

ANY ONE OF THREE FIGHTERS MAY WIN WELSH'S LIGHTWEIGHT TITLE

White, Ritchie or Mandot Would Defeat the Champion in a 20 Round Decision Affair, Is Belief, the Chief Difficulty Being in Getting Welsh to Assent to a Fight for Title; Welsh is Wilting Under Criticism.

NEW YORK, May 16.—Prepare for the shock, match! Freddie Welsh has already reached the letter of his championship mandating, and if he can only be induced to fight to referee's decision any one of the three who have in mind, we will surely see you, dear customer, a new world's lightweight champion—a champion with fighting credentials.

Our candidates for next lightweight champion are Charley White, a resident of Chicago; Willie Ritchie, whose habit when he is not upfitting the hammer, is San Francisco; and Joe Mandot, the New Orleans biker boy.

Each of this formidable trio has had more or more fights at the Madison and in the aggregate 30 rounds Welsh has fought against these three, at no one time did Freddie land a stunning blow, a punch that dazed his opponent even momentarily.

Welsh out-tapped Ritchie in two 20 round bouts, and was severely thrashed by the former champion in ten rounds. White twice has outboxed Welsh in ten round bouts, and Mandot out up a hard ten round tit against the Briton just a year ago.

Assuredly time does not improve the effectiveness of a boxer at the age of 28, which milestone in life Welsh turned two months ago. White and Ritchie have just passed 24, while Mandot turned that age in August of this year. So it can readily be seen that they have many years of efficient ring service ahead.

First Up Should Win. It is now up to the managers of the aforementioned three, to start negotiations for a decisive match with Freddie Welsh—a 20 round bout with a referee's verdict attached. It is our belief that the first one to inveigle Welsh into such an arrangement will ascend to the lightweight throne; so it becomes the sponsors of White, Ritchie and Mandot to force the issue, and let Welsh alone decide the lucky adversary.

Welsh, we reiterate, is done as a fighter. He has seen his best days in the ring, and the sole reason he has clung to his title so long—it is ten months since he relieved Ritchie of the diadem—is because of the no decision contests prevailing in this country. True, decision bouts are permitted in several countries, but Welsh has engaged in only two of these affairs since becoming heir to the lightweight crown; and in was wary to choose a "mark" each time.

Has Fractured Hand. Another thing which has tended to diminish Welsh's ring power is the fact that he must henceforth favor a fractured hand. Welsh was never known as a hand hitter, but now that

SHELDON-PAYNES PULL A TRIPLE

It's First Play of Its Kind in Southwest This Season; 2 Games Played.

A triple play featured Sunday's game in the Commercial field at Washington park. Credit is shared full and equal in the Sheldon-Payne game in the fourth inning. Gallagher lined a hard one at Charley, who made a pretty catch, caught Crabb off third and relayed to Sanchez before Malone could get back to second.

Crabb's sliding into second on the drive in the sixth inning was another feature. Walker's long drive that would have been a home run had the game not ended when he reached third, gave the victory to the Paynes, 2 to 1. The Paynes were two batted for the bases were loaded when Walker stepped up to the plate. The box score follows:

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BASEBALL RESULTS

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In Boyland: School Sports, Juvenile Sports, and News and Gossip of the "Future Greats."

THE Herald Carriers are feeling very cheery, having won two games on Saturday morning. They tackled the Las Cruces Juniors in one contest and won by a score of 16 to 7, and then went after the Fort Bliss Juniors, whom they defeated by a score of 26 to 2.

The score by innings of the game with Las Cruces was: Herald Carriers..... 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143 144 145 146 147 148 149 150 151 152 153 154 155 156 157 158 159 160 161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168 169 170 171 172 173 174 175 176 177 178 179 180 181 182 183 184 185 186 187 188 189 190 191 192 193 194 195 196 197 198 199 200 201 202 203 204 205 206 207 208 209 210 211 212 213 214 215 216 217 218 219 220 221 222 223 224 225 226 227 228 229 230 231 232 233 234 235 236 237 238 239 240 241 242 243 244 245 246 247 248 249 250 251 252 253 254 255 256 257 258 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