

# TODAY'S SPORTING NEWS

## Some Things Players MIGHT Do



## WHEN PRESS IS "ONTO" YOUR GAME MUZZLE IT--BALLINGER'S WAY

By Gilson Gardner.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 24.—Secretary Ballinger is making frantic efforts to muzzle the press and suppress information. His last move is to issue orders to the geological survey against giving out any information. The result is a circular letter just issued by Geo. Otis Smith, director of the survey, reading in part as follows: "The tendency among a certain class of newspapermen to wrongly interpret or recklessly color a verbal expression in order to produce a good story, necessitates the adoption of safeguards which shall be automatic and general in their application. My circular letter of May 1, 1907, requested the co-operation of members of the survey to this end by means similar to the following procedure, which is now ordered: "1. That no interviews or statements relative to official matters shall be given to members of the press without previous authority from the director, and that whenever any member of the survey is so solicited he shall first ascertain by consultation with the director whether or not the interview is so authorized. "2. That no interview shall be granted without securing from the person soliciting the same a promise that he will, before submitting the material to his publication office, present a copy of his manuscript to the director for perusal, and further that in case any such promise is violated, the incident shall be made a matter of record and future interviews shall be denied to the person guilty of such violation." The effect of the order is to gag all employees of the geological survey. Nobody is expected to talk except the director; and he won't. The survey is taking the Ballinger side of the Pinchot controversy, and Ballinger's policy is one of suppression and secrecy. The director of the survey has had sufficient experience with newspapers and newspapermen to know that no reputable newspaperman submits his copy to some censorship before taking it to his editor. This is what the regulations issued by Director Smith called for; the result therefore is merely a general muzzling of the employees in this department of the government service.

## NO GUARANTEE FOR AVIATORS

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 24.—If a rule against guarantees to aviators at future American exhibitions is adopted the princely purses won by Louis Paulhan in the local meet will be a thing of the past. Courtland Field Bishop, president of the Aero club of America, is in favor of abolishing these retainer fees, so that aviators will be forced to actually contest for the prizes offered.

## Los Angeles to Join Boycott

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 24.—That Los Angeles is on the verge of joining the nation-wide anti-meat strike is evident from the fact that the Central Labor Council has issued a call for a mass meeting Wednesday night of labor union members and citizens generally to protest against the high prices of meat. Meanwhile a committee of five, appointed by the Central Labor Council, will investigate the prices of meat and endeavor to learn something of the causes for the increase. The mass meeting will be asked to vote on the question of joining the thousands of citizens everywhere in abstaining from meat for a period of 30 to 60 days.

## WHITMAN COACH ARRESTED UPON SERIOUS CHARGE

WALLA WALLA, Jan. 24.—J. Merrill Blanchard, for three years coach at Whitman college, was arrested yesterday for a statutory crime alleged to have been committed against a 16-year-old girl of Hillsboro, North Dakota, last summer. Blanchard is a graduate of Bowdoin college.

## JEFFRIES VISITS SALT LAKE

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 24.—Jim Jeffries yesterday looked at the training quarters which will be his if his fight with Jack Johnson is held here on July 4. He seemed well impressed with the mountain cottage, but would not commit himself. He will appear in Ogden tonight.

## COAST LEAGUE MEETS AT SAN FRANCISCO

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 24.—The final conferences of the directors of the Coast and State baseball leagues will be held here today. One of the matters on the State league's program is the final disposition of a franchise to a sixth city to complete the circuit.

## LINCOLN HIGH BEATS TACOMA

Lincoln High school won a hair line victory over Tacoma High in the basket-ball game at the Y. M. C. A. Saturday night. The score was 32 to 34, with Tacoma too close to a tie that the fans held their breath. The Y. M. C. A. team defeated Everett by the score of 45 to 26 in the preliminary contest.

## PRETTY NIFTY, THESE TERRIERS



BLACK PADDY AND BLACK BEAUTY.

You don't see many black bull terriers, but here's a pair of classy beauties who are liable to clean up on the bench this winter. Black Paddy's sire is Black Brandy, a famous heavyweight dog, and Black Beauty comes from blue ribbon Pennsylvania stock. They are well marked and are equipped with winning points. Black terriers are noted in Ireland, where the parent stock hails from, for their gameness as otter and badger hunters. They are the only dogs that will take a badger from his hole or beat an otter in single combat. They are splendid watch dogs and fine companions for children, with whom they play by the hour. It would take a nifty tramp to accost a youngster guarded by a pair like Paddy and Beauty.

