CHANCES FOR WILLARD-MORAN NO-DECISION BOUT NOW SLIM, DESPITE PUBLIC DEMAND

PROMOTERS OF PROPOSED BOUT BETWEEN WILLARD AND MORAN STRIKE SNAG

Boxing Clubs Fail to Raise Bid, But Dear Old Public Likes to Get Stung and **Clamors** for Contest

FTLE Willard-Moran championship bout evidently has struck a snag. For L three days promoters, managers and pugilists have been silent, and the ante has not been boosted over the 55,000 noise made by Jimmy Johnston, of the Madison Square Garden. Even Jack O'Brien, our own home town booster and fistic magnate, has not broken into print with another bid for a six-round bout to be held in Philadelphia.

When boxers are placed in a position where they can demand these enormous guarantees, it shows that boxing is more of a profession than a business. Williard is offered \$32,500 for 10 rounds against Moran. This is more than \$1000 a minute for his work. He is offered the same amount to box six rounds here, which is nearly \$2000 a minute. This is more money than is earned by railroad presidents, bankers and members of the United States Senate.

But the promoters are taking no chances when they make these flattering offers. They are not risking their wealth in an effort to ease the public. They expect the public to pay them handsomely for their trouble. The boxers will get their big purses. The public will furnish the money. There is no doubt that \$30,000 guarantees are all out of preportion. It would be necessary to charge from \$5 to \$100 for seats. It may be argued that the fans have the alternative of not paying or staying away; but all sport followers know that despite the grumblings, the fans will pay if the bout appeals to them.

It is the Dear Old Public that gets the worst of it every time. Why shouldn't the promoters offer enough money to float a national debt to get two popular boxers into the same ring? Barnum was right.

Money Cannot Buy a Pennant in Major Leagues

Bob Hedges, ex-owner of the St. Louis Browns, takes the floor and submits the following: "Wealthy magnates are a menace to baseball. The men with well-upholstered bank rolls can go the limit in purchasing talent for their teams. This will make a runaway race of it and the league top heavy.

Perhaps Mr. Hedges is right, but let's shuffle up the cards and see what happens. The New York Giants is supposed to be the wealthiest team in baseball. Last year, despite the money behind it, the team finished absolutely last. There was an unlimited bank roll behind John McGraw, but it couldn't purchase the real players.

When Connie Mack turned out his famous team that won the American League pennant six times and the world's series three times, the stars, like Collins, Barry, McInnis and Baker, did not cost as much as one spends in a year for cigarettes. And it was the greatest team ever welded together in the history of the American League.

Last year Charlie Comiskey purchased Eddie Collins, and spent \$160,000 in an effort to "buy" a pennant winner. His team was not in the running. And last, but not least, take the case of our well-known Phillies last year. President Baker has not gained fame as a reckless spendthrift, yet he turned a bunch of misfits over to Pat Moran and won the National League pennant. All of which goes to show that Hedges is perfectly right but only in one instance. Wealthy magnates can purchase star players, but winning the pennant with them is another matter.

Johnny McTaggart was a messenger boy in New York three years ago. Today he is one of the most famous jockeys in the country. Who says a messenger boy cannot develop speed?

The lure of the sawdust ring has claimed another victim. Frank Gotch has been lured away from his farm and will appear twice a day, for 200 days, meeting all comers on the wrestling mat. He will receive \$1000 per diem for his services and should get into good condition before the season is over. Incidentally, Gotch will endeavor to prepare himself for his match with Joe Stecher.

Form Not a Necessity in Rowing Competition

. There are several branches of athletics in which form is an absolute necessity, according to experts. Golf and rowing are among them. No doubt form plays an important part in golfing, but rowing authorities are beginning to doubt whether there is any such a thing as the proper stroke. The wonderful success of English crews caused many of our American parsmen to cast aside what is known as the American stroke and adopt the peculiar style of the English.

For a time several coaches had wonderful success in this country with the English stroke, and experts were convinced that this style was far superior to anything we had here. But the same coaches who were responsible for the English stroke in many of the leading colleges failed dismally in other years. This caused American rowing authorities to decide that it was the material and not the stroke which made a successful crew.

Joe Wright, Penn's new coach; Coach Jim Rice, of Columbia, and Elias Ward, former Penn instructor, met yesterday to talk over rowing in general. During the course of the discussion this subject of rowing form was brought up. The famous coaches were unanimous in the opinion that there was no Great Benefit tarticular advantage in any stroke and that the success of a crew depended entirely upon the material at hand and the manner in which it was handled. They all agreed that the best coach in the world could not succeed, regardless of the stroke used, unless the material was at hand. Which goes for any other sport, although some men are more successful with mediocre material because they can get more work out of the men.



