelson, is another rider who is looked upon as a possible champion. At Pittsburg the youngster easily disposed of Freeman and McFarland and at Atlantic City he defeated Leander, of the Crescent team. He is now seeking a match with Walthour and Elkes.

RUBE GOT CASH.

Would Rather Have $100 in Bills Than $500 Check.

There is no ball player in the business so much talked and written about as Rube Waddell. He does some eccentric thing every day to call attention to himself. Last week in Philadelphia he was giving a free exhibition as a strong man. That recalls an old story that Barney Dreyfuss used to tell on Reuben. It seems that Barney was after Rube good and hard and after chasing him about the country for several weeks, landed him in a Western hotel. After agreeing to terms, Rube demanded $500 in advance. This Dreyfuss agreed to, saying: "Wait here until I go into the office and write out a check for you." In the meantime another manager approached Rube and when he learned what Dreyfuss was doing, said: "Now, Rube, he has gone to write out a check for you. You are too wise to know that ain't money, and furthermore the banks are closed and you can't cash it. Here is what you want, some ready money, and I'll give it you." The second manager then pulled out a big roll of $1 bills and said: "I'll give you just a clean hundred of these bills if you will sign this contract." The sight of the real money won Rube and, grabbing the money, he signed the contract offered him. When Dreyfuss returned with the $500 check, Rube met him with the following speech: "Negotiations are off as I have just got some spot cash from another manager while you would only give me a check." They do say that Barney turned all colors when he learned what had been done. Rube went out of the hotel with his money and there parted with the same, as two sharpers had been waiting for him and be it remembered that Reuben is the easiest kind of a mark for the grafters.

SOME NEW RULES FOR FOOTBALL.

Not Many Changes Made for the Coming Season.

GAME NOT AFFECTED MUCH.

Sides Will Change Goals After Every Try at Goal from Touchdown—Penalty for Off Side.

Those who are likely to participate in he great amateur game of football this coming season, are already becoming familar with what few changes have been made in the rules. While a number of minor changes have been made, yet there are only two that will materially effect the game. Some experts have already declared that with all the departures from last year's rules there will not be a noticeable difference. First of all, the sides will change goals after every try at goal from touchdown, or every unsuccessful attempt to kick a goal from field. In a game where a great deal of scoring is done the running back and forth along the field will be very marked, and some of the casual spectators may forget which way their favorite team is going. Every captain on a windy day, wants to get the best of the toss, and generally places his team so that the wind will be at its back. The adoption of the innovation is intended to equalize, as much as possible, any advantage of this sort.

This season when some overanxious center is off side in snapping the ball, the play must stop and the attempt to get the play away may properly be repeated. Then of the snapback offends again his team must surrender five yards, but will not lose the ball, as provided by the old ruling. The down and the point to reach for first down will remain the same, and the penalized team will have a chance to march up the field. This change will be closely watched by all who make a study of the game, as it is possible that it will have a great effect on the season's play. As the rule now stands, a great deal of the old severity has been taken away, and some centers are liable to cause a lot of trouble because of the comparatively high penalty attached.

Off side play by the side in possession of the ball, the center alone excepted, will be punished by the loss of ten yards, and not of the ball, the number of the down and the point to be reached for first down to remain the same.

A well trained player hardly ever forgets himself and makes a forward pass, but when such a thing occurs, the offending team will lose five yards, but will be allowed to retain possession of the ball.

Starting ahead of the ball as it is put in play will cost the same number of yards.

Last year's rules provided that a team might decline to accept a penalty after a run had been made in spite of the offense. In such a case not more than 15 yards could be allowed, but now 25 yards can be given, provided the run was of that distance or more. In many cases the blast of the referee's whistle has caused opponents to cease in their attempts at tackling and long runs have resulted. It is to provide against this that the committee decided to place the maximum distance to be given at 25 yards.

The lines against coaching from the side lines have been closely drawn, and it is now up to the umpire if anything goes wrong. Many a time the cry has been raised that water carriers and substitutes had been used to carry orders out upon the field to the players during some call of time. The rule explicitly states that no one shall come upon the field of play except the 22 players. In case of an accident only one official representative shall be allowed to come out and he cannot do so until the umpire officially designates him. Spectators who are compelled to stand along the side lines, as is the way at Reserve and Case fields, will hail with delight the announcement that the rules say explicitly that all substitutes, water carriers and others shall be seated throughout the game. The rule provides that five men may be allowed the privilege of walking on each side of the field. Any breach of this ruling shall be punished by a loss of five yards to the side whose man infringes.

