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UPSETS ARE QUITE COMMON THESE DAYS; THERE WAS ONE IN THE KENTUCKY DERBY SATURDAY

MIKE O'DOWD IS STILL CHAMPION. **DECLARES MIKE O'DOWD, CLAIMING** JOHNNY WILSON NOT 158-POUNDER

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

MIKE O'DOWD is the middleweight champion of the M world, according to Mike O'Dowd. He said so him-self in his home in Brooklyn yesterday, and further stated he would go on his merry way wearing the crown which was supposed to have been turned over to Johnny Wilson in Boston last Thursday night. Michael insists nothing more than a decision was lost in that now highly advertised battle, and as for decisions-why, they mean nothing in his young life!

"It's this way." explained the champion, or ex-champion, or whatever he is. "The championship was not at stake when I boxed Wilson. According to the articles of agreement, we weighted in at 160 pounds ringside. Now everybody knows the middleweight limit is 158 ringside. so how could a guy weighing 160 pounds win the 158pound title?

"I'm not saying anything about the decision. The referee had the final say, and whether he was right or wrong, his culing is the same as a verdict rendered by the United States Supreme Court. At the end of the twelfth round Mr. McInnes said 1 had lost. 1 was the most surprised man in the arena, for I had an idea I had won easily. But, as I said before, the verdiet cannot be changed. I still believe I am the best middleweight in the world and will leave it to the American public to judge for itself. I will prove it in Camden Tuesday night and in the other bouts I have scheduled. I will go on just the same as before, meeting all comers and scoring decisive victories. You can't fool the public and I know the public will be with me

"Don't think I am helittling Johuny Wilson. He was awarded the decision and I hope he gets a lot of money out of it. But I still maintain he weighed 160 pounds. and that makes him a light-heavyweight. If I lost to Battling Levinsky, would the Battler be the middleweight champion? Did Benny Leonard claim the feather weight title after he had knocked out Johnny Kilbane? Well, Wilson has as much of a claim as Levinsky or Leonard.

SET KNOW a champion is expected to put up a big I how other he loses, and for that conson I have refrained until new from making a statement. Of course I am sore- I can't deny that-hut all I ask is a fair deal, and I expect it from the American public

Wilson Requests 160 Pounds

WE VISITED Mike at his home in Brooklyn yesterday. The Fighting Harp was seated near a window and newspapers were piled knee-deep around him. His unpadour bristled aggressively as he talked, and a badly battered but quite prominent left car stuck out at a rakish angle. There was a faint suggestion of a black eye on upper left hand corner of his face, but that was the only recent injury we could notice. Mike emphasized his remarks with gestures and was very frank and sincere.

'Now about the match with Wilson," he continued, es he freed one of his legs from the literary debris. "Some time ago my manager, Paddy Mullen, received an offer from Roy Green, matchmaker of the Fenway A. C. in Boston, to box Johnny Wilson at 158 pounds, I accepted, but on April 26 Green called up from Boston stating that Wilson could not make the weight, and asked that it be raised to 160 pounds. I consented and the contracts were signed.

"To prove what I said." continued Mike as he kicked the other foot free and dug into his coat pocket. "take a look at this." And he handed us a formidable looking document. It read as follows:

"Agreement made this day between Roy Green, matchmaker Fenway A. C., and Paddy Mullen, manager of Mike O'Dowd.

"Roy Green agrees for the Fenway A. C. to guarantee Mike O'Dowd five thousand (5000) dollars, with a privilege of thirty-five (35) per cent of the gross receipts, for the bout to be held in Mechanes' Building, Boston, Thursday, May the sixth, 1920.

'Both men, Wilson and O'Dowd, have agreed to make weight, one hundred and sixty (160) pounds ringside. A forfeit of one thousand (1000) dollars must be posted in the hands of the Boston Traveler for said weight and appearance one week before the bout

Signed ROY GREEN. "When did the men weigh in?" was asked,

"About one-half hour before the bout," replied Mul-"The beam was set at 160 pounds and Mike didn't move it. When Wilson got on the platform he just moved the beam, showing he weighed 160 pounds." Who did the weighing?"

