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# **DARCY CLIMBING TO HEAVY CLASS**

## Is Now Heavyweight Champion of Australia and is Rapidly Putting on Weight.

# MAY MEET JESS SOME DAY

## By RINGSIDE.

New York, Aug. 19-Australia may yet supply Jess Willard's next opponent. And said opponent may be none other than Les Darcy, whom Antipodeans have long accepted as middleweight champion of the world At present Darcy is the champion it two divisions -in his own country. He, also is proclaimed the heavyweight champion of Australia

champion of Australia Darcy came units possession of the latter honor by knocking, out Dave Smith, a cruseweight signal to a light heavyweight in this country in tweive tounds. Smith, prior is tak-ling Darcy had detrated every heavy weight of note in the Vulnesby So-by a circuitous method or reasoning. Darcy becomes heavyweight cham-pion of Australia. The battle between Darcy and Smith commanded unusual attention

Smith , summanded unusual attention on the other side, massingch as it was on the other side maximuch as it was a meeting between reacher and pupil When Darcy tirst showed latert pos-sibilities with the padded mitts. Smith volunteered to impart his knowledge of ring tarties to the youngster Darcy gratefully accepted. While on this side Smith may be considered an antiquated tighter-that is, so far as his ting experience is concerned the nevertheless male a better showing against Darcy than

While on this side Smith may be considered an antiquated tighter that is so far as his ing experience is concerned he nevertheless made a better showing against Darcy than did the following Americans Eddie McGoorts, Jimmy Clabby, Jeff Smith and "Bick" crouse. Which is ever dence of Smith's ability despute his miserable showing against Mctoorty in this country. Fiddle flattened Smith three times on two occasions in the first round. It is also evidence of Darcey's righting proclymies. of Darcey's righting proclimities.

## Makes Weight Easily.

Darcy scaled 160 pounds for Smith. the latter weighing two pounds for Smith, the latter weighing two pounds more. The double-barrelled champion made the weight easily, which may make Mike Gibbons reconsider his de-termination to tackle Darcy first upon the latter's visit to this country, when-ever that event occurs.

why the reference to Jess Willard in the introductry sentence' Well, by the time Big Jess is ready to bat-tle again Mr. Darcy will have attained such proportions as to be considered a likely opponent for Willard. The new heavyweight champion of Aus-tralia intends to linger in the middleweight class for another year or so, or until he cleans up the present crop in his division. Then Darcy will set sail for the heayweights of the world.

## Offer to Dillon.

Offer to Dillon. Australians are present engaged in comparing the records of Darcy and Jack Dillon. A match between the two demon battlers has been broached on the other side, and Pro-moter "Snowy" Baker stands ready to offer Dillon an alluring purse to make the trip across the big pond. Antipodeans assure us that while the war is in progress there is no pos-sible chance for Darcy to visit Amer-ica. So it is suggested that Dillon go over there and establish his suprem-acy in the light heavyweight division. It remains for Australia to furnish us with interesting fight gossip during the passive months on this side. One tirm waited across the ocean is that Eddie McGoorty has about reached the tether of his ring usefulness and is ready for the puglistic discard. Mc-Goorty has been taking on weight at an alarmung rate. Soon he will out-grow the light heavyweight class. He has already hordled the middlements



HANS WAGNER °,° ED YOUNG ABOVE NAPOLEON WALSH

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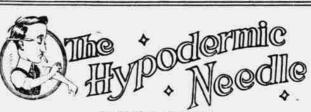
'I am going to exercise that option on Stricker. Which of my pitchers do you want?" ""Galvin, was the answer. ""But I said you can't have Galvin,"

William Chase Temple Tells a New Yarn on Eccentric, But "Yah, 1 know, bud 1 musd git dot Galvin or der teal iss off, answered

# "Two days later 1 saw Chris and LEE FOHL TEACHES **MANAGERS NEW ONE**

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# By FRED S. HUNTER

YEA, BO. We care not of the Europe scrap, We care not of the fuss of kings. We care not how much they change the map.

And such inconsequential things, Ve care not of Pres. Woodrow, We care not of Chuck Hughes, Ve care not how the people go. Or if they both should lose.

We care not of the Red Sox. Or the Brooklyns or the Phils, Or whether Freddie Welsh will box, Or of the monthly bills.

