

Jack Dempsey Abandons All Battle Plans

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion, said here today that he has abandoned all fight plans for the immediate future.

Not until the sun shines warm enough to allow a million dollar gate at one of the Rickard's arenas—probably a new one seating 125,000 people under contemplation on Long Island, will the champion again don the mits.

Today Dempsey, who is here for the holidays, took up rehearsal of a snappy line of chatter to be passed out to the public as "wise cracks" from the vaudeville stage. He is also rehearsing a dance step.

Jack Kearns, manager of the champion, who may team with Dempsey in the vaudeville turn, said: "We won't fight until June at least. We'll give Firpo the first crack unless the unforeseen develops."

Damon Runyon's Column

By DAMON RUNYON.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Years from now, when the talk turns to fighters, you—who will then be old and gray—will say:

"Ah, but you should have seen Johnny Dundee, who could make 126 pounds and who fought in four different classes—featherweight, junior lightweight, lightweight and welterweight. There was a fighter."

You will not be believed by the pugilistic fans of the future when you attempt to tell them in detail of Dundee's prowess.

They will think you are exaggerating, especially when you tell them that during his active career Dundee held two different world championship titles and saw the passing of 29 championship titleholders.

The writer believes that Dundee, right name Guiseppe Corrao, an Italian, born in Sicily, is the most remarkable character the ring has ever produced.

You find in boxing history, from the time of Piaz down to the present, no parallel to Dundee's record.

Not even Dundee knows just how many battles he has had since he started fighting 13 years ago.

He, still under 30, is a world champion. It is conceivable that he will be fighting for several years to come, and that before he retires he will perhaps have had more bouts than any boxer that ever lived.

Dundee is small, compactly built.

When not in training his weight is apt to run up as high as 145 pounds. In a couple of weeks he can peel off 17 pounds.

Instead of weakening him, the reducing process seems to leave him stronger—certainly much faster. In fact, when Dundee weighed above 130 pounds, he displays poor ring form. When he is 130 pounds or under, he is not only faster, but oddly enough, a stronger hitter.

The writer, predicts that, two years after Dundee quits fighting, he will be a very fat little man.

Perhaps nature, in designing Dundee, purposely made allowance for his singular elasticity in weight to produce the greatest physical ring freak of all time.

Two battered ears are the visible marks of Dundee's long service in the Queensbury realm.

His eyes remain clear, his brain unaddled, his hands are in good condition, though he has hammered with them against more than 200 opponents.

He has been knocked out but once, that time some years ago by Willie Jackson.

The first title Dundee ever held, and that gained after years of fighting, was the 130-pound championship, sometimes called the junior lightweight title.

This title was conceived by the boxing authorities a few years ago for the boxers between 125 pounds, the featherweight limit, and 135 pounds, the lightweight limit.

Dundee was quite proud of the 130-pound title, which carried with it a diamond belt. He won permanent possession of the belt by defending the title three times.

Then Dundee lost his 130-pound title to Jack Bernstein, sensational young fighter from Vonkers, after a fierce 15-round battle.

About this time Eugene Criqui came from France and got a match with Johnny Kilbane for the featherweight championship, a match that belonged to Dundee. However, Dundee waived his claim on the match with Kilbane on the condition that the winner of the Kilbane-Criqui bout give him an early opportunity to win the featherweight title.

Criqui beat Kilbane, Dundee beat Criqui. This was one of the greatest fights of Dundee's life. Making 126 pounds, he showed better form than ever before in his career.

Lewis Defends His Title.

St. Louis, Dec. 14.—Ed Lewis, the stangler, world's heavyweight champion, successfully defended his title here last night in a finish match with Josef Gurdawicz, a youthful Pole, winning two straight falls.

Lewis took the first fall with a headlock in 45 minutes and 20 seconds, and the second with an identical hold in 3 minutes and 42 seconds.

