EASTERN RACING SEASON OPENS AT BOWIE TRACK TODAY—PHILS PLAY GAME AT NORFOLK

WILLARD'S RIGHT UPPERCUT HIS CHANCE FOR VICTORY

Cowboy's Jab That Killed Young Would Finish Jack Johnson, If It Lands-Ring Skill Versus Strength-Baseball Refugees.

A short uppercut to the body or Jaw is that the life led by the champion since as blow upon which Jess Willard depends his Reno battle has left him a far power the blow upon which Jess Willard depends to wrest from Jack Johnson the title of world's heavyweight champion. The Cowboy's chance to land the blow will come Easter Monday in Havana, when the bulky white hope and the crafty black clash for the coveted honor. It was that right uppercut of Willard's that killed the unfortunate "Bull" Young back in 1912.

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But, to land this blow is the question. Here will come the supreme test for Willard. Last Monday night, at the Olympia Club, Charley White landed dozens of blows upon the hard head of his opponent, Thomas, but falled to knock him out. White seemed to falter seriously when his saw the fallure of his efforts. It may be that way with Willard. He is pitted against the most skilled heavyweight fighter in the world. If he falls to land he may lose heart. Further, he may become exasperated, when round after round passes and he finds his famous "sleep producer" ineffective.

This, of course, presupposes that Willard will be able to keep Johnson off. From the nature of Johnson's ring taction it is clear that the black will not take the initiative; at least, not early in the fight. And, with Willard's superior reach, seven inches, it is probable that the chamber of the world of the way he heaved to the world.

nght. And, with winards superior react, seven inches, it is probable that the champion may be blocked. If Willard can so command himself, so holds himself in check, to await his opportunity—and that will be when Jack Johnson is tired down—there is a chance for victory.

As to Willard's punch, there seems lit-tis diversity of opinion. It is a kick. Experts generally agree that he hits with far greater force than does Johnson. Here is what Jim Savage, one of the cowboy's sparring partner's, says of that Twe been kicked by a mule. The mule

The Willard Punch

landed his heels right on my chest and kicked me 20 feet. I had sore ribs after that. But when the big fellow punches me in the ribs I have a sore back. He nearly drives his fist through."

Jack Johnson's Condition Speculation has been greatest, in connection with the fight, as to Jack John-son's condition. He has been photo-graphed as bulkily fat and in poor form.

This appears to be untrue, for the physicians' statements agree that he is within 10 pounds of his best fighting weight. However, it is not improbable

WITH LIGHTWEIGHTS

Mount Airy Battler Ready to

ana-Kid Williams' Fight.

Mcet 33 Pounders-Louisi-

Tommy Houck, of Mt. Airy, one of two

fighters who scored knockout victories

over George Chaney, Baltimore's contend-

rounds in the Oriole City about two years

ago. Mike Clancey, a New Yorker, is

The Mt. Airy battler, who is conceded to be

pared to meet any of the "33" pounders. He started his lightweight career against Packey Hommey at the Quaker City Club. Tom admits

was beaten, but nothing would suit him fer than a return match with the touch

Gethamite.

Houck is also open to meet Tommy O'Keefe, Charley Thomas or any other lightweight whom promoters may select for him.

Because of the Jewish holidays Leach Cross is on the side lines. His next important con-test will be with Joe Welling, Chicago's crack, at Kencaha, Wis, next month.

Tommy Coleman and Kid Henry, the Troy, t. Y. welterweight, should make things in-creating for each other at the Olympia next ceek. Both negroes are clever and hard hiters.

one of the most aggressive fighters here, is pre-

the other man who stopped Chaney.

HOUCK SEEKS MATCH

Willard as a Novice

Supporters of Johnson depend upon the black's superior ring skill and general-ship. Those who, while admitting that Johnson has struck the slide, pick him to win do so under the belief that Willard Is no better than the rest of his set. The fact that Willard lost a decision to Gunboat Smith stamps him as hopeless, they

say.

