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JOHNSON WILL NOT BE OVERLOOKED BY CHAMPION BURNS

So Tommy Says, Along with Other Things, in Interesting Letter—Athletic Clubs Will Not "Buy" Athletes.



TOMMY BURNS writes from England: "I just got through reading a bunch of American papers, and it's certainly funny the bunk some writers hand out, but I guess it's all in the business to get knocked at times. It sure won't hurt me, as I'll have mine when I get through fighting, and I ain't handing anybody any money for boosting me, either."

"I see one American paper had it I was a grave robber. I saw the cartoon, and it put an idea in my head. I at once proceeded to one of the largest cemeteries here in London and looked them all over. Unfortunately, the only fighters I have found were there since the thirteenth century, so I passed them all up."

"Yes, I'm getting the easy money, and anybody who wouldn't take this easy money would be a fool. If O'Brien or Johnson could get the grave-digger's earnings in this country they'd pass it up—I don't think."

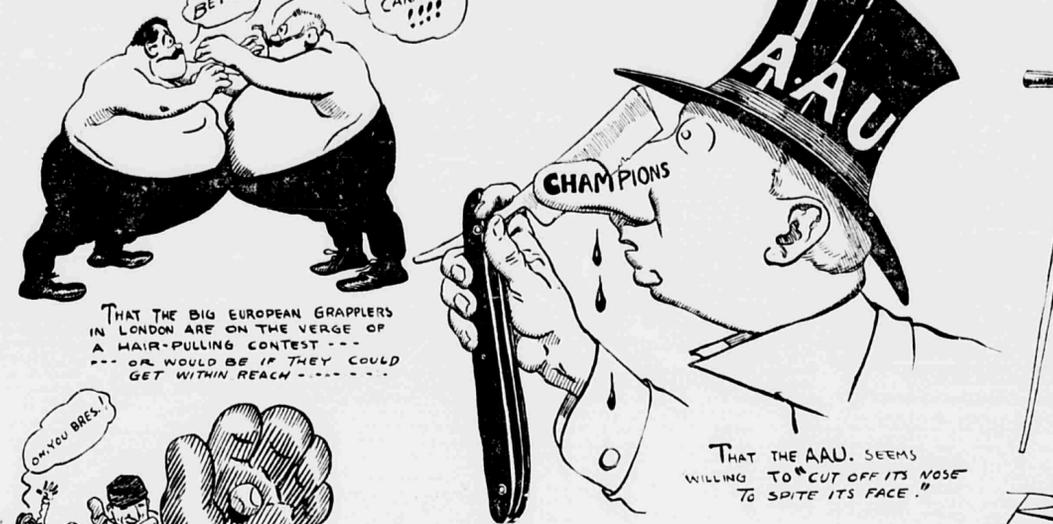
"You can gamble that I'll fight Johnson when I return, and I'll demand the big end, too. Joe Gans, a negro, held out for 80 per cent, win, lose or draw, with Memsic, a white boy, in Los Angeles, and had a chance to fight winner take all, but wouldn't do it under any consideration. Now, watch watch this white boy hand it right back to the negro on the Johnson match. Of course, somebody might knock about this division, but that knock won't cut any ice with Tommy Burns."

"We sign articles on Monday Jan. 12, to fight Roche in Leinster Hall, Dublin, for a £15,000 (£7,500) purse, cut 80 and 20, and a side bet of £500. This fight alone will net me \$5,000, but I figure a lot of bets on the side, as the Irish are confident that Roche will beat me. I am almost sure of \$10,000 for the Palmer fight Feb. 10, as I am working on 80 per cent of the gross, which I figure to come out at £20,000 (£10,000), as seats are being sold from £5 5s. (over \$5) down to a half guinea (equal to \$2.50), and the big price seats are going good already."

"Don't blame me, do you? This beats gold mining. Am in best of health and am being treated the very best by the English sports and the National Athletic Club which will do the best wishes for a prosperous New Year."

Tommy Burns. CHARLES SPURGEON, the Englishist, told a story years ago about a man who bragged of his nose to spite his face, and ended up with the injunction: "Don't be this kind of a fool!" It is evident that the A. A. U. is allowing a similar bit of foolishness to take place within its jurisdiction. If there were anything lacking to indicate that the charges brought against many of the greatest American athletes were merely the result of a personal disagreement, that suspicion was well authenticated when a professional trainer who had brought charges against a well known N. Y. A. C. runner stated to the Registration Committee that he was only bringing the charges to help his "pal!"