"Marty Killilea, manager of Johnny Wilson," an swered Paddy. "But I was there and F. P. Costain, 'Hoops' McDevitt, of Boston; Kid Hesslen, an oldtime boxer, and Bob Sullivan, of New York, also were present, . . .

"I INTEND to go to Boston soon and get affidavits from each of these men to prove that Wilson weighed 160 pounds the night he was given the decision over O'Doued."

Different Angles in Weight Question

THIS weight question seems to have many different Angles, ' According to one Boston writer whose houesty and integrity cannot be questioned. Wilson failed to move the beam at 160 and really weighed 156 pounds the night of the battle. That throws a different light on the affair and tends to support Wilson.

Another thing is that the \$1000 forfeil, according to Mullen, never was put up and there was no official. weigher. That also complicates matters for O'Dowd. The third is the referee's decision, which will stand regardless of adverse comment., Too had we don't have a national ommission in boxing so the game could be regulated like a regular sport. If there were rules governing all championship matches this trouble never would have occurred. However, O'Dowd is making his claim because he

thinks it a just one. He says he is the best 158-pounder in the world and will prove it at any time or any place.

"I want a return match with Wilson," he said as we were leaving. "I don't care where it is, how many rounds or the weight. I will weigh in at 158 pounds gingside and Wilson can come in scaling 190 pounds if he cares to. I will box him for nothing, just to get a chance to show I am his master.

"Last Thursday night he didn't burt me at all. He can't punch hard. When 4 went down in the second round I was off balance and the blow hit me on the head. I was up immediately, despite the stories that I took the count of four. In the seventh round I hit him flush on the jaw, but when he went down he grabbed me and pulled me with him. I never got credit for that. It really was au easy battle for me and I can't see how I lost.

. "B^{UT} 1 will leave everything to the American public. Watch me at Camden next Tuesday. See if I don't deliver the goods, and then judge for yourself.

Herman Taulor has offered Wilson \$10,000 for a bout in Camden, but as yet has not received a reply.

No Game Here Today

TODAY is an unusual one in local baseball circles. I Neither club is playing at home, something which m happens. The Athletics are finishing their series with the Red Sox and the Phils open their western tour in Pittsburgh. Tomorrow the A's will mingle with the Looie Browns and will stick around the home lot until the 29th, taking on the Browns, Detroit, Cleveland and the Chicago White Sox in order. After the westerners leave Washington comes here for two games, and then the Phils will return the entire month of June.

Connie's team will have a good chance to show what it can do in the long stay home. The western clubs are considered the class of the league, both first and steerage. Cleveland and Chicago are fighting it out for first place. the Browns are in the middle and Detroit is making a heroic effort to prevent the Macks from going back into their old home in the cellar. It will be interesting to see the contending clubs in action. The Phils will play Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, St. Louis

and Chicago and then jump back to New York for three

Two games will be played with Boxton on the home lat on May 31. AFTER the treatment hunded out by the Braves re- the wants as he cant, if the Phils never see them again it will be as he can. soon enough.



HAGEN IS CONFIDENT ON EVE OF SAILING

U. S. Golf Champion' Says British Play Will Not Hinder Him Abroad

"BUT ONE CAN WIN"

By SANDY MCNIBLICK

"I. HEAR they are betting abroad I that I won't even qualify." stated Walter Hagen, open golf champion of the United States, as he practice-putted out at Bayside before his last exhibition match yesterday before going abroad this week to compete in the open golf championship of Great Britain.

"I also hear that they have at least 300 golfers over there good enough to beat us out."

