

PRINCIPALS IN HEAVYWEIGHT BOUT GET BOOSTS, BUT PROMOTERS TAKE ALL THE KNOCKS

FIGHTERS GET THE BOOST, MEN BEHIND SCENES THE KNOCKS

Verbal Bouquets Showered Upon Willard and Dempsey, But the Army of Nameless Wonders Making Possible the Bout Take Nothing But Bumps

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WHILE Jess Willard and Jack Dempsey are training every day for the big championship full on July 4, an army of nameless wonders is making it possible to stage the event successfully.

In order to make the affair a success from a financial viewpoint, more than \$500,000 had to be taken in through the gates. This is by far the largest amount of money ever spent to see a boxing match; but a sum larger than that already is in the cash drawer and Tex Rickard is figuring on an \$800,000 audience.

Rickard and his partner, Frank Flournoy, of Memphis, are no pikers. They took a big chance, and the more you figure it out the world it becomes. They started the world when the boxers were signed to perform for \$127,500, and there was further amusement when contracts were let out for the arena in Toledo.

At first this was expected to cost \$50,000, but that was only a guess. The structure will cost \$125,000, which is going some. Other expenses will be in the neighborhood of \$50,000, which brings the figures over the \$300,000 mark.

This money will be expended on an event which cannot last more than forty-eight minutes, counting the minute rest between rounds, and it might be over in a few seconds. The arena will be sold after the fight for about \$25,000, which shows what the promoters think of money.

According to Joe Mulvehill, the manager of the park, the lumber used in building the arena would cover a distance of 265 miles if placed end to end. Forty tons of nails were used and more than 300 carpenters have been on the job.

A crowd of 49,000 can be taken care of now, and if necessary 10,000 additional seats can be built. There will be parking space for 25,000 automobiles and it will cost only \$2 to check each machine.

WE HAVE been asked so many times about the arrangement of seats in the arena that we have obtained the following data from Tex Rickard:

Table with 2 columns: Ring side, Ring side. Rows include Ring side division, Inner circle, Outer circle, Reserved bleachers, Bleachers (not reserved).

No Luck With the Black Elephants WONDER if a strong, healthy jinx is following our A's? It must be something like that, for they are plodding along on the short end of nearly every score and never do they get any of the lucky breaks.

The players are beginning to believe some hoodoo is on their trail and show evidences of acute superstition. Some believe it is the black elephant on the sleeve of the shirt, which reminds us of an incident in the press box on Decoration Day.

A gentleman who was very optimistic about the near approach of July 1 staggered into the coop and demanded that he be allowed to make a speech or give out an interview or something.

"The A's are havin' lotsh hard luck," he spluttered, "cause th' el'phants they wear are black. Black el'funsh awful unlucky. Never saw black el'fun in m'life. Anybody ever see a black el'fun?" he shouted to the world at large.

"Green el'funsh, er red, er purple are all right," he continued. "They're nice, lil' lucky el'funsh. Blacksh no good. Goin' to tell Connie Mack 'bout them. Conniesh been d'ceived by somebody."

No one knows whether the well-meaning and exuberant gent poured his oracular tale in Connie's ear, but something must have happened to give the players a tip. Last Saturday every athlete appeared on the field with the hoodoo animal torn or cut off his sleeve with the exception of Tilly Walker and Bobby Roth.

PERHAPS when they amputate the pachyderms the jinx will be chased out of the ball park. Looks Bad for the Schoolboy Stars THE Harvard athletic committee has started something which will not get very far, but at the same time one of the best moves ever made to remove commercialism from college athletics.

Alumni and undergraduates of Harvard have been asked to refrain from offering inducements to schoolboy athletes to enter the Cambridge institution, in a statement sent out by the athletic committee. Artificial hospitality of any sort, such as trips to the university, auto rides, theatre parties, soft jobs in the summer and free scholarships are condemned, because "the athletic committee believes that persons attempting to induce schoolboys to enter Harvard for athletic reasons are working against the real welfare of the university."

As we said before, this is a wonderful thing for college athletics, but we doubt if it ever will be followed. All colleges are against the practice of proselytizing, but the same cannot be said of the enthusiastic alumni. If a great athlete in some prep school hasn't the means to continue his education in college a wealthy alumnus who gets him a scholarship and a position so he can work his way through school is not committing an unpardonable crime. The boy is given a chance to learn a profession, and if he becomes a good student and keeps up in his class work there shouldn't be the slightest objection from any quarter.

Young men go to college to get an education. If in their off hours they wish to play football or baseball or indulge in any form of sport it is their own business. The most important thing, however, is their studies, and if they fall below a certain mark they must be restored to good standing before they can participate in athletics again.

