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SOFT, SAYS BLINK MCLOSKEY**

**Champion Welterweight Secretary to Egyptian Prince Strong
for the Old Home Town, Philadelphia, but Cairo
Has Charms, Yea, Bo!**

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger

New York, March 10.—Louis "Blink" McCloskey, once of South Philadelphia and now the private secretary of Prince Mohamed Ali Ibrahim, nephew of the Sultan of Egypt, is still going strong in the old home town.

The folks over there have been calling him up on the long-distance telephone ever since the Olympic landing of the prince, the valet, the mechanic, Blink himself and some seventy or eighty trunks in little old New York Wednesday. To prove he hasn't forgotten all about them he's going to let the Prince sleep late Sunday morning and go over to pay them a little visit.

"I can't stay long," Blink explained. "I don't like to leave him by himself," he added apologetically.

The Prince was in the other room taking a bath. Blink leaned back in his part of the bridal suite at the Biltmore and re-embosomed his sincere feelings of warmth for Philadelphia. He wore a red smoking jacket and looked decidedly none the worse for meeting the royal family of Egypt.

"You bet I'll never forget my home town," he said. "What time's there a train over there on Sunday morning? Prince'll sleep late then and I'll get a chance to run right over."

There was an interruption at this point. The ex-welterweight champion cocked his head and listened. He jumped up, excused himself and ran into the other room. When he came back he sighed and shook his head.

Soft and Easy and Full Pay
"That Prince is a regular fellow," he said. "None of this formal stuff for him. Why, over there at the palace it's just easy-going like it is here. Say, know what? He bought me fifteen suits of clothes before we ever even started. That's not counting the thousand dollars a month salary, a thousand dollars a month spending money and all traveling expenses paid."

Blink owned up that the palace in Alexandria is made of marble, and also the one in Cairo. The one in Alexandria has twenty-four rooms and the one in Cairo only has twenty-two. Blink admits he knows where all the electric light switches in both palaces are, because that is where he lives, right wherever the Prince may happen to be.

"What do we do over there? Oh, exercise, play around and have a good time, but the Prince he doesn't want me to box any more. Yes, that's straight dope that I got my job knocking out the Prince's last secretary, but there's no chance ever any one taking it away from me because the Prince doesn't ever want me to leave him. He won't let any one fight me. That's straight."



"BLINK" McCLOSKEY
PRINCE IBRAHIM

At this stage the young Prince himself was gracious enough to come into the room, and, too tell the truth, it was easily seen Blink was not billy boasting. They were more like pals than anything else. For instance, they were going to a box party at the Hippodrome, and Blink had the misfortune not to have a white shirt to wear with his tuxedo. He had, therefore, stayed in his regular clothes. Think the Prince Mohamed Ali Ibrahim minded? Not a bit.

"That's all right, old man," he said. "Don't think about it."

The Prince looks like a young American. He thinks American women are

very beautiful and says he is going to get acquainted with a lot of them—specially all those pretty movie girls he's heard about in California. The Prince's income is only \$200,000 a year. He's brought a racer along, too, and maybe he isn't going to speed over all the beautiful roads in California?

"Ah! What bliss to be knocked out by Jack Dempsey!" the Prince exclaimed in perfect English. "I met him socially—perhaps I may meet him in the ring—the sort of bout they speak of as friendly, but, oh! I hope he does not pull those punches. I am sure I can stand at least one of those terrible body punches such as Mr. Dempsey landed on my friend Georges."

The Prince added smilingly that he has no political ambitions. He has no desire to see Congress in action—doesn't care for windmills—but:

"I want to be a real man, always. Look at my muscles. My dearest ambition is to fight in the ring. My

family would not permit it, but I should like it just the same. There is nothing like boxing to develop manhood.

"My hobby, as you call it, is boxing. I love it, and hope to see much of it while I am here."

The Prince is twenty-two years old; a bit below medium height; slightly Semitic cast of countenance; pleasant smile; 108 pounds of real muscle. He does not drink or smoke, but has all the other gentle virtues, including an inordinate love of boxing and the movies.

By the way, he speaks twenty-one languages. And right here and now Blink deserves honorary mention for having learned "Arab." That is the reigning language in Egypt, but Blink knows others as well. Four, anyway. Blink has been with the Prince three years. He has been away from America nine.

The ex-welterweight permits it to be

declared as his intention to stick to the royal house of Egypt. Much as he is fond of Philadelphia, when the Prince goes back to Alexandria, about ten months from now, he is going back with him. He is in Egypt, on the whole, being about as tame as the third act of the Follies.

"What, go back to the training table?" said Blink. "Nix."

Four Seek Seats in Legislature
Hazleton, Pa., March 10.—Charles A. Bruch, formerly Mayor of Hazleton, has entered the fight as a Republican candidate for the State Legislature from the Hazleton district. Four aspirants are now in the race, the others being Christian Miller, of Fryland, out for another term; W. E. Olexander, of Fredland, and Fred Waechter, of West Hazleton. All are Republicans. Thus far no Democrats have announced themselves.

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