But it is well to remember that Willar but it is well to remember that time, while But it is well to remember that Willar was a raw novice at that time, while Smith was then at the height of his form and celebrated far and wide as the hardest hitter since the days of Fitzsimmons. Under the circumstances some excuse can be found for Willard's lack of asgressiveness that cost him the decision. At that, his defeat was purely technical. Actually he did all the real damage and would have won had the fight gone to a finish. Too much caution cost Willard that fight. It was very bad generalship on his part, considering that the outcome hung on a referee's verdict. A finish fight is a very different proposition. Instead of being a detriment, caution is a very important asset when nothing but a knockout counts.

The Baseball Refugees

In a few days there will be a large army of baseball refugees. And the haven to which they expect to fly will be closed. The 21-player limit, made necessary by The 21-player limit, made necessary by the war between organized ball and the Federal League and the resultant financial losses is to blame. On top of that comes the proposed closing of a number of the minor leagues to which the cast-offs from the majors naturally would go. Already the Tristate League has suspended

The outlook is not the brightest for the The outlook is not the brightest for the baseball men. But it is not a calamity. It is but an incident in the readjustment of baseball finances, which have been sorely upset since the entry of the Federal League into the sports world. Some individuals will suffer, surely, but the sport will be benefitted.

SEARS GIVES READING

SIDE OF CAGE MUDDLE

Manager of Up-State Basket-

With Camden.

ball Team Explains Row

PENN CREW HAS EDGE

Loss of Veterans Against Elis, and Short Practice. Oarsmen, However, on Par as to Weight-Saturday's Races Third Meet.

READING, Pa., April 1.—"I am through with basketball in Reading so long as the present management has control of er for Johnny Kilbane's laurels, has developed into a lightweight. Houck five and playing manager of the club, in out the Baltimorean in 11 a public statement here today. "I admit that I spoke to Adams in Haglen about the race," explains Sears, "After
r exhibition game there Adams and I were
scussing the race, and I said: 'Jackie,
ouldn't it be a good thing for the players if
would end in a tie?' Jackie said it would
his was all that was said at that particular
me.

team win: "Red whether he meant to imply that Ber-ked whether he meant to imply that Ber-had attempted to fix the race, he re-l: "Twe nothing to say about any one, owners have put me in wrong, and there be more developments at tomorrow night's long. Every game was on the level. Be-

whom promoters may select for him.

The next fight hight in this city is scheduled for Monday. Matchinakers Hanlon and Walsh, of the Olympia and Quaker City Clubs, have arranged shows. Louisiana and Kid Williams will box at the Broad street arena, while Willie Houck will tackle Johnny Krause at Hilly Nusbicket's club.

Al McCoy, alleged middleweight champion, who has been bosten oftener than he has won, will pull down a purse of \$1000 for his return match with George Chip at Brooklyn, next Tuesday night.

At Albany, N. Y., Tuesday night, George

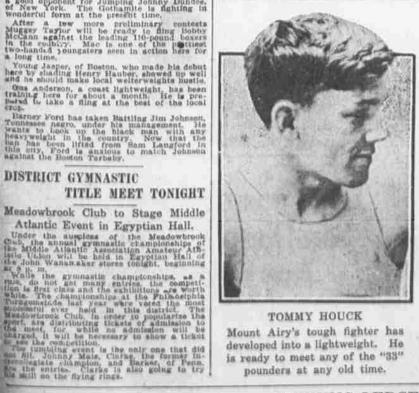
match with George Chip at Brooslys, feer Tuesday night.

At Albany, N. Y., Tuesday night, George Ashe, of this city, will meet Knockout Brentsan, of Buffalo, N. Y.

Billy Willis, retired Italian fighter, will lead the grand march of the sixth annual Jovia. Boclai's ball, April 9. Other boxers who will be in line Laclude Eddie Wagond, Al Nelson, Pat Bradley, Tommy Howell, Chick Carsey, Jimmy Coster, Harry Sullivan, Johnny Clark and Young Diggins.