The American hope rolled one uphill from a far corner of the green that stood on the lip of the cup a breath and en dove in

Hagen straightened up and smiled. But you can put that all down as ink. Only one man generally wins "But bunk a goil tournament. I haven't made any promises, except to myself. I'm not Zoing over there to try to qualify, or to try to finish in the money. I'm going to blay my away more and the

to try to finish in the money. I'm going to play my own game and the best way I know how. Then we shall see what we shall see." The open champion laughed and bent over another long nut, this time down

over another long putt, this time down-hill. It rimmed the cap, two inches



That was the only circuit that was FOR ten years doe Jackson's main ble to get in its generation that was Lengue able to get in its games, and as far as results are concerned they were the same as on opening day. Steelton and Sparrows Point were returned winners, while Lebanon and Bethlehem winners, while Lebanon and Bethlehem Steel were on the losing ends. Both games were close, Lebanon losing to Steelton, 3 to 1. Pitcher Crumm hold-ing Earl Potteiger's nine to three hits. Dave Danforth and Jing Johnson were the opposing twirlers in the other con-test, which Sparrows Point wou from Bathlehem 2 at 2 Each losing to be added t Bethlehem, 3 to 2. Each hurler al-lowed but seven hits. Marty Kava-naugh's homer in the fourth scored the only runs of Bethlehem. Next Saturday will be a busy one for the little fellows, and no fewer than

five additional circuits will get under way. These include Harold Pike's two leagues, the Montgomery County and Philadelphia Suburban, which rank with the best hereabouts; Main Line Amateur, the Northeast Manu-facturers and Gloucester County, The following week the Delaware River Industrial and Delaware County Suburban swing into line.

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Ledger Elected President

of Association

TT HAS already become extremely evident that the White Sox again will be vital actors in the American League race. They will be Cleveland's leading competitors, for the Red Sox are not strong enough to continue sparring with the The battle in 1918 and aghin in 1919 found Cleveland challenging the lead-ers, and if Cleveland has to finish see-The rose of faith across old twilight ond again it will be through Chicago's strength. Any ball club that carries Eddie Col. lins, Buck Weaver, Ray Schalk, Eddie Cicotte and Joe Jackson isn't going to very far behind when the antumn leaves begin to turn pink and brown again. The alleged dissension in the White Sox camp didn't last very long with the \$5000 bonus hung out, for world series athletes at the end of the summer's hike. Not very many are going to dissent Weary the waiting for the new road in these distressing moments. **Our Alibi** As long as the real red stuff was sold My verses rang with a rhythmic swing : They were the real stuff I've been told. Along the line that the masters sing. But now that near-booze rules the way And I hit the bowl for a proper note is it any wonder that day by day were at bat. Jackson batted over 400 one I only write like a nearly-pote? season and even then was beaten out. So far he has secured an impressive lead over his Georgia rival, but two or three, What show do you think that Shake. speare would Have had with only a becrette dopr? things can happen between May and What earthly chance would Burns have The Giants and the Dope FIGURED via the dope, the Giants stood Inhaling a lot of frothy soap?

Once More

ter to have any shot at the flag.

WHITE SOX WILL MAKE

looked to have one of the best dubs The old red stuff rimmed the bowl they

hil The main strength of the team was And left them keen as they sat and a hard-hitting, brilliant outfield and a wrote; But, alas, in a near-boose age I'm bit

strong catching staff, with Barnes, Nehf, Benton, Toncy and Douglas. And only write like a nearly-potr. The catching was good, but the in "O LIMET, meeting Vardon and Ray at Brookline again, should win, as he is now much more experienced field only fair.

Yet for the better part of three weeks now the New York club has been far off than he was as a kid of pineteen." Yes, but the "kid of nineteen" is seven the trail, one of the big disappoint ments of the year. And the main break has been in the pitching-coupled with weak hitting-the two strongest looking sectors on the club. With better weather and this pitch-

years more away from youth's confi lence and unconcern. Copyright, 1928. All rights reserved.





DOESN'T FEAR BRITISH Walter Hagen, United States open golf champion, is confident on eve of his departure that he will win British title

Sports Editor of the Evening

Paddy Mullen then took the floor. "There are the articles of agreement," he said. "The men weighed in at 160 pounds, and you cannot call that a middleweight contest.



Slips at Various Clubs Are High and Dry Along the Schuylkill

Unless something is done shortly to deepen the water in front of the boat clubs in Fairmount Park, it will be impossible for some of the clubs to launch their boats. Vice Commodore Samuel H. Truitt, of the Malta Boat Club. said the matter had been taken up with n number of Park Commissioners and with various city officials, but nothing had been done. He said more than a month ago he was told that the work of dredging would be started immediately

The Malta's slip is high and dey, the water is about fifteen feet from the about five to seven incluse of water. The West Philadelphia, Vesper, Bach elors' and Crescent slips are all resting on bottom.

