

CHASING WILLARD FOR CHAMP. MATCH

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New York, May 30.—There will be at least one big championship fight before summer is over if Jack Kearns has his way.

The hustling San Francisco promoter, youngest of theistic impresarios, is working on a proposition to get Jess Willard in the ring for a twenty-round battle with Carl Morris or some other heavyweight, and he hopes to stage the affair at Reno or Tia Juana.

At this writing Willard is on his way to New Orleans, and Morris is getting ready for his bout with Frank Moran in New York. But after the Morris-Moran fight is over there will be reason for theistic public to look forward to another battle for the championship in American soil, particularly if Morris wins. And to say the least the time seems ripe for it.

A battle for the heavyweight crown over the championship distance would be welcomed by the boxing fans. The last battle of championship calibre was the Johnson-Flynn fiasco at Las Vegas, and it did not amount to much. The Johnson-Jeffries tilt at Reno, then, was in reality the last big battle between heavyweights that had the earmarks of a real argument, and that was a most seven years ago.

The Johnson-Jeffries battle at Reno drew nearly \$275,000, which was a record. But it wasn't fought in war times, and it is highly probable that no heavyweight will ever again be given the inducements that were offered the principals in that battle.

Willard, if he really wants to fight again, should be satisfied with a purse of \$50,000 to \$70,000—depending altogether on where the battle might be held—while Morris or any of the other would-be champions could be grabbed for \$10,000 to \$15,000. So a twenty-round battle for Willard's title ought to cost less than \$100,000 and should draw around \$150,000. Considering the fact that these war times these figures seem conservative, and this is the basis on which the promoters are planning to stage the next heavyweight title attraction.

While waiting to line up a heavyweight championship battle, Jack Kearns is busy with the promotion of the Waddell-Zybarz Strangler Lewis heavyweight wrestling match which is slated for San Francisco June 5. The winner at this match is to be booked up with Earl Caddock for the world's heavyweight championship, and the match is planned for Frisco, July 4.

The Golden West is waking up again.

Christy Mathewson said recently that the pitcher who can keep the ball in play to the batter and keep it low has about six chances to one against the man he faces. Matty, of course, means the pitcher with control, for it takes superb control on the part of the flinger to keep

GOOD READING FOR JUNE 5 RECRUITS

Louisiana women will distribute copies of President Wilson's war message to every man as he registers on registration day. This will be done in response to a message from Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, chairman of the women's committee, who has wired that request to New Orleans women.

The wife also asked how many copies of the message New Orleans would need and also how many copies should be sent to other parts of the state. Representatives of the sixteen Louisiana State organizations formed the Louisiana division of the women's committee council of national defense.

They chose Miss Hilda Phelps state chairman; Miss Natalie Scott, secretary; Mrs. Joseph E. Friend, treasurer, all of New Orleans, because it was agreed headquarters should be in the city.

From the state were chosen Mrs. J. D. Wilkinson, of Shreveport, first vice chairman, and four members of the executive board: Mrs. W. S. Holmes, of Baton Rouge; Mrs. A. F. Stern, of Morgan City; Mrs. William Polk, of Alexandria, and Mrs. Walter Torian, of Lafayette. Mrs. James M. Thomson, who, as temporary chairman appointed by Dr. Shaw, presided, was chosen second vice chairman. Two other New Orleans women, Mrs. H. B. Myers and Mrs. W. J. O'Donnell, were made board members.

Organizations invited numbered 25, as follows: Louisiana Federation of Women's clubs, Daughters of the American Revolution, Colonial Dames U. S. Daughters of 1776-1812, National League for Women's service, Girls' National Honor Guard, Housewives' League, Woman Suffrage party of Louisiana, Louisiana State Suffrage association, Council of Jewish women, the King's Daughters.

St. Margaret's Daughters, Louisiana State Sunshine society, Women's Benefit association of the Maccabees, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Order of Eastern Star, Louisiana State Nurses' association, Young Women's Christian association, American Red Cross, Ann's Peace party, Navy League comforts committee, Woman's Christian Temperance union, Louisiana Equal Suffrage league, Louisiana Equal Rights party, Louisiana league for woman suffrage.

shooting away with a curve ball and avoid winging his man.

It is an agreed fact among a big majority of pitchers that the fast ball with a little hop on it, kept in close, is one of the greatest assets any pitcher can have. Most batters can be tempted to swing on a fast ball over the inside corner and can do consistent damage against such a ball. All batters have their weaknesses, and a majority of them find a ball close in the hardest to hit, though there are some exceptions.

The fact that pitched ball close to the handle of the bat is more than twice as hard to connect with leads a majority of pitchers to attempt its use. But unless they have wonderful control they are liable to keep the batter dodging and ducking. In a tight game, when two 'ball clubs' are fighting, the first thing the batsman will do under these circumstances is to yelp that the opposing pitcher is trying to bean him.

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PLOT AGAINST THE ASSOCIATION

The existence of a plan to wreck the American Association baseball league and form a new major league was disclosed at the meeting of the American association at Chicago Saturday night. The actual purpose of the meeting was to declare off the inter-league series between the association and the International League. This was done. It was decided to add forty-two games to the present American association schedule, increasing it to 154 games.

Thomas J. Hickey, president, stated that the action of the association was unanimous after a telegram from President Barrow of the International had been read suggesting that the series be called off.