## DAILY LESSON IN BILLIARDS



Diagram 1—Cue ball 5-8 right, 1-3 above, object ball 1-2 left; stroke 1-2 in excess of medium. Cue ball cushions at A, effecting carom on ball 2. Object ball cushions at B, C, resting at D.

Diagram 2—Cue ball 5-8 left, 1-8 below, object ball 1-2 left; stroke 1-2 in excess of medium. Cue ball cushions at A, B, effecting carom on ball 2. Object ball cushions at C, D, E, resting at F.

REVERSE ENGLISH.

## HILDEBRAND RELEASED

Outfielder George Hildebrand, signed by Cliff Blankenship to play with the Tigers next season, has been released at his own request. He will be an umpire in the California State League. The other players signed on Blankenship's jaunt to California are all expected to report.

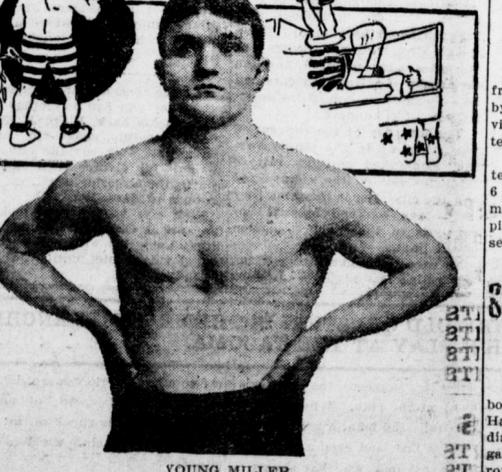
## TACOMA SWIMMERS LOSE AT PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Jan. 24.—Brackett and Pratt, the Tacoma Y. M. C. A. representatives in the Northwest swimming championships Saturday night, did not place in any of the events. Portland had almost no competition and won with 26 points, with 10 for Seattle, all made by a lone entry, Rothwell.

## What's Wrong With Skaters? Were Old-Timers Better Men?

What's the matter with our speed skaters? You might think, judging from the stories written about the knights of the singing steel, that the good ones are better than were those chaps who made ice history back in the '80s and '90s. But the facts don't support this. As a matter of fact but two records have been broken by the winter speed merchants since 1897, and both are credited to one man, Morris Wood, who holds the world's records for 100 and 220 yards. But, getting back to the original question, aren't the ice kings of today as fast as when Johnson, Donoghue, et al, were doing things to the records? Or do the modern city rinks so handicap the speeders that they have no chance to make the time the old-timers did on the rivers and lakes? Making Life Safer Everywhere life is being made more safe through the work of Dr. King's New Life Pills in Constipation, Biliousness, Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Liver troubles, Kidney Diseases and Bowel Disorders. They're easy but sure, and perfectly build up the health, 25c at all druggists. Royal Dairy Ice Cream. Both phones, M. 95, A. 2195.

## WANT TO BE FLOPPED? HERE Y'ARE



YOUNG MILLER.

This husky youth, Young Miller, lays claim to the welterweight catch-as-catch-can championship of the United States. He hails from the vicinity of St. Paul, and his claim to the title is almost clear. About the only grappler of note in the welter division he hasn't beaten is Otto Suter, who won the international title a year ago from Conkle, the Canadian. A match between Suter and Miller would be a hummer.

## noise you make about the battle the better.

Both of you get into the limelight when you put your heads together and clinched the fight with your offer of \$10,000, and 66 2-3 per cent. of the picture profits. Having secured what you went after you ought to be satisfied. The first thing you know the governor of Idaho will say to the governor of California, "Let's head off these talking machines," and both of you will be up a very high stump. As a matter of fact the public isn't interested in either one of you. You are simply the means to a desired end, and that end is the settlement of a vexed question the supremacy of a white man over a black man. It is immaterial whether you promote the fight or whether it is promoted by Bill Jones. Just as many will pay to see it if it is held in the San Francisco ball park, at Ocean View or in Salt Lake city. If your object is to gain publicity you are overdoing it. If it is to gain notoriety, you are succeeding, but you are also showing that you are a pair of decidedly foolish business men to go on squabbling like a pair of primary school kids. Cut it out, gentlemen, and begin sawing wood. You long ago became a public nuisance.

