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AUSTRIA GROGGY AT END OF FOURTH

On Thursday next we'll celebrate
With star-shells lighting up the sky;
And picnics?—No, they'll have to wait
Until the clouds of war go by.

STALLING BANNED IN ARMY MATCHES

Real Honest Boxing Called For in American Training Camps

AGGRESSIVE ATTACK LIKED

War Department Commission Discourages Backstepping and Defensive Tactics

[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

AMERICA, June 27. - Real boxing matches, not the kind where one boxer and then the other stands back and waits for his opponent to do the leading and fighting while he stands back on the defensive, are the kind wanted in the Army training camps.

It is this kind of boxing that will aid the boxers in their real warfare, and the War Department's Commission in charge of camp activities has promulgated new boxing rules, putting a premium on aggressive attack as against defense and discouraging backstepping, covering up and other purely defensive tactics.

The time limit of the rounds for novices has been set at two minutes to encourage fast work, with four rounds as the standard except in divisional championships, when six rounds are authorized.

Wolgast-Lewis Styles Banned

The new rules have been adopted to do away with the famous Wolgast style of cover up or the Ted Lewis style of tap and run away.

Wolgast and his imitators frequently went through an entire round without landing more than one or two blows, always waiting for the other fellow to do the leading.

Ted Lewis's style is to dance around his man, occasionally send in a light tap and then dance away again.

This kind of boxing hardly benefits a soldier in his military training, and it is for this reason that the Army desires to eliminate it from the camp bouts. Real boxing, however, has proved a big aid in camp training.

FULTON ONCE MORE BARRED FROM BOUT

Battle With Dempsey on Fourth Is Forbidden by Nutmeg Authorities

[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

AMERICA, June 27. - Once more Fred Fulton has been barred from engaging in a boxing bout, Connecticut putting the ban on the proposed Fulton-Dempsey bout which was to have been staged at Danbury on July 4.

The managers of the two fighters are now trying to have Baltimore promoters take over the match.

Fulton's recent refusal to engage in exhibition bouts for war funds has made him quite unpopular in both the East and West, and he will find it rough sledding in the future.

He declined to appear at a benefit show at San Francisco, and also at the Madison Square Garden, where the monster Red Cross show was staged.

Battling Levinsky, at Newark, N. J., easily defeated Charlie Weinert, the local heavyweight, in an eight round go.

SPORTING COMMENT

Joe Wood's excellent work in the outfield for the Cleveland club and his high-class batting clinched a place for Smoky Joe on the club's payroll. Wood played the outfield on the spring trip, but it was not until Graney was taken ill that he got his chance. But there is nothing surprising about a start pitcher making good as an outfielder. Mike Donlin and Cy Seymour pulled the same stunt only a few years back. Roger Bresnahan also was a good twirler at one time and then became an outfielder and later a backstop. Benny Kauff started out as a twirler and catcher, but his batting resulted in his being tried in the field. Dave Robertson began his career as a pitcher and then went to the outer garden. Beals Becker was another to pull the trick. Others who might be mentioned are Eddie Graney, Harry Hooper, Tommy Griffith, now with Matty's Bolts; Joe Connolly, who helped the Braves win the world's title in 1914, Wilbur Goode, Harry Welter, George Sisler, who switched from a pitcher to first base, and Frank Baker, now with the Yanks.

One of the most talked of fighters back in the States today is Lew Tendler, the Philadelphia lightweight, and he is a popular sport idol in his home town. In eight months Tendler has engaged in 13 battles winning four by K.O.'s, one a referee's decision over Willie Jackson in 15 rounds and the rest, newspaper verdicts. The smallest amount Tendler received in a bout was $750, when he clashed with Frankie McManus at Buffalo, while the biggest was $2,500, when he met Jackson at New Haven. He has earned in these 13 battles $15,033, a fair amount for eight months' time. Tendler will not be 20 years old until next September. Some of the boys Tendler has beaten are Johnny Dundee, Tommy Tuohy, Frankie Callaghan, Pete Hartley, Terry Brooks, Patsy Cline, Frankie Nelson, Frankie Britt, Rocky Kansas, Eddie Wallace and Willie Jackson.

