

Philadelphia Nineteen-Year-Old Is Being Lined Up for Title Bouts in Two Different Divisions

LOUGHRAN MAY RULE RING CLASS BEFORE HE STARTS TO VOTE

South Philadelphian, Still in His Teens, Has Impressed Text Rickard So Effort Is Being Made to Match Tommy With Both Wilson and Greb

STILL in his teens, T. Patrick Loughran is hoping and confident—so are thousands of his friends in South Philadelphia—that he will have a lot to say in one, or may be the dictator in two historic divisions, before he will be permitted to cast a vote.

Thomas P. is the local nineteen-year-old who looms prominently as a leather-pushing luminary. The downtown Irish lad will not turn twenty until November 29, and before then Loughran probably will find himself in a fistful feud that may bring him a championship.

Text Rickard, New York promoter under whose regime most of the ring titles have changed hands in recent years, has been focusing his optics on Loughran. If Tex can have his way he will not only have Tom represent Philadelphia in one titular tilt, but will have him entered in another.

The first contest of championship interest for which Rickard has Loughran in mind is with Johnny Wilson, titleholder on a gramin of the middleweight division. Many Philadelphia fans believe that winning the 160-pound-172-2-cloak crown would be a cinch for Loughran.

For that matter Wilson, according to most ringside sharks in America, would be easy for half a dozen middleweights clamoring for a crack at the diadem titling so shakily on his black locks.

No one is more confident than Loughran himself, as well as his diminutive handler, Joe Smith, that a contest with Wilson would bring the middleweight laurels to South Philadelphia.

But the 160-pound championship is only the other title at which Rickard is planning to have Loughran jab.

Another championship against which Tex is prepared to send the Philadelphia is that atop the brow of Harry Greb, he of Stogieville and light heavyweight titlebearer.

BOTH of these crowns—the middleweight and light heavyweight—are awaiting Loughran in New York if Tex Rickard succeeds in getting the other principals to agree to disagree in the twenty-four-foot circle with T. Patrick, declares Manager Smith.

Insists He Is Not Sending Loughran Along Too Fast

Loughran is prepared for championship competition in the middleweight class as well as the light heavyweight division is Joe Smith's belief. The little fellow insists he is not sending Tom along too fast.

"Still, I am glad there are so many of the smart set disappointed every time Loughran goes into the ring," says Smith. "Ever since I started Tommy after the big game I have frequently heard 'Be careful. Don't send him too fast.'"

"You know," added Joe, "even after the swell fight Loughran gave Harry Greb—and I think Tommy that bout—I had some people tell me, 'Your boy is doing nicely, but take it easy.'"

"Now who is there better in the light heavyweight class than Greb? He's the champion, isn't he?"

"And Greb is the guy I want to get for Tommy in a fifteen-rounder to a decision so that judges may have something to say in crowning a new titleholder."

AT THE present time Smith is in negotiations with Rickard for a championship match on behalf of Loughran as well as with one against Wilson.

Bout With Gene Tunney Will Be Acid Test

HIS scheduled eight-round bout against Gene Tunney at the Phillies' ball park will be the real test for Loughran.

Tunney is the former light heavyweight champion. Furthermore, Gene who was deposed by Harry Greb, is being boosted by New York scribes as being worthy for an opportunity to win back his lost laurels.

While Gene may be expected to have little to do with the mere "kid" from South Philadelphia, both Loughran and Smith are sure another surprise is in store for those who still believe T. Patrick is too green to go after championship prestige.

Being a light puncher yet Loughran cannot be rated as a knocker-out. With every bout, however, it is noticeable that Tommy's hitting power is increasing and, as Smith prophesies, "He's going to develop a sleep slam over night. Who knows—it might happen against Tunney."

ALWAYS taking his training seriously, Loughran is careful and conscientious when preparing for a bout. He can be counted on to be in fine fettle whenever he answers the tinkle of the gong.

Trained for Tunney at Wildwood, N. J.

LOUGHRAN has his own and private gymnasium here. Whether he is matched for a bout or not Tommy goes through his paces daily. Often a boxer injures his hands in sparring, but Tommy does not believe in taking any chances in gym workouts and drills mostly for speed rather than for punching.

For his set-to with Tunney, Loughran did not want to slip up any in getting into condition. As this bout is to be in the open air, Tommy decided to train accordingly.

So Loughran tied himself to Wildwood, N. J., rigged up a ring and other paraphernalia for training purposes there with the sky as the roof, and did his preliminary stuff preparatory to the Tunney tilt diligently.

