

MARTIN HAS CHANCE TO MAKE FORTUNE

Victory Over Wills Means Earning of \$100,000.

NEGRO OFTEN UNLUCKY

Fighter Whose Strength Once Frightened Jeffries and Corbett Hopes for Big Money.

BY DICK SHARP.

Denver Ed Martin stands on the threshold of a fortune that was denied him in his prime 21 years ago. On the threshold of a 20-year drop. The greatest negro heavy weight in the world in 1900, Martin found it impossible to obtain matches with the great white heavyweights of that day.

Champions have come and champions have gone. Yet old Denver Ed is still a formidable battler, perhaps among the five best in the heavy-weight division today.

Jim Jeffries, Jim Corbett, Jack Munro and other juggernauts of flinty history declined point blank to battle him. Martin was offered more than \$100,000 in purses for a fight with these men, but because they would not meet him had to barnstorm it around the country. Martin's only way of earning a decent purse was by betting on his fights with other top-notch negro boxers.

One Rubin and Denver Ed were in the same stable. Rubin got the fights with Jeffries and the rest when they refused to meet Martin. And Denver could lick him every day in the week without half trying.

Times have changed. Where Martin got dollars for a fight 20 years ago he can now get thousands. But to break into this money he first must hurdle the form of Harry Wills, the present-day champion of the negro race. Can he do it, or will he fail?

A victory for Martin over Wills would mean a cool \$100,000. Martin could get much more for a return match with Wills in the east if he wins this one. The battle could be staged in New Jersey, or even in New York itself. Wills is a great card all through the east. Then there are many other attractive matches that could be made for the conqueror of Wills. But he must be conquered first, and that's a tough job for a man 43 years old.

Martin has a fighting chance to score a victory. Wills is not invincible. He has been beaten before, and what it is to be crushed to the canvas by a punch on the chin. Not lately, but within the past five years. Wills also is the one where he is through improvidence. Martin has had plenty of hard luck in his life and figures that same fortune is about due to smile on him.

To date Dave Shade remains the only undefeated member of the family of fighting Shades, who invaded New York several months ago. Dave has earned decisions over George Ward, George Lavigne, Jimmy Kelley and Joe Jackson. He beat Wills in New York, Lavigne and Kelley in Brooklyn, and Jackson in Philadelphia.

Billy Shade got off to a good start by trimming Pay Kelsor, but dropped the newspaper verdict, if that counts for anything, to Harry Greb in Pittsburgh Friday night. According to reports, Shade was not subjected to any terrible beating, but was outpointed in most of the rounds.

George Shade, third member of the family, lost to Bert Colima at the garden last week. Colima hails from Los Angeles. The latter was knocked out in his first fight in New York, but since that time has been winning with regularity.

When one stops to consider the class displayed by Harry Greb against such men as Charley Wienen and Billy Shade, and the fact that he is with Jimmy Darcy, the conclusion is that Darcy is a greatly underrated boy out here.

Darcy has had two 15-round fights with Greb, one in Boston and the other at Buffalo. In both fights Darcy gave out as much punishment as he took. In the Buffalo bout, Darcy knocked down Greb for a count in the third round and had Greb in a bad way in the seventh. And Darcy does not hold such a weight advantage over Greb as did Wienen and Shade.

It is fortunate for the present crop of bantamweights that such battles as Jimmy Barry and Kid Williams are not in their hands. Williams, the Baltimore Tiger, if he could enter the ring today in the form he displayed the three years following 1910, would clean up the bantam box in no time. Williams, when at his best, disposed of Charles Ledoux, the French champion, who was here on his first visit, knocking him out in the 15th round. Ledoux at that time was in the best condition of his life and was a whirlwind fighter.

Williams at his best closely approached the former Terry McGovern in his bantam days.

A. F. Bettinson, manager of the National Sporting club of London, writes to the United States that the board of boxing control of England is seeking from the British government an act to legalize boxing throughout Great Britain. In the proposed act is a stipulation whereby boxers would be restricted to 50 percent of the gross receipts of any entertainment in which they might compete.