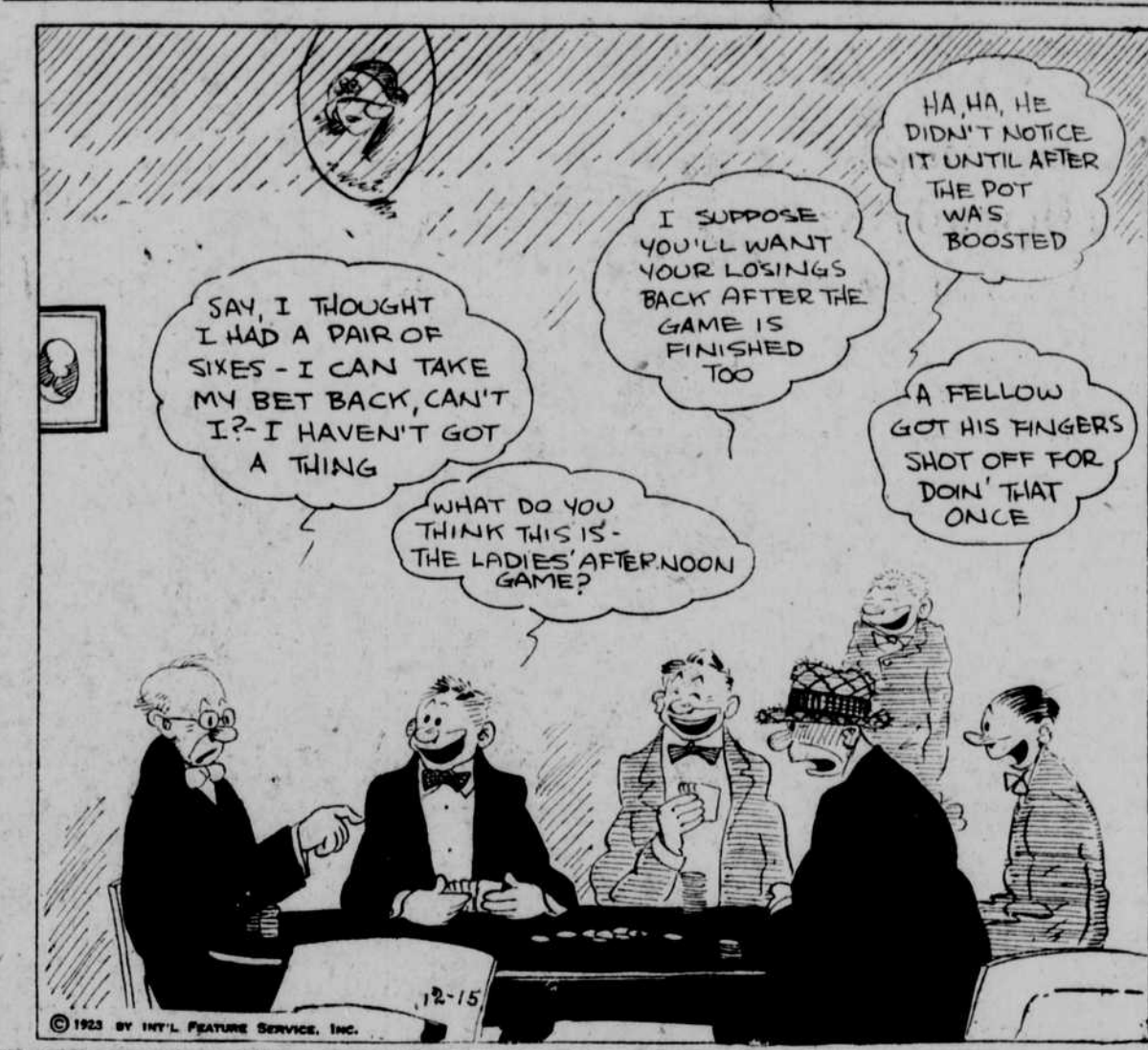
Blues to Train at Vernon.

Los Angeles, Dec. 14.—The Kansas City Blues, 1923 champions of the American association, will train at the Maier baseball park, Vernon, according to word received here.

A tentative schedule for exhibition games in March, beginning shortly after the arrival of the Blues, March 1, has been arranged.

Don Worley has been elected captain of the Beatrice high school 1924 football team.

EDDIE'S FRIENDS



Hoosier Cagers to Meet Creighton Next Friday Night

Indiana Team Composed of Veterans - Quintet Is Coached by Former Major Leaguer.

