

BALTIMORE MARBLE SHARP DROPS CLOAK OF SECRET

Frank McQuade Shines Up His "Steelies," Looks Up Philadelphia on Map and Is Ready for Championship Bout Saturday

By a Staff Correspondent

Baltimore. May 17.—The identity of Baltimore's demon marble shot who will oppose the Philadelphia champion in the title bout next Saturday is still a secret.

He is Frankie McQuade, of 2011 North Washington street, and he comes of a marble-shooting family.

Not only does Frankie outclass all the other Baltimore shooters in skill, but his father, Frank J. McQuade, was a deadly shot before him, and his four-year-old brother Morrison already gives promise of following in his footsteps.

Frankie is twelve years old. He has a calm manner, a clear, round skin and white teeth.

He conveys the impression, in short, of being a cool and determined opponent, and one not to be regarded lightly by any foe.

"I'm not saying I'll win," he remarked, when asked to hazard a conjecture on the outcome of next Saturday's match, "but I'll try as hard as I can."

This statement will endear him at once to those who are partial to the just-before-the-battle speculations of boxers and candidates for public office.

His present premiere position among marble shooters of this city was won through a series of decisive victories in the recent contest which ended Saturday. Since that time he has been preparing himself for new trials to come.

Frankie, who is known as "Pudgie" Schatzky, No. 10, Franklin J. McQuade Jr., is another all-out champion, but patient and future is that he has no pet weapon, tool or instrument necessary to his best performance.

"It doesn't make any difference to me," he says. "Why, last Saturday I shot all the time with a bullet I picked up on the street."

Needless to say, this insouciance in the face of a great crisis renders him doubly dangerous to his Philadelphia opponents, who are thus robbed of the

slight advantage which might accrue through his leaving his pet shooter at home.

I have never been in Philadelphia," he said, "but I understand they say, 'They say you have an awfully good time there,' and he smiled a rare smile, displaying his unusually white teeth.

At Frankie's express command, his parents will not accompany him to Philadelphia, due to his fear that their presence will affect his nerve. They will go early returns on the outcome of the combat, however, through the courtesy of a local hotel.

Frankie is a knuckle shooter entirely, never bringing his thumb nail into play under any circumstances.

"That ain't no way to shoot," he said scornfully with reference to the latter method, but all efforts at a further elucidation of the underlying cause were futile.

However, having won a silver cup by sticking to his principles, it may be assumed that they are sound. Just how he will fare when pitted against the Philadelphia tecnicist remains to be seen.

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