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KAISER BILL IS THE GUY BENNY LEONARD WOULD LIKE TO HAND OVER A KNOCKOUT BLOW

CHAMPION LEONARD GETS \$60,000 OFFER, WHILE HE WAITS TO SIGN \$30 MONTH CONTRACT WITH U.S.

Benny Can Pull Down \$1000 a Round Defending Title in Six Bouts, but He Thinks More of Defending Old Glory

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

WHILE Benny Leonard is biding his time about signing a \$30-a-month contract to fight under the management of our Uncle Sammy, and jeopardize his new lightweight jewel against shot and shell of Bill, the Tyrant, another proposition-one very, very tempting--is staring him squarety in the tempting—in scarring him solaredy in the face. Leonard can pluck a nice, new, crimp \$1000 hill for a single round of boxing, and the offer which is being forced on the champ calls for sixty three-minute periods of fistic frivolity. In other words unless Leonard overlooks this \$60,000 affair, it's not going to be a very hard winter for the emugarous of Fred Weinb.

conqueror of Fred Weish. Jimmy Johnston, a New York match-maker, is endeavoring to hand over the maker, is endeavoring to hand over the pattry sixty thou' to our boro, and Jeems has been talking Usese 'phone figures for publication. Here's the scheme: Johnston will give Leonard \$5000 to engage Johnny will give Leonard \$5000 to engage Johnny Dandes, not a dime more to mix with Willie Jackson, \$6000 to face Joe Welling, \$7000 if he will take a chance with Charley White's deadly left hock, \$15,000 if he will agree to box Ted Lewis at 135 pounds at a o'clock, and \$20,000 if he will attend puglistically to Johnny Kilbane. That's a total of only \$58,000. If Leon-ard will sign an agreement to meet these men for the stated amounts Johnston will give him a bonus of \$2000, so that his

men for the stated information of a source of the state o no lightweight ever got \$60,000 for aix tenround bouts before.

Means Every Word

"I mean what I say when I make this offer," we are informed Johnston said, "Leonard can make his own arrangements is to the period of time between each bout and he can select his opponents in the order that best suits his fancy."

bout and he can best suits his fancy. "There are three men in that list who can whip him to a certainty. Jackson, White and Lewis are the men I have in mind. I know you'll laugh when I mention Ted Lewis as one of Leonard's opponents. They all think that because he fought middleweights he is one himself. I'll guar-mate that he will make 155 at 3 o'clock for Leonard and if the truth is known, 155 isn't any too happy a weight for Benny. "Despite the fact that his weight was announced at 133 the night he won the tills from Weish he really weighed 157 pounds and he worked hard to make that. Lawis is the most remarkable lightweight that the world has ever produced.

world has ever produced. "Leonard will have to fight real class moon or he may never got the chance to again. He is bound to be drawn into the again. He is bound to be drawn into the army or navy. There is no chance for him to avoid that, so he might just as well look over this list of mine and take some of them on. Gutside of the men I have mentioned there is none with whom he could draw a respectable sate. I think my offer fair and it certainly goes. Let him sign and I'll hand over the \$2000 prize meaney without blinking." money without blinking."

Some Exaggeration

Jesse James, as Johnston is familiarly quoted by those whom he calls by first name, libels himself when he intimates that name, libels himself when he intimates that Leonard has trouble making 185 pounds; Cause it isn't so. Leonard has weighed in for bouts in Philadelphia at 155, some-times at 134 and 183, and there were no signs of weakness in his bouts, unless it was on the part of the opposition. There shouldn't be any doubt about Leonard being a legitimate 133-pounder, and by de-fending his title at that scale those other "lightweights" would have to box in the crownless welter division. crownless welter division.

crownless welter division. Leonard, as champion, is the best of the 133-poinders, and no one should try to besinirch his ability. There are several good boxers, legitinate 133-poinders, who which each the ngs interesting for the title

Pays Way Through College by the Use of His Fists

using the men who were graduated following College hast week was a fut who for more than two years hald way through college by fighting pre-nary hours in various New York boxing a He broke into the same when he finghting his high school course, and he d that it was the easiest way to make U.

money. In weak no assed but that he didn't Findly a weak possed but that he didn't were all least one "fee" of \$10, and there were times when his earnings ran as high as \$40. He was never recognized at any of his faints, although the often saw some of his classimates around the ring. Only one of two of his most intimute friends know of his hidden chapter in his life, and ther will not divuige his mane.

appear in the role of a third man in the ring, pinch referening for Muggsy Taylor at the Broadway Club. Benny won't be the first champion to have officiated in the little old Broadway's squared circle, as Jack Johnson, when heavyweight champion refereed a battle round there. at Annapelis, after receiving an appoint-ment, but failed by the fraction of one point.