In a letter to some friends here, Joe Benjamin, one of Alex Trambitas, the local waterweight, who was in New York recently, Alex, while boxing around New York decided to save some money. At Grupp's gymnasium he was laying out eight perfectly good iron men each month for the use of the training quarters and he was paying almost that much each day for a room.

Why not combine sleeping and working all in one domicile, thought Alex, and forthwith he proceeded to do so. He moved his training paraphernalia to his room and began to work out there.

Then he happened to think that no one would call time for him and that if he boxed too long he would take a chance on going stale. But any man who is genius enough to think of training in his own sleeping quarters can find a way out of a simple problem like that. Alex did it.

He walked to the telephone and asked the girl at the switchboard to call him every three minutes for the next half hour.

PRINCIPALS IN FRIDAY NIGHT'S MAIN EVENT AT MILWAUKIE.



ANOTHER BIG BOUT BREWS

DEMPEY-CARPENTIER MATCH FOR EUROPE CONSIDERED.

Fight Fans Across Water Do Not Believe Frenchman Defeated and Want to Be Shown.

BY SPARROW MCGANN.

(Copyright, 1921, by The Oregonian.) NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—(Special.)—What do you think they have been planning in the way of another battle of the century? Nothing less than another fight between Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier, in Paris.

Don't laugh, it's the straight goods. This is not to say that such a fight will be held. It is to say that the Dempsey crowd has been flitting with the idea and the wily Dempsey has not been an uninterested party. It is almost a cinch that the affair will come off if the public doesn't shut up over a Dempsey-Willard scrap.

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Now the great problem has been to rig up another fight which would pull a mammoth gate. No fighters are barred as opponents for Dempsey, who can give evidence of ability to get the public "hot" over a match.

The Harry Wills proposal is regarded by Kearns as the bunk. Wills doesn't like to be hit, and close followers of boxing know it. Dempsey isn't any more afraid of Wills than he is of Fulton or Willard. In fact, he headed Wills to all in a scrap.

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STANFORD-CALIFORNIA GAME LIKELY TO DRAW BIG CROWD

New Cardinal Stadium Expected to Be Filled With 65,000 Persons. Victory for Bruins Predicted.

BY HARRY B. SMITH.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 12.—(Special.)—Saturday, November 12, marks the top of football in California. Next Saturday, to give you memory a fillip, is the day of the "big game," when University of California and Stanford university meet in their annual session.

In addition to the thrills of the game itself, there will be the opening of the new Stanford stadium, with a seating capacity of 65,000, and every indication at present is that the game will be played to a capacity crowd. That is a lot to ask for it means more than doubling the attendance, but, as heretofore, the general public is watching these games, there will unquestionably be a gathering of the clans.

On form, the Blue and Gold figures to win from Stanford, but the Cardinal has the fighting spirit to the utmost and reserves its final effort for California. Heretofore the Stanford brigade has surprised the experts with its last burst of speed, and it may do so Saturday.

Personally cannot see a Stanford victory in sight. Still, the boys at the farm will do a lot better than many folks imagine.

