

HARRISBURG'S BOXING SHOW SCHEDULED FOR TOMORROW NIGHT AROUSES INTEREST

DECIDE MINORS' FATE THIS WEEK; PLAYERS WAIT

Smaller Circuits Depend on Decision Reached by the Internationals

New York, March 25.—The fate of several of the more prominent eastern minor leagues hangs in the balance when the International League goes into session here Wednesday to decide whether it will continue to operate.

With Ed Barrow definitely kicked out of the way, the International stands a poor chance of developing enough new leagues to go through with another season, but there are a number of determined persons who declare they are ready and eager to take another whirl at the game, with the league made up from a different standpoint.

The New York State League and the Eastern League are awaiting action by the big eastern circuit, but one or two supporters are coming to New York primed to decide if the International goes out, and to make an effort to reorganize by including some cities without baseball.

Some Leagues in Good Shape The minor leagues are doing much better than had been expected when the leagues held their annual session. Several that had been expected to pass in their checks showed decided signs of life.

Compared with the International League, the American Association, rated its equal in the West, is going ahead with a lightly curtailed schedule. The Pacific Coast League, rated along the same lines in the far West, is going ahead mainly as per usual.

A statement from each minor league president, who cared to express an opinion, has been gathered with the following result: The Virginia League has not yet decided what it will do, but is extremely optimistic with the change in opinion that has come from the Government support of sports.

The New York State League is awaiting action by the International, planning to take over some cities now controlled by the International, if the latter quits.

The Georgia-Alabama League has "traded up its toes and will not operate this season.

The International League will meet Wednesday in New York and decide if it will operate.

The American Association will operate under a 140-game schedule.

Salary Limit Cut The Western League's salary limit has been cut and 140 games will be played.

The Texas League believes the best season in years is in prospect and is making arrangements looking to that end. J. W. Morris, president, writes that he expects the greatest attendance the league has ever known.

The aviation and other training camps will come in for a good share of attention from the clubs.

The Pacific Coast League will operate as usual.

Start Work on Track For Big Relay Carnival; Naval Entries Large

Philadelphia, March 25.—With the arrival of spring, officials of the twenty-fourth annual Penn relay carnival, which will be held at Franklin Field, Philadelphia, April 25 and 27, have commenced working on the field to get it in shape for the games. With good weather and the work that will be done on the track, it is expected that the carnival will be in as good condition as ever before and the standard of competition will be as keen as in former years.

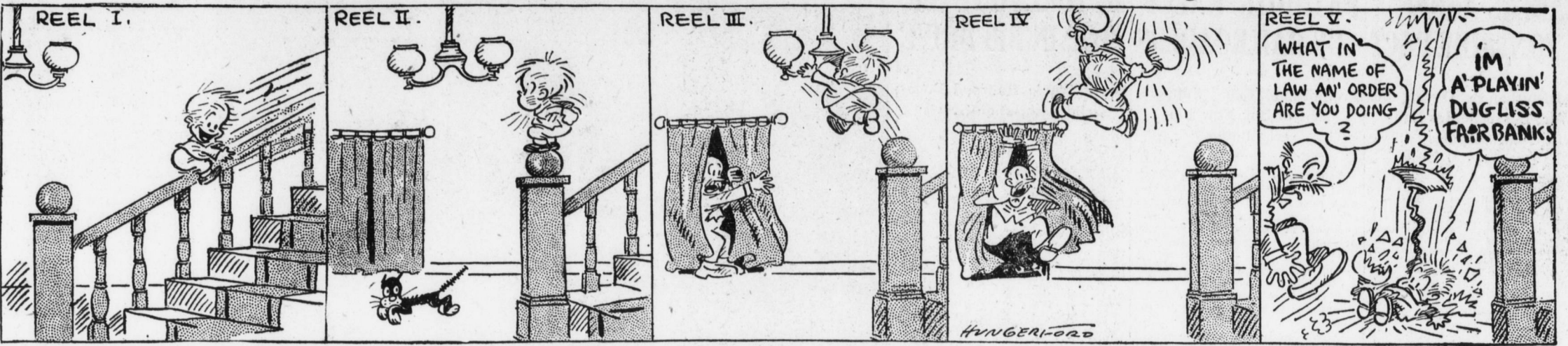
Increased interest is being shown in the military and naval events which this year will play the leading part on the two-day program. Camp Wissahickon of Cape May is among the latest to be heard from. The entry of a team from this camp was received yesterday. The Norfolk Naval Training Station, at Hampton Roads, Philadelphia, Navy Yard, Camp Dix, and the Fifteenth Infantry stationed at Chester, Penn., have all promised to send representatives.

At Camp Grant, Great Lakes Naval Training Station, Ill., Camp Devens and the First Naval Training Station, Boston, efforts are now being made to raise funds to send teams to the games.