The Harvard plan, however, would do away with certain practices which are harmful to collegiate sport. For example, there once was a meeting of a certain committee and it was decided to get together a good football team. Each member was asked to contribute a certain amount to help pay the salary of the coach and "assist" several athletes in their effort to gain higher education.

Another time an athlete who was a real star had a job every summer as chauffeur on a motorboat which never left the dock. The salary was something like \$300 a month and expenses, and the job lasted three months. Other athletes have been forced to work eight-day clocks to earn their tuition and spending money, and it used to be a common practice to bet the star fullback \$100 every month that he couldn't jump over a suitcase.

THAT sort of work is contrary to the spirit of college athletics, but how are you going to stop it? One college might cut it out for a year or so, but soon will get back into the old rut after losing a few important football games. If the hundreds of thousands of alumni and undergraduates adopted the Harvard idea everything would be lovely. But how are you going to do it?

Thomas's Last Year as Penn Coach IF THERE was any college team in action that deserved defeat on Saturday, it was Penn. The Quakers played listless ball against Cornell on Franklin Field and Coach Roy Thomas was ashamed of their showing in front of the thousands of old grads who had gathered for the reunion festivities. But it was no fault of Roy Thomas, however, for individually, with the exception of Elsie, the Quakers played miserable ball, even committing the unforgivable sin of forgetting the number of outs on four occasions. Cornell won, 6 to 3.

It has been learned from an authoritative source that this is Thomas's last year at the University and that his place will be taken by Dr. Walter Carlin, the freshman tutor. Thomas has been at Penn for a number of years and always has been the Red and Blue a fair team, although never a sensational aggregation.

AFTER the game the Quakers held a meeting to elect a captain for next year. The vote resulted in a tie between Danny Mc... and Joe... and Joe... as outside and infielder...

WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND



DEMPSEY'S WORK IS CUT UNTIL SATURDAY

Injury to Eye and Intense Heat Cause Lightening of Challenger's Training

JESS HAS NEW SPAR PARD

Toledo, O., June 16.—Jack Dempsey will not do any serious training for his heavyweight championship contest with Jess Willard here July Fourth until next Saturday or Sunday. This was definitely decided upon by Manager Jack Kearns today after physicians had advised him that any rough work with the gloves would likely result in reopening the wound over Dempsey's eye.

Heat Intense

The terrific heat of the last few days, however, was as much responsible for the decision to continue Dempsey's lay-off as the unhealed wound. For three days Toledo has sweltered and even Willard has temporarily abolished his roadwork for fear of losing weight too rapidly. The champion tipped the scales at only 248 pounds yesterday, a drop of four pounds within two days, and he does not intend to bring his weight below 245 pounds.

No Road Work

When the challenger is ready to resume hard training the latter part of the week, it is believed the heat wave will have passed, and that he will be able to work hard without fear of going stale. The challenger did no road work yesterday because of the heat and it was the first time within a month that he did not hit the highways for a run of five to seven miles.

LARRY SCUDDER RELEASED

Former Penn Runner Was Captain in Air Service Captain Larry Scudder, former middle-distance runner at the University of Pennsylvania, has been discharged from the air service. Scudder's last appearance at Franklin Field was in April, when he ran on an alumni team composed of Dorsey, Scudder, Meredith and Foster, that was defeated by the fast-going Penn varsity, coached by Davis, Raymond, Smith and Gustafson.

Nautically Regular Johnson

St. Matthew's C. C. defeated St. Gregory's C. C. in an afternoon game 5 to 0. The features of the game were the hitting of...

BURNS HITS .135 AND ROTH .424 AT HOME

Captain Robert Gets 28 Safeties for 58 Bags During Shibe Park Stay; George Collects Only 9

BURRUS WAS PITCHER

By EDWIN J. POLLOCK OUTSIDE of the cooties, there's nothing else in the universe a ball player hates to have hanging around his person more than a batting slump. Ask George Burns.

Once a ball player gets in the throes of a batting slump he falls off in everything. His disposition becomes as sweet as a lime and he gets as peevish, nervous and fussy as an old maid. Ask George Burns.

George hasn't broke any bats with base hits this year, but his work at the plate since the A's opened their present stay at Shibe Park has been worse than his exhibition on the road, which wasn't anything to brag about.

While the Mackmen were dropping games in the West, Burns was not the one who was falling down to the greatest degree. It was Roth, but Roaring Maurice Burrus, the new A's first baseman, in action against Greenville, and, like C. Mack, is full of praise for the collegian.

"He's a real ball player," Charley confided. "He reminds me greatly of Hal Chase the way he plays the bag. Apparently he doesn't watch the ball when it hits the dirt. He just scoops it up. And he can hit, too, as well as run the bases."