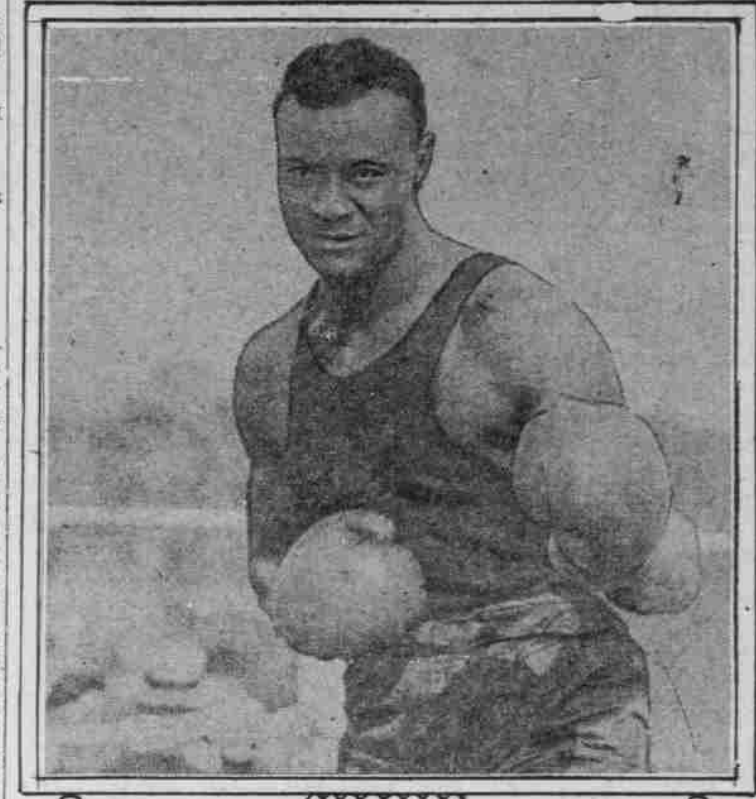
The Bruins have done everything that has been asked of them so far, and much of that with a crippled squad. Stanford made a surprising showing with the Oregon Angies, but could do no better than a scoreless tie against the University of Washington.

On top of that California belted the University of Southern California to a fare-you-well, even though the southern boys did score one touchdown.

But the Stanford rosters refuse to be discouraged. They'll be there in large and glad numbers and, no matter what happens, they promise to be enthusiastic.

That game there will come a slump and relaxation of training rules.

There'll be nothing in sight until either Christmas day or New Year's. Stanford, assuming the Cardinal makes a good showing, may try to arrange a game with one of the best of the eastern college teams at the new stadium for Christmas day after-



TOP—DENVER ED MARTIN. BOTTOM—HARRY WILLS.

man in also and the match in reality was a joke. Maybe so, but when you put that up to Kearns he shrugs his shoulders and smiles.

Dempsey beat Carpentier, yes, and he outclassed him. But over in Europe they don't believe it. Get me? "We get you, Jack."

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 12.—(Special.)—Another Seattle boy has attracted the attention of the majors and will wear a big league uniform next season.

Charley Hackett, pitcher for Broad- way high school last year, has been signed to play with the Brooklyn Nationals. Hackett pitched one year at Broadway and played in the Pacific International during the closing weeks of last season. Hackett is more than six feet in height and is a left hander.

The Dodgers are also after Connolly, who pitched for Yakima last season.

Yale Boxer to Study Law.

Eddie Egan, formerly captain of the Yale boxing team and an Olympic champion, has entered the Harvard law school. He recently returned from a visit to Europe and found boxers of little ability being regarded as winners in Germany.

So it wouldn't surprise me in the least if California would come to some working agreement with Stanford for use of the new stadium on New Year's day and arrange a game all of its own.

That might leave the Pasadena Pasadena match, but that's not a problem. The Pasadena match, it cost some- thing like \$2500 for California to make the trip.

It may be of some interest to Portland people to know the Melbourne cup, run on November 1, was won by Sister Olive, an ex-convict, at the tempting odds of 16 to 1. Sister Olive is a chestnut filly, three years old and is owned by F. A. Newman. The Victoria Derby cup was won by Furious, the odds being 2 to 1.

This information came to Chief Engineer Brown of the Ventura in a cablegram that he received only this week. There are thousands of people in this country who watch for the outcome of the Melbourne cup.

Gene Mellady, Omaha wrestling promoter, writes me that he is contemplating a trip to the coast very shortly with Earl Caddock, and that he will also bring with him Pat McGill, a promising Irish light heavyweight wrestler. Mellady, who is rather inclined to be conservative in his statements, says that McGill is a most promising boy and one with a future.

There is Ad Santel hereabouts who would make a good card with McGill, and Mellady may be able to arrange something of the sort.

Earl Caddock, too, is a favorite with the local wrestling fans, and there will not be the slightest difficulty in arranging matches for him, always providing there are suitable opponents.

