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JOHNSON FAILS TO IMPRESS FANS BY HIS EXHIBITION BOUTS HERE

Heavyweight Negro Shows High in Flesh and Lack of Condition Too Plainly in Tame Four-Round Boxing Bee to Scare Any of the Friends of Jeffries—Indicates That He Will Have to Work Hard to Get Into Condition to Make Showing with Burbank Giant July 4—Declares Eytton Will Be Acceptable as Third Man in Ring at the Coming Battle

BY JAY DAVIDSON

JACK JOHNSON has come and gone and the fans have been given plenty of opportunity to see him and compare him, physically, with the great and only Jeff. After taking a down-to-date squint at the big coon, one finds lots of encouragement to bet on Jeffries to whip him to death. Johnson sizes up as a most formidable opponent for the big fellow at first glance and when one takes only a superficial estimate of his possibilities in the ring. He appeared enormously large Thursday night by way of comparison with the large number of little fighters who filled the ring during the evening and he showed up remarkably good in action with Cotton and Cutler because he had about fifty or seventy-five pounds the best of the weights and is a finished product in cleverness.

After the excitement that goes with seeing the big black bunch of fighting machinery that trimmed Tommy Burns in sixteen rounds and Stanley Ketchel in a dozen sessions, sober judgment wheels one's thoughts back to the king of them all with the satisfactory reflection that he outclasses the fighting world today in the same degree that he always outclassed it. There never was but one Jeffries and granting that he has not improved any since he quit the ring and that he has gone back 50 per cent, which latter presumption for the sake of argument only is disputable in actual facts, the one important fact remains that Johnson is no match for the alfalfa baron.

Johnson looked bigger Thursday night in his fighting togs than he ordinarily looks in his street clothes. He weighed not less than 245 or 250 pounds and at least forty pounds of this was superfluous flesh that must come off. That he is not in condition, despite his strong talks to the contrary, was proved in the fact that when he left the ring after boxing four tame rounds, practically devoid of any action, tiny streams of water were oozing out of his hide and dropping to the floor. If four light rounds would bring this about, he would be swimming around the ring in a ten or twenty-round fight and would be drowned in a forty-five round engagement.

HAS BIG TRAINING JOB AHEAD

To take off forty pounds and get into fighting trim will require several weeks and to build up to fighting condition will require some little time. If he starts to work by May 10, as he promises, he cannot expect to get into condition a minute before the date of the fight and he must work as he never worked in all his lazy life to accomplish this result. Johnson is the greatest loafer in fighting history when it comes to training. Naturally lazy and inclined to take things easy, he will be a hard citizen to handle in the training camp and if he expects to get the right kind of work out of small sparring partners like Cutler and Cotton, he is going to pull up short when it comes down to the home stretch of his training period. Both are too light to give him any real hard work.

Johnson is remarkably clever and is fast on his feet, but in this regard he has nothing on Jeffries. Johnson is shy the killing punch that he must make up his mind to tackle when he jumps on Jeff in the ring. He is no better ring general, he is not one-ten as game and neither can give nor take the punishment that Jeff can give and take. Jeff has the knockout punch that Johnson has not shown himself to possess and Jeff is a clever fighter, while Johnson in fact is only a clever boxer with unusual weight to back up his blows. When fighters like Langford, Cutler and Cotton can hit him, there need be no worry about Jeff getting home a few punches and a few wallows will tell the tale. Altogether, the visit of Johnson has served to entuse the friends of Jeff and make them the more willing to bet upon him to stop the big hunk of blackness July 4.

JOHNSON SAYS EYTON IS SATISFACTORY

Several weeks ago I telegraphed a prominent sporting writer in Chicago, in whom I have absolute faith and confidence, to get a statement from Johnson regarding his views upon the selection of Charlie Eytton, the local referee, as the third man in the ring May 4. The statement that Johnson made at that time was to the effect that Eytton would not be satisfactory to him because Eytton had said too many harsh things about him. Eytton denied that he ever had made any unusual remarks regarding Johnson or that he had said anything that would have any influence with a reasonable man to make him object to the selection.

Eytton met Johnson during his stay here Thursday and they discussed this interview with Johnson. The big coon denied that he ever had given out such a statement and positively asserted that Eytton would fill the bill nicely and would be satisfactory to him. Johnson told me that Eytton had referred several fights for him and that he always had impressed him as being fair, impartial and thoroughly competent. Winding up his talk, Johnson said that he would be entirely satisfied if Eytton should be chosen to referee the big mill.