In case a kick goes out of bounds, the opponent who secures it is now given the right to bound the ball back in and then pu in play by kicking it down the field before thep layer receiving the ball has time to get inside the line and get a kick away.

Some other minor changes will be noted by a close student of the rules governing the game, but these are in the nature of explanations, designed to make clear points over which questions have arisen from time to time. The timekeeper does come in for a little instruction, being ordered to start the watch at the time the ball is put in play, and not when the referee's whistle blows.

BALD GOING AWAY.

Arthur Zimmerman is to Accompany Him to Europe.

It was learned today that Eddie Bald, the quondam bicycle champion, has arranged to go to Europe within a week or ten days, where he will appear in competition against the fastest foreigners. The "Bison" last spring signed a contract to appear at the Parc des Princes' track in the fall. All summer he has followed the circuit of the National Cycling association as a member of the Columbia cycling team, and although not quite able to beat the present-day champions, he has shown so much speed and improved so steadily that he is confident in his ability to win across the water.

Another former champion to accompany Bald is Arthur A. Zimmerman, a wonder in his day, who has contracted for a number of exhibitions at the Parc des Princes track. The French followers of cycle racing have always had a warm feeling in their hearts for the "Skeeter" because of his inimitable riding in Europe years ago. Numerous offers have been made with a view of bringing the elongated Jerseyman to the other side, but it was only recently that "Zim" decided to accept an offer. The pair expect to leave New York about the middle of September. Zimmerman is at present conducting a summer hotel at Point Pleasant, N. J. He has been in training for three months.

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

Marcus Hurley Seems to Have Met His Match in Root.

Marcus L. Hurley of the New York Athletic club, the amateur bicycle champion of last year, seems to have met his match in E. F. Root, the New England sprinter. So determined has been the latter's struggle to win the amateur championship, that he is now tied with the auburn-haired New Yorker.

There was a peculiar situation in regard to the amateur championships that has just been adjusted by A. G. Batchelder, chairman of the N. C. A. board of control. In the amateur series in New England last week, Henry Hurley and Root each scored 18 points. At New Haven, Root captured the two-mile with Hurley second, while in the half-mile event the New Yorker was the winner, with Billington second. At Hartford, Billington took the quarter-mile with the Bostonian third. Hurley qualified but did not ride in the final as he was taken sick. There was one point to be awarded the fourth man, and if Hurley finished he could not have won less than this single point. The five-mile event was captured by the New England rider. At Springfield, Hurley, Root and Billington was the order in the third mile, and Hurley, Root and Dove in the one-mile.

If Hurley was given the point that he did not actually win in the quarter-mile event, he would have 19 points, one more than Root, which would make him the amateur champion of America. However, it has been ruled that this point cannot be credited. Had he been a contestant, the conditions might have been entirely changed. Root, instead of finishing third, might have won the contest and the championship. Certainly a man should not be given credit for what he does not actually win and the pair will have to ride off the tie at some future meet.

"JOSHED" THE PORTER.

McGovern Expected to Have Fun But was Beaten.

While on a sleeping car en route for Cincinnati, Terry McGovern and Joe Humphries attempted to have some fun at the expense of the negro porter.

"Who do you think will win the fight between Ed Donkhorst and Casper Leon?" asked Humphries.

"Al dem fights fakes," replied the son of Ham.

"Fakes!" spoke up McGovern you mea nto say that the McGovern-Corbett fight is going to be crooked?"

"Yes, sah, dat am no different from the oders. Dis yar Terry McGovern got no business wid Corbett. Didn't Corbett dun lick him de last time? Why, they tell me dat McGovern am skeered to death of Corbett, but McGovern's manager needs de money, an' dat's why dey am gwine to fight. If McGovern himself had anything to say da would be no fight."

Then Humphries asked him if he remembered the famous fight between the Gold Dust twins.

"Who am dem Gold Dust fellows? I nevah did heah of dose babies."

"Why, Bob Armstrong and Denver Ed Martin," replied Humphries.

"Well, dat's a pair dat got away from me," said the porter. "I don't recalls de scrap. How long did they fight?" the porter asked.

"Sixty-one rounds," said Joe.

"Dey must be two dandies," said the porter.

"Yes, they were. They fought until they were black in the face."