Dreamland rink seems to be striking its salt as a fight center. The cards have been improving steadily the past three weeks and are being sold to the public at a price that is back to normal, but the galleries are there in their usual numbers, and that is the acid test. When the blackerites attend the high-priced seats are bound to go.

WASHINGTON SQUAD HIGH SCHOOL LEADER

Colonials Win Championship in Portland League.

ALL COMERS DEFEATED

Commerce, Benson and Franklin Tied for Second Place, With James John in Cellar.

Portland Public School League Standings.

Washington, 56 to 0. Jefferson, 42 to 0. Commerce, 32 to 0. Benson, 28 to 0. Franklin, 24 to 0.

This Week's Schedule. Wednesday, Benson vs. James John; Thursday, Jefferson vs. Lincoln; Friday, Franklin vs. Commerce.

For the first time in years there is no doubt as to which team is the best. Washington is not only the champion, but has also the best team in the league. Fenstermacher's line is the most powerful, while his backfield, for all-around playing, has no equal.

Although the Benson backs ran the Washingtonians a close second, and sometimes seemed to be a bit more powerful on the offense, Benson twice failed in its supreme test, while Washington backfield swept everything before it.

The Everett-Washington game, Thanksgiving day at Everett, Wash., will decide the northwest interscholastic championship. Everett has defeated every strong team in Washington, while Columbia, which Everett has beaten here, had eliminated every high school contender in Oregon except Washington high, which team it did not play. So a victory for either Washington or Everett will settle all questions.

Washington ran up the largest score of the season against James John Thursday, 56 to 0. In this game a season's record was made when Iverson of Washington made a 95-yard run for a touchdown, the longest run of the year. Brooks, Washington end, also made an interscholastic record when he converted eight goals after touchdowns without a miss.

The Franklin high school eleven came to life Wednesday and ran up a 46-to-0 score against Lincoln. Franklin used a dazzling forward pass formation which bewildered the Raiders. The Quaker line was a trifle weak at the guards, and the Lincoln backs plunged through several times for big gains.

Coach Campbell promises to strengthen the weak spots, however, before next Friday's game against Commerce. The winner of this game will be tied with Benson for the latter place of James John, the tail ender.

The Benson eleven after two weeks lay-off, will wind up its season next Wednesday against James John. There is little chance for James John to win the game, but with Captain Surber out with injuries, James John seems to have lost all its early season vim when it held the powerful Commerce team to a 7-to-0 score.

Jefferson and Lincoln clash Thursday. After a rather quiet season, Jefferson came to life Friday and sprung one of the surprises of the year by walloping Commerce, 39 to 6. The game was a complete rout. Some of the most dangerous customers to handle. A past master at the game, like Jack Britton, seldom gives the wild ones much chance, as Jack has handled so many of them, but just the same the welterweight champion has often admitted that he would prefer any time to meet a fighter who can box on one who knows nothing of boxing.

When Commerce took the field Friday it was the big favorite. But soon after the game started Jefferson became the aggressor and the ball was Commerce territory most of the time.

The Armistice day crowd that saw Jefferson and Commerce meet was the third largest on Multnomah field this year. The California-Washington State game and the one between Benson and Commerce were the only contests to draw larger gates.

After an illness of several weeks, Fullback Magnus of Commerce returned to school and was started against Jefferson. Magnus, however, while in no condition and consequently did little to prevent the Jefferson onslaught.

SOME BOXERS GREAT WALKERS

Dan O'Leary, Noted Pedestrian, Names Fighters to Prove Point.

"Three of the greatest fighters I ever knew were pedestrians," said Dan O'Leary, famous walker, who is still in walking, though 80 years of age. "The men in question are John L. Sullivan, Jack Dempsey and Tommy Gibbons. Sullivan is dead, but the other two men are very much alive. Gibbons I understand has not paid out \$10 for taxicabs in two years. He walks whenever he is not out of his house. I understand he is a picture of health. Any boxer who does not do plenty of walking and live outdoors will never amount to anything."

