

STAR RING MEETS "CHICKEN FEEL" FOUGHT FOR "CHICKEN FEEL" COMPARED TO TO-DAY'S PURSES

Fitzsimmons Thought He Hit Top Mark With \$40,000 for Jim Hall Fight (Which He Never Collected) and John L.'s \$10,000 Side Bet With Kilrain Was Considered Tremendous—When Nelson Wanted \$20,000 for Fighting Gans, and Kid Griffo Fought for Only \$100.

By Robert Edgren.

GLANCED over the latest report of the dozen or so of quarter million dollar purses offered Jack Dempsey for fighting Georges Carpentier, and took a slant at the latest word from Paris, which assures the palpitating public that the French champion, having been offered a mere \$125,000 to fight Dempsey, and hearing that Jack is to get twice as much money, will demand \$175,000 and probably more for his end.

Then I reached over to a shelf and pulled down a small volume of ring statistics. The first page I opened was headed with this terse and interesting paragraph: "Largest purse ever fought for, \$10,000 Bob Fitzsimmons and Jim Hall, New Orleans, March 8, 1882."

Bracketed in smaller type was the following illuminating line: ("Fitzsimmons, the winner, never received all the money, however.")

An Englishman who claimed he represented a big English promoter was trying to tell me why Jack should fight Carpentier in England. He was offering \$100,000 for Dempsey's end, and he told me the match would surely draw \$750,000 in London.

"Oh, no, no, no," I said. "Then you'd make too much money. I said to shut him off, because I know he was bluffing. You'd have to give him one per cent of the gate."

Several years ago, a once famous champion came into my office in the World Building in New York and gave me a collection of his old fight contracts for souvenirs.

"I thought these would interest you," he said, "now that this here Jim Hall is demanding \$20,000 to fight George Gans."

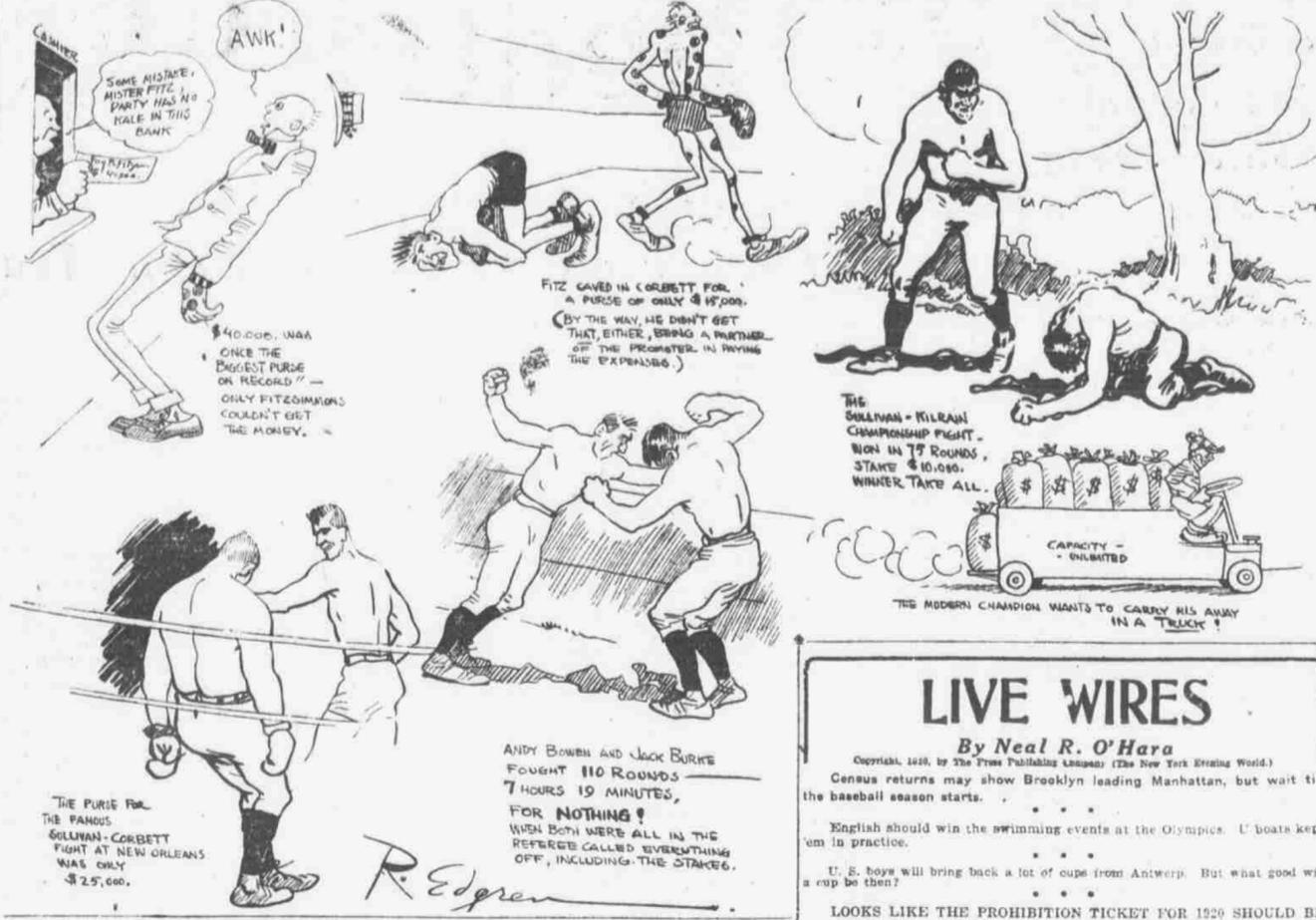
I don't mention the boxer's name, but every old-time follower of champions know him. It might embarrass him to have his name in the paper, but he was a good man for the light of modern ring finance. Where a champion today jumps his figures, conversationally at least, \$50,000, or \$100,000, at a glance, the old-time fighter's contracts in large bills and a bulky roll of a hundred \$1 bills, laid them on a table and called Griffo in.