"But to get back to dis yeah McGovern-Corbett fight," continued the porter, "dat boy McGovern nevah did anything but frighten a few second raters out of the ring."

"He didn't, hey?" said McGovern. "What's the matter with George Dixon? He whipped him to a finish."

"Well, I'll tell ye 'bout dat fight," remarked the porter. "Dixon can whip McGovern in one round, but Terry won't fight him."

"What's your name?" asked Terry.

"Why, this yah am Collins C. Cutlin of West Virgina."

Terry then stood up, and extending his hand, said:

"Mr. Cutlin, my name is Terry McGovern of Brooklyn."

The porter was naturally taken aback, but he declined to revise his opinions, and while McGovern assumed an expression of amusement, still he was not so pleased as he might have been.

PRESIDENT'S GAME LAW.

His Idea as to Its Protection Now in Force.

The new federal game law, into which were incorporated many of Prest. Roosevelt's observations gleaned while on his Colorado hunting trips and which includes a number of the president's ideas of reform on the question of wild game, has reached State Game Commissioner Harris, who pronounces its provisions of great benefit to this state.

The bill was passed by the last Congress, but only became a law by the president's signature Aug. 22. It is entitled "an act to enlarge the powers of the department of agriculture, prohibit the transportation by interstate commerce of game killed in violation of local laws and for other purposes."

The law is intended to preserve for the common good certain animals and birds that are valuable as food, for sport or as destroyers of pests. One of the important provisions of the law makes it unlawful for any person to deliver to any transportation company wild animals or birds killed in violation of local laws. This prohibition applies not only to game killed out of season, but to that captured in an illegal manner by traps or nets, or for illegal purposes, as, in some states, for sale or shipment. Heavy penalties are provided for persons who do not mark packages containing interstate game shipments plainly, and evasions by false marking or shipping game in trunks or other such things, is punishable by special penalties.

Eastern dealers are warned against ordering or receiving game from western states that may have been killed in violation of local laws.

Insectivorous birds, such as robins, swallows, cedar birds, meadow larks, flickers, neghthawks and bullbats, are generally protected by local laws and under no circumstances, the law says, are to be shipped out of the state.

One of the most interesting provisions of the government statute is that relating to birds killed for millinery purposes, which is said to be the president's own idea. In a circular accompanying copies of the new law sent out by the department of agriculture it is stated: "Statutes even more stringent than those protecting game birds have recently been enacted by many states for the preservation of birds that are not included in the game list. Under these statutes birds that are in demand for millinery purposes are protected throughout the year, and sale and possession as well as killing are prohibited.

It should be remembered that the principal centers for millinery supplies are nearly all located in states which have such laws, and the purchase of native song birds as well as of herons, pelicans, fulls, terns or sea swallows, grebe or other plume birds should be avoided. The shipment of these birds or any part of their plumage is prohibited by the provisions of the federal law. Ostrich feathers are not subject to these restrictions and their use should be encouraged."

HUMOROUS.

Oh, the bachelor girl should marry
On the philanthropic plan,
Make haste, and do not tarry,
But choose an old maid man!

"Are you not sensitive about being bald?" asked the man with the shock of hair.

"Not at all," replied the man with the smooth pate. "I was born that way."

"Is that poetry or verse?" "Verse, of course. Why you can understand what it means."—Chicago Post.

"You're an astronomer, are you?"
"Yes."
"Shake! I'm a theatrical manager. I wonder if you have as hard a time finding new stars as I have." Chicago Tribune.

"You are charged with killing two men while speeding your automobile," said the magistrate.

"All right," replied the rich chauffeur, taking out his pocketbook; "how much are they worth apiece?"—Ohio State Journal.

"I understand," said the owner of the Blue Devil, "that you ran over a man yesterday."

"Nothing of the kind," replied the little man, who is winning fame with his Red Flash, "It was only a ten-year-old girl."—Chicago Record-Herald.

And so he kissed you unawares,
Fell victim to your charms;
And were you angry? "Well—I—was—
Well—I was up in arms."

"He calls his office a 'dental parlor.' Isn't it ridiculous?"

"It is, indeed. He should call it a drawing room.'"—Philadelphia Record.

Judge—Have I not seen you twice before under the influence of liquor?

Defendant—If you were in that condition, your honor, you probably did see me twice.—Philadelphia Press.

He was practical, and had been making love on that basis. She was a little that way herself. "Can you cook?" he inquired. "Can you supply everything to be cooked?" she replied. It was a match.—Tit-Bits.