The death of Frank Gotch, the world's wrestling champion, has resulted in discussion among A.E.F. followers of the sport as to the length of time that the Iowa farmer held the title. Gotch won his title from Tom Jenkins 14 years ago at Bellingham, Wash., after a fierce encounter. It was the second meeting of the pair, Jenkins having beaten Gotch in their first battle, when Gotch forced Jenkins to the limit. The second Gotch-Jenkins match was one of the roughest ever held for the title, both men resorting to dirty tactics. Gotch won with a half Nelson and crotch hold, which put Jenkins to the mat. On the next fall Jenkins was disqualified for fouling, Referee Tom Davis deciding that the champion had deliberately fouled.

College athletics has seen the last of Elmer Oliphant, the star athlete, formerly with Purdue, but with West Point for the past four years. He was graduated as a lieutenant this month, and is now in the Army. Oliphant was prominent at Purdue, but at West Point he became a star. He is the only man ever graduated at West Point who won a letter in four sports during his term. He wears A's for football, baseball, basketball and track athletics. He was captain of the football team last fall and led the baseball team this spring. He still holds a track record made at West Point three years ago, and at basketball he has also shone. Last winter he played with the hockey team.

LONGEST GAME IN A.E.F.

Companies B and D, — Ammunition Train, met in what is probably the longest game to date in the A.E.F., when they went 14 innings to a 2 to 2 tie. Rain stopped the play.

After six scoreless innings Lawton, of B company, knocked out a home run. Hulscher followed with a single and scored on Wirth's long two bagger.

In their half of the seventh D company put Morgan and Ridgeway over for a couple of tallies. For the next seven innings nobody scored. And then came the shower. The score:—

Co. B ..00000020000000—2
Co. D ..00000020000000—2

WILLARD SQUEALED, ASSERTS FULTON

Plasterer Lays Claim to Crown When Match Is Cancelled

SEEKS BOUT WITH DEMPSEY

Manager Would Go so Far as to Donate Whole Proceeds to War Benefit

Fred Fulton, who now claims that Jess Willard deliberately ran out of the match with him for July 4, through his manager, Mike Collins, has laid claim to the heavyweight crown. To show that they mean business, Manager Collins has made the announcement that Fulton will be ready to meet Jack Dempsey, the new western sensation, in a title bout any time the inducements are right.

When Fulton was still awaiting the outcome of the wrangle which resulted when he and Willard were matched for a bout, Jack Kearns, Dempsey's manager, kept the sporting writers busy printing his challenges to Fulton, but since the cancellation of the Willard-Fulton match, Kearns has been quiet.

Manager Collins recently issued a statement in which he came out with the bold declaration that he would match the plasterer with Dempsey over any distance, from a 10-round no-decision bout to a 45-round tilt, whichever Dempsey preferred. He further declared that he would be willing to donate the entire purse, or a part of it, to some war benefit. He even suggested that a monster benefit show be staged at Madison Square garden, New York, with all the receipts going to the Red Cross or some other war fund.

Willard Can't Hear 'Em

In this same defi, Collins announced that he would be willing to pit Fulton against Willard under the same conditions, and that if the champion did not accept, he would claim the title for Fulton.

Willard has paid no attention to this latest offer. He is on his new farm in Kansas, and it is doubtful if he will ever don the mitts again. The Dempsey crowd will have to come across now, or the fight fans will think that Jack's manager did a lot of four-flushing when Fulton was tied up with the Willard match and couldn't accept his challenges.

Fulton's declaration is bearing some fruit, however. Dempsey's manager has declared his willingness to have his principal fight Fulton, but no terms have been named. New Haven and Danbury, Conn., promoters, have offered to stage a match of this kind if it is arranged, while New York promoters think that if it is a benefit affair they may be able to pull it off, probably at one of the ball parks, where a monster crowd could be accommodated.