Word has been received from Joseph T. England, secretary of the South Atlantic States Intercollegiate Athletic Association, that representatives of the association will turn out in force for the relay championship which will be held on the final day of the carnival. England's assurances came after he had been in touch with the various colleges of the association. Johns Hopkins, Georgetown, Georgia Tech, Virginia Poly Institute and the University of Virginia have already consented to enter teams for this title race.

Advertisement for Pennsylvania Indemnity Exchange, Philadelphia, offering reciprocal automobile insurance.

Advertisement for Federal Machine Shop, Cranberry Street Near Court, advertising automobile chains repair.



Strong Interest in First Boxing Show; Program Looks Good

All Bouts to Be Within Rules Mentioned as Part of Proposed Legislation—Local Promoters Insist on Clean Sport—Local Boys Are on the Bill

If the Pennsylvania Legislature enacts a boxing bill, this city promises to be quite active in ring sport. Those who now promote exhibitions show a desire to keep within the law. This feature is already in evidence at many shows throughout the state. Pittsburgh is having high class shows conducted along lines mentioned as part of plans of those interested in a state boxing bill.

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He wants Harrisburg on the circuit that will furnish clean ring sport. His presence here to-morrow with that of Frank ("Pop") O'Brien, has added increased interest in the show. It is understood that if this city shows a big demand for the best that can be had in boxing exhibitions, Jack Hanlon will help the local associations to get good talent.

Due to the lateness in starting local exhibitions there may be only one more show this season, but if nothing interferes plans will be started early in the fall.

May Get Soldier Boxers If another show is possible this season, it is understood that efforts will be made to have on the next program a number of the classy boxers now in Army training camps.

Boxing is popular with soldiers and backed by Army officials, and Harrisburg is located within easy reach of camps where ring stars are quite prominent just now.

The bill offered for to-morrow night is strictly a local enterprise, possible in being made to attract the Association. Railroad employees

Trenton Easy Picking For Local Independents

Trenton lost to Harrisburg Independents Saturday night, score 37 to 29. It was a listless game. The one big star was Ike McCord. The smallest crowd of the season attended. Harry Hough was given little opportunity to prove a sensation. The summary:

Table showing scores for Trenton and Independents in various categories like Barlow, forward, Murphy, forward, etc.

Results of Games in Big League Training Camps

Table listing results of games in various cities like Jacksonville, San Antonio, Dallas, Chicago, Dallas, Danforth, New Orleans, Cleveland, Hot Springs, Brooklyn, Boston, and Philadelphia.

Tennis Tournaments to Equal Last Year's Events

New York, March 25.—The meeting of the executive committee of the United States National Lawn Tennis Association at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel Saturday was held behind closed doors and the chief matter of importance before the committee, the schedule of sanctioned tournaments, while it was adopted, was not made public.

Carl Hansen, president of the overland-Harrisburg Company, of this city, reports that he still requires twenty to thirty men to make the trip, on which all expenses are paid by the local company.

DEATH CLAIMS MIKE DONOVAN

Teddy Roosevelt's Former Boxing Instructor Succumbs to Pneumonia

New York, March 25.—"Professor" Mike Donovan, prize fighter and many many years boxing instructor at the New York Athletic Club, died at 12.30 yesterday morning at St. Francis' Hospital, in the Bronx. He had been taken there several days ago suffering with pneumonia. He was 74 years old.

The famous pugilist and instructor, who had for some time devoted his services to the New York Athletic Club as a recruiting speaker, took a turn for the worst about 4 p. m. Saturday. At 10.30 he became unconscious and never recovered.

His married daughter and son-in-law were with him from early in the afternoon until he died.

Donovan's career in the ring carried him over the period from 1886, when he fought Bill Crowley at Pittsburgh with bare knuckles, to 1888, when he beat Jack Dempsey in six rounds and retired still undefeated middleweight champion.

Almost until the time he became sick Donovan was a familiar figure in the ring at the New York Athletic Club. He had been master instructor of boxing at the institution for a generation and a half and in that capacity had had as pupils not a few figures of national prominence, including former President Roosevelt.

"The Professor" retired as instructor in 1912, but he considered it impossible to remain away from the gym of the athletic club for any length of time.

At the beginning of the Civil War he enlisted in the Seventy-first Illinois Volunteers and he saw action during the four years of fighting.

It was in the year following the close of the war that Donovan began his ring career, when he met and defeated Billy Crowley, at Pittsburgh. After a number of minor bouts during the successive years he met Jim Murray and Driscoll, of Troy, in 1873, and in 1877, 1878 and 1879 in California he battled against Bill McClellan, who was considered one of the foremost middleweights.

