

Champions of Fistic World Are Not Anxious to Defend Titles in Decision Bouts

Title Holders Rather Barnstorm Than Do Battle

Pancho Villa One of Busiest of Boxers—Has Four Fights Scheduled in Near Future.

UNTIL the time arrives when large fistic enterprises can be promoted in open air arenas, are the championship crowns of the eight reigning kings of fistiana liable to tumble. Since Harry Greb decorated from their resting place, for a second time the features of Johnny Wilson, no champion has expressed a desire to enter a ring in Madison square Garden and defend his crown against a worthy challenger in a decision contest, despite the fact that flattering offers have been made to most of the title holders. Fighters prefer to meet mediocre opponents in no-decision contests elsewhere for less money and keep their valuable assets until they can perform for sums that are possible when the open air season opens.

Three of the fistic topline are to meet mediocre performers as features of this week's fistic calendar, but they run very little risk of being dethroned—the only risk being that a possible lucky punch will land in a dangerous spot, which happens about once in 10 years.

Pancho Villa, flyweight king; Joe Lynch, bantam champion, and Jack Bernstein, who leads the way in the newly created junior lightweight division, are the three in question. Villa is one of the busiest of the boxers. The Filipino flash is young, ambitious and his manager keeps him so. He has four fights scheduled within the next four weeks, the first of which will be with Nate Carr in Detroit Monday night. This Carr person is a third rater who may make it interesting enough so Villa can get a good workout, but the Filipino is not going to take on anything dangerous for the money he will gather in Detroit. There is too much big money in New York when he wants to risk the title he took by flattening Jimmy Wilde.

Joe Lynch has spent the winter barnstorming about the country, much of his time being spent down in Dixie, where the natives contributed liberally to the Lynch bank account for the privilege of seeing in action the man who holds the crown which once adorned the brow of Pete Herman, Italian, from New Orleans.

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IF BACK HURTS BEGIN ON SALTS

Flush Your Kidneys Occasionally by Drinking Quarts of Good Water.

No man or woman can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Too much rich food creates acids which clog the kidney pores so that they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood. Then you get sick. Rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, dizziness, bladder disorders often come from sluggish kidneys.

The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular of passage, or attended by a sensation of scalding, begin to drink soft water in quantities. Salts from any reliable pharmacy and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine.

Will Play Billiard Exhibitions



James Barber and Billy Owens, Billiard players.

HERE'S James Barber, Des Moines, and Billy Owens, Denver, crack pocket billiard players who have scheduled exhibition games in various towns throughout the middle west.

Barber won the tri-state tournament at the Paxton parlors last week, while Owens came in for third money.

Discussion Regarding Size and Weight of Golf Ball Detrimental to Player

Sam Reynolds, state golf champion, says that the only trouble with the feverish discussion about the size and weight of the golf ball is that it is taking the attention of the golfer off more important things. A few years ago the golfer would go out on the links and have a good time with almost any kind of an old golf ball. He paid no attention to the ball, but gave some serious thought about how he planted his feet and how he held his head. He was careful about his grip and tried to cultivate the practice of keeping his eye on the ball.

It is possible that many golfers are getting the impression that all that is necessary to play a good game of golf is a highly animated golf ball. That is not necessarily correct. Fast ball or slow ball, small ball or large ball, the fact still remains that one of the details of the game is to get from the tee to the hole in the fewest strokes. The closer he can come to one, the better.

The wide difference of opinion expressed about the golf ball leads to the conclusion that somebody must be wrong in his calculations about the elusive ball. All of these expressions of opinion cannot be right. One thing is certain, no matter how they change the ball, the game of golf is going to be just as difficult to play as it ever was.

A good plan for the golfer to follow is to forget about any possible change which may or may not be made in the golf ball in a year or two and pay the strictest attention to improving his own game. A lighter and larger ball is not going to help a bit if you do not keep your eye on it and keep your head down. A golf ball with wings would not fly very far if the player shuffled his feet all around the tee before he hits it.

Nine Major Mound Men to Use Spitter

New York, Feb. 16.—If Allan Sotheron, purchased by the Cardinals from Louisville recently, is allowed to use his most effective delivery, nine spittah pitchers will work in the majors this year. When the magnates prohibited the spitter several years ago they agreed to allow boxers who employed such methods to keep on until they retired. But incoming recruits now are forced to deliver the ball in orthodox style.

There are five spittah pitchers in the American league—Faber of the White Sox, Quinn of the Red Sox, Shocker of the Browns, Coveloskie of the Indians, and Russell of the Washingtons. In the National league Sotheron and Dock of the Cardinals, Grimes of the Brooklyn and Mitchell of the Phillies, a southpaw, hurl it dampened pill.

Knotty Problems of Basket Ball

—A player receives a pass while he is in the air with both feet off the floor. After he comes to the floor with the ball, how many steps is he allowed in getting rid of it?

