

IF IT HAPPENED, IT'S HERE
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Today in The Sport World

ALL THAT'S WORTH WHILE
AND NOTHING THAT ISN'T

ACTRESSES DOPE OUT THE JIM-JACK AFFAIR

The stage has supplied its full quota of fight fans, and there are today many actors who are competent judges and keen critics of the ring game. Nat Goodwin, the dean of the actor fans, never misses an important battle, and there are a score of other lights of the show world who loom up prominently at the ringside, often accomplishing record cross country dashes to enjoy a good mill.

But while actors are often heard from when fights and fighters are under discussion, it is not often that actresses come to the front with timely comment. There are in Seattle at the present time, however, two fair enthusiasts who, when not engaged in swinging hockey sticks and rendering college yells with the other members of "A Stubborn Cinderella" company, put in their time discussing the relative chances of Jim Jeffries and Jack Johnson.

Gertie O'Connor and Lettie Bradley are on opposite sides of the championship fence, and each has written and mailed a story on the coming battle for the sporting page of The Press.

BY GERTIE O'CONNOR.

Whatever the final result of the big fight, I believe that those who are fortunate enough to be present will see one of the greatest battles the game has ever known. I am not one of those who believe that it will be a short fight, and that a lucky punch in the early rounds will settle the question that has plunged the whole country in a fever of excitement, for, after careful study of the dope, I figure that the fight will run at least 15 rounds, and possibly longer.

All of Jack Johnson's past performances indicate that he will play a waiting game in the hope that the strain of actual fighting will tell on the boiler maker, and that the further the battle goes the better are his chances of catching the white man off his guard and putting the real sleep producer over.

Anyone familiar with the rudiments of the game knows that there is all the difference in the world between going through hard training stunts and actually trading punches with a dangerous opponent

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Inside a 24 foot square, and I am inclined to think that the Jeffries followers who believe that he has "come back" from observing his exhibition work will find that he is not the champion of old when he squares off with the big black man. Johnson is a better fighter than the fans believe. He is by no means the one handed man some consider him, and I believe that he has good reason to be confident of his strength and science. All things considered, I pick the black man to win.

BY LETTY BRADLEY.

I am for Jeffries, first, last and always. This is not mere prejudice in favor of the white man, for although I have read every line of information about the fight since it was first announced, I reserved my opinion until I had a chance to see for myself what Jeff looked like after his long retirement. I saw him work while on his recent tour, and am convinced that he is ready to go into the ring and put up just as good a fight as is necessary to put Jack Johnson out of the way.

I have never seen either Jeffries or Johnson fight, but I have seen the moving pictures of every battle that either man has fought before the camera, and I think I have a pretty fair idea of the styles of both men. I do not believe that Johnson will attempt to carry the fight to Jeff, for he must surely figure that his best chance lies in the theory that the white man will tire, but I do think he will have his work cut out to keep out of Jim's way long enough to accomplish his purpose. I think that Jack Johnson's ability as a fighter has been very much overrated and I feel sure that if there is a hidden streak of yellow in his makeup it will show up strongly in this fight; when the sympathies of the sporting world are so overwhelmingly with the other man. I expect to see Jeffries return to winner by the k. o. route inside of 10 rounds.