JUNIOR MEMBERS WILL USE COURTS **OFRACQUET CLUB** Young Blood to Be Placed

Under Tutelage of Experienced Players

PLAN TO DEVELOP STARS

The Racquet Club has just made a move The Racquet Club has just made a move that promises to do more for the de-velopment of racquets, court tends and squash racquets than any action taken by an organization in recent years. This is the granting of permission to junior members to use the courts at certain pre-scribed times under the tutelage of the club's experienced professionals in an effort to create a greater interest in these effort to create a greater interest in these famous sports, and to develop some stars in the coming generation of clubmen.

in the coming generation of clubmen. The Racquet Club's junior list comprises the list of those under legal age, below which none can become members of this famous organization, and whose names appear on the waiting list to be consid-ered as members in some future year. This list is a long one, and consists of some of muny of this city's most noted men from a social and club athletic standpoint. Among them are the sons of a number of the best racquets and court tranis players in the club, youths who are especially eager to follow in their father's footsteps in these sports. father's footsteps in these sports

MARANVILLE OUT How They Ran Yesterday AT JUAREZ

Al 4UAREZ First race-Ida Trovato, 7 to 5, 1 to 2, out, 60ff stream, 1 to 1, 7 to 5, 1 to 2; Old Harry, 4 to 1, 7 to 5, 1 to 2; Second race-Wild Bear, 3 to 1, 6 to 5, 3 to 3; Voladay H, even, 2 to 5, 1 to 5; Barmard, 3 to 1, even, 1 to 2; Third race-Red Cloud, 1 to 2, 1 to 4, out; Circulate, 6 to 1, 2 to 1, even; 1 to 7; Mack B, Eubands, 2 to 1, even; 1 to 7; Mack B, Eubands, 2 to 1, 7 to 10, 1 to 3; H, 3, Joire, 6 to 1, 2 to 1, even; Fifth race, Utelus, 1 to 5, 3 to 5, 1 to 4; Originator, 5 to 1, 8 to 5, 7 to 10; Crandolet, 2 to 1, 4 to 3, 2 to 5; Nack B, Eubands, 2 to 2, 5; Mack B, Eubands, 3 to 5, 1 to 5; Mark B, Eubands, 3 to 5, 1 to 5; 1; to 5; Fiftaway, 6 to 5, 1 to 2, 1 to 5; Marcus, 6 to 1, 8 to 5, 7 to 10; 2; to 5; Fiftaway, 6 to 5, 1 to 2; Marcus, 6 to 1, 8 to 5, 7 to 10; AT NEW ORLEANS

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GRANTLAND RICE ASKS.* WHY IS A FIGHT MANAGER

Declares Willard-Moran Bout Would Not Be Worth \$5000, to Say Nothing of \$50,000

prosperity.

Understedly

Why?

A few months ago Mike Gibbons and Packy McFarland received 55,500 for a 30-minute pillow fight. How much of his did they earn? One per cent would be a heavy estimate. On that same day there were 50,000 bricklayers that earned individually, twice as mitch as Gibbons and McFarland actually curred the

individually, twice an much as Gibbons and McParland actually earned that

Sir-He fair about this, Don't you be leve that one of the things that has helped to develop all this aminteu trou-ble has been the units publicity given by

the newspapers to the various winners, especially in the college end of H?

OBSERVER

R. H. R.

By GRANTLAND RICE

It was a Aghter's manager-he stoppeth around \$50,000, when either Willard or Mo one of three— I tried to duck—then cursed the luck— The bloke he stopped was me.

ran would be overpaid at Ness. "The whole smear of them out together-nghters, managers and the entire outsi-so far as actual chining capacity is con-cerned, are not worth one-tonth of 550.00 for ten years. And yet, even after at this recent muck, there are those who wonder why the fight same has a hard time setting along with any continued prosperity. "What do you think they offered us?" he "A medsley sound hear; "A medsley sound hear;

"A measley 20,000 bucks-it almost made

we cry"-Whereat my pentle patience broke-I kicked him in the eye;

I stamped upon his neck and chin full Iteenty times or more; I jammed my heet into his mouth-I rev-eled in his gore.

"You book—you simp," I welled the while I held him in my clutch, "If they had offered 39 cents it would have been too much."

I am a peaceful man at heart-no dove can hang on tighter-Until I meet one of these guys who managen a fighter.