In fact, we care for nothing, For fall will soon begin, And we will yell and cheer and sing, When the foot ball boys check in.

The St. Louis Cards have signed a new shortstop named Bohn And according to his playing his name will be pro-nounced Bohn, as in bone, and "Bohn" as in bone.

Connie Mack has succeeded in

performing one accomplishment at least. He has proved the futility of a college education Bob Emslie celebrated his hob Emsile celebrated his twenty-fifth anniversary as an umpire the other day. Which, we should say, is some endur-ance record.

THE OLD KICK BACK. At last we see that Freddie Welsh, Is going to stage a fight; He'll defend his precious title, In a tangle with C. White.

And it will not be ten short rounds And no decision, too, But it will go full twenty, bo, And that, old pal's, a few.

And yet, we see a fatal line, That makes us laugh with glee, Puts on the fight, a different light, "Welsh picks the referee."

Lincoln scribes declare Lincoln has a chance to beat Omaha out in the pennant scramble. Yes, if Lou North, Earl Smith, Kewpie

R. R. Caldwell of is the official program

Kilduff and a few others get in-fantile paralysis.

WESTERN LEAGUE

Zehrung Reconsiders Decision

to Call Mid-Season Gather-

ing of Club Owners.

LINCOLN HOWL DOES IT

There will be no mid-season meeting of the Western league. After

calling the meeting for Omaha last

week, President Zehrung reconsid-

coln from saying so and heaping coals of fire upon the head of the prexie.

As a result Zchrung decided to call the meeting off, unless a majority of the board of directors should request

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They haven't requested it yet. Western league rumor factories are

already working overtime regarding the season of 1917. Gossip of changes

the season of 1917. Gossip of changes, in club ownerships and managements are current and Zehrung's job is even put on the block by some. It's all rumor and gossip, however, and nothing definite or authentic.

Butcher of Denver has regained the lead in the Western league, displac-ing Rebel Oakes, his manager. Shields,

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Butcher Resumes

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If infantile paralysis should break out on the Lincoln team, it's a cinch Jack Halla won't get

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We read in the papers that the Athletics marked up a new record for consecutive dereats. We thought Austria held this record. In that dim and distant day, When we get old and gray. And we near the time when we will hear the call We can have a lot of fun, When the daily work is done, Watching Eddie Plank put up game of ball. A million golf cups will be given away this year, they say. And' yet "billy" Sunday wants to aisolish the nimeteenth hole. Russ Phelos, the demon horse

Russ Pheles, the demon horse serifie, calls Omaha the Lexing-ton of the west. Why he a piker? Why not call Lexington the Omaha of the east, or, if you're from Kentucky, of the south?

They say Hans Wagner start-ed playing base ball on the ark, but speaking of chickens, Pop Geers was driving winners when Methusaluh was a pup.

Jess Willard says he'll fight for \$50,000. Evidently Jess overlooks the fact that Charley Chaplin and "Billy" Sunday have all the money in the world.

WHO EVER HEARD OF ST. LOUIS? For, lo, these many, many years, We've read the sporting sheet, And watched the records of them all, At the game that can't be beat.

We also know our geography, Know all the world's big towns,

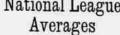
That we don't know, That we don't know, That's the town where they raised the Browns.

ing Rebel Oakes, his manager. Shields, Denver, leads in stolen bases with 30; Litschi, Wichita, in sacrifice hits with 31; Dyer, Denver, in home runs with 12; Butcher in total bases with 207; Krug, Omaha, in runs scored with 78, and Denver in team hitting with .290. Leading batters: Butcher, Denver, .345; Oakes, Den-ver, .342; Johnson, Lincoln, .339; Gil-more Sioux City, .330; Coy, Wichita, .30; Krueger, Omaha, .322; Gray, Wichita, .321; Livingstone, Sioux City, .321; R. Miller, Omaha, .318; Connolly, Sioux City, .317.

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by nondescript pilots, attired in Thek" uniforms, cavorting about the Speedway track this week. The officials for the meeting, with the exception of timers, have been selected. They are horsemen of wild experience in turf matters and will see to it that the events are run off in a snappy fashion. O. Lehman to Start. Oliver Lehman of Detrait, Micha Oliver Lehman of Detroit, Mich., nison's horses, one of the best-known starters in the R. R. Caldy will give them the "go." is the W. P. McCreary of Hastings, Neb.,



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