This Champ Here folight The first Monday night show of the sum-mer at the National Club will be put on tought. Billy Kramer, who has been boxing in good form ever since invading the City of Brotherly Love from Milwau-kee, will show his mettle in the star both Connect to Kramer will be an Irishman. kee, will show his mettle in the star bout. Opposed to Kramer will be an Irishman, an Erin son of title, for the man to mix with Billy is Mike McTigue, who comes here as the middleweight champion of Ire-Intrid

Paul Doyle, the New York Italian, is in Paul Doyle, the New York Italian, is in the semi, pitted against Eddie Wagond, also a Wop. Both are hard punchers, but of different types. Doyle is a boxer; he waits for an opening before letting loose a hayfor an opening before letting loose a hay-maker, while Wagond keeps pumping away almost continually with slashing stams. Joe Dorsey looks like a promising ban-tam. He is to box Little Bear, the Injun, in the third number. Other bouts are Billy Rolfe and Joe Augatis, a return match, and Young Lawrence and Mike Daley.

Says "Mayor" Feeney

Says "Mayor" Feeney "Boots" Doyle, lightweight, southpaw and hard puncher, is the best his weight in Philadelphia, says Jim Feeney. The mayor of Kensington puts himself on record is quoting that no lightweight in Philadel-phia can take a fall out of "Boots" and "Boots" lan't a bit particular who cares to dispute Feeney's declaration. "If there is a lightweight in Philly that can show better than Doyle," says Feeney. "ya gotta introduce him to me. Even then I won't be convinced until he proves it in the ring. Doyle punches too hard for any of 'em, and when he connects with that old portsider, the referee has to be ready to

portsider, the referee has to be ready to count.

"Johnny Nelson is a pretty tough guy, "Johnny Nelson is a preity tough guy, ain't ha?" interrogated Feeney, "well, when Boota' slugged him 'long side the lug Johnny took a flop, and John didn't mean to fail, either. I was surprised that he was up before ten was counted, and when Nelson did get on his feet I had to agree that Jawn was as tough as they said he

was." All the lightweights can have their jawa tested when the 1916-17 season opens, says Freeney, "and even Benny Leonard ain't exempted," is the way the "Mayor" puts it.

Scraps About Scrappers

Battling Koplu has been matched by Jos Ken-dy for a ten-round bout at Allertown Thurs-built with Jackie Clarke. They will meet catch weights.

Jinnay Wildo, flyweight champion, has been appointed boxing instructor to the officers of the military college at Sandhurt, England. Wilds has recovered from his breakdown through a

GAMBLING IN A. L. TO BE STOPPED, SAYS JOHNSON Disorder at Game in Boston Causes Investigation by League's

President CHICAGO, June 18 .- Betting at Amercan League ball parks will be stamped out at any cost, according to a statement given out by President Ban B. Johnson, following disorder at the game in Boston on Saturday between the Red and White Sox clubs, Gamblers, it is said, incited the disorder when they saw the home team was losing. "I am awaiting a report from my um-pires," Johnson said. "If they bear out re-ports, the American League will stamp eus gambling on baseball at all cost."

TAGGART NEW CAPTAIN OF W. AND J. BALL TEAM

WASHINGTON, Pa., June 18. - John Taggart, of New Castle, Pa., a sophomore, and for two years varsity catcher, has been elected captain of the W. and J. baseball nine for next season, succeeding Bill Stobbs, of Wheeling. Targart was one of the three men voted for by the players who cast bal-lofs, the others being Emmet Bisler, short-stop, of Ashtabula, O. and Sam. Stewart, first baseman, of Wilkinsburg. Targart recently took the examinations for admis-tion the United States Noval American sion to the United States Naval Academy

OTHER SPORTS ON PAGE 16



Addressing the Ball

S SOON as a man has discovered the j of the golfer are the more various of the A correct manner of holding a club when two,

All correct manner of holding a club when addressing the ball, the next question is as to how he should stand when addressing the ball. This question of stance deserves greater attention than it usually re-than it usually re-particular way of holding his club, or stand-ing or schedule will be a wild

ceives, for it plays a scribed the stance in an earlier article. Any one who has ver watched many olfers at play can-ot fail to have nocod the varieties of

looker becomes toally confused as to various shots. We have all seen the

queer positions base-ball players get into, CHICK EVANS out contrary to the belief of the average golfer, and notwithstanding the fact that one is trying to hit a flying ball and the

and what I have now is a survival of a discard of many years. I think I have tried every imaginable stance. In my early the open stance with the left foot behind the right. I tried this and found myself pulling across the bail and thereby slicing. It was all right on the half and quarter shots, where one could swing almost straight, but the minute the club gets beyond the hall club length it begins to get off the imaginary straight line.

little behind the righ*, but always very close to what may be called an exactly square stance. These little variations may be attributed to comfort obtained at that particular moment by the setting of the One day I found myself playing badly

with both feet pointed straight, and I just turned them out a bit and discovered that was the ideal position for the pivot. The heels may rise, but neither foot should be completely lifted.

