IOHNSON OR WILLARD FOR HAVANA VICTORY? RING EXPERTS DIFFER

Negro Sure of Clean-cut Win, Says Fred Sears, While McCarney Thinks It Walkover for Cowboy After 20th Round.

With the world's heavyweight cham-points Johnson-Willard battle at Ha-pans Cubs, less than a week off, the most jugging question-and a logical one-for faile fans throughout these United States is will the tille change hands? White some of the leading puglilistic opposters in the world are at their wita and trying to pick the probable winner and are still noncommittal, several sports-men have cast their predictions. A few favor Willard; others believe Johnson will with

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New York, and says the covery is an in-mo-ent fighter ooked good to me oue night," says McGuigan, "and the next Light he loxed he fought like a rank novice. If he is unable to and his punches on Johnsey, Willard may been heart and turn victory in favor of the reampion."

ever, fight fans have but five days to The afternoon of Easter Monday is the

Jack Welsh on Way to Fight

PASO, Tex., March il.-Jack Welsh will referee the Johnson-Willard fight here yesterday on his way for Havana, im going to strictly enforce the Queenso , roles." He said, and if either man at the prohibited tactics he will be promptis

NEW RIFLE RANGE HERE

Philadelphia Rifle Association to Have Largest and Most Complete in U.S. The largest and most complete indoor rife, revolver and pistol range in the United States will be located in this city when atterations are finished on the new permanent hofise and club house which the Philadelphia Rife Asso-ciation has just purchased at 1926 Green street

carlon has just purchased at 1926 Green street. Interest in rifle shooting, particularly with military weapons, has received a great impe-tus from the war and from President Wilson's expression of reliance on "the citzenry trained fn arms" as the mation's bulwark should it be drawn into the European struggle. Ample opportunity for practice the year round will be afforded at the Philadelphia Rifle Association's indoor quarters. The facili-ties there will sopplement the outdoor range which the association has maintained for 18 years near Liancets. Pa. Just outdot range shooting is done at 200 yards, with both mili-tary and target or "Schuetzen" rifles, and at 50 yards with receivers and pistois.



NEW N. Y. BOXING BILL WOULD. INCREASE STATE REVENUE Share of Gate Receipts Would Amount

to \$24,553, Says Expert. ALMANY, March 31. The Stars

10 \$24,000; SAYS EXPERT. ILTRANY, March 31. The State doxing inidaston would be reorganised under the tras of a bill introduced yesteriony by As-billyman. The measure also almos intremes the mer revenues of the State from any exhibitions approximately \$15,000 a

The bill would provide that the Governor shall about the commutation of the secretary at shall about these new commutationers who will receiv salaries of 2000 each annually. Sidd that they shall appoint a secretary at \$4000. The present has provides that the ex-penses of the commutation shall not exceed \$400, or which the secretary sets \$500. The State's share of state receipts would be increased from 5 to 55 per cent. Figured on has feeling receipts this increase would amount to \$24.863 Malone said.

O'KEEFE AND MOORE SEEK WHITE MATCH

Local Fighters Anxious to Get at Chicagoan - Levinsky-Smith Bout in Boston.

Tommy O'Keefe, Southwark's clever lightweight, and Willie Moore, of the same voting district, each have issued a defi to Charley White, Chicago's fast and hard-hitting lightweight. Both O'Keefe and Moore are anxious to meet the Windy City fighter.

The local fisticuffians have been fight ig in rattling good form of late. O'Keefe fought three sensational battles with Charley Thomas, while Moore put up two pippin encounters with Fred Yelle. Both willing in good shape and are take on White at an early date.

Authors Finith and faithing Levinsky will meet again. The local heavyweights laws been looked to engage in a 12-round context at Bos-ton April 20. Smith and Levinsky partici-pated in a 20-round engagement at New Or bons records, with the Gunboat person re-culture the decision.