Up to the time of going to press, however, nothing definite has been done. Fighters nowadays are after the money, and the benefit part does not appeal to them very strongly.

Not the Old Time Crowds

Benefit boxing shows, as a rule, do not attract the crowds that might be expected. Recently, at Milwaukee, Joe Welling, noted Chicago lightweight, now in the Navy, and Ritchie Mitchell, of Milwaukee, at the Great Lakes Training Station, were billed for a 10-round affair, a portion of the receipts to go to the "Pal Movement" fund. Only about a year ago these two boys put up a slashing 10 round battle, with Mitchell winning, and it was figured that a rematch would draw a large crowd.

Such was not the case, however. Despite copious advertising, all of which mentioned the fact that part of the gate receipts would go to a war fund, only $2,600 was taken in at the door. The boys put up a great battle, Mitchell winning by a narrow margin.

Boxing fans are a peculiar lot of people. Whenever there is a benefit tag attached to a show, they imagine that it will be an exhibition affair and they stay away, but after the show is over and a swell bout was put on, they invariably kick themselves for staying away and missing a great scrap.

Mitchell and Welling, in their bout, showed the highest class of fighting, and both should still be in line to give Benny Leonard a fine tussle for the lightweight crown. Welling came within an ace of landing a knockout win in the third round, when he put Ribcie down for a count of eight.

Mitchell proved himself a game boy when, after taking his medicine, he came back in great style, fighting the best kind of an uphill battle, and scoring enough points in the remaining rounds to entitle him to a slight shade. It was a close battle, many scribes calling it a draw.

CHEVROLET WINS AGAIN

[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES]

AMERICA, June 27.—Louis Chevrolet, noted French racer, won the 100-mile automobile race over the Chicago speedway, his time being 55min. 25sec., an average of 108 miles per hour.

Ralph Mulford was second, Ira Vail third, Denny Hickey fourth, and Oldfield fifth. Ralph De Palma lost eight miles through engine trouble and finished eighth in the race.

After the race, De Palma, in an exhibition, made the fastest time ever registered for a lap over the Chicago course, making an average speed of 115 3-10 miles per hour.

TO TRAIN NAVY CREW

[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

AMERICA, June 27.—Richard Glendon of Boston has again been engaged to act as trainer for the Annapolis crew.

CO. C NOW ON TOP IN G.H.Q. LEAGUE

Win Over Field Clerks Ties Latter With Marines for Second Honors

MENOSKY IS SHINING STAR

Former Washington Senator Fields Snappily and Hits at Right Minute

In a game watched by 3,000 spectators Co. C defeated the Field Clerks team by a score of 5 to 1 at G.H.Q. The Field Clerks scored their lone run in the first inning, and there was no more scoring until the seventh, when Co. C gathered all their runs.

Mike Menosky, late of the Washington American league team, was the star of the game. He ran in from center field and caught a Field Clerk napping on second base, and with the bases filled in the seventh inning clouted out a two-base hit.

Dixie Clark, who was in the box for the Field Clerks, had Co. C at his mercy with the exception of the seventh inning. Co. C's victory places them in the lead in the G.H.Q. League, with the Field Clerks and Marines tied for second place.

Musicians Yield to Lumberjacks

Baseball was introduced to another part of France when an improvised team of ambitious lumberjacks gave the — Cavalry Band a 6 to 1 lacing. The game was called at the end of the fourth by the humane umpire.

The band, which came to entertain the timber boys, was not sore, and showed fine sportsmanship immediately after the slaughter by rendering a never-to-be-forgotten program.

Second Victory in Two Days

In seven innings of free-for-all baseball, the — Ambulance Company copped its second game within three days, defeating the - - Telegraph Battalion 10 to 9. In the fifth Burton relieved Scofield for the wigwaggers, and pitched fine ball. In the seventh the losers crammed the bases with none out, but Kramer worked out of a bad hole. The score:—

Tel. Bn. .....0 1 2 2 2 0 2— 9
Amb. Co. .....0 1 1 5 0 0 x—10

Batteries, Tel. Bn., Scofield, Burton and Balcom, Pike. Amb. Co., Kramer and Cappel.

