

FRED WELSH MUST BE RENDERED HORS DE COMBAT TO RELINQUISH CROWN TO J. KILBANE

KILBANE, ONE-PUNCH K. O. ARTIST, FAVORITE OVER FREDDY WELSH IN CHAMPIONSHIP BATTLE TONIGHT

Featherweight Titleholder Is in Shape to Give Heavier Opponent Hard Bout in New York; Zinn, Old Phil, Doing Well in South

TWO of the cleverest boxers in the world are scheduled to clash tonight in New York in a ten-round no-decision bout. There is considerable interest in the affair, as it is one of the most important matches made this year.

But did you ever notice the change in his work when he stacks up against a recognized opponent? He beat Charley White last Labor Day when he was unanimously selected to finish second, and before that walloped the daylight out of Benny Leonard in an open-air show in Brooklyn.

IN KILBANE Welsh meets one of the few one-punch boxers among the lighter men. By one punch is meant that Johnny hits hard enough to dispose of the opponent with one blow.

Kilbane's Cleverness Combined With Hitting Makes Him Dangerous JOHNNY cannot be called an awkward person in the ring. He is clever, knows how to use his feet and has a shift that few boxers possess.

But we cannot lose sight of Freddy's ring generalship and his wonderful defense. If the lightweight champion covers up it will be a terrible fizzle and the boxers will be lucky if they escape with their lives.

Jimmy Zinn, Despite Lame Shoulder, Is Going Good in South THIS spring, down in beautiful St. Petersburg, Fla., where overcoats are unheard of, there appeared a young man at the Phillies' camp who tried out for a job as pitcher on the team.

Zinn returned to Waco and reported that his arm was in terrible shape. His manager looked him over and decided to find out whether or not it was bunk.

BUT here is the strange part of it all. Zinn's arm still is in bad shape and he cannot raise it above his shoulder. In the three games he used an underhand delivery which looked easy but baffled the opponents.

Babe Ruth Looks Like "Best Southpaw" BABE RUTH, elephantine off-hander of the Red Sox, looms as a worthy successor to the title of "best southpaw."

Ruth probably is the best pitcher right now in either of the big leagues. One cannot, of course, discount the worth of Grover Alexander, nor of Walter Johnson, Jim Scott or half a dozen other stars.

IT WAS Ruth who last fall hurled himself to glory in the longest world series game ever played, and his work was almost perfect. He stood the test then and he is standing it now.

Penn Footballers Will Miss By Dickson BY DICKSON, last season assistant to Bob Folwell, football coach at Penn. will be with Penn no more.

PENN will miss Dickson even more than it imagines. Though Folwell last winter declared that he did not mind coaching all by himself next season, he will miss that faculty for development of detail and the ability to pick out and develop star performers so strongly demonstrated by Dickson.

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AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?



Hahn Wins From 130-Pound Bantam

Loadman Shown Up on the Scales and Then in the Ring by Barney DUFFY'S REACH COUNTS

By LOUIS H. JAFFE Philadelphia has been famous for its "lightweights," those of the 125-145-pound variety, for several years, but our boys have been overshadowed. The palm must be extended to Buffalo for putting over the only legitimate lightweight "bantam" before the public.

A mere matter of eight pounds appeared not to deter Hahn's ability to meet out a trimming to Loadman, and Barney succeeded in his task in a nifty and nice manner.

Jimmy Duffy's big advantage in height and reach proved a great handicap to Joe Hirst in the windup and the former romped off with a victory. Duffy did not win by a block, nor even by a eighth of a block, as he was kept busy throughout by the "Pat Boy."

Next Monday night Frankie Maguire and Henry Hagedorn will meet in a ten-rounder at 150 pounds.

Harry Smith's victory was his second in less than a week. The southpaw won from Jimmy Murray at Harrisburg last Wednesday night.

Open-air bouts will be staged at Shiba Park this summer, according to a report by someone who admits he knows what he is talking about.

Jack Mills, local song writer, who has been in New York for several months, is back in town. Mills is a great fight fan, and was in attendance at both the National and Olympia shows.

Ban on Bill Clymer Is Lifted LOUISVILLE, May 1.—President Thomas J. Hickey, of the American Association, has lifted the suspension of Manager Clymer, of the Louisville team.

Wanner Wins at Pocket Billiards Charles Wanner defeated John Hesline, 75 to 46, in last night's pocket billiard tournament game at the Howard Park.