In 1879 Donovan arranged a bout with John L. Sullivan, later heavy weight champion. Under the agreement by which the fight was staged Sullivan was to box at a benefit to be given to Mike, and the latter in return was to aid him in arranging other bouts. Sullivan was virtually unknown at the time. The two pugilists met at the Howard Athenaeum, in Boston, and Sullivan surprised the fight by winning, according to one of the witnesses, "to be a whale of a fighting man."

Mike, however, proved a match for him and the fight was a draw. He withstood the onslaughts of the latter champion, although he broke his right hand in doing so.

In 1884, when the New York A. C. was looking for an instructor, Donovan met Walter Watson in a battle for the job in the old Clarendon Hall. Mike was the victor and held the position a number of years.

Reading Defeats Allentown in Final Contest of League

The Central Pennsylvania scholastic basketball season closed Saturday evening when the Reading five defeated the Allentown aggregation by the score of 56 to 22. The game was fast throughout the entire period of play. Friedman, of the winning team, led the scoring from the field by caging 11 field goals, although Dick Nyquist, of Allentown, led in individual scoring, getting five field goals and eight foul goals.

The summary of the game follows: ALLENTOWN READING: Bohlen, f., 2; Nyquist, f., 1; Heberling, c., 1; Friedman, c., 1; Moyer, g., 1; Weston, g., 1; Kfebs, g., 1.

Field goals, Abraham, Nyquist, 5; Friedman, 11; Saller, 2; Krebs, 2; Bohlen, Northrup, 3; Heberling, Knauss, Baumener, Foul goals, Nyquist, 8 out of 18; Bohlen, 10 out of 18. Substitutions: Julian for Saller; Ruttenberg for Krebs; Snell for Friedman; Baumener for Abraham; Knauss for Weston. Referee, Scott Adams.

Fleet of 125 Overlands to Be Driven From the Factory to Harrisburg

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has requisitioned the Pennsylvania State Government to transport a corps of one hundred and twenty-five Overland automobiles to Harrisburg for the Overland Automobile factory to drive one hundred and twenty-five Overland cars to Harrisburg for the Overland-Harrisburg Company, of this city.

The corps will leave Harrisburg on Tuesday, March 26, and start the trip back to Harrisburg on Friday, March 29. The fleet will leave the factory in troops of six cars each, so as not to congest hotel accommodations along the road.

Carl Hansen, president of the overland-Harrisburg Company, of this city, reports that he still requires twenty to thirty men to make the trip, on which all expenses are paid by the local company.

Among the prominent automobile men who will accompany the expedition are Carl Hansen, "Bobby" Burns and John Harrest.

WINS HIS BRIDE WITH HOME RUN; NOW EXEMPTION

St. Louis, March 25.—Douglas Baird, infielder of the St. Louis Cardinals, has been placed in Class 4 of the next Army draft, and thereby hangs a tale.

When Doug appeared before his local draft board he testified that he had been married on October 19, 1917.

"Your marriage came too late for exemption," he was told. "Yes, but I was engaged before the board went into effect," answered Baird.

"The law went into effect in May," said the board examiner. "How long before that were you engaged, and how can you prove it?"

"A month before that," said Baird. "and I can prove it this way: It all happened because of a home run I made in a game in Pittsburgh last April. I ought to be sure of the date. I met the girl I married on the morning before the game and made an engagement to see her that evening."

"We had been friends a long time and I had asked her to marry me several times, and that morning she said she would agree to it if I knocked a home run that afternoon. I don't know whether that was the real reason or not, but that afternoon I hit the ball and won a prize of \$50 and when I went out to the house that night I told her she had to make good and she said: 'Yes.' That's enough to fix it in anybody's mind, isn't it?"

The draft board was so impressed that Doug was given deferred classification.

Fletcher Crossed Plate in Nine Straight Games



ARTHUR FLETCHER

Arthur Fletcher, was second to George Burns last season, in the matter of consecutive tallying. The Giant shortstop registered at the plate one or more times in nine straight games, beginning on July 21 and ending August 9. And that was the era when the Giants were trying to clinch the pennant, and Fletcher's streak of coming surely helped the McGraw clansman mightily.

Reh, the Boston youngster, was a good third with a streak of eight games, while Maraville, Burns, Mann, of the Cubs; Luderus, of the Phillies, and Plack, of the Cubs, tied for fourth place with seven-game streaks.

Parking in Center of Market Square Now Is Suggested

Need of additional traffic regulations for parking in Market Square may result in the passage of an ordinance by Council compelling motorists to park their machines in the center of the Square instead of along the curb-line, it was said to-day.

A number of conferences have been held at police headquarters to discuss traffic conditions, Captain Joseph P. Thompson recommending such action if a measure is passed directing owners of vehicles to park in the center of the Square, better protection will be necessary for persons waiting on streetcars. It may be decided to place a low curbing around the safety zone, or to stretch chains attached to standards.