Jimmy Dime, of Newcastle, is conducting a club at Lancaster, Pa. He has signed up Tom McMahon, of Pittaburgh, and Battling Levinsky, for April 12. The bout is scheduled for 10 rounds. Go at Gayety.

Frankie Ness defeated Johnny Hogan in the wind-up at the Gayety Theatre last night in a six-round hout, the first professional contest hold in that place in many months. The bout was interesting for the first three rounds Ness was tailer than Hogan and had a longer reach. Hogan forced the fighting for the first three rounds, hut Ness, late began to being the blood from his nose and mouth, and from that time to the end of the contest Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it. In the last round Ness had the butter of it.



TOMMY HOUCK

ON YALE; COMPARISON OF THE CONTENDERS

There is much speculation among colege men over the outcome of the race between the Yale and Pennsylvania crews Saturday afternoon. Most of the critics are of the opinion that Pennsylvania should win, but the Yale c ew is a good one and may do what the Elis dld to Harvard last year, when they won at New London by less than a yard in the most sensational race these institutions ever staged.

ever staged.

Pennsylvania is the favorite now for two reasons. The first and most important is the fact that the Quakers have more yeterans than Yale. Only two members of the Red and Blue's eight have

The owners have put me in wrong, and there will be more developments at tomorrow night's meeting. Every game was on the level. He fore every one of the final games I questioned the players, and they sill declared they were out to win.

In reply to the charge that the Reading club did not want to play Saturday night because (Plonnell was suffering from an Injury and would be out of the line-up, Sears declared that 'Donnell was the only player who wanted to go to Philadelphia, and had to be pulled off the train.

Thave been playing basketball 15 years and never figured in a crooked deal yet. I will let the fans judgo whether I am guilty of these charges.

FRANKIE NESS VICTOR

Johnny Hogan Is Beaten in Six-round Go at Gayety.

Frankie Ness defented Johnny Hogan in the wind-up at the Gayety Theatre last night in a six-round hout, this first professional contest bold in that place and professional contest bold in that place and professional contest bold in that place has began to being the was taller than Hogan and had a longer reach, was taller than John Hogan in the blood from his nose and mouth, and from that time to the end of the contest Ness had Hogan at the sone and mouth, and from that the seem to know the professional contest was taller than Hogan and had a longer reach. Hogan forced the fightling for the first three rounds, but Ness' labe began to bring the blood from his nose and mouth, and from that time to the end of the contest Ness had Hogan at the mercy but he did not seem to know how to put over a finishing punch.

In the 103-pound amnateur tournament Kid Shea hogat Johnny Valentine in three rounds, and Kid Wallace beat Mickey Britt in four rounds.

Nige of the second	B-Low
	Bow-Crocker
	Bow-Chickering
V	Bow-Boris
	Wartman Now in Front

Mount Airy's tough fighter has developed into a lightweight. He is ready to meet any of the "38" pounders at any old time.



There will be more human flesh-a, chance that by 15 or 18 rounds the vital greater displacement—in the Havana ring spark will begin to flutter and fade out, Monday than any heavyweight champion—with Willard strong enough to make a ship has ever known. Johnson and Willard together will weigh 465 pounds— which is 30 pounds more than Johnson and Jeffries together weighed back in 1910.

THE REFUGEE

We can't say that any peculiar or unusual psychology attaches to the remark-able fact outlined above—but it is merely offered as a statement of solid fact for what it is worth—which isn't very much.

Two Campaigns

In so far as normal fistic strategy is concerned—which takes no record of an early haymaker or an unexpected wallop calculated to produce a virulent case of the Sleeping Sickness—Johnson has his choice of two campaigns to follow.

The first embraces the strategy or the campaign of attentions to surprise decampaign of attentions to campaign of attempting to ambuscade and chop down Willard early in the fracas before Nature begins to demand her toll and all Dec Theorems and old Doc Time steps in to collect his

The second campaign at hand will be to continue outpointing and outjabbing Willard until his guard is finally smashed and his defense is blurred and broken.