The Pitching Machine Has Possibilities



FAST BOXING ENDS IN 10 ROUND DRAW

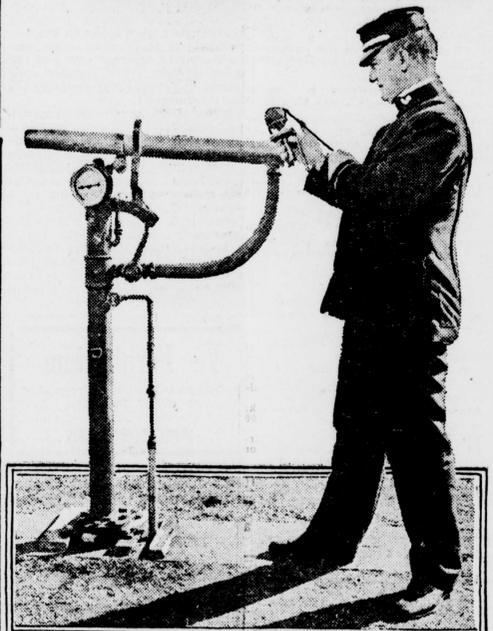
(By United Press Leased Wire)
PORTLAND, Ore., March 22.—Jimmy Carroll of San Francisco and Jimmy Austin of Los Angeles, bantamweights, went through 10 rounds of lightning fast boxing at the smelter of the Rose City Athletic club here last night, and although no decisions are permitted, the majority of the experts called the bout a draw.

Carroll did the most leading and was always at his opponent, but Austin's beautiful blocking smothered almost all of his vicious upper cuts and swings. Austin had a crowd in an uproar of delight at his marvelous cleverness and although seven pounds lighter than Carroll, he fought gamely and finished strong.

Joe Carroll of San Francisco had a slight shade on Frankie Edwards of Los Angeles, although the fight might have been called a draw. Both men were supposed to weigh in at 133 pounds, but Carroll looked to be pounds heavier. Edwards was very tired in the ninth and tenth, and Carroll, who has a wicked punch, would undoubtedly have won in a longer bout.

While riding his bicycle along Main avenue near Howard street yesterday afternoon, Henry Ward, a newsboy 12 years old, was run down by an automobile being driven by F. W. Lundsen, who owns a garage at 1225 First avenue. The boy was not hurt aside from a shaking up and a bruised knee. His wheel was smashed considerably. Young Ward lives at 1509 Colgate avenue.

CURVES AND FAST BALL AT WILL FROM COMPRESSED AIR PITCHER



BY UNDERWOOD AND UNDERWOOD
P. H. LINK AND HIS MECHANICAL PITCHER.
It has remained for a sailor to add the newest thing to baseball. P. H. Link, warrant officer, on duty at the Annapolis naval academy, is the man for whom is claimed an invention which comes nearer perfection than any other mechanical device intended to replace the pitcher. Link's invention is in the form of a gun. It is operated by compressed air, and the ball can be controlled so that all speeds, from the most leisurely floater to the fast ball of a Mathewson, can be used at will. By means of a strap which Link is shown winding around the sphere the ball can be curved accurately. Curves of eight feet have been fired. Mounted upon a swivel the gun can be pointed in any direction, vertical or horizontal.

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"GRAPPLING STABLES" HURT GAME

BY TIP WRIGHT.

Wrestling has received many a black eye from crooked promoters and crooked wrestlers, but it has been revived somewhat of recent months, thanks to the efforts of a few men "on the square."

There is one feature of the game, however, that makes me tired and disgusted, and I am satisfied it makes everyone else "in the know" just as weary.

It is this trick of the promoters, who employ a big stable of grapplers, pay them a specified salary, and send them out to put on hippodromes in various cities.

For instance, here is Raoul de Rouen, the gigantic Frenchman, who has earned a name as the foulest wrestler in the business. His tactics may be all right in regions where rough-and-tumble methods are admired, but an ordinary, everyday audience becomes disgusted with him in a very few minutes.

The Frenchman is employed by the man who has Yussif Mahmoud, "Rough House" Anderson, and several other grapplers on his pay roll, and the way the public falls into the nice little "matches" arranged between the stable mates is sinful.

Not long ago Raoul de Rouen and "Rough House" Anderson put on a match which was to all appearances a bitterly contested affair. The men slugged, roughed, jumped on each other, and apparently were giving a grueling exhibition. As a matter of fact, neither man was marked after the "match," and the whole affair was a carefully planned spectacle.

de Rouen appeared in another city, and again the public fell for the "errors." As both men are drawing their stipend from the same

A few nights later Mahmoud and source, it is easy to imagine the amount of damage they will do to each other in a "match," or how much chance exists for the "match" to be anything but a hippodrome.