The two up-State middleweights Leo Hours, of Lancaster, and Kid Wagner, of Wilkes-Horre, will meet to a for-tound set-in at Al-bany next Wednesias night. Low Durischer is worklung on a big schedule far Hodek, He expects to march Leo with K. O. Lrown, of theaso, at Atlanta, Ga., the second week in April. ou hungry!

Louisiana la training like a beaver for his fight with Kid Williams at the Olympia A. A., here next Monday night. A victory for the beat led would mean a big future for his bon-net. Louisi has given Williams several hard bettles.

Sam Roblidean was an interested spectate (the Charley Thomas-Charley White fight the ther night. Robble and the Chicagoan prob-bly will meet in a return fight the aither par-



The Girard Reserves will again be seen on in diamond this year. This will be the fourth oraccultive season on the field, and H. Oetinger, the successfully managed the team hart year, cill, again be at the heim. The Reserves are first-class, fully uniformed, travellig team hel are desirous of atranging games with all cams of their calibre in Penneylvaria, New erses and Delaware, paying a fair guinantee, brandolph street. dolph street.

The West Philadelphia Independent League is reorganized and is now receiving applica-ons from first-class teams desiring to enter the league. This is a channel for first-class anis to get into a fast league. Address lich S. Miller, 5216 Locus street, or phone elmont 6267 W before 7:30.

Girard Field Club, ene of Philadelphia's oreniset traveling teams, will again be seen in the diamond. Girard made an enviable re-ref last again, having been defeated only bree times out of 30 games. Girard is a emportesional team, and would like to hear tom such teams as Ocean City, Woodbury, "itman, Cape May, Hoimesburg, Folcroft, Stet-on, Strawbridge & Clobber, Atlante Gening nd Vietrix, Address R. Mack, 1514 Emily ureet,



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THF PHOT

The Daily Story Parasols

J. Bellman Mott. according to his wife

but better known to his friends as Jake, eyed his soup with disfavor. The teasing froms, a characteristic of everything that Susette, Mrs. Mott's French cook, turned out of the kitchen, was decidedly present. Yet he made no effort to ent.

What is the matter, Bellman? Aren't

"Yes, I ami I'm starved to death. But I don't want two spoonfuls of this stuff, a buil forkful of fish with the flubdub that goes along, a pretty little meat sourse with just enough of everything to make me ravenous, then some grass and North Pole dessert to finish up with." Mrs. Mott shuddered. His reference to

the dainty ices and salads which were the pride of Suscite's heart, and hers, checked any attempt at sympath. "I'm very sorry you don't like the their big features independent of the Gen-neals, Bellman, 1 think Susette perfect. eral Film Company.

Her cooking suits me exactly, I have spoken to her about serving you a more generous portion of everything, but she knows what is correct and I can't help it your plate ian't plied up with

things "Well, I can!" thundered Mr. Mott. whose temper was showing the strain of appetite. "If I can't get a good square meal at home I'm going where I can. I've near at nome i m going where I can, i ve stood for this starvation business iong enough. It's so long since I've tasted beef and cabbige, pork and sauerkraut, sausage and hash. I don't know a cow from a big when I see one."

Mrs. Mott rose from her chair, white and shaking. "Please remember that the maids can hear every-"

maids can hear every—" "I don't care a durn what they hear. I'm sick of caviar and truffles, and kum-quats. Eat 'em if you like, but for heaven's sake give me something old-fashioned and solid. You forget, Eliza-

beth, cooling slightly, that I was raised in the country to begin with, and now that I am a contractor with big, hard work to do I must be fed. I just "Well, what do you intend to do?" frigidly. "You have speiled my dinner. Do you care to go on with your own or

do as you suggested and eat elsewhere?" Mr. Mott looked longingly at the table, then entreatingly at his wife. Like most of the tempests it was short-lived. Had of the tempests it was short-lived. Had his wife put it just a little differently, he would have been overjoyed to stay and eat Susctte's dinner, scant and un-filling as it might be. For Mr. Mott loved his home and adored his fine high-spirited wife. But now his wife did not urge him to

stay. He had made a threat and she evidently expected him to keep it. So he retired as gracefully as he could. He got his hat and went out with a short.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS The Photoplay Editor of the Evening Ledger will be pleased to answer oues-tions relating to his department. Ques-

tions relating to family affairs of actors and actresses are barred absolutely. Queries will not be answered by letter. All letters must be addressed to Photoplay Editor, Evening Ledger.

