

WILLARD LIKELY CHAMPION

Now Seems the Most Probable of All White Hope Pugilists.

IS LITTLE HARD TO AROUSE

Lanky Rancher, if Properly Stirred Up, Possesses All of the Qualifications to Put It Over

By RINGSIDE.

NEW YORK, August 1.—Interest in the heavyweight situation on this side of the Atlantic is dwindling apace, and unless a Caucasian relieves a certain Jack Johnson of the title shortly speculative manifestation will wane until it dies out entirely.

Johnson Forgotten.

Johnson was forgotten. The "white hope" brigade soon was looked upon as a hopeless conglomeration of beef and brawn, lacking wholly in initiative. They were shy on brains. The crop was stunted and only three showed latent fighting ability.

Dreyfus May Lose.

The Pirates made money early in the year, but since the slump the fans have quit paying money to look them over and Barney Dreyfus may have to suffer a \$60,000 loss for this year.

Naps Suffering Most.

In the American league the Naps will suffer most. The Cleveland fans have quit them cold. The Naps are not drawing on the road and the combination of miserable attendance and huge salaries may set the Naps back about \$100,000.

Negro Is Willing.

Johnson has expressed a willingness to fight Willard six rounds in Philadelphia, ten rounds in Boston or twenty rounds over on the other side.

Australia Likely to Make Base Ball One of Its Sports

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Norman E. Brookes, captain of the Australian tennis team that has come to the United States for the Davis cup matches, looks for an early development of the American national game in Australia as a result of the visit of the two American base ball teams to that country on their around-the-world tour last winter.

MAGNATES LOSING MONEY

Big League Impresarios Are Facing Heavy Deficit in Receipts.

FEDES ARE MOST CHEERFUL

Bosses of the Outlaws Taking Their Losses Laconically, While Rest Are Not Half So Cheerful Over Change.

By FRANK G. MENKE.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—With the season more than half over, it seems a certainty that the majority of the magnates of the National, American and Federal leagues will suffer losses that may reach a total of \$2,000,000 while the minor league losses will amount probably \$500,000 to \$750,000 to that sum.

Giants Making Money.

In the National league only the Giants seem to have made money up to this writing, and their earnings so far are said to be only half of those for the same period in the last three years.

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Some of the clubs in the Federal league will lose more than others. The Kansas City, Pittsburgh, Indianapolis and St. Louis backers just now seem destined to suffer larger losses than the others.

