

WHY THE MEN FIGHT

Articles of Agreement Signed by O'Keefe and Britt.

JACK GRANT WILL BY REFEREE

Winner Will Take Forty-two Per Cent of Gross Gate Receipts, Less Eighteen Per Cent, and Club Gets Balance.

The articles of agreement under which Britt and O'Keefe will fight, as will be noted, are ironclad. All of the various stipulations and provisions have been lived up to. Last night the managers of the fighters got together and settled the question about hitting and breaking in the clinches. The articles of agreement follow:

Articles of agreement made and entered into this 4th day of February, 1933, by and between J. L. Day and Jack Grant, doing business as the Pacific Coast Athletic Club, the first part, and Jimmy Britt and Jack O'Keefe, parties of the second part.

The parties of the second part further agree that should either weigh to exceed 150 pounds at the hour of 8 o'clock P. M. on said 9th day of March, 1933, such party shall forfeit to his opponent the sum of \$500.

The parties of the second part further agree to be at the ringside at the hour of 9 o'clock P. M., on said 9th day of March, prepared to go on with said contest.

It is hereby mutually agreed that the parties of the first part agree to arrange and select a competent and unbiased referee for said contest, provided said selection shall be made at least 48 hours before time of entering the ring, and should the parties of the second part fail to agree on the referee, the referee of the first part shall appoint a referee for said contest. Said referee's decision to be final.

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The management to be allowed not to exceed 50 complimentary tickets.

Jack O'Keefe: "I hope to win." Jimmy Britt: "I hope to win."

Britt statements both, but both cannot win, so one must take the losing end of the purse, while the other, like the gladiators of old, is to be a victor.

There seems to be no end to the Britt money in sight and no takers. San Francisco has sent down a bunch of it to be placed on the Pacific coast.

The same can be written of quiet Jack O'Keefe. He also is a stranger to the "pace that kills." To his training, there is "no place like home" and a good hook. He is the exceptional fighter.

Neither of the fighters did any work yesterday. It was a rest day in the camps of both men. O'Keefe, dressed in his Sunday happy raiment, after going to church in the morning, spent most of the day seeing Portland.

Britt is a natural wit, and he kept the band of the faithful laughing all the time with his droll stories. To the high delight of all, he told how once he was knocked off a ledge by a railway train into a canon 45 feet high, bruised and bleeding, in a tree. The tree saved his life, but the train crew, believing him to have been killed and chopped to pieces by the rocks, brought a bushel basket down into the canon in order to carry back the remains.

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SOUNDS VERY FAMILIAR

EASTERN SATIRIST WRITES SKIT ON BASEBALL SITUATION.

Seems to Fit Affairs on Pacific Coast Fairly Well, Although Prepared in New York.

Fans who read the following account of the opening and closing of a baseball season undoubtedly will think that it is printed as a knock. But it is far from this. It is the Portland post and present baseball situation, rest assured it was not the fault of the man who wrote it for the New York Sun.

Here is the story: "March 1—Manager John Smith, who will handle the team for the coming season, arrived in town yesterday from the East. He is the picture of health and says that he never felt better in his life. Since he is the best manager in the United States, barring Hank Sawyer, Comiskey and Fred Clarke, and if the Blues had not signed him, he would have been snapped up by one of the National League clubs.

"Last night the game from Alpha to Omega, and the most complete package of young blood that ever sat on the bench. Smith says that the Blues will have the finest players that money can buy and that if money counts for anything, the pennant will be theirs. He is determined to make known the players under contract just yet, but when he does, there will be a glorious celebration by the cranks.

"Last night President Jones and the board of directors had a banquet in honor of Manager Smith at the Tavern. After the cigars had been lighted, President Jones arose and said: "Gentlemen, we have gathered here tonight to honor the manager John Smith. He is the prince of good fellows and has already won our hearts. I am sure that the Blues will win the pennant and that we will all take our hats off to Mr. Smith, who will oblige us with a few remarks."

"Mr. Smith then took the floor and made a neat speech in which he said that he had every reason to believe that the Blues would win the pennant. He thanked the board of directors and the fans for their support. He said that he was determined to make known the players under contract just yet, but when he does, there will be a glorious celebration by the cranks.

"March 2.—Manager Smith made a ten strike yesterday when he signed the famous Cannonball pitcher, Tommie Ketchum. Smith has been after these stars for two years and had to pay big money to get them. Pitches will get \$4000 for the season and Ketchum will receive \$3000. Pitches is a wonder. He is fast on his feet, a .300 hitter and has speed to burn. He can send one of his fast shots clean through a two-inch plank, while his curves are so sharp that he is afraid to let them slip. He has a magnificent control, being able to knock a glass bottle off the top of a fence with a pitched ball at a point 100 feet away. Ketchum in his long career has never had a passed ball. He is a real pitcher. He has a good public as ever seen on the diamond.