Despire the failure of the Chicago firms involved to confirm the rumor, it can be stated with certainty that Lubin. Vitagraph, Essanay and Selig have agreed to form a combination for the marketing of

It was some time ago that Lubin announced his intention of booking features. direct to the exhibitor, and Vitagraph. has made a similar announcement. Estimates of the capitalization of the

new combination run as high as \$50,000,000, able. but thus far these are pure speculation. Odds and Ends

as the details of the organization are as yet incomplete. Mecca Building, at 1600 Broadway, Estabrook and Barbara Tennant. He and through the firm of Nelson, Lee & Green. The Broadway Star Features, for which

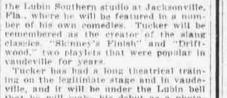
Vitagraph is the sponsor, are to have their headquarters in the same building. About Muriel Ostrich

The newest addition to the forces of the Vitagraph Company is Muriel Ostrich. who will be seen in a number of roles that are distinctly different from any work she has done previously. Her first

appearance for the Vitagraph Company will be in a three-reel feature. Miss Ostrich recently was stricken blind while at work on a film, and for a time it was feared that she would never recover her sight, but she is now prepared for active work. She has a reputation for daring,

among her feats of bravery before th camera being a climb across a 25-foot chasm 300 feet in the air on a narrow strip of board. Miss Ostrich also spent

20 minutes in a case with a tiger for a picture, and she describes it as one of her most harrowing experiences. The young lady has been before the public for three



that he will make his debut as a photo-player. Tacker will be seen first in a player. Tacker will be seen first in a number of one-reel comedies written by himself.

"I have been writing sketches and plays for a good many years," said he when asked about his new work, "hut only recently have I realized what a tremend busy big field the photoplay offers for the man who has spent as much time as I have thinking up new ideas for plays and playlets. The latitude of the pluto-play, in comparison with the limitations of the stake, attracted my keened in-terest, and I sincerely hope that my new comedies will strike the new keynote in screen fun that I want them to and will be just as wholesome as they are laugh-

O. A. C. Lund had a special train on the Pennaylyania line for the World Film Lubin has already leased offices in the release "The Butterfly," with Howard including Howard Estabrook and Barbara Tennant, journeyed down to Woodbridge, N. J., where the scenes were taken around the pretty country station. The inhabitants of Woodbridge said they had not had so much excite

ment for two years, while the commis sary department of the Woodbridge Hote was paralyzed by having 20 exers person to lunch beside thei, regular boardes Among other exciting scenes was that which showed Mr. Estabrook and M.s. Tennant leaping from a freight car in

Garry Mestayer, now playing in Chicago in "On Trial," has been engaged by the Selig Polyscope Company to play the lead in "The Millionaire Baby," a film version of Anna Katherine Green's mystery story The novel was adapted for the screen by Gilson Willets.

Answer to Correspondents Arthur L. Morris-Elsie Janis is in pic

tures. Mrs. L. A. T.-Most of the leading women have their own costumes. The members of a stock company as a usual thing buy their own costumes. In pletures, however, the same one can be more often worn than in legitimate stage work

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A Tale of Red Roses

BY

George Randolph Chester

You know Chester-of "Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford" fame. And you know that he knows how to write-real American stories for real American folks-stories with the dash and pep of American spirit running all through them!

