

In the World of Sport

JIMMY BRITTS HAS DECIDED TO QUIT

His Last Fight Ended in Defeat so Humiliating That He Can't Face His Friends.

San Francisco, April 23.—I am through with the prize ring. I should have quit it a year ago. For the past 12 months I have known myself to be all in, but like most athletes who find themselves going down the line, I attributed my failings to poor health and "balled" myself into believing that some day I would be as good as ever. The whole truth of the matter is that I cannot fight any more. I haven't an ounce in the world. This is no Ade-Elia Fatai. I'm not coming back in six months with an offer to bet \$5,000 that I can beat any lightweight in the world. I'm simply bidding a last good-night to the fighting game.

Thus spoke James Edward Britt a few hours after Paaky McFarland had rocked him to sleep in six short

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in a mill before did not worry him a particle. It was the blow to the pride that stung. It was the broken heart that made Jimmy wag his head sorrowfully and say "How the mighty have fallen!"

"I was beaten by a younger, faster and stronger man," Britt continued. "Four years ago McFarland and myself would have put up a fight that would have been worth while witnessing. Today he fought an old woman. I had no speed, no strength, no balance. I suppose I could still go on and beat a few dubs, but whenever I don't class with the best of them I don't want a hand in the game. I can console myself, however, in the thought that Napoleon met his Waterloo. But I have it on the sturdy French warrior. He was banished from his country. I can still come around and purchase a drink now and then."

Britt came to the front pugilistically with a rush. He fought his first professional fight six years ago, and two years later was considered the top-notch white lightweight of the world. In that time he earned and saved enough money to invest \$30,000 in real estate, after which he became known as the "flat owner." He met his first real reverse in 1905, when Nelson knocked him out in 18 rounds. This defeat did not put him out of the money-getting class, however, for he cleaned up large bunches of cash in his match with Terry McGovern, his third match with Nelson, in which he turned the tables on the Dane, and his last bout with Gans. In all Britt has collected over \$100,000 from the fight promoters of this country.

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let him shove while I recovered my senses. I asked him whether he couldn't fight or wouldn't. We broke in the center of the ring, and as he came at me just as before, I popped my right over again and dropped him.

"Jack O'Brien has not yet quit the ring for the elder path, although I honestly believe he could reap many honors there. He is not only a sprinter, but he is no slouch at long distances."

"The chief second takes full charge of the bottles, sponges, alcohol, or other implement, towels, etc. None of these must leave his possession for a moment. I would not suggest that there are people so devoid of principle as to dope or otherwise interfere with these appliances, but it is just as well to remove temptation out of their way."

"Why is it that so many promising boxing careers are cut short? In each case the cause is identical. Boxers are more prone, perhaps, than other people to the disease known as 'swelled head.' Look at all the good boys who have succumbed to its attacks. Young Corbett, Terry McGovern, the great John L. himself, and the peerless George Dixon and others. Although born a Canadian I am an American citizen, and have never tried to legislate that fact."

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MAJOR LEAGUE MEET TONIGHT TO TALK ABOUT BASEBALL SCORES A TEAM

Players and Fans Want Winning Nine and Chances Are Good They Will Get It.

It is imperative that the fans of Albuquerque turn out in goodly numbers tonight at the meeting to be held in the office of E. L. Medler in the Whiting block, corner of Gold avenue and Second street upstairs, for the purpose of arranging for a baseball team. A manager and secretary and treasurer are to be elected and it is equally imperative that five ones be chosen for these positions.

While it is April yet, it is believed that it will require a month to build up a team and that by the time the weather is right the team will be ready. Albuquerque has less baseball material to start in with this year than in many years past and many players will have to be secured from the outside, which will not be very difficult considering that Frank Harris, who was secretary and treasurer of last year's team, already has a number of letters from players desiring to come here and play. A few of these players are willing to work when not playing ball, and can be had for a little money, from a baseball source, providing they are given work. It is believed that a large number of semi-professional players or a majority of the players can be secured under the same conditions, which will do much toward making the team a success financially as well as from a point of view of furnishing the fans some good sport and giving the town some good advertising as a live one.

People with money to spend and nothing to do must have something to talk about and a winning baseball team solves the problem. Albuquerque must have such a team. While the field from which teams are to be had is small it is plenty large enough to furnish games at least once a week. El Paso has several teams in the field. Las Vegas is getting up a team. Trinidad is getting up its usual good team to join the Colorado State league but the league has not been formed yet and it is likely that games can be had from that city this summer. Santa Fe is already in the game, and the Pecos valley has a six-team league. With the New Mexico Eastern railway in operation games may be had this year from that territory.

