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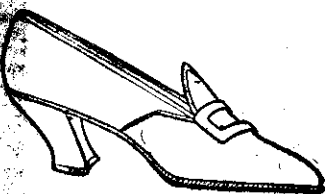
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**TRAMP! Tramp! Tramp! Hear their  
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## Racing Notes.

The Winton Trotting Club will race on  
Feb. 2nd, next season.

Digger Cecil Hazlett has sold Top Note  
to W. Henderson, of Matura.

Secretary Frank Young will attend the  
New Zealand Trotting Conference as the  
representative of the Gore Trotting Club.

Digger Billy Muir was given a good send-  
off from Winton recently. He goes to the  
North Island seeking better health. May  
he find it quickly.

The Gore Trotting Club has again ap-  
plied for Boxing Day for its annual meet-  
ing, even though it clashes with the Dun-  
edin Jockey Club's meeting on the same  
day.

The Forbury Park Trotting Club will  
race next season on December 2 and 4,  
February 5 and 7 (the same week as the  
Dunedin Cup Meeting), and May 5 and 7  
(again clashing with the Ashburton  
Club's Autumn Meeting).

Lieut.-Col. John Findlay, at one time  
well known in Southland as a big farmer  
at Bayswater, has been elected a com-  
mittee-man steward on the Ashburton  
County Racing Club.

Fred Thomas, of the Christchurch "Sun"  
has been appointed handicapper to the  
Geraldine Racing Club in place of Mr  
Gibbs of Gore, who held the position for  
several years past.

A recent notification in the Unpaid For-  
feit List, should make other Southland  
owners careful in future to pay their dues  
to racing clubs, particularly when they  
have the cash.

R. Reed with 59½ wins to his credit is  
the top dog horseman, this season, Ashley  
Reed 56½, and George Young 54½, are next.

T. Helencourt, the owner of Black  
Mountain, is the name of the purchaser  
of Jock.

"Put." Hogan was evidently knocked  
out by "Sir Modred" in the last round.  
"Sir Modred" can hit hard, and is report-  
ed to have several punches up his sleeve  
that are calculated to stop the Master of  
Rorke's Drift Lodge should he show any  
inclination to fight on.

To-night the members of the Wairoa  
Jockey Club will do themselves and their  
guests well at a smoke concert at the  
'Caps. A full report next issue.

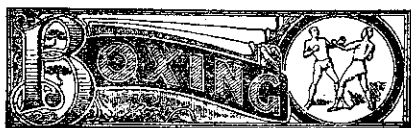
The Gore Trotting Club has given £50  
to the local Fallen Soldiers' Memorial.  
What about the Southland Racing Club  
making a donation? Some of its well known  
members made the supreme sacrifice.

Caretaker Tom Marshall has been away  
on holiday in the North Island lately,  
but owing to floods in the Waikato district  
was prevented from seeing Lochella win  
the Auckland double.

Tom doesn't think the Auckland steeple-  
chase course is a steeplechase course at all.  
The fences are very easily negotiated.

For the Grand National double the two  
Lochella's are being solidly supported. It  
should always be borne in mind that be-  
cause top notchers cannot get more than  
12st 7lbs in the Grand National it does not  
follow that he is going to get the best of  
the handicap. Cub and Master Strowan  
have good winning credentials recently, and  
Lochella with three starts and three wins  
this season, after winning the National  
last year, must concede both of them a  
fair poundage. Lochella may win, but  
at the present time it looks as if he will  
have to head a very much better class  
than he downed at Auckland last month.

Looking through the Unpaid Forfeit List  
as published in the "Referee" this week,  
it is a great feather in the caps of the se-  
cretaries of the Southland clubs, and to the  
credit of Southland owners, that the list  
contains no entries by Southland clubs  
since April 5th, 1916. The whole list  
only contains two entries from Southland.



By "X.Y.Z."