That's just the kind of a story Chester has written for the Evening Ledger in his





at the headquarters of the Amateur Athletic Union regarding the Pacific Asso-ciation's uprising for the failure of the parent athletic organization to allot all the indoor swimming championships to the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco, John Elliott, president of the Pacific Association of the Amateur Athlette Union, evidently has been satisfied by Secertary Rubion's statement that the exposition was never promised the indoor championships and never advertised they would hold such a meet.

Dr. Alvin Krassozlein, the former champion hurdler and late trainer of the German Olympic athletes, has spiked the tale about Germany going to hold the Olympic games in 1915. The lest athletes of Europe are all in the trenches, claims Kraspielin, and cannot be gathered for the games. Fred H. Kanaer of the New York Athletic

cannot be rathered for the games. Fred B. Kaiser, of the New York Athletic Club, former national champion walker, will try to some back at the 23d Regiment games in Brooklyn next Saturday night. Kalsor will start in the three-mile walk handicao, in which George Gouiding, of Toronto, will en-deavor to smash the world's record. Kalser bas been training for three weeks and is walk-ing in fine form. Dick Remer, of the Irlan-American A. C. winner of the time prize in the City Hall-Coney Island walk on February 2, and the Plant brothers, of the Long Island Antietic Club, also will start against Goulding. It has been promoted that a pentathlon

Antistic Club, also will start against Goulding. It has been proposed that a pentathion event, similar to that on the program. for the Penn relay carnival, be added to the competitions at the Maine Intercollegials track and field championships. The Catholic Colleges' relay championship less same, to be hold April 9, at the 18th Residuent Armory, Brooklyn. The Morningaide A, C, will hold its annual Noemile handlege road race on Easier Sunday attennoon, starting and finishing in front of the clubhous. Entrifes will close with the ath-letic committee March 30.

P. W. D. Rollers Lose Ground P. W. D. the leading quintet in the Drug Lague, lost a little of its advantage by drop-ping two games to fill Lilly in the matches rolled on the Casino alleys last night. Heinold, of the winner, valled the highest single-game actes of the svering, splithing 242 pins in his first match. H. K. Mullerd, the runner-up, wapt its series with the Mulleds, S. K. and F. duplicated the performance by winning first from the Microbes, while Eckman cap-tured two from Wampole.

Pitcher "Pie" Way Eligible at Yale

New HAVEN, Com., March 31. — Captain Middlebraok, of the Yale baseball loata, last next received a faculty noilfloation that were here the Way, of hust year's line, had were an abolarable difficulties and is eligi-lie to pay. The squad of 10 mixters will be the base for a subset will entry the to gathern tip. The first game will be with Georgeoown University on Thurs-day

Suburban Season Opens May 8

The Philadelphis Suburban Baseball League, of which E M. Hachney is president, held a muscling last algebra for the coming page of the second state of the second state and fit was decided to upon the session May and the further the session May

Wakefield Five Victorious

The second cantest of the interchurch series between Northwest Church Lesgue and Ger-mations: Church Lesgue was played has high, and the Wakefield taum of the latter relations where up, the score by defeating Filtleth Baptist, 22 to 15.

Victor Bowlers Beat Glassmen

In a postponed mutch of the Philadelphia same ralled on the Casino alleys Victor took itee struight gamma from Pittsburgh Plats

Segal and Brochiner Win Ferral defonated Dumlan 100 to 65 in the 18 2 salt-line billiard testrammat at the Perm Williard partor, last uight, and Brochiner beat Carr, 100 to 53, with an unfinished run of 31.