The Risk

In either choice Johnson faces quite : risk, which is where Willard's outside chance to win comes in. If Johnson tries the rushing game there

is always the chance that one of the white man's smashing blows will land on a vulnerable spot—a chance that would be minimized if the smoke decided to fight a defensive battle. But in this latter choice there is the ting average of .513.

winning fight of it later on

The Double Assignment

Johnson faces a double assignment on the day of the fight. He is not only to built against Willard-but in addition Old Double, the well-known Chainp, who has never yet lost a decision when he went after his

trimming the Old Doc is another job.

Prize fighting is one of the toughest of all games in the way of heavy strain on both muscle and nerve. It is the most exhausting of them all in many ways. And at 38 there is no longer any chance to fall back upon the bouyancy of youth. If Johnson ever until you may there will be no recuperative quality to set him soing again. "Second wind" is merely the reserve virility of Youth—and When on has left Youth in the rear there is only first wind," and then after that the blur and the sagging, broken rhythm of exhausted effort. So Willam's best chance in the fight is to pit his Youth against Johnson's greatest afficiency. If Willard can linger out of range until Youth, like a fortifications, his chance will come later on.

Statements by the Two Fighters

BY JESS WILLARD.

It matters not how small the gate—
liow charged with punishment each stroke
I am the captain of my fate—
I am the master of the Smoke.
BY JACK JOHNSON.

'Twas ever thus from childhood's hour,
I've seen each White Hope pass the dear;
I never struck with all my power
But what they flopped against the floor.

March came in like a lion and went out like a zoo full of hyenas

It's more than a shame the way Johnny Evers has slipped at the edge of his 13th campaign. In exhibition battles up to date he has only blown himself to a bat-

BETHLEHEM ELEVEN TO PLAY HOMESTEAD

Semifinal National Cup Match Will Be Staged Saturday at Bethlehem.

Charles Crichton, of New York, will and Homestead (Pa.) F. C. team, to be played at Bethlehem, Pa., next Satur-

Referees James Walder and Walter Hinds, of the Referees' Association, will be neutral linesmen, while William Palmer, treasurer of the Allied American Football Association, will represent the United States Football Association. The Bethlehem team players are all in

good condition. The playing field in Taylor stadium, at Lehigh University, where the contest will be played, will be enlarged in width and length to conform larged in width and length to conform with strict soccer rules. The Bethlehem team will appear in new suits of cardinal and white, while Homestead will wear blue and white, Bethlehem's old colors. The Bethlehem Steel Band of 190 pieces will be on hand. All games in the Blue Mountain League have been called off for the day.

Billiard Match on Tonight

Other Sports on Pages 12 and 13

PHILLIES IN NORFOLK FOR CONTEST TODAY

Light Practice Held in Charlotte by Moran's Men Despite Snow and Cold.

NORFOLK, Va., April 1 .- The Phillies, referee the semifinal National Cup game after their enforced idleness in Charlotte yesterday, are here today to play the Norfolk team. The snow in the North

Norfolk team. The snow in the North Carolina metropolis brought keen disappointment to the enthusiastic fans. It was the only snow of the season.

The baseball park was unfit for even a work-out, but President Walker, of the local team, after an automobile inspection, finally found a comparatively dry spot where the players would not sink to their angles in red clay. Manager Moran ordered every one of the pitchers and catchers out for a limber-up, and for several hours they threw balls back of an old ante-bellum schoolhouse, where the boys of the town have been wont to play for many years. play for many years.

MACK'S SECOND SQUAD OFF FOR COLUMBIA, S. C.

Athletics Watch Bill Donovan's Yankees in Workout.

[FROM A STAFF COMMENDANCE].

FAVANNAH, GR., April 1.—Von Cell and
Harry Davis left here at 2 o'wlock this afternoon for Chlumbia, S. C., with the second
section of the Athletics. This morning Mack's
layers went to the ball park and watched
fill Denovan's Yankses go through their daily
grind.