"I SEE IN THE NEWS"



THAT THE BIG EUROPEAN GRAPPLERS IN LONDON ARE ON THE VERGE OF A HAIR-PULLING CONTEST—OR WOULD BE IF THEY COULD GET WITHIN REACH.

THAT THE A. A. U. SEEMS WILLING TO "CUT OFF ITS NOSE TO SPITE ITS FACE."

THAT ROGER BRESNAHAN WILL BE WITH US AGAIN WITH THAT GOOD OLD WEBBED FOOT HE CALLS A HAND.

T. BURNS IS FLOODING THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THAT THE "KID" HERMAN QUILTS THE RING FOR GOOD.

OLIVER ACCEPTS MCGINNIS FOR REFEREE.

HARRY BAKER AND DELMONT MATCHED.

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J. J. RYAN BUYS SOME OF CORRIGAN'S STOCK

(Special to The Evening World.) NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 10.—It is rumored that John J. Ryan, of get-it-quick fame, has intruded himself at New Orleans through the acquisition of a block of stock, presumably

the property of Ed Corrigan, for a consideration said to be \$50,000. A few more "Ryan" affairs will result in disrupting racing in the South, judging by the caustic articles in the New Orleans newspapers yesterday.

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AMUSEMENTS. CASINO. FUNABASHI. DALY'S. E. M. HOLLAND. LYRIC. MRS. FISKE ROSMERSHOLM. HACKETT. JOHN MASON. MASTIC. TOP OF THE WORLD. FIFTHS HEADQUARTERS. LEW FIELDS.

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ELMONT SHOULD HAVE HAD VERDICT OVER JOE WAGNER

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Delmont forced the pace from the start, outpunched Wagner in the majority of the first twelve rounds and scored a knockout in the thirteenth. Wagner tore into the Medford boy like a bull in the last two rounds, and in this final the decision was given. Abbott has called many a bout a draw in the last couple of years.

SHEPPARD AND HASKINS AT P. O. CLERKS' GAMES

The big feature of the athletic carnival of the Brooklyn Post-Office Clerks, at the Forty-seventh Regiment Armory, week from to-morrow night, is the meeting of those great rivals, Guy Haskins and Melvin Sheppard. They are the star corners of the 100-yard run. Haskins beat Sheppard recently in Philadelphia, but the Irish-American A. C. star says he can turn the tables. The Evening World is offering the prizes for this race, and this had added interest to the event. Whether or not any new records will be hung up remains to be seen, but even at this time it is certain that all armory records for attendance will be broken at the meet.

In addition to the usual athletic programme of open and closed track events there are five special—the mile relay, handicap, for the Timothy L. Woodruff Cup; the mile Sunday-schools relay for the George H. Roberts Cup; the mile dry goods clerks' relay for the Bird

showed great opposition to the loss of days in order to provide dates for Mr. Butler's track, shared the fate of the other courses. If anything it suffered a trifle more. The spring meetings are always regarded as the most profitable, as the attendance early in the season is much greater than in the fall. Heretofore, the Belmont, Gravesend and Sheepshead Bay tracks have had eighteen days' racing in the spring and twelve in the fall. The first two named will have spring meetings of sixteen days this year, while Sheepshead Bay has only fifteen.

The granting of dates to Mr. Butler's track in August insures racing to New Yorkers at the best period of the year for outdoor sport.

The Jockey Club stewards present were: August Belmont, F. K. Sturgis, J. H. Bradford, F. R. Hitchcock, H. K. Knip and Andrew Miller. August Belmont is Kennebec vice-chairman, and F. K. Sturgis secretary and treasurer.

The following race track officials were appointed for the year 1908: C. McDowell and C. H. Pettengill, judges; H. S. Voshburgh, handicapper; M. Cassidy, starter; A. H. Baggett, timer; H. L. Homan, starting judge; J. L. Hall, patrol judge; H. Conking, assistant to the clerk of the scales.

STEWART STOPS BRADLEY IN 4TH. JIM STEWART, the twenty-year-old heavy-weight, certainly improves in every battle. At the start of the Long Acre A. C. last night Stewart met Fred Bradley, of Boston, in the main event and punished him so severely that the referee stopped the bout in the fourth round to prevent Stewart from knocking him out. Bradley was practically out in the third round from the volley of punches which Stewart landed on his jaw and body, but he clinched Stewart and held on to the ropes so tight that the referee could not separate the men. The bell rang, thereby giving him a chance to recover from his gloomy condition.

When the fourth round began Stewart's second told him to go right at Bradley. Stewart obeyed and landed a couple of stiff blows. Bradley then threw at Stewart, and as he came in Stewart

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