WHILE in Philadelphia today to talk over final arrangements for Loughran's fracas tomorrow night, Smith said: "Tom is in great shape. The bout with Tunney may be a cinch—but not for Gene."

"Billy" Rocap Has Been Selected to Be the Referee

ANNOUNCEMENT of referee for the Loughran-Tunney match was made last night with the selection of William H. "Billy" Rocap, veteran ring arbiter, sports writer and one-time amateur champion. Rocap has officiated in a number of title matches and he knows his business.

Another Philadelphia boxer who has set forth to bring a ring championship and who will be seen in the same show with Loughran is Eddie Kid Wagner. Wagner is a legitimate featherweight, but, like Tommy, is not content with one class.

With the inactivity of Johnny Kilbane, 126-pound boss, Wagner has branched out into the junior lightweight field and by the end of the year the Kid, also a South Philadelphian, believes he will have convinced every one that he should be given a crack at Johnny Dundee's 130-pound laurels.

WITH Lee Tender, lightweight; Loughran, middleweight and light heavyweight; and Wagner, featherweight and junior lightweight, Philadelphia has three likely prospects.

CROOKER NOW IS N. Y. MATCHMAKER

Takes Job With New Republic A. C.—Seeks Go Between Kilbane and Dundee

BOUT FOR POLO GROUNDS

SEPARATED from the boxing world for a day, Tom O'Rourke, who has had a picturesque career in the field of fistfights, is back in the fold.

On Monday Thomas F. turned in his resignation as a deputy commissioner of the New York State Boxing Commission and twenty-four hours later official announcement was made that O'Rourke had accepted terms to become matchmaker for the new Republic Athletic Club, which will hold forth on the Polo Grounds.

O'Rourke already is on his first duty. He is on his way to Cleveland with an offer for Johnny Kilbane to visit New York and meet Johnny Dundee, recognized by the commission there as the featherweight champion.

This is no easy assignment—getting Kilbane to accept a match. It has been tried before.

But it is said that Mr. O'Rourke is carrying inducements, financial and otherwise, that is sure to cure Kilbane's unwillingness to box and that a date in September will be set with the scheduled fifteen-round championship tilt with the Scotch Wop on the Polo Grounds.

May Be Only Bout by Republic A. C.

The Dundee-Kilbane match, if clinched, may be the only show held this season for the Republic Athletic Club. The license issued to the Polo Ground, for the purpose of holding boxing shows is good for only one year.

Approximately 100,000 fans will be in the Giants' backyard for boxing fans. Dundee is one of the biggest attractions in New York and, as a majority of the Gotham fans believe, Kilbane would be better by the New York Italian, than hardly is any doubt that the Polo Grounds would be taxed to capacity.

The advent of the Republic Athletic Club in New York doesn't mean that Tex Rickard, who has been virtually alone in the field in New York, will have opposition—not this year, any way. With the indoor season nearing, Rickard will have his Garden, while there isn't another covered place in the city adequate for boxing.

The Republic A. C. falls through Rickard is expected to step in and sign Dundee for an international fracas—one with Eugene Crippl, the Frenchman, who recently knocked out Clarence Lehoux.

Tender Stepping Stone to Leonard Bout

That Lew Tender, local southpaw, is a stepping stone to a match with Champion Henry Leonard is realized by at least three star lightweights. They are the Kid Moran, Earl France and George Chaney.

While none of this trio, all of whom are to appear in bouts at the Phillies' Ball Park tomorrow night, has any realistic hope of a set-to with Leonard each has announced his willingness to go against Tender.

Tender is to box at the Phillies' Ball Park some time in September. His opponent has not been picked yet. Charley White or Johnny Dundee may get the call, but at the same time Moran, France and Chaney are not counted out at all.

With a Tender tilt in view there is little doubt that Moran will try his utmost to tip the scales in favor of "Gene" Chaney will attempt to hang his well-known K. O. on France's chin and Earl will do his best to treat George in the same vein.

The Brown-Moran and Chaney-France matches are on the same program with the scrap between Tommy Loughran and Gene Tunney, as well as the Kid Moran, Earl France and Eddie Kid Wagner vs. Earl Baird.

BASS VS. MCGOVERN

Meet in Wind-Up of All-Bantam Show at Logan

Benny Bass, of South Philadelphia, will meet Joe McGovern, of North Philadelphia, in the eight-round wind-up of the all-bantam show at Adam Ryan's Logan A. tonight. Bass is being promoted for a championship bout with Joe Lynch.

Benny Pascal, clever Southwark bantam, will swap punches with Jimmy Leander, formerly of Pittsburgh, but now of this city, in the semi-windup. Artie McCann faces Len Gibbons; George Mulligan will meet Tommy Ellis and Whitey Burke faces Young Tom Sharkey.