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LIGHTWEIGHTS HEAD STAR OPEN-AIR CARD

Leonard and Dundee Clash in Feature at Phils' Park. Cline vs. Moy

GREB TAKES ON BORRELL

By JAMES S. CAROLAN The open-air scene shifts to the Phillies' Park tonight. For the first time since outdoor boxing has become popular the boxers will exhibit at the home vacated by Alexander, Killefer and Pat Moran. Shibe Park has been getting all the play, but for boxing the home of the Mackmen does not compare with the Broad and Huntingdon park.

When Benny Leonard and Johnny Dundee engage in their little battle in the last bout on the all-star program the lightweight headlines will be easy to watch. The stands are close to the ring and the boys in the box seats almost will be able to shake hands with the principals.

Three star lightweights are on the list of entertainers and two right now are dangerous contenders for Benny's crown. Dundee gets his chance tonight, and he has not overlooked what it means to him if he should happen to plant a wild right swing on Benny's uncovered and unguarded jaw.

Promoter Leon Rains spent the better part of yesterday at the Phillies' Park. He tested all the lights, saw that the exits were in working order and gave the ring a real test. He had Irish outfit which was trained in a green Wigmore, do his training at the park.

The lights withstood the attack and Promoter Rains proceeded to smile the smile of complete satisfaction. Sale Heavy The heaviest advance sale since the record-breaking receipts of the Leonard-Kilbane bout has been announced by Promoter Rains. The best open-air crowd since that memorable battle, in 1917, is expected to be present this evening.

LAWRENCE BEATS MADONNA FOR THIRD STRAIGHT WIN

World's Motor-Pace Champion Takes Measure of Italian Rider in Twenty-Mile Race at Velodrome—Meets Carman and Walthour Tomorrow Night

HAS Manager John Chapman any riders in his circuit capable of stopping the sensational Percy Lawrence? The present world's motor-pace champion has been returned a winner in three stars at the new Point in Breeze Velodrome this season. He has beaten two class fields in long-distance clashes, and last Saturday night, when pitted against one of the leading riders of the season, had no trouble in beating Vincent Madonna in a special twenty-mile match race.

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WILLARD WILL FIND THAT JACK DEMPSEY IS NO FRANK MORAN

Coffey's Conqueror Was Aggressive and Game, but Earned His Reputation at the Expense of One Man. Not So With Present Challenger

IN THE SPOTLIGHT—BY GRANTLAND RICE

Ballade of July First It may be in the good old days You were some kid—and let'er fly; It may be through the summer haze That you were very seldom dry; Branly or bourbon—Scotch or rye—But now a shadow stalks the moor— For though you still have a supply, The Water Cart is at the door.

There was a time, along old ways, The cabaret once caught your eye; With splitting head and sunken gaze The gray dawn made you wish to die; 'Never again' I've heard you sigh, While morning's pale beams brood the floor; You'll mean it soon—and this is why The Water Cart is at the door.

NO MAN can ever tell what is going to happen in a championship boxing match until after the returns are all in. This may listen like a moth-eaten statement, but we have in mind all the chatter that preceded the Willard-Moran fight. Moran never had a chance. But this didn't prevent him from being the most confident citizen in the realm, nor did very many indicate any such status before the contest.

Changed Details

THERE are two details which may have a bearing on this coming melee. One is that Willard is three years older than he was against Moran, and three years after you have passed thirty-five is quite a spell. Another is that Dempsey isn't a Moran.

Moran absorbed the bulk of his reputation by picking out one man—James Coffey. Whereas Dempsey has picked out a number of so-called aspirants, and in most cases he has hammered a number of splinters from their blocks. Moran was game enough and forced most of the fighting. Dempsey will have to do the same—and Dempsey will, that being his artistic way of going about the job.

WHY shouldn't a big husky like Willard be as good at forty as he was at thirty? asks a reader. Why was it that Matthewson, who was six feet one and weighed 200 pounds and who took the best care of himself, was out of the game at thirty-seven or thereabouts? Why was it, or why is it, that most stars at thirty-six or thirty-seven are either out or barely hanging on?

FOR Old Doo Time happens to be a persistent collector when he figures his pay is due. You've Heard It One line rings daily in my ear, No matter where I go; From course to course in accents clear, From both the high and low—

After a Match "Well, you see, he laid me two stymies"— "I should have won the third hole, but a bad kick"— "On the sixth hole I thought I had a fine shot, but"— "He had a lucky break on the twelfth hole, when he half-topped his drive an"—

Yale Crews Rest Gales Ferry, Conn., June 16.—There was no rowing practice on the program yesterday for the Yale crews. The varsity carried motorized to Eastern Point, where they were guests of Julius Fisherman. Later they went in swimming at Black Point. The freshmen spent most of the day at Watch Hill, R. I., while the second varsity and substitute squads enjoyed a trip up the Thames in motorboats.

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