The Ambulance Company also defeated the Headquarters Troop, — Artillery, 9 to 6.

Third Victory in Row

Co. E, — Infantry, won its third game in a row when it defeated the Ordnance nine 5 to 2.

The lineups were as follows: Co. E, Corp. Jones, cf; Pvt. Weinert, 1b; Pvt. Hamilton, ss; Corp. Young, lf; Pvt. Brough, 3b; Sgt. Weeber, rf; Pvt. Watson, 2b; Corp. Rader, c; Corp. Mobley, p. Ordnance, Harr, 3b; Passwater, cf; Rege, 2b; Kraft, 1b; Hannah, p; Dandover, c; Lipske, lf; Stoneffer, ss, Barry, rf. The score:—

Co. E, — Inf..0 2 0 1 0 0 2 0 x—5
Ordnance .....0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0—2

Ordnance Wins Pitchers' Battle

The Ordnance Corps defeated the — Aero Squadron by the score of 2 to 1. It was a pitchers' battle between Halloran, the Ordnance boys' rangy right-hander, and the sorrel-topped Williamson, with the former having the edge. In the seventh Ten Bieg caught hold of a fast one and when the dust cleared he had rounded the circuit for a home-run. The feature of the game was the lightning fielding [illegible]. The score:—

		R.	H.	E.
Ordnance—	[illegible]	2	6	2
A[illegible]	[illegible]	1	1	0

Other A.E.F. Results

- - Engineers, 8; U.S., 2.
G.H.Q. Field Clerks, 20; Q.M.C., 8.
Base Hospital 12,12; Canadian Pay Corps, 5.

MORE PLAYERS CALLED

[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

AMERICA, June 27—More big leaguers have been called in the draft. Ray Schmandt and Dan Griner of the Brooklyn Club, Harold Ruel, third Yankee catcher, and Benny Kauff of the Giants, who left his team last Saturday, are the latest to go.

Catcher Gonzales of the St. Louis Cardinals helped his team to a win over Cincinnati by slamming out a homer, two doubles and two singles in a single afternoon.

12 TO 1 HORSE WINS

[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

AMERICA, June 27. - George Smith, winner of the Kentucky Derby two years ago, sprung a surprise on racegoers by winning the Excelsior Handicap at Jamaica, starting at 12 to 1 in the betting.

Jack Hare, Jr., a three-year-old, won the Southhampton Handicap.

The crack eastern three-year-old, Johren, won the Latonia Derby at the Latonia track in Kentucky.

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Anyway, some of the baseball enthusiasts down at G.H.Q. have found out that if you station the bugler right behind the catcher and the ball-and-strike ump, you can almost always get the batter's goat. They tried a bugler out on it, and the scheme lasted just as long as the bugler.

But the tooter's activities in baseball are not entirely confined to defensive tactics. The same side that employed him to rattle sluggers used him on the opposing pitcher, once it was their turn at bat. Once they almost got him to leave the mound at the sound of mess call.

Then, when one of their men banged a liner into the infield and the opposing short muffed it, the bugler started "Boots and saddles." That was too much for the short, and he never tried for anything back of second all the rest of the game.

Also, they got the other guys' centerfielder all up in the air by the blowing of church call. He didn't know what it was, and stood there in blank amazement while a long one sailed right over his head.

RIVERS WANTS BOUTS

To the Sporting Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES:

Just a few lines to let you know that I am now in France looking for trouble (I know that I'll get plenty of that when I get to the Germans), but now, while I am still in a training camp, I would like to arrange a bout or two just to keep my old K.O. punch in working order until I get to the Huns.

As I know THE STARS AND STRIPES reaches every American camp in France, I might be able to get a bout through it, as I have been having a lot of trouble in getting bouts since coming into the service, only taking part in two bouts, one at Camp Upton, N.Y., and one on board ship when coming over here. I am willing to meet anybody in the lightweight class, 133lb., in a 15 or 20 round bout.