High-salaried baseball players in the association will find their pay envelopes "much lighter" than heretofore. Action was taken as a result of which about ten athletes in the A. A. circuit will have to stand a 25 to 50 per cent reduction or be released.

The present schedule will be played and after it is finished forty-two more games will be arranged. The proposed plan to play off two seventy-seven game schedules was discarded. Some of the members were in favor of the latter arrangement, but they were bitterly opposed by Barker, who finally won.

The plan to disrupt the association was outlined in a statement issued by President Hickey. Although declining to mention the names of persons alleged to be back of the movement, Hickey issued the following statement:

"The meeting also discussed certain rumors which were current concerning efforts which were on foot to disrupt the American association and create a third major league, and after due deliberation it was deemed advisable that a meeting be called in the near future where all members of the association would be called upon to act in concert and defeat such disrupting efforts by whatever means the president of the association and its attorneys may see fit."

"It is safe to say that when the meeting is called and all the club owners are present that they will stand as a body and pledge themselves to each other by a binding and effective agreement for the full protection of the American association as such and as now constituted."

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WILL HELP SWELL FUNDS OF RED CROSS SOCIETY

A. B. A. officials have requested all managers, directors and umpires to attend Wednesday night's meeting at Brand's Hall, as the tentative program for the Red Cross benefit on Amateur Day, or June 24, will be presented for approval.

In addition to a baseball game and other events or A. B. A. members, the officials plan to stage events for Public School Athletic League, Public Playgrounds and Amateur Athletic Union athletes. Also a tug-of-war between policemen and firemen.

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DILLON AND CHIP TIE IN A SLOW DRAG BOUT

Cincinnati, Ohio, May 30.—The 10-round bout here last night between Jack Dillon, of Indianapolis, and George Chip, of Newcastle, Pa., resulted in a draw. The bout was slow and uninteresting. Dillon left the ring with a bruised eye while Chip suffered a slight cut on the mouth.

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CHEVROLET THE WINNER OF CINCINNATI ROAD RACE

Cincinnati, Ohio, May 30.—Louis Chevrolet won the 250-mile International Sweepstakes at Sharonville, Ohio, today, his time for the distance being 2 hours, 26 minutes and 47 seconds.

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MUST STAY HOME AND FIGHT

Ottawa, May 30.—To prevent Canadians from evading military service by leaving the country, an order in council was issued making it illegal under heavy penalty for any man within the ages of 18 and 45 years, ordinarily resident within Canada, to leave the country with the written permission of the authorities. The applicant must declare under oath the purpose of his leaving the country and how long he expects to be absent; give full description of himself and references for identification.

DOUBLE HEADERS IN ALL LEAGUES

As usual Memorial day was a big day in baseball circles. A fifteen-inning game between New York and Philadelphia, with no runs till the last inning, was the outstanding feature of the day. Results:

SOUTHERN LEAGUE

R. H. E.

First Game

X. Orleans 2 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 1-5 7 1

Nashville 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0-2 10 3

Smith and Higgins; Gavet and Street.

Second Game

X. Orleans 0 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 1-3 6 1

Nashville 3 5 0 4 7 0 0 0 x-19 22 1

Robertson and Higgins; Taylor and Marshall.

First Game

Atlanta 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 2-7 12 3

Day and Piccinich; Fenster and Schmidt.

Second Game

Atlanta 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 2-3 8 4

Memphis 4 0 0 6 0 3 4 1 x-18 29 2

Bressler and Perkins; Barger and Rue.

First Game

Mobile 2 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0-4 9 0

L. Rock 1 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 x-6 10 1

Brennan and Griffith; Ledbetter and Peters.

Second Game

Mobile 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0-1 5 0

L. Rock 1 0 0 0 0 2 x-2 1 5

Bennett and Griffith; Hardgrove and Kennan.

First Game

Birmingham 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 3 1-5 9 4

Chatt. 0 0 2 0 8 0 0 x-12 12-2

Ellis and Haworth; Merritt and Peters.

Second Game

Birmingham 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1-0 1 5 0

Chatt. 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 x-2 6 3

Ponder and Haworth; Knowlton and Peters.

First Game

Boston 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 4-4 8 1

Washn. 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0-3 10 0

Shore, Eader and Agnew; Gaffa, Ayers and Henry, Ainsworth.

Second Game

N. Y. 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-2 10 0

Phil. 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0 6 0

Love and Walters; Schauer and Meyer.

First Game

Boston 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 4-4 8 1

Washn. 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0-3 10 0

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Second Game

Boston 2 0 0 0 1 0 0 0-3 9 1

Washn. 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0-2 6 0

Bader and Thomas; Shaw and Ainsmith.

First Game

Detroit 1 0 0 0 0 1 1 4 0-4 8 2

Cleveland 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-1 6 3

Boland and Spencer; Bagby and O'Neill.

Second Game

Detroit 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 2-5 11 0

Cleveland 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0-1 5 2

Ehmeke and Spencer; Gould and Billings.

First Game

St. Louis vs. Chicago, no game, rain.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

First Game

Brooklyn 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0 5 3

Boston 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 x-4 8 1

Goombs and Miller; Rudolph and Gowdy.

Second Game

Brooklyn 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0 8 0

Boston 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 x-2 5 2

Gadore and Miller; Tyler and Gowdy.

First Game

Phila. 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0-1 5 4

New York 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 x-5 9 1

Alexander and Killifer; Schupp and McCarthy.

Second Game