Scraps About Scrappers

Peter Broderick, winner of the George F. Pasqua lightweight belt, is in training for a bout with Johnny Shuster, on August 29, at the Philadelphia Athletic Club. Broderick also expects to meet Johnny Dundee at the Polo Palace next month.

K. O. Leonard has been anxious for a long time to get a crack at Gene Tunney. He finally will get it next Monday night, when they box in the star bout at the North Philadelphia Athletic Club.

Maxie Williamson is out with a set to box with Harry Kid Brown, on August 29, at the Polo Palace. Charles Williams is ready to sign for the bout at any old time.

Frankie Howell, former sailor boxer, is a contender for the Pittsburgh belt. He has undertaken to handle Al Thomas, featherweight, and Jimmy Kelly, featherweight, who are scheduled to box at the National Friday night.

Jerry Lane, 108, challenges Benny Pascal, Matty Decker, and Ray Mulligan, Kid Wagner, and Harry Kid Brown, in a combination of late's, both of whom are being handled by Jack Williams.

James Chip, local fight manager, is honoring the late of Atlantic City. Miss James Chip will be remembered as Miss Angelina Guita, of South Philadelphia.

Johnny Campi, Little Italy's rugged contender, is training for a bout with Bill Lewis, featherweight, on August 29, at the Polo Palace. Campi is ready for the best of 'em his weight this coming season.

Bill Lewis, featherweight, will meet Joe Chaney in the wind-up at the National A. A. Friday night at the Polo Palace. Another contest will be between Joe Bugach and Al Thomas.

HAGEN PANNED BY WESTERN GOLFERS

Failure to Defend Title in P. C. A. and Western Brings Criticism

THE HIGH COST OF GOLF

THAT Walter Hagen rates as one of the greatest golfers in the world is not a matter for dispute. It is conceded; and honey Walter, with his sun-burned visage and sartorial elegance, is one of the best-liked champions that ever trod the links.

But his popularity has not averted the barbs of criticism that have been fired at him for the failure to defend his title in the Professional Golfers' Association championship tilt at Oakland last week, or the neglect to enter the Western tour—which crown also he won in 1921.

The Western judgement of Volsteadland is more deeply exercised than the Eastern one, and his neglect to enter the Occident on his noble brow. He won his first fame at the Oakland Hills country club, where the open tilt will be held this year, and the members there declare that Hagen is deserting his colors in not competing.

Golfland, too, has always felt that a champion should pay his back account with the well-known golden rule. Walter is supposed to have exceeded the \$100,000 exhibition tour with Trick-Shot Kirkwood, and the dates that his business manager arranged conflicted with both the P. G. A.'s tournament and the Western tour.

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Runs Scored for Week in Three Big Leagues

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Club	R	H	E	T	F	S	T
Cincinnati	10	3	11	11	10	10	10
Brooklyn	9	3	10	10	10	10	10
Pittsburgh	8	3	10	10	10	10	10
St. Louis	7	3	10	10	10	10	10
Chicago	6	3	10	10	10	10	10
New York	5	3	10	10	10	10	10
Philadelphia	4	3	10	10	10	10	10
Cleveland	3	3	10	10	10	10	10
Boston	2	3	10	10	10	10	10
Washington	1	3	10	10	10	10	10

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Club	R	H	E	T	F	S	T
Detroit	10	3	11	11	10	10	10
St. Louis	9	3	10	10	10	10	10
Philadelphia	8	3	10	10	10	10	10
Chicago	7	3	10	10	10	10	10
New York	6	3	10	10	10	10	10
Washington	5	3	10	10	10	10	10
Cleveland	4	3	10	10	10	10	10
Boston	3	3	10	10	10	10	10
Philadelphia	2	3	10	10	10	10	10
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INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Club	R	H	E	T	F	S	T
Baltimore	11	3	11	11	10	10	10
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WATSON TO CENTER NATIONAL SINGLES

Andover Star Will Compete in Title Tourney at Germantown—Schoolboy Finalist

WON BEACH HAVEN PLAY

Charles Watson, 3d, who last year ranked higher than any other junior in this city, is going after the national tennis singles championship for the first time in his career. He will enter the play on the courts of the Germantown Cricket Club September 8 with the hope that he does not draw Vincent Richards in the first round.

Richards has been a hoodoo to Watson since he was a boy. Watson has been playing as a boy Richards stifled his ambitions to advance in the national boys' championship.

Watson was made the journey to Boston and each