EYTON IS NOT ASKING FOR JOB

Eytton is not asking for the job, although he would accept it if the fighters should select him. That is one big handicap under which the friends of Eytton must work—he will not blow his own horn and will not help in the job of pushing him along. He has refereed fights here for several years, and has officiated in that capacity in many championship scraps, invariably giving entire satisfaction to fighters and the public. His long experience in the ring and his still better experience in refereeing championship bouts qualifies him to officiate at the big fight and Johnson need not worry about the local man being prejudiced to the extent that he would give him any the worst of it when it came to discharging his duties as referee.

While there are others who are competent to handle the job, there is none any more competent than Eytton and none would be any more important in rendering a decision or in conducting the fight. It would be gratifying to Southern California sportsmen if he should be selected and since it is known that he is one of the only three men whose names will be considered when the selection is made next week, there is good excuse for his southern friends to hope he will be one upon whom both sides will agree. The northern referees, of course, will have their influence, but as it is a matter of business, and not sentiment, with the fighters and they want to choose the one man who, above all others, appeals to them as being possessed of all the essential qualifications for filling the job satisfactorily, it looks like Eytton would have as good a chance as any of them to be the final selection.

MEMSIC-POWELL MATCH IS POPULAR

Announcement that George Memsic and Lew Powell are matched again is good news and the further news that they are to fight over the 25-round limit at Vernon makes it all the more pleasing. These boys have fought twice, once at a no-decision result and once to a hairline decision at fifteen rounds in favor of Powell. This scrap will be scheduled over a distance that, to them, means practically a finish fight and at this limit they should be able to arrive at a decisive settlement of their dispute.

In addition to fighting for a winner and loser's share of the receipts, they will have a far greater stake to fight for in that McCarey plans to send the winner against Ad Wolgast in June or July. As Memsic and Powell are matched to fight May 14, the winner will have at least a month in which to train into condition to put up all the championship article of mauling of which he is capable and to win the title if it is possible. Wolgast has agreed to come here in June or July and fight for McCarey and the winner is the logical candidate for his scalp and would be a better drawing card than all the Morans, Murphys and Nelsons that are available.

DIAMOND NEWS

Mace park is open for bids this afternoon, and if some of the wandering tribes of amateurs are in need of a camping ground for a game today they might do much worse than telephone Scotty Allen at Broadway 2135.

Pecan players are to meet with the manager at 12:45 sharp tomorrow at the Pacific Electric depot, Sixth and Main streets, where they will take the car for Whittier. The following will be in the lineup for the Whittier game: Alavay, C. Valdez, G. Valdez, J. Valdez, Lopez, Smith, Warner, Walters and Rankin.

A new league is now in the field among the

local baseball artists. It will be known as the San Gabriel Valley league, and will include Monrovia, Covina, Glendora, Ontario, Upland, China, and possibly San Bernardino and Alhambra. The league idea is a good one, as it puts baseball on a firmer foundation—makes a regular schedule and generally increases interest in the game. Here's wishing every success to this new member of the baseball family.

DOC ROLLER SICK AGAIN

CHICAGO, APRIL 29.—Dr. B. P. Roller, the Seattle physician-wrestler, who was to meet Zydzyszko, the Pole, in a finish wrestling match tonight, is suffering from blood poisoning in a hospital here.

Rialto Gossip

SACRAMENTO is proving a big surprise in the series with the Angels. The fact that they are playing far above the hope they made for themselves in their at home series before starting on the road. During their stay at home they had great difficulty in winning a game a week, but since they went on the road they have won the best of them rather regularly. Getting away to a bad start here Tuesday and Wednesday, they picked up Thursday and yesterday and beat the two best pitchers in the commission. Thorsen was their first victim and Nagle was next, and they are improving fast. Thorsen was found easily for enough hits to net four runs, while the Angels were lucky to get one run off him. Nagle gave only six hits, but they were sufficient to give the Senators one run and credit for a whitewash victory, while the Angels could do nothing with Hunt when it came to scoring. As was predicted in these columns Tuesday morning, the Senators will improve and may turn out yet to be the dark horse of the Coast league pennant race.