"Nearly all famous English fighters have been great walkers," continued Dan O'Leary. "British boxers do not hit the road for a ten-mile walk when in training is looked upon as a quitter and a man who will not stand the Billy Gola, former long-distance walker of England, at times was a trainer of boxers in England and had all his own limit with him every morning on the road."

"Another thing that I would advise boxers to do is to maintain in the outfit added Dan. 'The other day in Chicago I was in a gymnasium where a noted fighter was at work and the place was so filled with smoke that I had to take a jaunt to Milwaukee to get my lungs filled with fresh air.'"

Hunters Meet New Duck.

MARYSVILLE, Cal., Nov. 6.—A new species of wild ducks have been discovered in the tule adjacent to this city, when two Portland hunters killed some of the birds. None of the sportsmen seem to know the name of this new duck. The birds are slightly larger than the mallard and are entirely black save for the feathers on the neck, which are of a light brown shade. Around the neck are a few whitish-gray feathers. Apparently but few, if any, of this species of duck have been discovered in the gun club preserves of Sutter and Colusa counties and they are of considerable interest among sportsmen.

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BEST BOXERS FIGHT DUBS

MARKS OFTEN DANGEROUS MEN TO TRIFLE WITH.

Jack Britton Seldom Gives Wild Ones Chance to Do Much When He Meets Them.

Many of the best boxers in the various classes are seldom averse to taking on what the managers term "marks," or dubs, and this despite the fact that these names are often the most dangerous customers to handle.

A past master at the game, like Jack Britton, seldom gives the wild ones much chance, as Jack has handled so many of them, but just the same the welterweight champion has often admitted that he would prefer any time to meet a fighter who can box on one who knows nothing of boxing.

That was the case with Pinky Mitchell, Milwaukee lightweight contender, when he boxed Tommy Neary at Milwaukee. Neary is a Scotch Neary does not class with Mitchell, but as a fighter he is a game and willing kid. Pinky boxed rings around him, and used his left hand almost exclusively, taking good care of his right mauler, which was just getting to its normal condition after a meeting with Eddie Fitzsimmons at Boston a few months ago. The fans were disappointed in a way, as they expected Pinky to go to Neary's cuckoo in about two rounds.

As Kid McCoy used to say, "I just dashed around him as a cooper would around a barrel," and that is about what Pinky Mitchell did to Mr. Neary.

MANY ATHLETES LIKE GOLF

Stars Take to Outdoor Pastime; Eddie Collins Good.

Many ex-athletic stars who have passed their heyday in the line of sports are finding in golf a vehicle by which they can continue to shine, even after they have passed life's middle. One of the most prominent of these is the famous old Chicago White Stockings, an ex-Princeton football star, who is now a prominent exponent of the Scotch game in the Chicago district. St. C. (Babe) Meigs and Lee Maxwell, old-time University of Chicago stars, also are rated as experts with the driver and putter. Maxwell has been champion of the national advertising men's tourney.

Bob Gardner, who almost captured the British open championship a year ago, going down to defeat in the final after a brilliantly played match with Cyril Tolley, was a former Yale athlete who held the intercollegiate

FANS HELP PLAYGROUNDS

\$7000 BEING SPENT IN IDAHO THIS YEAR ON APPARATUS.

Money Derived From 10 Per Cent Commission Charged for All Public Athletic Events.

BOISE, Idaho, Nov. 12.—(Special.)—The Idaho state athletic commission is spending \$7000 this year for playground apparatus, which is being installed in various parts of the state in public playgrounds and on public school grounds. The action of the commission is being highly commended, as the playground apparatus is found to be popular among the children.

The commission derives its playground fund from the 10 per cent commission, which, under the law, it charges for all public athletic events, as boxing and wrestling.

The state is divided into districts, and over each district the three commissioners have jurisdiction as to the purchase and placement of apparatus. At the last session of the state legislature there was a controversy over the merits of the state athletic commission law. But from the good that the expenditure of the money paid into the commission is doing, it was decided by members of both houses not to interfere with its law.

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