PENN RELAY ENTRY TIME EXPIRES AT MIDNIGHT

Blanks Must Be in Committee's Hands

by That Time. The entries for the University of Pennsyl-ania relay race carnival on Friday and Saturday, April 23 and 24, will close today. Man-

LOCAL POLO TOURNEY TO BE HELD ON GOULD FIELDS IN LAKEWOOD

Season Opens Here on May 22, Closes June 19-New "Pony" Rule Allows Military Teams to Enter-Aid for Beginners.

In spite of the fact that there will be no international polo this year, or probably for years to come, Philadelphia polo players do not intend the game to suffer on that account. Active preparations are now being made for the coming season, which should be an extremely busy one An excellent move has been made by

the Philadelphia Country Club and Bryn Mawr in engaging Earle W. Hopping, who is now playing at Alken, S. C., as manager, Hopping will divide his time between the two clubs, and in addition to coaching he will make all the arrange-ments for the matches, and thus take a heavy burden off the hands of the cap-

heavy burden off the hands of the captains of both teams.

The local tournament season will open on May 22 and close on June 19, and it is probable that a military team will enter from Fort Myer Va. The new rute raising the limit of the height of pole mounts to 15 hands inch should greatly encourage military teams, as it will be much easier now for them to find mounts to soit them. Since this rule has come in pole ponies will not be spoken of any longer as 'ponies,' but as mounts.

As it is too early to begin practice in Philadelphia, the local players will have the privilege of playing at Lakewood, where George J. Gould has placed two fields at their disposal. The sandy soil of Lakewood allows play there much earlier than is possible here. A sp.ing tournament will be staged at Lakewood on dates to be selected.

A movement is on foot locally to raise fonds for the purchase of pole mounts, in order to encourage the younger men to take up the same. There will be the usual contest this

CAMDEN OWNERS TO BACK MANAGER IN CONTROVERSY

Officials Across River to Hold a Meeting Tonight.

ROCAP IS TURNED DOWN AS ALTERNATE REFEREE

Hinkel to Understudy Welsh in Johnson-Willard Bout.

HAVANA, April L.—Matt Hinkel, of Cleve-land was today selected as siternate referee to act if Jack Welsh should be prevented from getting here in time. At a conference of Johnson's and Willard's managers today Man-ager Jones, for Willard, agreed to accept Jack Skelly or Billy Rocap as alternate referee, but Johnson turned them both down, Hinkel was next on the list and was finally accept—by both principals.



Yale's coach, here with the Elis' eight to meet the Penn oarsmen on the Schuylkill Saturday.

MACKMEN ARRIVE IN COLUMBIA FOR GAME AGAINST LOCAL TEAM

Athletic-Savannah Was Played in Bitter Cold Despite Objections of Visitors to Please \$10

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 1.—The first quad of Athletics arrived here today for the contest with the Columbia team. Contrary to announcement it is expected that a game will be played here this

The trying game of yesterday in Savannah has not left the Mackmen in the best of shape or humor. The Macks lost, 4 to 3 in 11 innings.

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The Mackmen were late in reaching Savannah from Jackmonville, and Cantain Davis
was unwilling to play on account of the latefiees of the lour and the bad weather conttions. But the local management insisted or
going through the contest because almost 10
had been taken in. The majority of the spectators were members of the Varikees Wild Hill Donovan was presented
and booked to unrupire, but refused to perform
at the last moment, sending in two of the
players, Carroll Brown, formerly of the Abiletics, and King Cole, to do the architectural and
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inith. The winning run was scored off ther
man on three singles and a sacrifes.

Firessler, Pesnock and Sherman fid the box
work for the Macks. Note of them exerted
himself on account of the weather.

PENN AND YALE WORK ON RIVER TOGETHER

Rival Oarsmen Take Spins on Schuylkill Today in Preparation for Saturday's Races.