George Mountain, formerly one of the great jockeys under license by the American turf authorities, has been granted a license by the state racing commission of Kentucky and left for Lexington last Monday to ride during the spring, summer and fall meetings in the middle west and Canada for Hal Woodford, one of the leading breeders and horsemen of the country. George came home from Jacksonville about two weeks previously, intending to enjoy an extended vacation with his brother, Bill Mountain, the automobile man, but a telegram apprising him of the issuance of his license and the offer of a contract to ride for Woodford cut short his vacation. He has not done much riding since he had a falling out with 121 club two or three years ago at New Orleans, but says he will be as good as ever after he warms up to the job again.

Advises from Philadelphia are to the effect that Langford obtained more than a majority decision by the newspapers of the sleepy town in his fight with Ketchel last Wednesday night, while only a minority of the papers. All of them, however, hold to the opinion that Samivel put Stanley on tea for a better and more profitable engagement over a more extended route later on. In this opinion they undoubtedly are correct. Sam has about as much trouble in coaxing fighters into the ring with him as some folks have in getting a raise in salary. Hence his proneness to do a little refrigerating on his own account.

Joe Conley, who is looking after the business affairs of his brother Frankie, the champion, says that he does not believe Webster and Conley would be much of a drawing card, since Frankie has trimmed Danny twice, and for that reason neither of them is banking

after another match with the local boy. This probably is a correct summing up of the situation. Pal Moore, the eastern crack, or Jimmy Coulton are the logical opponents now for Conley, and an extended journey with them on the coast would be a good drawing card here. McCarey is figuring on Moore for Conley at an early date, and probably will land the match.

Harry Bart broke the long winning streak of Casey the Jew when he cleaned the tailor boy out of his ready cash account on the result of the Webster-Conley scrap Thursday night. Casey has been buying homes and diamonds for a long time on winnings made on fights here and in Frisco, but hit into a bad one when he took the Webster end of the controversy. Casey has gone back to the bench, while Harry is buying fizzle water with some of Casey's dornie.

Joe Levy is the champion hard luck kiddo these days and it is all undeserved. He came to Los Angeles from Chicago several weeks ago with Morrie Bloom, a most promising lightweight, and has been able to get his boy but in order to show that he has a good boy he was forced to take prelim stunts as a starter, and made no money out of them, although expenses were running along very merrily all the time. Then, after he had a chance to make good, Morrie had to go and get sick and lose the match with Al Rogers. Levy probably will take charge of Marty Cutler, the white boy who came here as square-jawed terror for Jack Johnson, and thinks that the death of good heavyweight material at this time may enable him to pick up some of the loose change he has dropped since "righting" off somebody deserving a good break in luck it is Joe, and here's hoping.

There is a chance that Tommy Burns may be as good as he was when he left Los Angeles for his world-wide tour, but even if he is he has small chance of defeating Sam Langford in their twenty-five-round fight that may be held in Frisco next September. However, Tommy is willing to take a beating for ten or fifteen thousand dollars, and as he has paid Louis Blot out of an offer of a \$5000 bonus and a \$10000 loser's end of the big purse, it looks like the Canadian would be justified in taking the chance. I would without any hesitation that he should establish a bank or a salary loan business when he is canned out of the ring. If he had twenty more years to live in active business life, he would be worth nearly as much as Rockefeller when he died, as it is said he still has the best \$125,000,000 ever earned. He has a way of getting by with everything without having to buy anything. Pretty good for a fellow who was next thing to a tramp four years ago.

ANGELS BEATEN IN GREAT GAME

Hunt Wins Pretty Pitching Duel with Nagle at Vernon by 1 to 0 Score

Those faithful fans who went out to Vernon yesterday afternoon to see the Angels trim the Senatorial aggregation again were sadly disappointed in the result of their trouble and expense, but they witnessed the best exhibition of baseball played in the south since the Coast league opened for business in March. Hunt and Nagle were the opposing twirlers and they pitched major league ball all the way. Hunt won out in a pretty pitching duel by the score of 1 to 0, although barring the one run, Nagle had a slight, very slight, shade on him.

The only run of the game was scored in the first half of the ninth inning, when Shinn doubled to center, went to third on Van Buren's infield out and squeezed the plate on Perry's out via the Howard-Dillon route. In their half of the ninth, with the score against them, the Angels were unable to get even close to the home plate.

The same teams play again this afternoon at the Chutes and will wind up their series Sunday afternoon. The series now stands two and two, and Los Angeles must do some ball playing to beat out this steadily improving aggregation.