Mr. Evans will be pleased to assume que from our readers on golf. Stomped odd muelopes must be inclosed to insure reply.

Exemption for Inman, Billiardist

the record.

Square Stance is Popular

If you watch the leading present day players you will notice that they all use the square stance for their long shots. Of \$6000, and the Flash, for two-year-of surse, I mean approximately. Even in my own game I occasionally drop my eyer to my feet and see them sometimes on the straight line drawn at right angles to the line to the hole, and sometimes the left is a little ahead of the right, or sometimes a

with a value of \$2500, will be held. The Trayers, one of the richest stakes of the meeting, will be run for by three-years-

olds on August 18. The Hopeful Stakes, for juveniles, and the Saratowa Cup, for three-year-olds and upward, will be held on the last day of the meeting, August 20,

DURANT GETS THIRD IN AUTO DERBY AT CHICAGO

SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST

The Travers Listed for August 13.

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Saratoga have been announced. The

NEW YORK, June 18 .- The dates of the

ing will open on August 1, and on that

day the Saratoga Handleap, with a vaine of

CHICAGO, June 18 .- Revision of

CHICAGO. June 18.—Revision of time records in the 250-mile automobile darby at the Chicago Speedway put Cliff Durant third, Eddie Hearne, fourth: Louis Chevro-let, ninth, and Louis Fountaine, tenth, Durant accordingly will get \$2000 for third place, while Hearne will cash in \$1500 for the next best time. The ohange also gives Chevrolet \$600 for ninth place and Foun-taine \$500 for tenth. Baibh Mulford's time at 150 miles and

Ralph Mulford's time at 150 miles and 200 miles will be recognized as new Arms-ican records for the distance. Mulford covered 150 miles in 1:26:49:4, nine sec-onds better than the record, and 200 miles in 1:55:11:15, twelve seconds faster than

ar watched many those and the other COMFORT. In those fors at play can-fers at play can-fail to have no-ton to details; now I use one stance for nos employed, and consequence the shots, and the details merely approximate contain standards. certain standards. Stances are usually spoken of as open or square, as illustrated in a previous article, and most of the others are variations, often wide ones, of these two methods. The toe of the right foot is placed or LONDÓN. June 15.--Melbourne Juman. LONDÓN. June 15.--Melbourne Juman. glish biliard champion, successfully appe 4 obtained a stay against the tribunal s an imaginary straight line at right angles to the line of play, and in the square stance both toes are about on the line. The re-lative positions of the feet -o this line really describe the sort of stance. other one upon the ground, the stances My own game was learned piecement.

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ightly important part of the rhythmic roke. We have of When I was in the thick of my early struggles with the difficulties of the game. two words began to burn themselves into my consciousness. One was SIMPLIFICA-TION and the other COMFORT. In those

by resetting the limit at 1.55 pounds.

by resetting the limit at 155 pounds. Jack-son, Dundee, White and Kilhane, of course, all can do the weight with case, and these men are worthy of whacks at the Inurela. There are great opportunities to acquire a fortune rapidly when use is in the posi-tion of Leonard. It will require a strong determination and patriotism of the healthi-est kind to ignore the many purses-thou-mads of dollars to turn to the monthly wage of \$50 and the risk of life that go with active service under Old Glory. All the more know to the New York lad, therefore, if he goes through with his

therefore, if he goes through with his original declaration and dons the khaki. Such an example by a boxet—a holder of a title—would do much to relieve the game of its present offensiveness. Furthermore, Benny would be a regular hero; he would find himself to be America's idol, just like Georges Carpentier in France.

Boxes Nelson Tonight

Leonard defends his title for the second Leonard detends his file for the second time in a no-decision contest and for the second time a Philadelphian gets the thance to knock off the crown, Johnny Nelson, of Kennarton, hoxes Benny ten rounds in New York tonight and it is likely

rounds in New York tonight and it is likely that the Quaker City lad will go the limit as Joe Weish did here recently in six basions. Nelson boxed Leonard shortly before Benny won the title, and the fracas went along for the scheduled eighteen min-utes, although Johnny spent sighteen sec-finds, nine seconds at a time, on the floor Then Philladelphia again will be in the Immelight on Leonard's next appearance. The will show his championship figure right here in Philly. That will be tomorrow night Banny won't box, though. He's going to Benny won't box, though. He's going to und Cr

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