—The rules do not state exactly how many steps may be taken when the player in motion receives the ball, but he must stop or get rid of the ball as soon as possible. There are so many different situations possible under this heading that the rules direct the officials to use their judgment.

—The referee called a violation on an opponent immediately after the violation was called. The referee disregarded the violation and permitted the player to try for two free goals. The game was protested because the referee disregarded the violation.

—The referee was correct in disregarding the violation, but if the case should have been awarded because the ball was dead when the foul was called near A's basket. A says the ball into the hands of the offender player, and can any player stand inside the three-foot line and receive a pass from out of bounds if he is more than three feet from the player passing it?

—The rule mentioned in rule 16, section 3, note, is a restraining line. This is covered by the same rule. This is covered by the same rule.

Changes Made in Columbia Grid Card

New York, Feb. 16.—Several changes have been made in the Columbia university football program for 1924, according to the schedule announced by the committee on athletics. Four teams which faced the Blue and White last season have been dropped, and four new cleveans have been added, which brings the number of games to nine, the same as in 1923. Ursinus, Amherst, Middlebury and Dartmouth are missing upon the schedule and instead appear Harvard, St. Lawrence, Army and Syracuse.

Boxing Experts Agree Moran Whipped Dundee

New York, Feb. 16.—Boxing experts agree that although Johnny Dundee of New York was given the decision in the recent fight with Pal Moran of New Orleans, the latter really won.



Every Hunter and Fisherman's Duty

By RALPH WAGNER.
SOON one of the most vital bills that has ever been proposed in the interest of our migratory bird will be introduced in the national senate. This bill, known as the "migratory bird and land leasing bill," was drafted by the Izaak Walton League of America and will be sponsored by Senator Modell McCormick of Illinois. Senator McCormick was chosen and elected by the sportsmen of his state for the sole purpose of pushing this measure through.

This bill is the complement of the original migratory bird bill, that has proven such a boon to our migratory birds. Under the protection of the migratory bird bill the game birds and songsters have increased wonderfully, but their great and present needs are sanctuaries and added protection. We have advanced to the point where everyone realizes this fact, and the nation-wide support of all should be given to this bill. It has every reason to succeed and none to fail. It is strictly nonpolitical nor does it affect in any way any business or private interests. It is wholly and purely an unselfish effort to make secure one of the main factors of our great recreational outdoors. Every man and woman is interested in its passage for it guarantees a priceless endowment for themselves and their children. However, write a letter in support of this bill to your representatives in Washington.

Lloyd Hahn, Nebraska Athlete, Numbered Among the List of Olympic Team Distance Runners

By DAVIS J. WALSH.
New York, Feb. 14.—It became known through official sources today that the Amateur Athletic union has culled the violets from the field of stubble and has drafted what it pleased to term a list of "potential candidates for the American Olympic team" based on performances, past and present. The prospectus includes some 125 of our most prominent people and doesn't hesitate to name a few names.

Conspicuously missing, however, is the name of Charles W. Padgett, Olympic champion for 100 meters, Charles, in an odd moment, allowed himself to lose caste with the Amateur Athletic union, but everything will be all to the evil in due time. They decline to permit star sprinters to remain disqualified in this country.

Minus Charles the remainder of the tentative spring field includes Loren Murchison, national champion; "Boots" Lever, intercollegiate champion; A. Clark, Johns Hopkins; Almont Washington, Chicago; Eddie Suden, former Oxford man; Al LeConey, E. Lovejoy and E. C. Wilson, Iowa. Some of the boys, of course, will make the ultimate rifle; some will not.

Another prominent contender, namely and to wit, Allen Woodring, Olympic and intercollegiate champion, has not found his way to the meter pen, but the list is a good one, nevertheless. It includes Jake Driscoll, Boston; J. C. Taylor, former Princeton star; Walter Koppisch, Columbia; Bill Stevenson, learning to raise the left eyebrow at Oxford; Vernon Ascher, Chicago, and C. S. Cochran, Mississippi, A. and M.

The middle west does a monologue in the 800 and 1,500-meter runs. Those named for the former include Ray Watson and Ray Baker, Chicago; Allen Helfrich, Pennsylvania State; Ray Dodge, Portland, Ore., and Larry Rowden, Philadelphia. For the longer distance, performer, John Ray heads the list, surrounded by Watson and Baker, (matmates), and Lloyd Hahn, Boston; Ed Kirby, Cornell, and Mal Douglas, Yale.

Running on to 2,000 meters, Vance Smith, Johns Hopkins; and John Pennsylvania; John Pennock, Philadelphia; Calhoun, Army, and Hurd, Navy, are equally cited. They include Ned Gordin, and Charles Melor, Chicago, the state champion at 2,000 meters. Followed by James Hennehan, Dorchester, Mass.; John Gray, Philadelphia, and F. E. Wendling, Buffalo.

For the marathon, Clarence De Mar, who goes right on the "Tennent's Brook;" A. Michaelson and William Kennedy, St. Louis; and "The King," Newark, and Charles Melor, Chicago, are mentioned, while the same application given Rick, the runner of the Russell Payne, the latter from Ohio State.