Following is the tabulated score of yesterday's game:

LOS ANGELES AB R H SB PO A E Daley, cf 2 0 0 1 0 0 0 Ross, 1b 4 0 0 0 1 0 0 Howard, 2b 4 0 1 0 3 2 0 J. I. Johnson, 3b 4 0 0 13 0 0 Murphy, if 2 0 1 2 3 2 1 Roth, 2b 4 0 1 0 0 2 0 Delmas, ss 2 0 0 0 7 0 0 Greenleaf, c 2 0 0 1 1 0 0 Nagle, p 3 0 2 0 1 3 0 Totals 20 0 6 27 17 11 0

SACRAMENTO AB R H SB PO A E Shinn, ss 4 1 2 1 4 2 0 Van Buren, 1b 4 0 1 0 2 0 0 Perry, if 4 0 1 0 2 0 0 Danzig, 1b 4 0 2 0 11 0 0 Boardman, 2b 3 0 0 0 2 0 0 Raymer, 2b 3 0 1 0 0 2 0 La Longe, c 3 0 0 0 3 0 0 Hunt, p 2 1 1 1 27 11 0 Totals 21 1 7 11 27 11 0

SCORE BY INNINGS Los Angeles 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-6 Base hits 0 0 0 2 2 1 0-6 Sacramento 0 0 0 1 1 0 0-6

Three-base hit—Nagle. Two-base hit—Danzig. Shinn sacrifice hit—Greenleaf. Bases on balls—Off Hunt, 4. Struck out—By Hunt, 6; by Nagle, 4. Double play—Roth to Howard to Dillon. Time of game—1:35. Umpire—Van Haitren.

GAMES FOR TODAY

The schoolmasters will try out with the old soldiers at Sawtelle this afternoon. The brass band of the home will furnish the lively part of the program, while players expect to furnish the thrills. For the schoolmasters, the Rheinhart brothers, Wade and Fortez will be the battery, while Wade and Fortez will be in the points for Sawtelle. The game will be played on the home grounds at 2:30.

SEALS KNOCK KRAPP OUT OF BOX IN SIXTH

PORTLAND, April 29.—Portland presented the game to San Francisco today, all garnished with a choice assortment of errors. The final score stood 4 to 3. Portland made a fine start, earning three runs early in the game. Then came the sixth inning, when Gregg, who had been holding the visitors to an occasional hit, single, runner and the still had the first \$125,000 serious had the outfield not thrown the ball away every time they had occasion to handle it. Score:

SAN FRANCISCO AB R H SB PO A E Shaw, 2b 2 0 0 0 2 0 0 Mohler, 2b 2 0 0 0 1 0 0 Melchior, rf 3 1 0 0 4 2 0 Delmas, 1b 5 2 1 1 1 0 0 Vito, if 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 Bodie, cf 4 1 2 0 0 0 0 Berry, c 4 0 0 0 6 0 0 McArde, ss 4 0 2 0 2 4 0 Miller, p 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 Totals 22 4 9 3 27 11 0

PORTLAND AB R H SB PO A E Speas, if 4 0 1 0 2 0 1 Olson, 2b 4 0 0 0 2 0 0 Helling, 2b 4 0 0 0 3 0 0 Ryan, cf 3 0 0 1 1 0 1 McCredle, rf 3 1 1 0 3 0 0 Fisher, 1b 3 1 2 0 3 0 0 Rapps, 1b 3 1 0 0 8 0 0 Ort, 2b 3 0 2 1 3 2 2 Gregg, p 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 Gynn 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 Krapp, p 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Murray 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Netzel 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 Totals 24 2 7 11 4

*Batted for Gregg in seventh. *Ran for Fisher in ninth. *Batted for Ort in ninth.

SCORE BY INNINGS

San Francisco 0 0 0 0 4 0 0-4 Base hits 1 0 0 1 4 1 0-5 Portland 0 2 0 0 1 0 0-2 Base hits 0 2 0 2 0 1 0-6

Struck out—By Miller 3, off Gregg 3. Bases on balls—Off Miller 3, off Gregg 5. Two-base hits—Ort, Tennant, Fisher. Three-base hits—Bodie, Tennant. Double play—Ort to Olson to Rapps. Sacrifice hits—Melchior, Miller Mohler. Hit by pitched ball—Fisher. Left on bases—San Francisco 9, Portland 5. Innings—Gregg 7, hits 8, runs 4. Time of game—1:45. Umpires—McCarthy and Hildebrand.