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DIAMOND FLASEHS

The standing of the clubs in the American association on June 1 was: Louisville, 15-6; Kansas City, 13-7; Milwaukee, 14-8; Columbus, 13-8; Indianapolis, 11-9; St. Paul, 8-14; Minneapolis, 7-15; Toledo, 4-18.

Bill Clark, former big league ball player, who has been over here with the Y.M.C.A., has returned to the States to arrange for a series of games to be played by two all-star teams for the soldiers in France next fall.

Harry Lord is managing the Jersey City team in the International league.

Bert Niehoff is making good with the Giants and the fans like his work.

Jimmy Archer has surprised everyone by staging a come-back. He was passed up by all the major league clubs when the Cubs let him go. At Pittsburgh he is now the first catcher and is helping to keep the Pirates in the fight.

Milwaukee has two young players who are making good, Runser at second and Huhn behind the bat.

Alex Reilly, now with Louisville, scored the winning run for the Colonels over the Kansas City Blues by stealing home.

Del Pratt fits in nicely in the New York Yank infield at second, with Pipp at first, Peckinpaugh at short, and Baker at third.

Something unusual occurred in a game at St. Louis when George Sisler, first baseman of the Browns, made two assists in ten seconds. He made two separate throws to first to get a runner and in each case the ball was dropped.

Twenty business men own the Minneapolis ball club. That should bring at least 20 fans out to each game.

Bill Killifer, Cub catcher, will join the Army shortly and will be sent to Camp Funston, instead of Camp Custer, where Grover Alexander is at present.

Owner Weeghman is trying to get leave for Grover Alexander, so that he can twirl a few more games before departing for France.

Bert Niehoff, bought by the Giants from the Cards, is still playing second base in place of Larry Doyle, who is still laid up and may not be able to play for another month.

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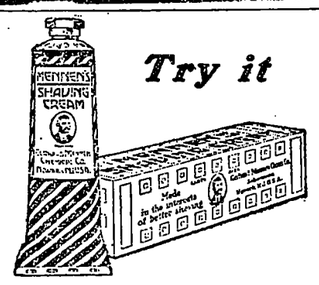

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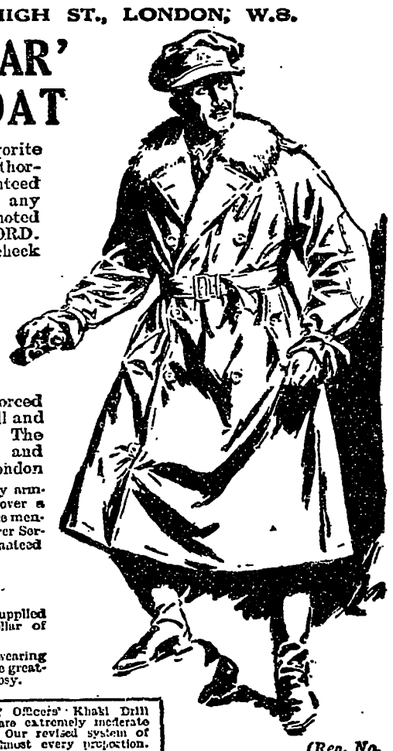

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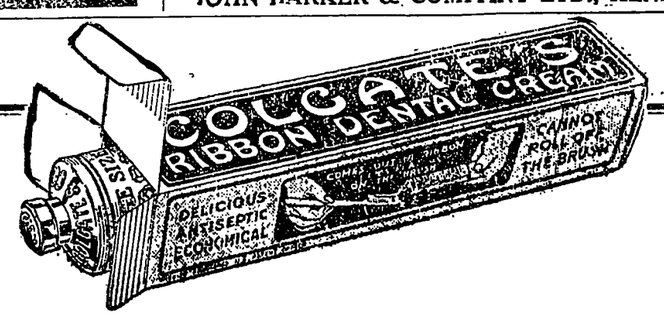

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