Smoker—I have been reading about a chap in Washington who has invented what he calls a cold-air furnace. It is designed to cool houses just like furnaces heat them.

Flatter—Yes, I think I know what they are like. The janitor ran one in our building last winter when it was below zero.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Policeman—Now, sir, don't make such a row!

Diner-Out—Confound those infamous rascals; why, they've actually stolen the keyhole, and I can't get in.—Gazetta di Genova.

"What! forty-five and still a yellow journalist?"

"But he can lie like sixty!"—Life.

They had a dispute, and agreet to leave it to the military expert. "What bullet," they asked, "do you consider the deadliest?" For several minutes he remained in a brown study. Then he looked up with an air or one who had settled the matter finally and definitely. "The one that hits," he said.—Tit-Bits.

Green. "Butwick poses as a moral man, but I suspect he is a liar."

Gage. "And why, pray?"

Greene. "He advertises his goods at less than cost the year round. And yet he makes a good living."

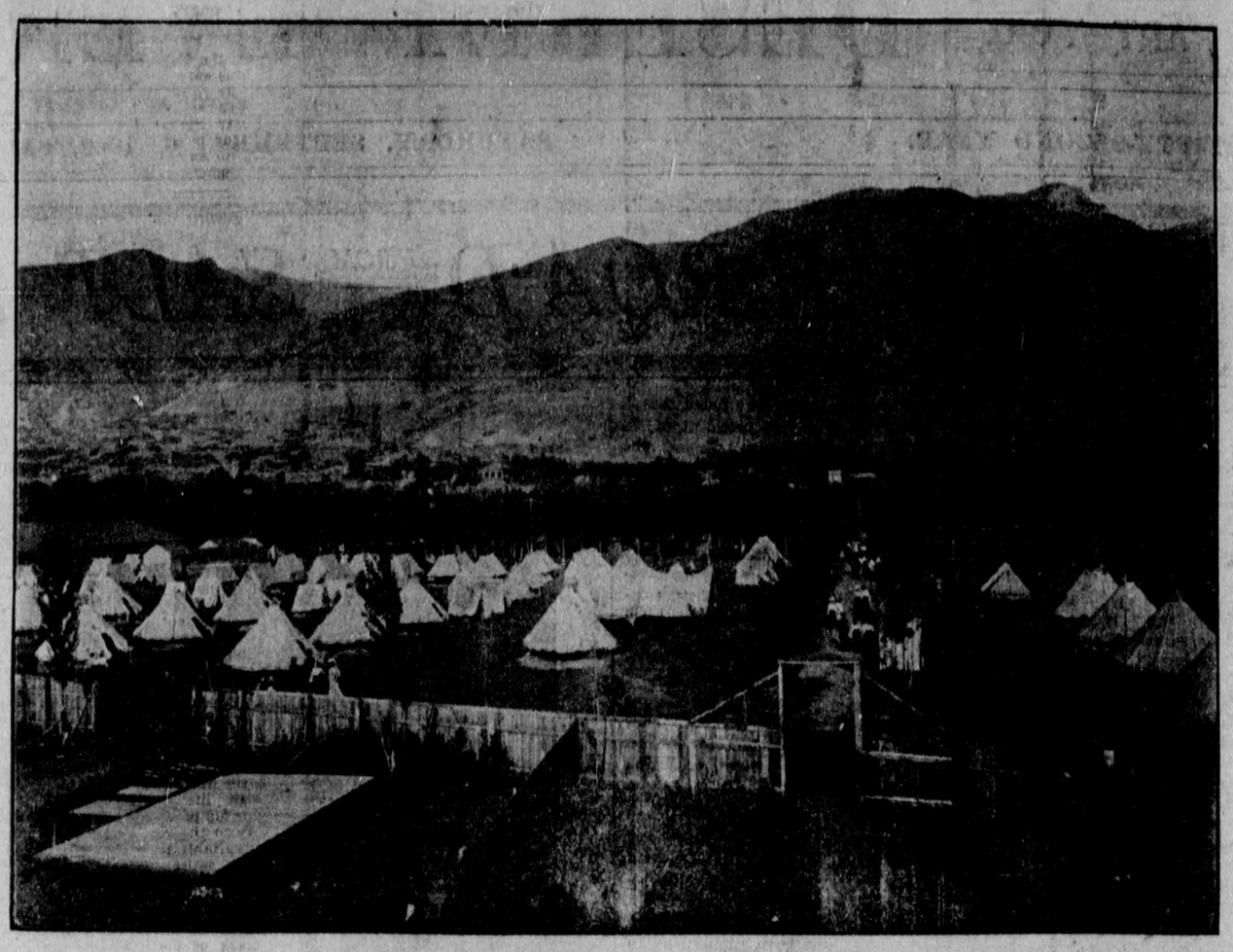
Gage. "It does look odd, I'll admit; but you should not be uncharitable in your judgments. Perhaps Butwick tells only the truh. He may be only a thief, you know; perhaps he steals his stock in trade."