Why Is a-

1. Cholera plague? 2. A grip epidemic? 3. A light manager?

Dear Sir: I know it is considered trea-son for any one to place Christy Mathew-sen second to any ball player, whether in popularity, efficiency or knowledge of the game. I have attended National League games since 18%, and I can safely may that if the selection of the most POPU-LAR PLAYER of ALL TIME was left to the fans of the country at large Mike Kelly would be selected. As an idol of

I remember witnessing a game in Wash-ington when Kelly was with Chicago. He was playing right field. He missed an easy fly, and as he was walking to the bench the bleachcrites began guying him. If walked over and said: "Hoys, you'll have to excuse me but 1 had a couble bench the bleacherites began guying him, fie walked over and said: "Boys, you'll have to excuse me, but I had a couple of beers before the game." Then he walked on to the bench. "We like you all the same, Mike," was the shout that went up from the crowd. No other player, be-fore or since, was ever as close to the fans of the country-was ever as univer-saily loved. H. A. WALLACE.

Mike Kelly was popular for the same reason that John Lawrence Sullivan was popular-because both put their games above the pay-check and because both had unusual magnetism. Their sina and their virtues were all vivid. Their na-tures had an appeal beyond anything that mere ability could ever produce.

Today the great players of the game are of a different type. They make attempt to build up the affection of crowd-or even to attract its notice.

The Big Pain

There are any number of agencies that can produce a vital, throbbing pain, but nothing that in this respect is beyond the average fight manager.

This late Willard-Moran fiasco has been ne of the most sickening episodes of the age. Here are two managers, plus accomplices, squabbling over terms up



Walter J Maranville, shortstop of the Boston Nationals, is through with basket-ball as a player. He has written Presiwill do no more playing without the spe cial permission of President Haughton.

George Stallings was bitterly opposed to his players participating in the indoor sport.

haste and on chance. The Rabbit is now in fine trim and is beginning to prepare himself for the coming season. He tips the scales at 151 pounds, which is about 10 pounds

OF BASKETBALL; **OBEYS NEW BOSS** Braves' Star Quits Playing

in Cage; Will Manage Five Only

RABBITT IN GOOD FORM

dent Percy Haughton, of the Braves, that he had positively quit playing, but will continue to manage the "All Stars." He

The latter sent the Rabbit a letter em-phasizing the importance of his recent ruling against basketball playing by Maranville and other members of the Braves, and he also stated that Manager

That is why the Rabbit promptly wrote back his chief showing him he meant to obey the rules of the club in regard to basketball and regrotting that his name had been so widely advertised by reckless basketball managers who were acting in

tore than his playing weight, but he

Why? Sir-Do you know why they call it the "offete Eant"? Well, where do the champs come from? Willard, world's heavyweight, is from Kansas. Gotch and Stecher, the two greatest wresters, are from lowa and Nebrask. Young Cor-bett, Britt, Nelson, Wolsast, Ritchie-al topnotch hovers were from the West in the way of primordial stuff, fighting and wrestling, the East doesn't even flaure. Most Popular Athlete wreatling, the East docan't even figure. Judning from the way Harvard's hockey tento has started. Houghton must have left a small supply of that Muensterberg Psychology for outside use.

the fans he stands alone, just as Ty Cobb is the greatest player.



dress bow. Not'a hint of the ready-made about its appearance. Slips on in a second-stays put until you're ready to take it off.

> George W. Jacoby Men's Wear 620 Chestnut Street

(Reit/Alliones Wallast 1)



After the interviews that have been credited to him, this will be a wonderfully pleasant season for Bennie Kauff if he bats about 227.

A Hand Tied Dress Tie

Bowls 17 Hours for 130-game Record

Darrel Hamlet, of Iowa City, well known by many local stars and who has broken many endurance marks, recently rolled for 17 consecutive hours. completing 130 games, for an average of 195. Hamlet has frequently bowled for a greater number of hours in an endurance contest, but he has never rolled such an unusual number of games in the same length of time. It is believed that his 130-game mark in 17 hours is a record, as the highest mark made recently was 135 games for 24 hours. A split thumb caused Hamlet to quit, when he was in an excellent position to break all existing records. . . .

A bowling statistician has figured out that if but one hall is used by all the participants in the National Bowling tourney, which opens at Toledo, O., on March 4, it will travel 287,550,000 feet, or a distance of 57,510 miles. This is based on allowing 150 feet from the bowler's position to the end of the alley and the return on the run-way. He also dopes out that pin boys will break some records lifting pins. Each set of pins weighs 32 pounds, and it is calculated that they will be handled 900,000 times, making an accumulative weight of 28,000,000 pounds. The pin boys also return the balls to the runways 1,620,000 times. As the weight of the average ball is 16 pounds, this will make 25,920,000 pounds of dead weight handled by the boys.