Evening Ledger Decisions of Ring Bouts Last Night

OLYMPIA—Jimmy Duffy won from Joe Hirst; "Fighting Dick" Loadman lost to Barney Hagedorn; Waco's Fighting Wagon won from Frankie Maguire; Harry Smith defeated Louis Jacobs; Young Borrell drew with Johnny Plazzi.

POST PRESS WINS TITLE IN CURTIS LEAGUE

Habicht, of McKee, Gains Trophy for Improvement in Original Average

Post Press won the championship of the three-man team Curtis Bowling League with an average of .720. With but one series to play, Post Press and C. B. E. were tied with fifteen games won out of twenty, and not until the odd game was played was Post Press decided the titleholder.

The special prize to the bowler making the highest gain on the average he started was won by Habicht, of the McKee Press squad. He increased his average 17 points.

WENONAH HANDICAPPED FOR SWARTHMORE GAMES Five Star Athletes Will Be Out of Saturday's Big Interscholastic Meet

Five star athletes of Wenonah Military Academy will be absent from the team when it competes in the annual Swarthmore Interscholastic on Saturday, and prospects look gloomy for the cadets.

UMPIRE AND SCRIBES SHOW PATRIOTISM

CINCINNATI, May 1.—Charley Rigler, National League umpire, was ready for a try at the trenches in France, but a twisted finger, bugged up in a ball game years ago, caused his rejection.

NATIONAL LEAGUE PARK PHILLIES vs. BOSTON

PHILLIES vs. BOSTON GAME AT 3:30 P. M. Admission, 25c, 50c, 75c. Box seats on sale at Gimble's and Spalding's.

COLLEGE BASEBALL TODAY

Pennsylvania vs. Villanova FRANKLIN FIELD, 3 P. M.

BROADWAY A. C.—Thurs. Night

Darby Casper vs. Young Joe Borrell; Battling Murray vs. Muckel Miller; Mike (K. O.) Russell vs. Mike Burns

SOUTHPAWS LEAD BOWLING TOURNNEY

Terminal Vets Set Pace for Ledger Cup at Keystone Alleys

MANY TEAMS ENTERED

The Southpaws, with a grand total of 2575, led the teams in the opening of the third annual tournament of the Philadelphia Bowling Association at the Keystone Bowling Alleys last night.

The entry list set up a new record for the tournament, and so many teams have entered that George M. Moss, the tournament manager, predicts that it will take a month or more for the carnival to finish.

The Veterans amassed a grand total of 2783, a higher count than either of the other two teams in their class, despite the fact that they had a handicap of only 17 pins to a game.

The highest individual score was handed in by Bailey, of the Southpaws, who portended a total of 422. Bailey bowled his games in 201, 205 and 208.

TOM SEATON MAY BE SOLD BY CHICAGO TO COLUMBUS

CHICAGO, May 1.—Pitcher Gene Packard, of the Chicago Nationals, has been sold to Columbus, of the American Association. Joe Tinker, manager of the Columbus club, also virtually closed a deal for the purchase of Pitcher Tom Seaton, it was announced.

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WHO IS KING OF THE SHORTSTOP MEN WITH WAGNER RETIRED? WHO WOULD YOU LIKE CROWNED? ECHO ANSWERS

With Passing of the Great Honus Eight Successors Stand Out Prominently and It Is a Case of Taking Your Pick

By GRANTLAND RICE SOME one, a day or two ago, was discussing the question of Hans Wagner's successor.

The King has abdicated—has passed on out—and so far the throne is still vacant. In our hazy opinion this matter of awarding the 1917 title—King of Shortstops—is the toughest assignment in sport.

There are two or three first basemen who loom above the mass—two or three second basemen—such as Collins, Herzog and Barry—and two or three third basemen—such as Baker and Gardner.

But when the argument begins to bubble and pop around shortstop, the matted tangle grows apace. Who Is He? Expert shortstopping isn't a matter of one or two men. Around this job more stars are buzzing than any other position in the game may carry.

There are sixteen major league shortstops—all told. Of this number at least eight are stars. No other position can boast of 50 per cent of stardom. The catchers can't—the pitchers can't—and neither can the outfielders, where average big league play predominates.

But take a brief sliant at the shortstop array: Maranville—Boston Nationals; Peckinpaugh—New York Americans; Fletcher—New York Nationals; Scott—Boston Americans; Chapman—Cleveland Americans; Baneroff—Philadelphia Nationals; Bush—Detroit Americans; Hornsby—St. Louis Nationals.

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