Bloomington, Ind., Dec. 14.—The Indiana university basketball team which meets Creighton, December 21, at Omaha, is practically a veteran quintet. Only two men were lost by graduation and the freshman material seems promising. In the first game here December 7, against Indiana State Normal, practically all of the candidates for the Crimson team got a tryout, which probably accounts as much as anything else for Indiana's close win, 27-24.

The Hoosiers regard Creighton highly and expect to have to display their best team work to win. Indiana meets Drake at Des Moines, December 20.

The Hoosiers will play their first Big Ten game here January 5, against Wisconsin. Indiana will play 12 conference games this season, meeting Wisconsin, Michigan, North-western, Ohio State and Minnesota in "home and home" games.

Leslie Mann Is Coach.

Leslie Mann, former major league baseball player who became Indiana university's new assistant athletic director in September, has command of the Crimson's basketball ball destinies again this season. Last winter the Hoosiers, under the leadership of Mann, were regarded as one of the most dangerous teams in the Big Ten conference. With a turnout of 60 men for the first call this year, the Hoosiers have prospects of a successful season. Wilfred Bahr and Gene Thomas are the only regulars from last year's five who are lost by graduation, and with the material at hand Mann believes that he can fill the vacancies with valuable men.

Kenneth Alward, back guard, will captain the Indiana five this year, and is expected to be one of the mainstays of the team, along with Paul Parker, center, and Mike Nyikos, forward. All of these men starred on last year's quintet. Early Knopy appears as a possibility at the other forward, although he will be handicapped during the first of the season with football injuries. The choice of the other guard is an uncertainty. The job at present appears to lie between Sponser, Eberhart, Woodward, Easton and Sanford.

Complete Schedule.

Indiana's complete 17-game schedule for the 1923-24 season follows:

December 7, Indiana State Normal at Bloomington; December 12, Rose Poly at Des Moines; December 21, Creighton at Omaha; January 5, Wisconsin at Bloomington; January 12, Wisconsin at Bloomington; January 19, Chicago at Chicago; January 21, Northwestern at Chicago; January 26, Ohio State at Bloomington; February 2, Minnesota at Bloomington; February 9, Northwestern at Bloomington; February 12, Notre Dame at Bloomington; February 16, Ohio State at Columbus; February 18, Michigan at Ann Arbor; February 25, Chicago at Chicago; March 2, Michigan at Bloomington.

El Paso—Jimmy Nantz, claimant of the Pacific coast lightweight championship, won an early round of the eight-round Yoplite stadium main event against Young Tommy Murphy, champion of the quadrangle, lightweight champion of the national cavalry division, last night completely outclassed Murphy through-out. Nantz is en route overland to New Orleans.

Champaign, Ill.—Warrie Smith, Oklahoma welterweight, beat Jimmy Gill of Jackson, W. Va. here last night, Smith boxed with Gill, winning every round.

Newsey Sportlets

George Washington Payne, Oklahoma City pitcher who won 24 games and lost 15 for the Indians last season, has been transferred to Los Angeles. Wayne Windle, shortstop, has been sold to Hamilton, Ontario.

Bill Ball, keeper of the Des Moines Western league ball park, arrived in Omaha yesterday with his fighter, Johnny Harris, featherweight.

Jake Miller, outfielder, has been sold by the Birmingham team of the Southern association to Fort Worth of the Texas league.

Monmouth college opened its basketball season last night with a victory over the Burlington, Ia., Y. M. C. A., 21 to 3.

Great Britain's challenge for an international team race between six-meter yachts on this side of the Atlantic has been accepted by the Seawanhaka Yacht club.

Only four games separate the first and sixth teams in the Mercantile Bowling league, according to the latest averages.

"Yan" Yaryan, former Wichita and Chicago catcher, has been traded to the Memphis club.

Man Sentenced to "Keep" Baby

Abbe Thompson must stay at his home, 2619 South First street, next Sunday, and care for his two babies, while his wife, Mrs. Georgia Thompson, takes a whole dollar and "blows it in" on the movies.

This was the decision yesterday in District Judge Day's court where Thompson appeared on appeal from municipal court charged with abusing his wife and failing to support her. Thompson was paroled on condition that he adhere to the judge's orders.

Mrs. Thompson testified that he never stayed home on Sundays.