Traffic officers also have suggested a police regulation compelling pedestrians to cross streets only at intersections, and imposing a fine for violations. According to some of the city authorities, serious accidents would occur almost daily but for the extreme care which motorists take in driving over downtown streets, as scores of persons cross at any point they choose, frequently stepping almost directly in the path of an approaching automobile or streetcar.

ENROLLS IN DENTAL RESERVES

Marysville, Pa., March 25.—Jonings Myers is the latest Marysville man to sign up for service with Uncle Sam. Myers, a first-year student at the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, has enrolled in the Dental Reserves. He is a member of the Psi Omega fraternity, a national dental organization. Myers brings the number of Marysville people in the service to sixty-five. Fifty-nine men are enrolled in active war service, three women are enrolled as Red Cross nurses and three men are signed up in the Dental Reserve Corps.

WELLY'S CORNER

Advertisement for Welly's Corner, a boxing show featuring various fights and events.

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Boxing shows when properly conducted are big boosters for any city. Frankie Erne while not keeping up a long run of high price exhibitions, is making good in Lancaster. He won't have anything to do with boxers who do not produce the goods.

This city is entitled to good boxing shows. Why local fans have not had a run of good boxing shows has not been explained. A big bill is offered for to-morrow night. It comes with the aid of a local athletic association, and ought to prove of unusual interest. On the bill are boys who have the reputation for making good.

Frank "Pop" O'Brien will be in the ring to-morrow night at the big boxing show. It is a long time since this veteran has visited Harrisburg. There was a time when he came here to fight and was a big drawing card. He boxed at Ketter street hall, and one time at the Armory. To-morrow night he will be referee.

Local baseball managers are not giving much encouragement when asked about prospects for the coming season. They claim it is going to be some task to get teams lined up. Players who are eligible, it is said, are working hard and may find it difficult to get off for practice, and for Saturday games. However, every effort possible will be made to furnish good sport.

Jim Thorpe hit a home run the other day. He will have to keep on smashing out four buggers or he

will be run home or back to minors. McGraw says no fooling this year.

At Mamau, Dodger twirler, is in Class A, on the draft list. "When duty calls, you must obey." Brooklyn will lose a good man and the Army gets one.

Hugo Bezdek, manager of the Pirates, besides being a keen student of athletics and a competent developer of men in all branches of sport, is himself something of an all-around performer. Born in Bohemia, he came to this country as a child, and was a powerfully built young man when he entered the University of Chicago about fifteen years ago. He was equally proficient at football, baseball and track athletics as a student, and, it is said, boxed professionally for a time under the name of "Young Hugo." He is also a good coach.

The controversy concerning the name, home and life history of Jack Dempsey, the heavyweight fighter, has seemingly been raging from one end of the country to the other. It has remained for John Dempsey, father of the heavyweights, to give his version of the matter. Papa Dempsey avers from his Salt Lake home that his boy was born in a small town in Colorado. At an early age the Dempseys moved to Utah, and later in life Jack went on to California to establish a list reputation. "Father" further avers that Dempsey is the true family name, and not Shinsky, as has been charged. The youngster was christened William Harrison Dempsey and nicknamed "Jack" after the famous Nonpareil.

Another Big Offer For Willard-Fulton Battle

New Orleans, March 25.—The Louisiana Auditorium Company of this city, and Matt Hinkle, a fight promoter, of Cleveland, late Saturday telegraphed to J. C. Miller, representative of Jess Willard, at Chicago, an offer of \$130,000 for a fight next fall between Willard and Fred Fulton. The offer stipulated that the fight must be a twenty-round bout.

MARYSVILLE MAN WOUNDED

Marysville, Pa., March 25.—The first Marysville man has been wounded. He is Howard A. Spidel, serving with Company F, Twenty-eighth Infantry. His wounds are slight, according to advices received here.

Thirty Fast Rounds BOXING

Chestnut St. Auditorium TUESDAY, MARCH 26 Starting at 8.15 P. M.

HERE IS THE BIG BILL: Wind-Up—CHARLIE (TOUGHIE) MURRAY VS. K. O. JOE O'DONNELL Ten Rounds

Semi-Wind-Up—JOE MCCARRON VS. SAMMY SCHEFF Eight Rounds

Preliminaries, 6 Rounds Each—SAM KAUTZ VS. YOUNG RUSSELL NAT ISAACMAN VS. KID CROW

ADMISSION—Ringside, \$1.50; Arena, \$1.10; Balcony, three rows, 50c; balance 50c; all including war tax. Seats on Sale at Bogar's 12-14 Market Square

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Advertisement for John C. Herman & Co. MAKERS, featuring 'Quality will always be standardized while cheap goods are dear at any price'.