Beecher Scores Knockout

IAVANA, March M.-Willie Beecher, W. York, anne-and our Prankla Haward Velano, in the averant round of their representation of the second of the representation of the second of the landed him declaration over Tarry Methods image, al the end of 10 round a

The Chesmar Boys' Club, of West Phila-delplia, which has been tormed by many critter as the youngest semiprofessional team in and about the city, will be represented on the alamond the coming season. The entre-squad has been working diligently under Roberts and Tablehum. On Saturday last it defeated Coach Roberts' All-Stars, 4-5, in a well-played game. The management still has a few open dates, and is desirous of hearing from sitch teams as Potter A, A., Victrix C, C., Stelson and all teams of like calibre willing to travel for a reasonable guarantee. For games addreas Herbert Hef-fernan, 324 North 52d street. At 11 o'clock Mr. Mott returned. He had stayed away because he was ashamed of himself, not because he was sulking. As a peace offering he carried with him a big box of candled fruit, which he politely detested, but of which his wife

A hard-hitting catcher would like to sign up with a first-class team for the coming senson. Address ball player, 2439 Memphis was extremely fond. He was surprised to find the house dark, A low light burned in the hall, but the rooms on the first and second floors were street.

JIM COFFEY KNOCKS OUT

White Hope Ladder,

White Hope Ladder. NEW YORK, March 31.-Jim Coffey, the Frias channion, moved a step higher in his climb for the white hone title by knocking out One Round Davis, of Euffalo, in the first in seconds of the third round of a scheduled 10-round bout held at the Pairmount A. C. last night. Coffey did the trick with a long straight right to the law that caused Davis to fall on his force. Davis had to be carried to his cornsr

UNIONS

LEWIS NEWMAN

Folcroft A. C., fast independent team of Delaware County has a few open dates, and would like to book games away with first-class teams having grounds. Southwark, U. G. I., Steisons, Rockidale, Pa., and Atlantic Re-fining Company preferred. Not a servant answered his ring after he had turned on the lights in the library. Bewildered, he laid his box of candy on the reading table and his hand encoun-Inning Company Deciared. The West Walnut C. C., composed of some of the best ball players of West Philadelphia, would like to entertain teams at home. Man-around Keane, Geraghty and Rows, as these three players have had much experimee. Rowe was picked for third base on the All-scholastic team of U14. Geraghty is a member of Catho-lie High's sound. Any first-class team desiring to travel to west Philadelphia, address Walter J. Haffey, S23 South 55th street. tered a note

"My Dear Bellman-1 am sure we will both be happler apart. If I were to stay every day would bring new differences just as they have been doing lately. I am sure you are not happy, and I know I am getting very nervous from the strain. I have my way of doing things, and I am afraid I cannot learn new ones now.

The Lynnheven Club will place a first-class newly uniformed team on the diamond this season, and would like to hear from all first-class home teams, paying a fair guarantee. For games address John Dougherty, 1105 Latona atrest. "I have discharged all the servants but Susette, whom I am taking along. The city is full of good cooks, and I hope you city is full of good cooks, and 1 hope you will find one to sult your taste. Regret-fully yours. ELIZABETH." Mr. Mott wired his perspiring brow and stared into space. He reread the note twice, and finally understood that his wife had gone for good. Days passed and Mr. Mott got along the

Latona street. A good southpaw pitcher who played with some of the leading streateur teams in New York and Brookin would like to sign up with a fast team. He is willing to play for the sport and will furnish his own uniform. Ad-creas Harry Schlaster, 720 South Park avenue. best he could keeping widower's hall. Old best he could keeping widower's hall. Old Maggie O'Brien had come back to cook his favorite dishes, but somehow they had lost their flavor. The first week or so he even tried to forget his sorrow in old-fashioned solid comforts, such as shed-ding his coat at meal times. But he found bigsolf machine into the disacted soc DAVIS IN BROOKLYN SCRAP Irish Giant Advances a Peg Up himself sneaking into the discarded gar-

ment before dinner was half over. One Saturday evening he was passing a shop window the lights of which shone upon a dozen or so open parasols. He stopped, attracted by the riot of color as a honey bee is to flowers. They were of every hue and combination, which find

every hue and combination, which find excuses in the much-mailgned littles-Bulgarian, Fersian and Oriental. Mr. Mott's soul expanded. Then his heart contracted. Also there was no one for whom he could buy one! He stood, and boked, and longed. Finally he went inside, just to ask the price he told him-self-and emerged a little later, the proud possessor of six, ranging in shape and design from a little church steeple affair of black watin with a huge orange colored poppy the size of a straw hat, to a flat green one with red fringe.