Gould Dietz Out for G. O. P. Post

Gould Dietz Friday announced his candidacy for delegate from Nebraska to the republican national convention in Cleveland.

Five hundred voters are required to sign the petition that has been circulated. There are two delegates to be elected from Nebraska at large and two from each district, according to W. D. McHugh, Jr.

O. K.'s Rails for New Mines

Washington, Dec. 14.—The Interstate Commerce Commission today reversed a previous decision in which it had laid down the broad principle that no further rail construction should be authorized to open new coal mines.

Prize Canary for White House

Cleveland, O., Dec. 14.—Lohengrin, Jr., first prize-winning canary at the annual international roller canary singin contest and exhibition here, will be sent to Mrs. Calvin Coolidge. The bird was bred by Joseph Wolf of Chicago.

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But he isn't the kind of fellow who makes eyes at the girls while they are slipping chocolate sodas through straws, and he doesn't gaze at himself in the mirrors of the fountain.

Nelson is neither afraid of work nor dirt. He has been rolled in the dirt many times during his three years in football at the high school. Hard knocks and bumps are common to him. He was a substitute on the team for one year, played two years on the regular team and has been elected captain for the year 1924.

Nelson also plays the trombone in the school band. But when the band appears at the football games Nelson is out on the field with dirt on his face and hair ruffled.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Short, 216 North Twenty-fifth avenue. He has a brother and sister in high school and another sister in the grade school.

every-day expenses, too. About half the boys in school are earning their way. Time for study is found in the study periods through the day.

Nelson has never been ineligible for football.

"I work out of school hours to earn money for my clothes," he says. "I have to have some money for

Girl Asks Police for Suicide Gun

Constant adversity which Ruth Bryant, 23, 1807 Lake street, says has blighted her life, caused her to ask for a revolver with which to kill herself when arrested Thursday night on complaint of Miss Veneta Welbourne, 321 North Twenty-second street, she said in her jail cell Friday.

Miss Welbourne charged her with the theft of clothing. Ruth Bryant admitted taking \$26 and a pair of gloves, but said she wants to pay the money back.

"I might as well be dead as to be in trouble all the time," she declared. "I had to have new clothes or I couldn't attract men."

Judge to Des Moines

Federal Judge Woodrough and Mrs. Woodrough went to Des Moines Thursday to visit their son, Guy Beckett, manager of the Western Paper company.

Foreign Trade Meeting

Convention of the Mid-West Foreign Trade committee will be held Monday and Tuesday at Hotel Fontenelle.

Senator Frank B. Willis, chairman of the committee, will address the convention on the opening day. The committee is composed of farmers and manufacturers in the middle-west and attempts to deal with economic problems of foreign trade.

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Tiny Fingers Drag Mother Outside Law

Stole Own Children Who Put Arms Around Her Neck, She Admits in Bluffs Court.

Mrs. Lillie Allen, arrested in Omaha Wednesday night after she took three of her children from the grounds of the Pierce street school, Council Bluffs, while they were wards of the Grandview Juvenile home, was arraigned before Judge Frank J. Capell in Council Bluffs superior court Friday morning on a charge of contempt of court.

Charge of child stealing had originally been lodged against her, but this charge was dismissed without prejudice, and she was held on \$50 bond on the contempt charge.

She pleaded guilty to the charge in court Friday morning. She told the judge she went to the school to see the children and that when they put their arms around her neck she could not resist the temptation to take them away.

Living in Omaha. She has been living in Omaha since

her divorce from her husband, Tom Allen. She pleaded with the court to be permitted to regain custody of the three children—Frances, Avis and Iris. There are 17 children in the family, some of whom are children of Tom Allen by former marriages.

Mrs. Allen told the court she is receiving \$30 a month alimony, and that a son, 18, and a daughter, 21, are contributing to her support. In addition, she said, she has arranged to take a boarder, and with her combined income she believes she can give the children proper care.

The judge told her to make formal application and that he would consider the matter later.

Then he explained to her the seriousness of a charge of contempt of court.

Sentence Monday.

Mrs. Allen had previously violated a court order in taking some of her children from the Grandview home at Thanksgiving time and failing to return them until officials of the home went after them.