"There's your share and my share. Take your choice," Griffo grabbed the fat roll of one dollar bills and dashed out, chuckling. He thought he'd put one over on me, but he was wrong. Griffo fought at least one of his big boys in America for \$100. But don't mention this to Dempsey or Carpentier.

TOUGHEST FIGHT - NOT A NICKEL FOR IT. Andy Bowen of New Orleans, great lightweight years ago, fought the longest fight on record in this country, April 4, 1882, with Jack Burke.

BEST SPORTING PAGE IN NEW YORK RECORD PURSES IN THE OLD DAYS

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THE PURSE FOR THE FAMOUS SULLIVAN-CORBETT FIGHT AT NEW ORLEANS WAS ONLY \$25,000.

ANDY BOWEN and JACK BURKE FOUGHT 110 ROUNDS 7 HOURS 19 MINUTES, FOR NOTHING! WHEN BOTH WERE ALL IN THE REFEREE CALLED EVERYTHING OFF, INCLUDING THE STAKES.

THE SULLIVAN-KILRAIN CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT - WON IN 17 ROUNDS, STAKE \$10,000. WINNER TOOK ALL.

THE MODERN CHAMPION WANTS TO CARRY HIS AWAY IN A TRUCK!

McLean Ocean Bound for Far Off Norway to Bring Back Ice-Skating Title

Young American Gives Foreign Rival Chance for Honors on Home Town Track.

By Richard Freyer. SOMEWHERE on the broad Atlantic, on board the S. S. Stavangerfjord, is a twenty-five-year-old American lad, bound on the first day of a long journey for new worlds to conquer.

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SPORT WORLD FANS ARE GIVEN A CHANCE TO EXPRESS VIEWS.

Evening World readers who have comments to make, opinions to register or suggestions regarding sporting activities of any variety will be afforded an opportunity of placing their views before the public through the sporting columns of this paper.

Gleaned By the Golf Gallery

Western Golf Association to Hold Important Meeting To-Night in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—The group of Western golfers who pay only occasional interest to the U. S. G. A. will have their own annual convocation to-night here at the annual meeting of the Western Golf Association in the Congress Hotel.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—After a long stretch of clear weather, the members of the Winter Golf League of Advertising interests ran afoul of the weather in four, that gave him the margin of 3 and 2.

BELLEHAIR HEIGHTS, Pa., Jan. 17.—G. N. Aldridge of Dallas won the New Year's tournament at Belleair when he defeated Milton Wilson of Oswego, over thirty-six holes.

With the Basketball Players. Soldier boys of the Signal Corps will endeavor to throw over a barrage of baskets on the Kaiser Big Five at the army of Company B, 1st Battalion Signal Corps, New York Guard, No. 10, Dan Street, Brooklyn, to-night.

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LIVE WIRES

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Genus returns may show Brooklyn leading Manhattan, but wait till the baseball season starts.

English should win the swimming events at the Olympics. U boats kept 'em in practice.

U. S. boys will bring back a lot of cups from Antwerp. But what good will a cup be then?

LOOKS LIKE THE PROHIBITION TICKET FOR 1920 SHOULD BE A RAINCHECK. Anti-Prohibition ticket will be for Cuba.

Principal ingredients of the big fight to date are Carpentier, Cochran, Cablegrams, Coffroth, California and Cash.

Blue-Steel game is listed for next November when Yale meets Carnegie Tech.

U. of P. has lost five football stars. Team should look something like Connie Mack's around next September.

SALE OF BABE RUTH HAS PRODUCED MORE KICKS IN BOSTON THAN THE SHOE AND LEATHER INDUSTRY.

Guys on that Yale varsity boxing team are sure to make their letters. Some of 'em will receive Y's and some of 'em will get K. O.'s.

Yale eleven will go to Pasadena next winter if it has a successful season. But it looks like Yale will have to travel enough to beat Harvard, Princeton, Colgate, West Virginia and Boston College.