"Be not like dumb driven cattle!" exclaimed the graduating girl. "No chance of it!" muttered the cynic in the back row of the auditorium. "I'd like to see the day when I'm worth as much as sirloin and porterhouse."—Washington Star.

"Is there anything your president can't do?" asked the foreigner, astonished at the extraordinary versatility of the present occupant of the White house.

"Yes," responded the native. "He can't appoint a postmaster without disappointing somebody."—Chicago Tribune.

CAMP FUNSTON WHERE THE NATIONAL GUARD OF UTAH IS ENCAMP.



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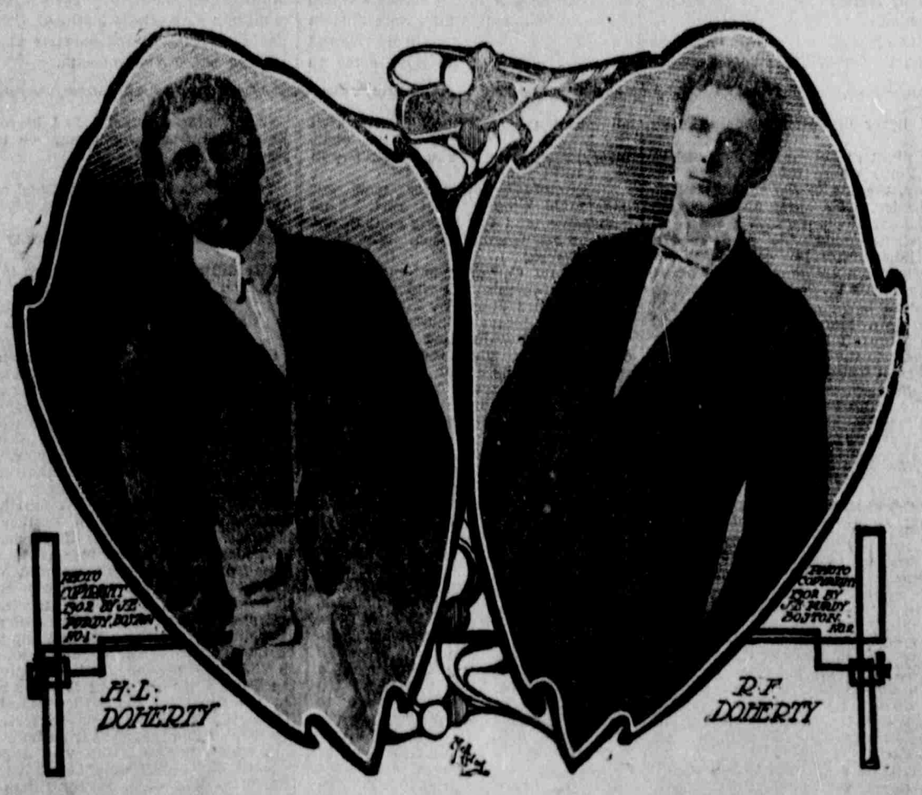
BIG WAR GAME TO COME TO CLOSE SEPTEMBER 6.

At noon, Sept. 6 the great war game will be brought to a close. The second installment of the maneuvers is practically a contest of forts versus the fleet. The whole object of the demonstration is to ascertain whether a hostile invading fleet could make a sudden dash on the eastern entrance of Long Island sound and taking our land forces by surprise, secure a naval base. Gen. MacArthur is in charge of the forts and men. The defense will consist of forts Rodman, Adams, Wetherill, Gieble, Mansfield, Wright, Mach! and Terry. The attacking force will consist of about 15 battleships.

LATEST PHOTOGRAPH OF DOHERTY BROTHERS.



Never has championship been more gamely fought for than was the American tennis championship by the Doherty brothers of Great Britain. Here are the very latest photographs of the famous British players.