

Organization of National Body to Govern Boxing Is Urged

Says Champions Should Fight or Get Off Thrones

Sports Writer Deplores Condition of Fistic Affairs—Title Holders Afraid to Fight.

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The Dodge is a fistic playlet of the present day, with all the champions enthusiastically engaged in taking turns in the title role—all adroitly ducking battles which might result in the loss of their crowns.

From Johnny Dundee right along to Kibane, there isn't a single king of pugilism who shows a disposition—or a courage—to fight another champion.

Johnnie Kibane, boss of the featherweights, has fought two or three times in two or three years—and Heaven alone knows when he'll ever battle again.

Jack Dempsey has been in Madison Square Garden, New York, because he claims he has "mad" on with Tex Rickard. He won't fight anywhere else in New York because the purse offerings are too small.

But he'll fight in Jersey, or in Pennsylvania or other non-decision states. What difference does it make to the champ? He can't lose the title in non-decision states—except through knockouts, and Leonard cleverly dodges meeting Lew Tendler or Charlie White, the knock-out dead ends, anywhere.

Jack Britton has grown old. He's not the Britton he used to be. But he still loves that title in the welterweight ranks. So rather than take a chance on losing it, he is content to fight in non-decision states.

No champion has guarded his holdings more zealously than Johnny Wilson. He has fought only a few times since he became champion, and on a few of these occasions has insisted upon having his own referee at work.

Omahans Who Will Compete in American Bowling Congress



Prize Money in Bowling Meet Totals \$40,000—Nearly 6,000 Bowlers Already Have Entered

TOLEDO, O., Jan. 14.—More than \$40,000 will be in the "pot of gold" to be rolled for in the annual tournament of the American Bowling Congress to be staged here beginning February 27 and extending over a period of 30 days.

Nearly 6,000 pin spillers from the Pacific coast on the west, the Atlantic coast on the east, Toronto, Can., on the north, and Jacksonville, Fla., on the south will engage in what appears destined to be the blue-ribbon event of the great annual indoor classic, it was announced here today.

It is the aim of the Toledo Bowling association, sponsoring the event, to make this the peer of all in point of team entry as well as entertainment.

Philadelphia, Jan. 14.—Benjamin J. Shibe, president of the Philadelphia American league baseball club, died today.

Mr. Shibe, who was in his 83d year, had been ailing for about two years. About a year ago he was in an automobile accident, receiving injuries from which he slowly recovered.

Mr. Shibe's financial assistance made it possible for the American league to establish a club in Philadelphia when it invaded National league territory in 1901. He was made president of the club when it was established and remained in that position to the time of his death.

It was also through Mr. Shibe's aid that there was built here the first concrete baseball grand stand in the major leagues. Connie Mack said today in speaking of Mr. Shibe's death:

"Mr. Shibe began to earn his living as a horse car driver. He had a knack for sewing up a lot of yarn and making a presentable baseball for boys on the lots and drifted into the business with his brother. The business prospered, and in 1882 he became associated with A. J. Reach, famous ball player in the 70s, in the A. J. Reach company. Both men became quite wealthy. Mr. Reach survived his partner."

Mr. Shibe has been given credit for developing baseballs to their present standard. The idea of the cork center baseball was attributed to him.

Enforcement of Freshman Rule Urged in Colleges



Chicago, Jan. 14.—Full enforcement of the one-year rule, barring freshmen from athletic teams, was urged for all colleges and universities in a resolution unanimously adopted last night by the Association of American Colleges.

The resolution was presented by Charles R. Richmond, president of Union college, who declared that its unanimous adoption would eliminate the present tendency of schools to "buy" prep school athletic stars.

Seattle Club Won't Waive on Two Players Omaha Buys on Coast

Barney Burch is having his troubles along with the rest of the fellows who boss baseball clubs. Barney had engineered a deal to obtain Outfielder Ginglard and Infielder Grantham from Portland Coast league club, but Seattle refused to waive on the two players.

New Faces in Card Lineup

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 14.—Manager Branch Riskey of the Cardinals plans to start the 1922 championship race with virtually the same team that finished in third place last year.

Nine Games Slated for Harvard Football Team Next Fall

New York, Jan. 14.—Nine games have been arranged for the Harvard football team next fall, with the University of Florida filling the open date on November 4, over which there has been considerable controversy.

Earl Puryear Wins Over Dale Hill

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 14.—Earl Puryear of Denver, won the newspaper decision over Dale Hill of Fort Worth in 10 rounds last night. The Denver boy slammed his opponent all over the ring in seven of the 10 rounds. The men are featherweights.

New York, Jan. 14.—Harry Williams, colored heavyweight, may get a chance soon to show his wares in Madison Square Garden. Ted Rickard said today that he had in mind a match between Williams and either Bill Tate or the stout and rugged Kid Norfolk. The promoter added that it was just possible there would be increased demand for a Willie-Dempsey contest.

Basketball Results

Lodgepole Pines Lose. Lodgepole, Neb., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—In a fast game, the Pines lost to the Kimbals five by the score of 31 to 32.

Iowa Prepares for Annual "Big Ten" Track Meet

Iowa City, Ia., Jan. 14.—When the annual field meet of the "Big Ten" is held on Iowa field next June 3 it will be the second time in seven years that the event has not taken place in Chicago.

Whippet Racing New Sport Fad; Great Crowds Turn Out

Whippet racing, a sport centuries old, leaped into popularity which was more than that of a mere fad during the last season in the United States.

Tiger Flippers Win From Huskers, 46-31

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Missouri defeated the Nebraska cagers at the State Fair grounds coliseum last night, 46 to 31.

Johnny Dundee Gets \$9,675 for His Fight With Willie Jackson

New York, Jan. 14.—Johnny Dundee received \$9,675.50 for boxing Willie Jackson a draw recently at Madison Square Garden.

Sammy Mandell Defeats Jack Eile

Chicago, Jan. 14.—Sammy Mandell, Cleveland, defeated Jack Eile of Chicago in the largest amount that has ever been taken in at the Garden for a boxing show at the popular prices of \$1 to \$5.

Jinx Hooks Onto Local Bowlers—Omaha Great Bowling City, But It Never Turns Out Winners

Omaha has been a good bowling city ever since "Heck was a pup." Omahans literally dote on the game. Yet in the city's bowling annals there hasn't been but one really great, consistent money winning team—and that broke up this combination.