Jack Dempsey and Carpentier have at  
last been fixed up to meet each other.  
This will be "some" fight all right. Demp-  
sey's chief big wins were over Gunboat  
Smith, Carl Morris, Fred Fulton, Frank  
Moran and Jess. Willard.

One of the greatest assets a boxer can  
have is the will to win. Probably no  
boxer has displayed it so amazingly as  
little Jimmy Wilde, and often when it  
seemed that the odds were overwhelming,  
this frail little Welshman would rise to  
the occasion and snatch victory when de-  
feat was impending.

Is Wilde a world wonder? Undoubtedly  
Jimmy is. His name will go down in  
ring history as one of the marvels. Jimmy  
Wilde cannot be classed to be out on his  
own for "cleverness," but for uncanny  
gifts of intuition he stands alone. He  
reads his opponent's mind. He appears  
to know just the punch his opponent is  
afraid of, and he pops that punch in. The  
risks he sometimes takes to do this are  
amazing, but he gets there, and that is  
what counts. That what is right for  
Wilde to attempt is absolutely wrong for  
ninety-nine men out of a hundred to try.  
Let any ordinary boxer try Wilde's  
methods on a rival in a fight and it is  
almost a thousand to one he will find him-  
self on the mat instead of putting his op-  
ponent there. Why? Well, Wilde is a  
genius, and genius is not governed by  
rules or laws but goes its own way at its  
own time. Fitzsimmons was such an-  
other genius of the highest order known  
to the ring. Both Wilde and Fitzsim-  
mons dared to do the unorthodox thing in  
a fight, but both did it at the right time  
and in the right way. Both did things  
which no others could do without com-  
ing to grief. One of the reasons why  
Wilde hits so hard is that he sends his  
body with the blow, and his judgment is  
so uncanny that he rarely fails to land one  
of these big punches either on the spot he  
aims at or so close to it that his own  
safety is assured. But if Jimmy ever  
misses one of these punches and the lad  
in front of him has the nerve to meet  
him as he comes, then, the result is al-  
most sure to spell disaster for Wilde. Up  
to date no lad has proved quick enough,  
and he has given away enormous pound-  
age to real champions as well as mere  
fighters, and made lots of them look  
novices. Rouse Wilde and you seem to see  
compressed lightning in action, but of all  
his qualities, his courage is perhaps the  
best. There is not an atom in his frail  
little body that is not game. He simply  
thrills to the lust of battle when it is at  
its hottest, for he loves a fight for the  
fight's sake. The more the blows hurt  
him the fiercer he fights. He is like a  
wild cat in a crisis for he rips into the  
fight and revels in it. He is the sole  
British world champion, a fact which  
speaks for itself. May it be many a long  
day before he retires. No lad in the lime-  
light to-day could meet Wilde pound for  
pound, in a championship bout and lower  
his colours. There is some talk of Wilde  
meeting Charles Ledoux, the French  
bantam champion. It is to be hoped that  
this match does not materialise unless  
Ledoux is compelled to come to a weight  
that will make the match a fair one. At  
catch weights the Frenchman is too strong  
for Wilde. Bring the pair within decent  
poundage of each other, and the fight  
would be a good thing for Wilde.

Ledoux knocked out Coulon, the former  
world champion, in the 6th round, in  
Paris, not long back. It took the French-  
man eleven rounds to beat Jim Higgins,  
the 19 year old Scot. Higgins will come  
again and is a future world champion.  
He went from novice to champion in a  
single jump, an accomplishment without  
precedent in the long history of the ring.  
First he beat Jack Doyle, and then Harold  
Jones of the British bantam champion-  
ship. Later he out-fought Vince Black-  
burn, the Australian ex-bantam champion.  
Higgins combines cleverness with hitting  
power, and very few boxers have both  
assets, particularly among the little men.

The queenly rose knows no decay,  
Though spurred and crushed it lies,  
And while it slowly wastes away  
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