Compare the Figures

So much has been said about the cost of job printing in Spokane that nearly everyone outside of those engaged in the business honestly believes that Spokane printers charge unreasonable prices for the product of their shops. But a comparison of Spokane prices of the present time with those charged by Chicago printers during the hard times and panic of 1893 shows that we are not receiving as much for our product and labor as the master printers of Chicago did during the last Cleveland administration. Figures in our possession show that work in Chicago in 1893 cost more money than the same class of printing costs today in Spokane, to-wit: Chicago list—500 lithograph stock certificates, printed, numbered and bound, \$22.75. Same job in Spokane today, \$17.50. In Chicago, during the years of adversity, 3M. xx white 6 1/2 envelopes, 3M. No. 10, xx white envelopes and 3M. sheets 8-lb. linen paper cost \$29; and in Spokane today you get the same quantity of goods and better printing and a much finer grade of paper for \$33.75, which makes this total order 50 cents cheaper in Spokane than it was done in Chicago, where paper was bought at that time for from 30 to 50 per cent less than it can be laid down in this city. Hundreds of printers were working in Chicago at that time at from \$9 to \$16 per week, while wages in Spokane have run for several years at from \$24 to \$30 per week.

These figures are given to disabuse the minds of those who think prices of printing in Spokane are too high, and if you wish further information along this line ring up Main 1505.

The Gentlemen Acting as Judges in the

Othello Contest

recently closed advise us that, owing to the large number of replies received, so many of which are of high character, it has been impossible for them to reach a final decision as yet, though they promise to complete their work in time to

Announce the Winners Easter Sunday, March 27

We regret this delay, as we realize those taking part in the contest are anxiously awaiting the judges' decision, but in explanation in their behalf, wish to say the gentlemen acting in this capacity are busy men who have their regular work to do, and can only devote their evenings to deciding the important features contained in the numerous essays received.

Where so many display merit they wish to give consideration to every point and reach a unanimous decision. So

Look for the Winners Next Sunday

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You'll want one of these handsome pongee silk suits when you see them. They are extremely stylish and will be worn throughout the spring and summer seasons. Made of heavy Clitoria pongee, lined with white Skinner's satin. Colors are hand embroidered and buttons are all jeweled. Skirts are handsomely pleated. These pongee suits are strictly tailored and are in natural shades. All are \$30 suits. Special Easter week price \$22.50

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An exceptional fine lot of exquisite styles in new spring dresses; are made of chiffon taffeta silk, with peasant waist effects and lace yokes that match with the firefly pleated skirts. Collars in novelty neckwear styles. Special for Wednesday, one of these beautiful dresses\$18.50

LINGERIE WAISTS—MANY \$5.00 VALUES FOR \$2.98
The low-pricing pencil has invaded our stock of beautiful new spring waists. Wednesday we place on sale one lot of the daintiest lingerie garments; beautifully trimmed with fine lace, and embroidered. Have the popular high collar and long Bishop sleeves. Values up to \$5.00 in new spring waists will be on sale tomorrow for\$2.98

CLOTH DRESSES WORTH TO \$25—EASTER OFFERING PRICE \$15
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SPRING SUITS WORTH UP TO \$25 ON SALE TUESDAY FOR \$19.75
This is merely backing our statements with the goods. Wednesday we place on sale one large group of attractive new spring suits in striped effects and plain shades. Tight-fitting jackets with long Tuxedo revers, also Russian blouse styles. Skirts are neatly pleated and every seam is perfectly tailored. These suits worth up to \$25.00. Easter offering\$19.75

LINGERIE AND TAILORED WAISTS \$1.29
Many waists in this lot worth \$2.00. Some are plainly tailored and plaited; others embroidered and trimmed with dainty lace. Choice of over ten dozen of these new spring waists for
\$1.29
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Charming Spring Dress Hats and Tailored Hats, \$7.50

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