Prediction for the baseball season: Batters will like home runs and pitchers will like lucky strikes. But the managers will stick to the good old ball.

Lotta baseball magnates will find it easier to police the park than to cop the pennant.

A LEAGUE IS THREE MILES, WHICH SHOULD BE THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE ATHLETICS AND THE LEADERS THIS SEASON.

Harvard's 1920 schedule is unsatisfactory. Big banquet for the football team is on the wrong side of U. S. 16.

Leading cities of the world, as compiled by the Polite Gazette, are London, Paris, Tia Juana and Newark, N. J.

Which reminds us that Robert Fulton got lost for discovering the steamboat than Fred gets for discovering Newark.

Europe still concedes we're the land of free advertising and the home of the brave promoters.

Yale gridiron players have just been awarded their letters. About time the football team was getting Y's.

UP AT HARVARD THEY'VE GIVEN AN 'H' TO THE GUY THAT MADE THE ONLY TOUCHDOWN AGAINST OREGON. CHURCH IS MORE POPULAR THAN CHAPEL AT HARVARD.

STONEHAM BUYS ANDREW MILLER'S RACING STABLE

Owner of Giants and Havana Track Takes Over Horses of Late Steward.

Charles H. Stoneham, owner of the Havana race track and the New York Giants, has taken over the racing stable of the late Andrew Miller, steward of the Jockey Club.

Mr. Miller owned the fast Roamer, who broke his leg and was destroyed the same day Mr. Miller died. There are not any Roamers in the stable now, but it contains several two-year-olds of promise.

The horses will remain in charge of Jack Goldborough, the Miller trainer, for the present, at least. Mr. Stoneham is in Havana at present, where he is superintending the race meet at Oriental Park in conjunction with his partner, John McGraw. He already maintains a racing string under the name of the Casco stable, among which is Holly, the former Butler star.

ENGLAND AND AUSTRALIA BREAK EVEN IN START OF DAVIS CUP MATCHES

SYDNEY, Australia, Jan. 17.—Rain here this afternoon caused a postponement of the second day's play in the Davis Cup tennis matches. It had been planned to hold the doubles contest, but a heavy downpour drenched the turf courts and made play impossible.

With the doubles scheduled for Monday the international tournament will carry over until Tuesday when the two final singles matches will be played. At present England and Australia are tied with one victory each.

Gerald L. Patterson, winner of the second world championship tournament in the United States courts, England, last summer, defeated A. H. Lowe, his veteran English opponent, in a four-set match by a score of 6-4, 6-2, 6-6, 6-2, thus earning one point for Australia.

In the other singles match, Lieut. Col. A. R. F. Kincaid of Great Britain, defeated Anderson, a neophyte of the courts, by a score of 7-6, 6-2, 6-4.

WEST SIDE TENNIS CLUB MEETING PROVES A SECRET.

There was much secrecy attached to the meeting of the West Side Tennis Club at Delmonico's last night. The result of the vote taken as to whether the organization will accept the offer of the Executive Committee of the United Lawn Tennis Association to hold the national tennis championship at Forest Hills, L. I., for the next five years will be announced some time to-day.

The following officers were elected: Charles S. Landrum, President; F. Fullerton Weaver, Vice President; Hugh C. Guiler, Treasurer; William A. Campbell, Secretary; Ralph L. Huggs, Captain.

P. S. A. L. NOTES.

The seventeenth annual high schools indoor track and field championship games will be held this evening at the 23d Regiment Armory, Brooklyn. The contests will be conducted under the auspices of the Public Schools Athletic League. Eighteen public high schools have entered their complete track and field teams which will contest for the best athletic material in the schools.

A "bottle royal" is expected to be waged for the city championship trophy which is awarded the team scoring the greatest number of points in the inter-scholastic "big six," which numbers Commerce, Morris Erasmus, Manual Training, Stuyvesant and De Witt Clinton. The latter representatives won the trophy last year, but due to the enormous entries sent in by competitors, they will have to travel at top speed to repeat.

The high schools indoor, dual swimming series will terminate today at Evander Childs natatorium. From the manner in which Manual Training's team has been conducting themselves in the series, it is expected they will garner this year's championship. They have engaged in local meets, coming out on top in all. The standing of the teams is as follows:

Table with 3 columns: School, Won, Lost. Rows include Manual, Erasmus, Stuyvesant, Commerce, Townsend Harris, Kings High, Evander Childs, Bryant.

Jackson Scores Knockout Over Penick Burns. REPTAH, Jan. 17.—Willie Jackson, the sensational New York lightweight, knocked out Frankie Burns of California in a terrific fight reported to the law after flooring Burns for the count of nine three times.

Valgar Awarded Decision Over Brock. BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 17.—Benny Valgar, French featherweight boxer, handed Matt Brock, Cleveland's contender, a terrific beating here last night and was awarded the referee's decision at the end of twelve rounds. In the second, eleven and thirteenth rounds the French boxer had Brock on the verge of a knockout.

THOM BOWLING AND BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP. NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—