Home-run Hitter Gets No Big League Offers

An outfielder named Besse, of the McAlester team of the Western Association, is receiving columns of press notices-but no major league offers-for making 34 home runs last season. The reason is simple: While the Western Association is a high-class minor organization, the fences are unusually short in most cities. Besse made one remarkable record, however, which has been generally overlooked. In the course of the season he made only 121 hits, including 57 singles, 24 doubles, 6 triples and 34 home runs. In other words, one-fourth of his drives were home runs, while more than half were extra-base wallops, something which has never occurred before in any league. Again it is blamed on the short fences, as his doubles invariably bounded off the wall, ship title. Besse batted only .281 in 128 games.

Meredith Is Rounding Into Shape

Philadelphians were disappointed by the defeat of Ted Meredith at the hands of Caldwell in the special 600-yard race in New York Wednesday night for their training while still young and predicted that the famous Pennsylvania star was going back, but those who have watched Meredith in his work this fall realize that the Olympic champion is slowly rounding into form.

Meredith gave a much better exhibition against Caldwell than he did last Saturday and still was far from being at his best. Meredith has had too much upon his shoulders at Penn this fall to bring himself to his proper form for the indoor season and has made no attempt to show his 1915 indoor form.

George Orton, Penn's track coach, declares that he is well pleased with Meredith's showing, as he did not expect his star to show so well with so little training. Orton predicts that Meredith will be at his best within the next month, and that from then on until the intercollegiates he will show his heels to any runner in the world. A world's record in the half-mile and perhaps a like performance in the quarter is Orton's prediction for the Red and Blue captain this spring.

these youths to await their arrival at the nge when they could be enrolled as mem-bers, by which time they have loat many years of valuable training just at a period when they would benefit greatly by in-struction. Under this new arrangement, a number of uthers of the load of the proa number of athletic young men are ge ting the first rudiments of racquets and court tennis.

The probable outcome will be that when the men who now are upholding the pres-tige of the Bacquet Club, which means Philadelphia, in the championship and incity matches are ready to step out active competition there will be a tercity and well-trained group ready to step into their shoes and more than hold their

Court tennis and racquets are two games that require more coaching, prac-tice and application than any others in the curriculum of sports and applied on years that can be saved and applied as will be done by the new rule at the Racquet Club increases the chance of the early development of some more stars.

Had Early Training

Jay Gould, of the Racquet Club, who holds the world's court tennis champion-ship, owes his success almost entirely to the fact that he had years of training in this sport before the ordinary clubman In this sport bridge the ordinary cutoman is old enough to be enrolled in any club While Gould was a mere boy his father brought Frank Forester, a young profes-sional, over from England and gave his son into his hands for training in court ennia and racquets.

As a result Goudl developed grapidly on his own private courts, and by the time has been been an age when most club-men are just beginning these games he was holder of the American amateur championship, a title he has defended successfully for 10 years and two years are combined with the world's champion age combined with the world's champion-

As there are no other private courts in the vicinity of Philadelphia, and the only The vicinity of Philadelphia, and the only one is located at the Racquet Club, it uan result be seen that the only hope of keeping the future generation up to the standard in this sport is to provide

F. and M. Football Schedule

F. ANGASTER, Pa., Jas. 28.-Winger has arranged the failowing schidule for the foil-buil team of Franklin and Marshall College for near session. Explositer 7, open. at Lan-caster: October 7. Penn at Philadelphia; Octo-ber 14, Byracuse at Syncuse: October 24. Dichingen at Lancaster: October 28. Swarin-more at Lancaster: November 4. Haverford at Hoverford; November 14. L'reinia at College-ville; November 14. Lengh at Lancaster; No-vember 30. Gettyshurg at Lancaster.

National League Meets February 8

NEW YORK Jan. 28. -Secretary Heydler the National Lengue, announced yesterday to the resouvened untual meeting of that or antion will be haid here on Thead by Behry 5. The simulal schedule meeting of the lea-will be held here on the same date.

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business to keep him feeling BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 28-By a unani-Up till a month ago he worked as a mous vote the stockholders of the Baltie steamfitter, but has given that job up so that he may have plenty of time for more Federal League Club have empowered the board of directors of the rest and also preparation for the baseorganization to raise \$50,000 for the purbull season.



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