CARPENTIER MAKES U. S. DEBUT IN TILT WITH TONY BIDDLE

Two-Round "Sleeve" Setto Follows Dinner Given in Frenchman's Honor at Commodore Hotel

MUCH ENTHUSIASM

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

GEORGES CARPENTIER put on this first boxing exhibition in the United States here early this morning. It was at a rather odd hour for M. Carpentier to put on the gloves, to be exact, at 12:42, but the Frenchman was through with it when his European mits himself to be so addressed by crown was "threatened."

More than 12,000 sportsmen, including some of the most prominent followers of athletics, saw Carpentier prance rough two two-minute rounds with champion, war here of France and ring pentier. But Georges and "Tony" went to it anyway.

They shed their dress coats and colidol of his country.

Following several speeches and boxguests of honor, was called to the ring.
pitched in the middle of the grand ball
room of the Commodore Hotel. After
a lengthy introduction by Joe Humphreys, the latter was instructed to
challenge Georges on behalf of Major
Biddle, who is president of the Intermational Boxing Club.

sleeves and for a few seconds it looked
as if Carpentier and Biddle would
mingle in a rough-and-tumble fistfight.
But Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and
Francois Descamps finally appeared in
the respective corners and tied the gloves
on the gladiators, each of whom wore
patent leather shoes, trousers and stiff
shirt.

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Humphreys tried his best to make understand. hands when his tongue failed him, and make any effort to hit the Philadel make any effort to hit the Philadel phian, so a good draw wouldn't hurt to the rescue. The Frenchman absolution with the phian as some sports writers say

of Ring Bouts Last Night

mantown A. A.—Bobby Doyle defeuted Bear, Jack Perry shaded Ping Redie, at Smith knocked out Kid Cattman, K. O. Pryor won from Billy Williams, I. latter quitting with fnjured thumb: Lesiee knocked out Kid Fleck, first; kamatchi beat Johnby Brown, ey City — Pete Herman outpointed Johnson.

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Admitting Carpentier A Legion Post Member

New York, March 26.-Georges Carpentier was the guest of 250 wounded ex-soldiers, who are members of the New York University Post of the American Legion, yesterday. Carpentier spoke through an interpreter on France's debt to the American soldiers. Resolutions were adopted by the post regretting that the constitution of the Legion prevented them from making him a

into the match, and he went to understand that "Tony." who per intimate friends, would claim the heavy weight crown of Europe, and then Carpentier, smili Major Biddle, smilingly, consented to meet

This acceptance of Biddle's chaltior Anthony J. Drexel ("Tony") lenge came rather as a surprise be to be the feature of an interesting pro-gram aranged by the International which had the Frenchman under con-Sporting Club of America as a formal welcome to the European heavyweight But Georges and "Tony"

ing exhibitions, Carpentier, who was lars in the ring, rolled up their shirt seated at the middle of the table for sleeves and for a few seconds it looked

Carpentier won the first round by mile, but Biddle showed advantage using both the second round, because Georges didn't he second round, because Georges didn't make any effort to hit the Philadel to the rescue. The Frenchman absolutely refused to box the Philadelphia sportsman. Then Carpentier was made

Evening Ledger Decisions

either man, as some sports writers say when a pair of kids put up a good battle. At the finish neither was hurt with the exception of Tex Rickard, the promoter, who referred the bout, and he was suffering from a smarting nose he was suffering from a smarting nose he was suffering from a smarting nose. either man, as some sports writers say

as a result of an intentional jab landed thereon by the frisky Frenchman. In the first round, Carpentier, stand-ing way up on his toes almost like a toe-dancer, skipped around the showing all sorts of speed. He down in a crouch for a fraction of a jabbing, hooking and right-crossing with lightning speed. Of course, Georges was pulling his blows. Biddle tried his utmost to knock Carpentier's block off but the idol of France never stood still

dimore—Johnny Piazzi beat Frankie long enough for "Tony" to land. Just long enough fo Benny Leonard, and then fell into clinch, holding up the major. After demonstrating in the first frame

how clever he was on the offensive, re

minding many of Johnny Kilbane because of his boxing on his toes almost continually, Carpentier showed in the second round that he was just as crafty on the defense. He ducked, side-stepped, shifted his head from side to side, making no effort to strike back, while Biddle tried in vain to land with a haymaker, or something like that. "Tony" missed about 96 per cent of his blows, scoring with four wallops—they were when the clever Frenchman was going away. Nevertheless, Biddle was credited with the round, saving was going away. Nevertheless, Biddle was credited with the round, saving championship bout in 1920 ketween.

"I am very sorry I cannot speak English well. I thank you for your ent visit to the United States, Rickard the welcome and hospitality. I hope to the united States, Rickard the light Mr. Dempsey. I hope that the

welcome and hospitality. I hope to fight Mr. Dempsey. I hope that the best man wins. I thank you." This was the painfully, yet well-spoken, speech made by Georges when he was introduced by Toastmaster Major Gen-eral John F. O'Ryan, of the Twenty-

After his exhibition with the gloves, which apparently did not wind Carpen-tier in the least, he returned to the bonored guests' table, donned his collar and coat, then very snavely puffed a

Bride at Dinner

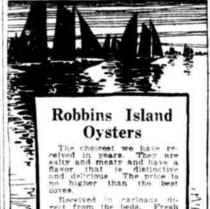
Scated up in the baicony, amid a party of five women, was Georges's bride, dressed in a large black hat and pale blue silk dress, and she continually waved her right hand at her smiling spouse. Carpentier kept a steady gaze upon his beautiful wife alnost continually through the procedure f the reception. And when Georges went through with his bout with Major Biddle she did not leave her seat. It was the first time she had seen handsome Georges perform with the Mme. Carpentier was presented with a bouquet and lots of applause.

Among the speakers besides Major Biddle and Major General O'Ryan were Gutzon Borglum, the sculptor, and Guston Liebert, French consul general, who represented Ambassador Jules Jusserand, M. Liebert said, in part "It will be a magnificent and great fight (a Dempsey-Carpentier bout), our two great countries and two napentier wins or not. The winner will e a real man

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was going away. Nevertheless, Biddle was credited with the round, saving himself from a defeat by the man who is here to box for the world's heavy-weight title.

There is no chance for a world's championship bout in 1920 between Dempsey and Carpentier, according to Rickard, one of the foremost bidders for the contest. The French champion repubble will not extend his pressure and carpentier and the contest of for the contest. The French cham-

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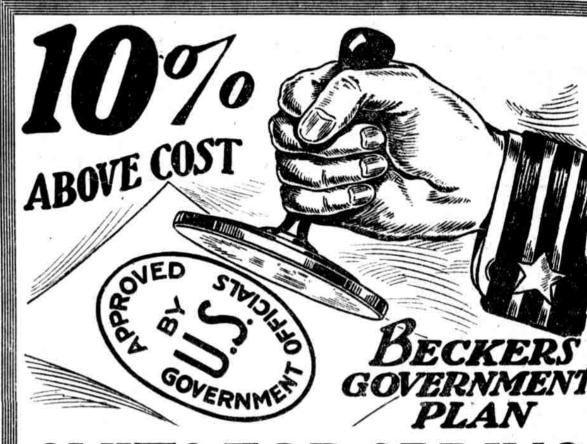
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