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Buddy Banks and his Buddies appearing at the Dude Ranch

Volk to Top Next Program

Young Bobby Volk, his fistic honor revenged by a six-round knockout of Gil Whitesides, the good California middleweight, has been signed to headline Joe Waterman's next auditorium fight card dated March 22, the portly matchmaker announced on Monday.

But the real fillip was that Volk faces the toughest assignment of his sparkling career.

He will meet over ten rounds one of the three stellar middleweights, with whom Waterman is now dickering. They are:

May Fight Stanley

Lincoln Stanley, the Oakland, Cal., Negro flash who had Tommy Moyer on the floor for the first time in his life and lost a hairline decision here last month before a packed house of cheering fans.

Paul Lewis, kid brother of John Henry Lewis, former world light-heavy champ, and a capable comer in Bay area ring circles.

Roy Miller, Kansas City's hottest card of the moment, and being primed by Henry Armstrong to lift the welterweight title.

"Volk is now ready to spread his wings, as did Joe Kahut in important fights against Lloyd Marshall and Jimmy Casino," said Waterman. "Any or these three will make a major test for him."

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Jackie Robinson And John Wright In Training

Baseball broke a precedent of long standing Monday when shortstop Jackie Robinson and pitcher John Wright, two Negro athletes, reported for spring training with the Montreal Royals, Brooklyn's farm club in the International league.

Before an interested gathering of seven spectators, Robinson and Wright went through the routine practice motions in a drill that failed to create as much excitement as a daily battle between the "blues" and the "greens" at Rickey university.

Wright Looks Good

The two athletes reported to Bob Finch, assistant to President Branch Rickey, Robinson greeting Finch with a smile as he said, "Well, this is it."

In the absence of Manager Clay Hopper, who was in Daytona Beach with a special squad to play the parent Dodgers in a practice game, Finch directed Robinson to take his turn with the other hitters facing the mechanical pitcher. Wright threw to the hitters for a short time, cutting loose with a good curve ball.

Robinson is determined to make the Montreal club if he possibly can, although he realizes he will have tough competition for the shortstop job with Stan Breard, last year's regular returning, and the parent Brooklyn club so deep in rookie infielders.

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Sugar Ray Whips Angott With Ease

Sugar Ray Robinson soundly thrashed veteran Sammy Angott of Washington, Pa., Monday night to win a ten-round unanimous decision before a crowd which paid an indoor record of \$47,867. Robinson weighed 147, Angott 143. Angott was dropped for one count in the first and eighth rounds.

The 31-year-old former light-weight boss who said he would retire if he did not win over the hard-punching Robinson looked his best in the second and third rounds, the only ones he won. The Associated Press score sheet called the fourth round even and gave the rest to Sugar Ray.

The gross gate which netted \$41,985 represented an all-time high for Pittsburgh's Duquesne Gardens which were jammed with about 6500 fans, including standees, some of whom waited in line hours for a chance to enter.

VOLK STOPS WHITESIDE IN SIX; HOAG EDGES FOE

Bobby Volk, Oregon's No. 1 middleweight beak buster, hurled another milestone in quest of fame and fortune Friday night in The Auditorium as he recorded a six-round t. k. o. over stout and cagey Gilbert Whiteside, a mustachioed 155-pound Negro puncher from Santa Monica, Cal.

An eye cut suffered by the Californian in the third round turned into a gaping wound midway through the fifth as Volk, a deliberate marksman, shot his educated left time after time to the middle of the target. At the end of the sixth heat it was apparent to all that Referee Ralph Gruman called the right turn as he went to Volk's corner and lifted his right paw into the ozone.

For two full rounds the 157-pound Portland uncher let butterflies in his tummy interfere with more important work. Midway through the third he relaxed and went to town. A traight left in the latter stages of the session parked Whiteside on the deck for a count of nine and through the fourth and fifth sessions the deliberate Portlander had all the better of the going.

Twice in the sixth Volk draped right-hand shots on the button and both time the Californian's knees wobbled, but he didn't go down. His left brow was a sorry sight, however, as he wearily trudged to his corner and it was apparent he wasn't fit for further duty.

Little Duane ("Buzzsaw") Toag was forced to go 10 fast rounds before copping the duke over clever Benny Jerome, a curly-thatched sailor lad from up Pasco way. Hoag, deemed Oregon's prize featherweight, forced the fight all the way, landed cleaner punches at infighting and, on our own scorecard, was the better of the two in four of the 10 rounds. We gave the first round to the smart sailor and didn't see much to choose between 'em in the other five sessions.

The decision got booed for 10 solid minutes. Jerome was guilty of excessive holding and he lost whatever advantage he may have gained at long-range bombing by refusing to stay clear when Hoag worked in close and got in his own pet licks.

Neither was ever in much danger of being unseated. Jerome shook the "Buzzsaw" in the first with a right hand pitch to the chin, but was in turn shaken up a bit in the fourth and again in the eighth as Hoag sailed in with the direct intention of parking his elusive rival in the shadows.

John L. Sullivan and Bob Ford traveled six slow rounds to a draw. The former wouldn't fight much and the latter didn't know much about the game's finer points. As a successor to the original John L., the Portland edition now needs only to conduct a temperance tour to wrap up his career. He wasn't any better than the last time he went display. The Negro lad weighed 174 pounds and Sullivan carried 166 into action.

A rip-snorting affair all the way was the welterweight four-rounder between Dick Wagner, 143, Oregon City, and Sailor Tommy Foster, 145. It was a draw and was well received. Foster was rocked to the canvas twice in the second, but he surged back to square accounts with a belated uprising.

Bud Abney, a husky welterweight from Salem, record a t. k. o. over Eddie Norris, Portland, in the fourth round of their opener. A turnout of 1672 contributed \$3,651.20 to the cause.



Pic. Alpha Barnes, Fort Lewis, Washington and Miss Minnie Thomas, Portland, Oregon, winners of Jitterbug contest Monday night at the Dude Ranch.

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