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"When the cranks see the men Manager Smith has secured to play the other infield positions they will throw up their caps in delight. He has secured a good Stop 'Em to play second and third, respectively. Stoop is such a marvelous fielder that few understand how he can cover the ground he does. He is lightning on his feet. He has a good public as ever seen on the diamond.

James Griffin, manager of Toby Irwin, is on the trail of the victor of the O'Keefe-Britt fight. Jimmy Britt has beaten Irwin. Griffin does not think he can again turn the trick. The boys fought at Oakland, and after five rounds of terrific fighting Britt was given the decision. Irwin broke his left hand. Had it not been for this, Griffin thinks his man would have had a look-in at the decision.

The mill scheduled to take place between Benny Yanger and Austin Rice is on. Rice, as dispatches say, injured his hand while training at Yanger's Hot Springs, training for his fight with Terry McGovern at Fort Erie, March 13. This fight, too, may go by the board. McGovern is at his Brooklyn home, quite sick.

OREGON'S NEW TRAINER

W. M. Ray Will Coach State Varsity Athletes.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, March 8.—(Special).—W. M. Ray, the well-known football coach, has been secured to train the University of Oregon track team for the coming season. He is one of the fastest professional sprinters on the Coast, and Manager Earl believes that he will prove an exceptionally good trainer. Ray trained at Pacific College in 1928 and succeeded in developing a number of fast men. Ray will arrive in Eugene in a few days, but during the meantime Captain Payne will look after the training.

Smith May Act as Coach. UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, March 8.—(Special).—Football Captain I. H. Watts yesterday received word from "Locomotive" Smith, the famous California halfback, saying he is coming to come north and coach Oregon next season. No definite arrangements have been made, but the captain and manager will do all they can to induce Smith to coach the "varsity."

Bowled a Perfect Score. MILWAUKEE, March 8.—Arthur Wallace, a member of the Lincoln Bowling team, of the Bay View league, bowled a perfect score of 300 points on a pony-ball game of tenpins last night. This score is said to have broken the world's record of 296 with pony balls.

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SAN JOSE BEATS BROWNS

PORTLAND TEAM LOSES BY SCORE OF 2 TO 1.

Narrowly Escape a Shut-Out, but Managers Say They Are Pleased With Showing Made.

SAN JOSE, March 8.—(Special).—In the first snappy game of ball at Cycler's Park today the Portland team was defeated by the San Jose nine by the score of 2 to 1. Pitchers Engle, Slagle and Kostal worked for the "Browns," while Butler, Thatcher and Shields pitched for the visiting club.

The Portland team secured four, while the San Jose men were only able to make three, one of these being a two-bagger. It looked as if it was going to be a shut-out for the Portlanders, but they were unable to get a man over the home plate until the ninth inning. Shields, who was pitching for the San Jose nine, became very wild, walking three men, and Harlow reached home only through chance. Zinsner, who played second in place of Anderson, who is ill, made two errors, one of them being on an easy pop fly. Shields also pitched very well, and was responsible for the other three misplays. Smith dropped a long drive which let in one of the runs for San Jose.

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MANILA BASEBALL TEAM. Natives Are Interested in the Six Clubs Playing There. Just now everybody in Manila, soldiers, firemen and natives, are worked up to the highest pitch for baseball championship by the six teams composing the Manila Baseball League. The fight is extremely close, and at this time it is impossible to figure out with any degree of certainty which team will carry off the championship trophy.

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MANILA BASEBALL TEAM. Natives Are Interested in the Six Clubs Playing There. Just now everybody in Manila, soldiers, firemen and natives, are worked up to the highest pitch for baseball championship by the six teams composing the Manila Baseball League. The fight is extremely close, and at this time it is impossible to figure out with any degree of certainty which team will carry off the championship trophy.

Large Pitching Corps. Some Statistics Which Show That There Are Too Many. The old and much mooted question of carrying an army of pitchers is again being discussed in the East. In the National and American Leagues, 11 clubs aggregate 99 pitchers, or an average of 9.00 per club. In the Pacific Coast League last year in fielding and stood second in batting with an average of .460. He will have the crowds by the ears. Manager Smith will put him on the field as a pitcher. He is a center fielder to cover shortstop. Everybody knows Bootem. He is called "Home-Run Bootem" because he always knocks the ball over the fence. He is a marvel on double plays and the best shortstop in the profession. This will be the most complete package of young blood that ever sat on the bench. Smith says that the Blues will have the finest players that money can buy and that if money counts for anything, the pennant will be theirs.

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