## JOHNSON PREACHES ON SOBRIETY

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Fight fans who have been accusing Champion Jack Johnson of treading the crimson path too frequently of late were surprised when he preached a sermon on sobriety before the colored branch of the Y. M. C. A. yesterday. "Sobriety is the touchstone of success," said Johnson. He said that Jeffries would pass, along with Sullivan, Corbett and Sharkey.

## TACOMA WINS BY DEFAULT

Tacoma won the soccer game from the Renton eleven yesterday by default. Bad weather kept the visitors at home, but the local team practiced on the wet field. By defeating the Seattles yesterday at Seattle by the score of 6 to 2, the Rangers practically made certain of the league championship, which Tacoma won last season.

## BANQUET IN HONOR OF ROBERT BURNS

With refreshed memories of Bonnie Scotland from the visit of Harry Lauder, the Scotch comedian, Tacoma Scotchmen will gather at the Tacoma hotel tomorrow night to celebrate the 151st birthday anniversary of the poet, Robert Burns. A program of speeches and toasts has been prepared and a great time is expected.

## LABOR ELECTION WEDNESDAY

Officers of the Central Labor Council for the coming year will be elected at a meeting to be held Wednesday night at Central Labor hall, 1137 1-2 Commerce street. Dr. Thomas, Osteopaths.

## Markets

- FRESH FRUIT.
- Apples—Home grown, 75c @ \$1.50.
  - Grapes—Malaga, \$5 @ 6.
  - Lemons—\$4.50 @ 5.
  - Oranges—New navels, \$2 @ 2.75; Japs, \$1.25 bundle.
  - Pears—Yakima winter \$1.75.
- FRESH VEGETABLES.
- Beets—20c doz.; \$1 sack.
  - Brussels sprouts—8c and 9c lb.
  - California cauliflower — \$2 @ 2.25 crate.
  - Cabbage—1c.
  - Carrots—20c doz.; \$1 sack.
  - Horse radish—10c lb.
  - Lettuce—35c @ 40c doz.
  - Onions—\$1.50 @ 1.65 cwt.
  - Green onions—20c doz.
  - Oyster plant—20c dozen.
  - Parsley—20c doz.
  - Parsnips—\$1 @ 1.25 sack.
  - Potatoes—Yakima, \$18 @ 20 ton; home grown, \$16 and \$17.
  - Sweet potatoes—\$2.25 cwt.
  - Radishes—20c doz.
  - Rhubarb—15c lb.
  - Rutabagas—\$1 sack.
  - Hubbard squash—2 1-2c lb.
- EGGS.
- Washington ranch, 36c.
  - Eastern storage, 26c.
- BUTTER.
- Washington creamery, 39c;
  - Eastern, 36c; best storage, 34c.
- MEATS AND POULTRY.
- Fresh Meats—Cow beef, 7 1/2c; steer beef, 9c; wethers, 11c; ewes, 10c; spring lambs, 12 1/2c; pork, trimmed, 15c; veal, 12 1/2c.
- WHEAT.
- Prices offered by millers for wheat: club, \$1.09; bluestem, \$1.19; red, \$1.07; forty-fold, \$1.12.
- LIVESTOCK.
- Prices offered by packing houses for live stock: Steers, 4 1/2 @ 5c; cows, 3 1/2 @ 4c; heifers, 4 @ 4 1/2c. Hogs, 8 1/2 @ 9c. Sheep—Ewes, 4 @ 4 1/2c; wethers 5 @ 5 1/2c; lambs, 6 1/2c.
- FISH.
- Hallbut cheeks, 8c.
- Key fitting and general repairing. E. E. Peterson, 924 Tac. av.

## COST \$627,525 TO RUN CITY

According to figures prepared by City Controller Meads it cost \$627,525 to run the city last year, which was \$56,123 more than was provided in the budget. The street department, fire department and police department all overrun, sending more money than was allowed. The street department overrun about \$26,000, the fire department \$14,000, and the police department \$5,000. Next year the city will have \$981,261 to send or nearly 50 per cent more than last year, according to the budget.

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