green one with red fringe. He carried them home. Then he sat down in the dark library, holding the big oblong bundle on his knees. Suddenly us decided to do it, the reck less thing that his heart-not his brain had been urging. He switched on the lights and rang for a messenger. Then he went into his dinner. He did not hear the taxicab stop. The street door opened and closed emitting a whiff of kraut into the balmy May sir. But the woman who found the library empty and was hurrying back to the din-ing room only smiled. The odor had now no terfors. The man at the table had not eaten a

The man at the table had not eaten a ite. He sat motionless, his chin in his bite.

Then she flaw to him, and taking his band. Then she flaw to him, and taking his bonely face in both her hands, kissed it. "Jake, dear, I got the parasols and they are lovely. It was lust like you all over. You are big hearted, and generous, and I am so little and mean. Can you forgive me, dear? I do so want to come back, and you can have all the cabbage and onions you like. "I hate 'em,' said Mr. Moit with a happy sigh, as he gathered her in. "I'm dying for a decent bite to eat." Copyright, 1845.

Under the alias of Kid Lewis, the battling messenger boy from Smoky Hollow, hopes to win the 110-pound smateur tourney at the Gayety. He boxes tonight.

Tucker Joins Lubin's

for Helen Holmes. The series you speak of is called "Hazards of Helen," and is Jack Tucker, comedian, writer and put out by the Kalem Company. artist and a member of the famous vaude-R. A. K .- Yes, to first question. Adville team of Williams and Tucker, has



Next Week, Biggest Thrill Yet!! "The Avenging Conscience" SEAT SALE OPENS THURSDAY EMPRESS THEATRE much humor. The principal success of last manon 8.15. LiTTLE-The Servant in the House with Edith Wynne Matthison and the resident company, Charles Haun Kennedy's familiar and effective play about the ciergyman, the dratinizer and the mystic Manson. Solo LYRIC-A Mis-Cup, with Marie Dreaser A farre built around Miss Dreaser as refired burlesque queen. She arrives at the flat of a happily married boung man at just the wrong time. Oid material made bow 8.13 MALNUT-Thurson, the magician, with a bow array of tricks mystifications and tical Hustons. 8.15 VAUDEVILLE REITH'S Gertrudg Hoffmann in a new 1915 THE DANCER AND THE KING IRIS THEATRE-TODAY Rensington & Allegheny Aves. Booked Thru Exhibitors' Booking Office JEFFERSON Twenty-ninth and Dauphin Sts. ROBERT EDESON is "THE GIRL I LEFT BEHIND ME"

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XEITH'S-Gertrude Hoffmann in a new 1915 Hevue; John C. Rive and Sallie Cohen in "An Eastly Divaktast," Morris Crozin and His Merr; Men Chilef Caupolean, Harry and Wolfors, Rellow, the Jordan Girls and Hearts-Solig motion pictures.
NIXON'S GRAND-Berl Levy, Arthur Huston and company, in "Booseveit in Artica"; Herris Mesumonte and Jack Arnold, in "The Doctorie". Zinkas Fannet, Brooks and Howary, Chulain Jack Farnett and son, in "The Litle Marks Club," and pictures.
GLOBER-Dailor He Scout, McSenti, Leoby Add-teast", "Lady Berly," Geron and Mark, Mirtle and Jinnute Dunedin, Jack Stronee, the American Trumpeter's Trio and Charles Gibba. TULPEHOCKEN Germanfown Ave. & Tulpehocken St. HEATBE Carlyle Blackwell in THE LAST CHAPTER GARDEN Fifty-third St. and Lanadowne Aye NORMA TALMADGE in A DAUGHTER'S STRANGE INHERITANCE

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