The list of the potential half marathoners includes Leroy Brown, Harold DeGroot, and Bill Felt, among the all-time "Bridle" Muller, San Francisco, and "Pope," Kansas. The boys' runners are equally cited. They include Ned Gordin, and Charles Melor, Chicago, the state champion at 2,000 meters. Followed by James Hennehan, Dorchester, Mass.; John Gray, Philadelphia, and F. E. Wendling, Buffalo.

U. S. Tennis Rules Are Same as Those of Europe

New York, Feb. 16.—The lawn tennis officials of this country have gradually enacted rulings that will standardize with those of England and Europe. The 43rd annual meeting of the United States Lawn Tennis association at the Waldorf-Astoria did not depart from the record that its immediate predecessors have established in this respect.

Sure Way to Get Rid of Dandruff

There is one sure way that never fails to remove dandruff completely and that is to dissolve it. This you destroy it entirely. To do this, just get about four ounces of plain, ordinary liquid arvon; apply it at night when retiring; use enough to moisten the scalp and rub it in gently with the finger tips. By morning, most, if not all, of your dandruff will be gone, and two or three more applications will completely dissolve and entirely destroy every single sign and trace of it, no more hawking and dandruff you may have.

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Here's One for Amateur Ball Fans



Leo Krupski and Jimmy Moore.

WHAT seems to be the trouble with the above pictures? We wonder if the readers can guess? Surely every follower of amateur ball knows that Leo Krupski and Jimmy Moore are the two players who were photographed playing on the boys.

Two Important Turf Events to Be Held Week Apart in Spring

New York, Feb. 16.—The Preakness stakes at Pimlico will be run on Saturday, May 10, and the Kentucky derby will be run one week later, on May 17, if suggestions which have been forwarded by horsemen to the managers of the two tracks in Maryland and Kentucky are adopted.

These two races, carrying \$50,000 each in added money, are the two big events of the spring for 3-year-olds and more than one trainer has hope of winning both of them. Some years ago it was common custom for horses to race for both prizes, although Sir Barton was the only horse that ever doubled his name on the winning rosters.

In 1922, the year that Morvich won the derby and Pility took the Preakness, there was much complaint over the two events being run on the same day. Last year they were separated by a week, the Preakness coming first, as it should, since it is the shorter race. The setting of the derby date later was welcomed by trainers, who place a high value on every extra day allowed in spring to bring their charges to condition for a race of a mile and a quarter. As a result of that arrangement six colts—Zev, Martingale, Viell, General Thatcher, Better Luck and Rialto—were able to keep their engagements in both events.

Getting Into Condition

Hot Springs, Ark.—Hot Springs' spring "baseball colony" began assembling Tuesday, February 12, with the arrival of Urban Faber of the White Sox.

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Reds Have Strong Pitching Staff for 1924 Season

Baker Considers Cincinnati Has Best Chance to Win National League Pennant.

NO LESS authority than William F. Baker, rival magnate, has accorded Gray Herrmann's Reds the best chance, upon present lineup and conditions, to win the National League pennant this year, basing his prediction upon the recent additions to a pitching staff that was already strong. And right here President Baker of the Phillies touches upon a subject that has been served red hot off the stove league for more than a month.

Have the Reds the strongest pitching staff in captivity at this time? This is a hard question to answer, for the reason that Jackie May, the left-handed phenom secured from Vernon of the Pacific Coast league, is a comeback to the majors after none too good a season, and Tom Sheehan, the wonder pitcher of the American association, secured from St. Paul, while he has had one major league call, has yet to be fully tested by the major league turning, prowess and pace. And then it is also most uncertain what Carl Mays, for nine years an invincible pitching ace of the American league, will be able to do, now that he is called in his first decline to pitch a pennant into Reeling. Mays sent on the Yankees bench during the most of last year, experiencing his first bad season. How much has he gone back? And even if he has gone back, will his underhand ball not be a puzzle for at least one season to National league batsmen? Only time can answer these questions. But it seems sure that if Mays shows any of his old time effectiveness that the Reds have a fine chance to win, for they have secured in May and Sheehan two of the stars of double A company. And mind you, the Reds had a mighty pitching staff left over from last year when one considers Luque, Hixey, Donohue and Benton.

League leading pitcher of all baseball, won 27 and lost 8 last season. Rixey won 20 and lost 15. Donohue won 21 and lost 15. Benton won 14 and lost 10. Here are 82 victories by this sterling quartet. Here is almost a pennant. If these four do as well next year it will look rosy for the Reds.

The 1923 records of the pitchers added to the Red staff are rather hard to classify. Carl Mays took part in but seven games, and while he won five of them, yet he ranked almost last in his league in earned run average per game, being as bad as 6.22. Jackie May, the coast marvel, had a record last year that was far from marvelous. Sheehan has a fine record. He won 21 and lost 9 in the strong double A circuit whence the came.

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