He cited the case of Carroll Bush, 4, declared mentally deficient after a psychopathic examination at the University of Iowa, who was stolen from Christian home, Council Bluffs, by his father while waiting for an order to commit him to an institution at Glenwood, Ia., as what might be expected as a common occurrence if court orders were permitted to be violated.

The judge accepted Mrs. Allen's plea of guilty and told her to return Monday morning to receive sentence.

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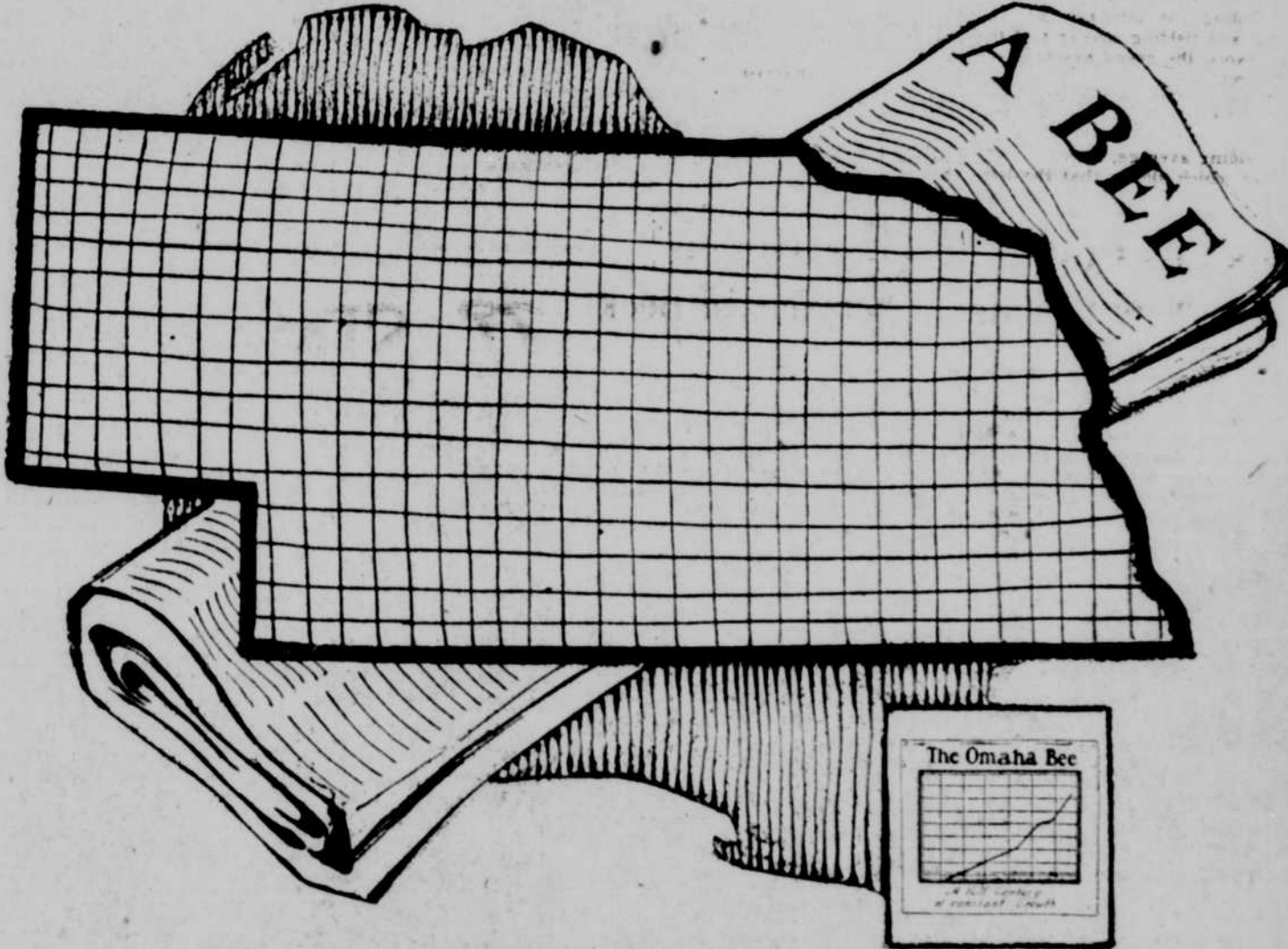
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