There are probably a half dozen players in the city who have worn the Brown in days gone by and who might be persuaded to don it again for the opening of the season, and some of the old players might make good for the entire season. All of these players should attend the meeting held tonight. The meeting will be called to order at 7:30 o'clock.

HUCKSTERS WILL PLAY THE TOWN HUSTLERS

Imitation Baseball Game for Next Sunday With a Surprising Array of Talent.

A baseball team celebrated for the ability of its players at catching high balls and hitting hard ones will endeavor to hand a lemon to another team of pennant winners equated as celebrated in a game to be played in a private park in the northern outskirts of the city next Sunday afternoon. The admission fee will be \$5. Reserved seats will cost \$10, but any spectator staying until the finish of the game will be given his money back at the edge of the potato patch.

Both teams have gone into hard practice and will be in first-class condition by the date of the game. A few of the players have had a hard time making the weight, which is three pounds to the limit, but the indications are now that the regulars on both sides will be able to comply with all the rules. No gloves weighing less than thirteen ounces will be permitted, and the compact of the teams specifies that neither of the catchers shall wear more than three breast protectors. The ball must be mustang hide and the bats charter oak.

The game will be called at 2 o'clock, and no spectators will be seated in the sugar beet field during an inning. Merry Widow hats are barred.

Following is the official announcement, giving the players:

"A game of baseball will be played Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, April 25, that will make old, gray-haired men, children, old women, young women and ladies with Merry Widow hats turn green with envy. This celebrated game will be played, or attempted to be played, on a farm adjacent to the city limits. The owners of the ball grounds have been working for the past two weeks with plows, barrows, scrapers and road rollers to put it in a condition that will be satisfactory for the following line-up of players who have signified their willingness to participate.

"Hucksters—Geo. Myers, cf; E. I. Parker, p; J. Stueckel, lf; F. Zickert, 2b; E. E. Booth, 3b; J. L. La Driere, ss; L. Stueckel, rf; B. Powell, cf; E. E. Stueffel, if.

"Hustlers—Pat Sherr, c; A. D. Graham, captain, p; Tom Phelan, lf; Frank Ralph, 2b; John Abbott, 3b; Ben Botte, ss; C. Hudson, rf; F. J. Sheridan, cf; I. Cox, if.

"Reserve—W. Hauser, P. Myers, Don Rankin, P. Millenbaugh, Steve Bailing, P. Jacobson, P. Candelaria, A. J. Maloy, Lou Holts, Dr. J. P. Pierce, Ralph Farwell, C. Parker, G. Wright, H. Westorf, Mike Nash, Ed Mann, E. C. Butler, Bert Baker.

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Tom Hubbel, Dr. W. W. Spargo, M. P. Kelly.

"Vampires—H. S. Knight, R. G. Balcomb.

"Physician in charge: Doc Haynes."

BOER MEETS GANS FIRST

He Went to the Coast With the Intention of Taking on the Battling One But a Disagreement Exists.

San Francisco, April 23.—Boer Unholz, who came to San Francisco for the express purpose of fighting Battling Nelson before Jimmy Coffroth's club, switched to the Gleason camp and agreed to fight Joe Gans Thursday evening, May 14th, twenty rounds, at the Coliseum rink. The change of base on the part of the Boer is partially, so he says, because he had a difference with Nelson over a money settlement in Los Angeles, and partially because of the guarantee that Gleason has made. On the face of the articles that were signed, the Boer is to receive \$2,000 win, lose or a draw, and it is rumored that he will get as much as \$5,000 for jumping the fence.

At all events, he has signed, and the Unholz-Nelson match is off. The Boer wasn't in San Francisco many hours before he was approached by Gleason. He apparently looked good to him. Whether he trumped up a difference with Nelson as an excuse, is something that Unholz alone can answer.

The articles were signed by Alvie King, who represented Ben Selig, who represents Joe Gans, by Rudolph Unholz and by John J. Gleason.

They call for a twenty-round fight, for the lightweight championship of the world, at 132 pounds, ringside stripped and straight. Marquis of Queensberry rules to govern. It is also stipulated that Gleason guarantee Unholz \$2,000, win, lose or draw, with an additional privilege of 25 per cent of the receipts if the house draws more than the \$2,000 would represent.

Gleason is to post \$3,000 with Joe Thomas, and Unholz and Gans are to post \$1,500 forfeits with John Clark.

Unholz's disagreement with Nelson dates back to the Los Angeles fight, at which time he claims that Nelson was overpaid \$427 and that he will insist on getting it before he fights the Dane.

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