The first of the big regattas to be held in Philadelphia this year will be on Max 20 when the American Rowing Associa-tion will hold its unnual event over the mile and five sixteenths works. This

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Pittsburgh for Four-

Game Stand

Pittsburgh, May 10.- The Phils are even in the first leg of their opening estern invasion of the 1920 season. The national gambeiers, under the here on the first leg of their opening western invasion of the 1920 season. western invasion of the 1920 season. The national gamboleers, under the guidance of Gavy Cravati, are to open a four game-one a invision here this afternoon, after which they will go further West, with Cheinnati as the her tried to hard. "But Hagen." the veteran chuckled "Have four ever seen any guider who further West, with Cheinnati as the her may here play than he? He has the mast ideal temperament for golf

gineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Both Rudd and Stallard declared that, from what they had observed of our ath-

letes, the American flag would wave tyn in one of the latter's usual long the second, matches. The secreboard showed a 4-4. The veter, triumphantly at the coming Olympic

Smith finished and was the technical

In the ninth, Jack Miller opened

by a force play at the plate. George

made up the party. Lieutenant Colonel A. N. S. Jackson and Alfred

Shrubb, who will remain here for

an indefinite stay, bade their com-

The English runners that left wer

Captain B. G. D. Rudd, W. R. Mil-

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ard, H. P. Jeppe and E. A. Mon-

tague. Jeppe, who is a hurdler, de

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Miller was walked. Mack Wheat drave to Sherrod Smith and Jack Miller was run down. Cravath batted for Meadows and was

purposely walked, filling the bases Bancroft bounced slowly to doinston who made a turow to the place when a play at any other base would have been impossible and Ralph Miller and forced, retiring the side.

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That's Hagen's game. From the tee e wants to be as far and as straight

Approaching to the green to be on

just near renough to sink on his

He gives his ball a chance. That's Hagen's game all the way through, because he knows he can make the slots and that's the reason the whole enormous turnout yesterday left "Hagen is the greatest golfer in

Belleclaire firmly convinced that Walter Cravath and His Crowd Are ir Hagen is going to win the British open. bious as the outcome of a golf cham-pionship always is, I think Hagen will "Uppish" Argument

win. He is just the kind of a golfer to One burnt and knickered veteran of) beat them over there. twenty-nine years in the game out it this way: "Jack McDermott went "If Hagen doesn't do it." said an-other, "there's Barnes. I'd back those two against Mitchell and Doncan any

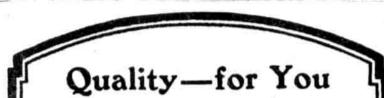
Hagen is in his element when the

next stopping place. Before pulling into the city of soot and smoke the Universitian clan drop-ped another perfectly good ball game, the fifth straight, and again to Brook-

was five strokes better than the nearest man and was low mark for the new

The veteran motioned toward Hagen, deadlock at the finish of the regular nine striking out there in front of the dazzled links. bank, and yoing trees are growing to the bab. The scheme from the from the transfer to make up errors at the from the from the the make up errors at the from the head of the bab. The scheme from the the make up errors at the from the head in the next round the next round the next round the make a drum the scheme from the throug, twilling a mashle like a drum major, grinning and joking the other back of the next of the bab. The scheme from the throught the scheme from the s

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H. Brooke.

Among those in the gullery yesterday were several who have seen Abe of the deceased members of the associa-Mitchell, George Duncan, Vardon, Ray iton on Sunday, May 30, and President Maxwell appointed Harry B. Hoffman chairman of the memorial committee "Hagen is the greatest golfer in America today." she said. "and, du-The association also went on record in indorsement of Lawrence McCrossin for magistrate to succeed the late Magistrate McNeary.

Answers to queries—Jimmy Wilde is Weishman, Andy Chaney's last knockor was over Joey Fox, in five rounds

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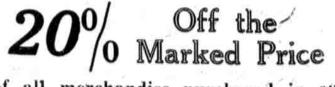
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