The University of Pennsylvania varsity and junior crews joined the Yale first and second eights on the Schuylkill this morning, and all four eights which race on Saturday afternoon had a good work out.
The Ells were first on the water and
Coach Guy Nickalls, using the Pennsylvania coaching launch, took them up to

The Ells were first on the water and Coach Guy Nickalls, using the Pennsylvania coaching launch, took them up to the head of the course and brought their down on a time trial. The Yale coach, however, did not announce the time, but when the crews reached the Undine Boat Club he said he was very well satisfied with their performance.

As soon as the Elis had returned, the Pennsylvania oarsmen started up the river. They paddled up in leisurely fashion and then came down at a more spirited pace. Late this afternoon both the Elis and the Quakers went out for their second practice of the day. Tomorrow's program calls for practice rows by both institutions in the morning and afternoon as well. Vivian Nickalls, the Pennsylvania instructor, announced that be would have his men go over the course Saturday morning, in spite of the fact that they race in the afternoon. His brother, Guy Nickalls, said he wasn't prepared to say what his pren-would he Saturday morning.

The weather this morning was ideal for

Saturday morning.

The weather this morning was ideal for the crews, and the Yale men especially revelled in the smooth water of the Schuylkill and the general warmth, conditions which they could not get at New Haven. The men rowed with a much smoother stroke teday. Haven. The men rowed with a much smoother stroke today. Guy Nickalis is much impressed with the strength of Pennsylvania's junior eight, and dropped the hint that he thought the Quakers' second combination had something on the Yale junior boat. However, he couldn't be drawn boat.

couldn't be drawn out to make any pre-diction regarding the outcome of the

First race, selling, 2-year olds, 4 furlongs-*Broomstraw, 97; *Dr. Sullivan, 100; *Little Alta, 101; *Cincinnati, 105; *Sarde C., 167; Glomer, 114; *Penance, 100; *Sande Diamond, 101; Greetings, 105; *Eddie "T., 105; Buillets, 108

Glomer, 114: *Penance, 100; *Sanda Diamond, 101; Orestings, 103; *Eadle "T.." 103; Eallists, 103; Sanda Diamond, 107; Drestings, 104; *Second race, maiden 3-year-olds, selling, 315 furiongs—*Babe, 102; Onar, 107; Irish Gertleman, 109; Pied Piper, 100; Rey Cakwood, 112; *Uncle Fitz, 104; Farly Riser, 109; Inzomar, 119; King Caucus, 112; Third race, selling, for 3-year-olds, 5% furiongs—*Task, 102; Maid of Honor, 107; *Cliff Haven, 107; Edwiser, 108; Jack Hanover, 108; Primary, 104; Merry Jubliec, 107; Hyrts, 107; Timepiece, 109; Deviltry, 103. Fourth race, selling, 3-year-olds and up, 6 furionas—*Prage White, 98; Fenanus, 108; Resident, 108; Castars, 108; Joe Knight, 108; Chuckles, 110; Castars, 108; Joe Knight, 108; Chuckles, 110; Fourth, 104; Todding, 108; Ferry Light, 107; Frame, 104; Todding, 108; Ferry Light, 104; Fifth race, the Nottingham, selling, pursequent, 118; Fifth race, the Nottingham, selling, pursequent, 102; Myrthe Marion, 107; Ford Mai, 108; Frog, 109. Sixth race, selling, 4-year-olds and up, 1 mile and 20 years—*Reaupere, 102; Myrtham, 104; Frog, 109. Sixth race, selling, 4-year-olds and up, 1 mile and 20 years—*Reaupere, 102; Myrtham, 103; Frog, 109.

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*Apprentice allowance claimed, Weather clear; track fast.

Muhlenberg Ready for Ball Trip



EVENING LEDGER MOVIES-IF TODAY HAD BEEN TOMORROW, LOUIE, IT MIGHT NOT HAVE HAPPENED



DISTRICT GYMNASTIC

Meadowbrook Club to Stage Middle

Atlantic Event in Egyptian Hall.