CLAREMONTERS WILL TRY WHITTIER TODAY

The game between Occidental college and the University of Southern California, scheduled for Bovard field this afternoon, will be played next Tuesday on that field. Pomona and Whittier will line up for their first meeting in the intercollegiate series on the Claremont field today. Whittier has been in hard luck throughout the season and expects to improve her record in today's game. Pomona is now in the lead, with two games to her credit, while U. S. C., Oxy and Whittier follow in the order named.

SAN GABRIEL RIVER GIVES PROMISE OF FINE FISHING

PASADENA, April 30.—According to some of the leading Pasadena sportsmen fishing in the San Gabriel river this season will be unusually good, owing to the low water line and the fact that there are as many fish in the stream as in former years. Water measurements taken yesterday noon by United States Hydrographer W. B. Clapp show 113 inches and, or 5750 inches of water. At this time last year there were 350 second feet, or 17,500 inches.

KNOCKOUT BLOW MAY CAUSE DEATH

Tommy McCarthy Steps Into a Punch That Loses Battle and May Cost Life

MORAN AND SECONDS IN JAIL

English Scrapper Puts Native Son Down for Count with Terrific Right Swing

DREAMLAND RINK, SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—The boxing bout between Owen Moran of England and Tommy McCarthy of San Francisco, at Dreamland rink, tonight, may result in a ring fatality.

After sixteen rounds of clever and hard fighting, with little to choose between the men, the Britisher swung a right with tremendous force that landed squarely on the local fighter's jaw. McCarthy dropped to the canvas as if hit with an anvil, his head striking with an impact that was heard all over the auditorium. He was quickly carried to his corner, where he lay rigid. Restoratives were administered, but without effect.

Finally "Spider" Kelly, the chief second, became alarmed, hastily summoned two doctors who were in attendance at ringside. Powerful stimulants were applied on the unconscious boxer, but there were no symptoms of returning consciousness.

After twenty minutes had lapsed by and McCarthy showed no signs of revival, a hasty examination was made. Dr. J. Meyers then announced McCarthy was suffering from a fractured skull, with possible internal hemorrhage.

At 11 o'clock p. m., twenty minutes after the knockout, the injured fighter was hurried into a waiting automobile and whisked to St. Mark's hospital, located a few blocks from Dreamland rink.

Meanwhile, Moran and his handlers are being detained by the police at central station, pending the outcome of the defeated pugilist's injuries.

At 12 o'clock McCarthy still was unconscious. He was knocked out at 10:38 p. m. A provisional diagnosis of the case given out by three physicians at the hospital, where the fighter was carried, stated that McCarthy had been fractured and that McCarthy's condition was serious in the extreme. It is rumored on the street that he is dying.

A priest was summoned to the bedside and friends of the family were sent to tell the mother, who bet \$500 that her boy would win the fight. John McCarthy, a younger brother of the fighter, and the father, known as "Old Man" McCarthy, both of whom acted as seconds for Tommy, were at the bedside. Owen Moran was crestfallen over the outcome of the fight, and there was no mistaking his grief. "It was a shame for them to let an untried youth like McCarthy fight me," he muttered. "I feel that I could have put him out any time during the encounter, but seeing that I was master of the situation, I made no determined effort to finish him until after the fifteenth round. I saw my chance when he rushed toward me, when the sixteenth round opened, and let fly with a full right swing. He dropped like a stone, but he must have hurt himself seriously when the back of his head struck the floor. I had no idea that there was so much force behind the blow that knocked him down."

McCarthy has been known to San Francisco fight followers several years, although last night's fight was his second of his professional matches. He has never fought a draw with Cyclone Johnny Thompson.

ASTOR WINKIPOOP WINS ONE THOUSAND GUINEAS

NEWMARKET, Eng., April 29.—The 2-year-old selling plate was run here today and won by H. P. Whitney's Regatta II gelding. The Grape filly was second and Linghi third. There were eleven starters. The 1000 guinea stake of 100 sovereigns each, for 3-year-old fillies, distance one mile, was won by William Waldorf Astor's Winkipoop. Maid of Corinth was second and Rosalina filly third. Thirteen started.

WOLGAST GOING EAST TO TAKE ON ALL ASPIRANTS

DETROIT, April 29.—Ad Wolgast has accepted an offer to fight John Marts of New York at the National club in Pittsburgh, the date to be decided later. From Pittsburgh Wolgast will go east and meet all comers of his weight. On June 27 he will fight some one of Tom McCarey's selection at Los Angeles.

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