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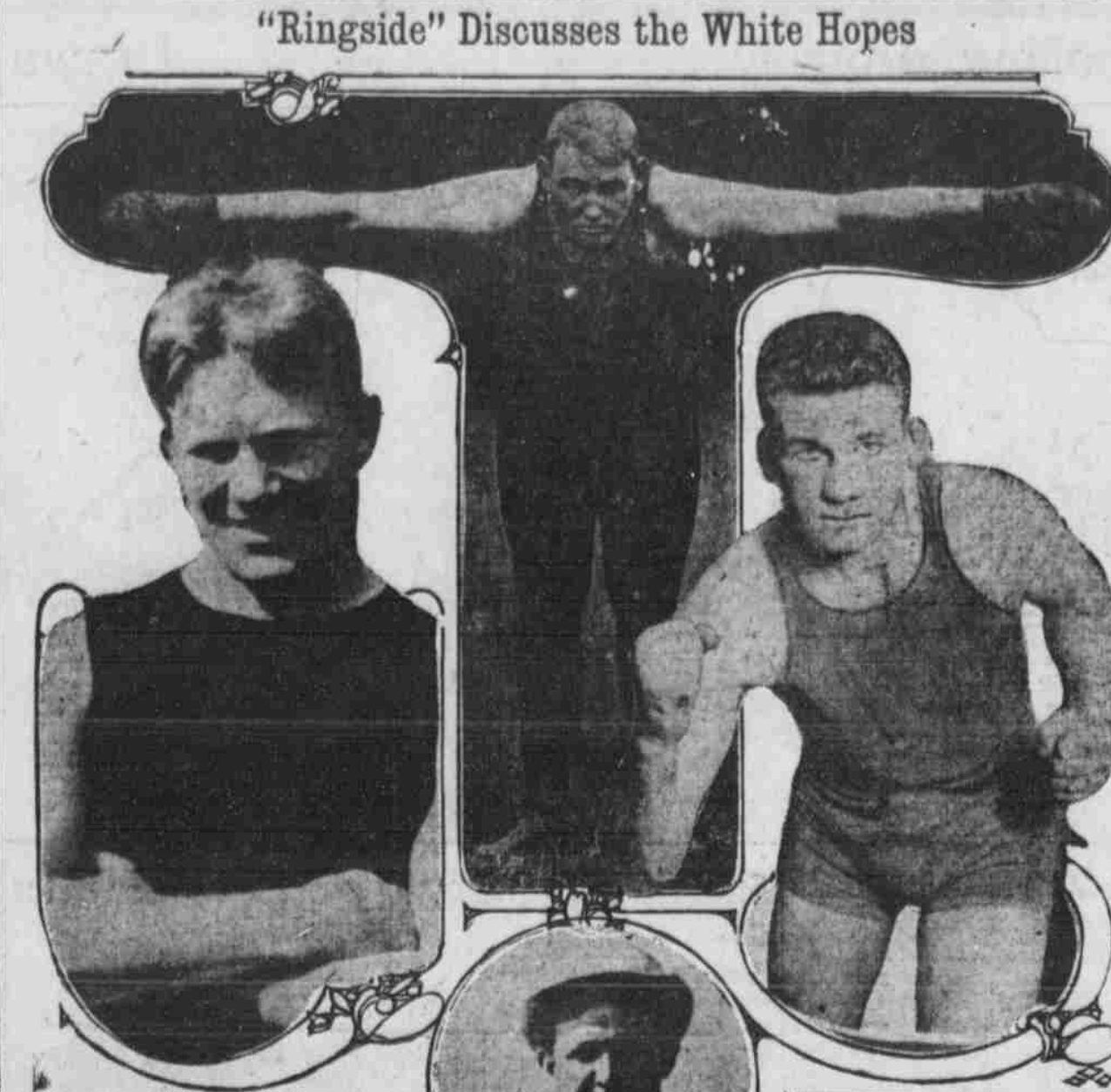
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attendance at 60 cents it would mean that the Feds would take in through the gate about \$75,000 during the year, giving the whole league a net loss of \$750,000 or about \$100,000 each.

These figures may do a certain injustice to the Federal leagues because they may show the outlay larger than it really is and the receipts smaller. But they are given from the best estimates available.

While the white hope situation is admittedly desperate, there are a few in that class worth mentioning. Here is seen (above) the giant Carl Morris, strutting his arms to show his enormous reach. To the right is Gunboat Smith. His recent defeat by George Carpentier over in London hasn't discouraged him, because a lot of folk think Eugene Corri, the referee, erred badly.

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A good way to spend your noon hour is to play chess or checkers at the Omaha Chess and Checker club. The monthly dues are a trifle, the pastime is a clean one and will benefit you mentally and morally, and the location of the club is convenient, being on the third floor of the Continental block, Fifteenth and Douglas streets. The best players in the club will be delighted to teach you the game of chess if you are not an expert, or to beat you at it if you are.

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Shut the Door You're Letting in Flies

By F. S. HUNTER

PAST AND PRESENT. Tell us not of mournful numbers: Tell us not of pennant dreams: Tell us not of blissful slumbers: And the light of hope which gleams.

CONGILTON, NOT CONNIE MACK.

Old Hip Van Winkle went to sleep and slept for twenty years. And never woke from slumberland—to listen to the cheers.

MODERN FINANCE.

It was a Wall Street broker and he had traveled far. To see a lowly athlete, a bonded base ball star, a millionnaire.

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