

# Knee Operation to Put Liston on Sidelines at Least Six Months

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (P)—A knee operation will put heavyweight champion Sonny Liston out of action for at least six months. He may not fight again until next year.

The return bout with Floyd Patterson, which has been hanging by a thread for several weeks, was postponed indefinitely Wednesday night by the Miami Boxing Commission, after an official examination that revealed damage to the cartilage in Liston's left knee.

"It is our opinion that this knee should have the benefit of surgical procedure," said a report by Dr. A. H. Weiland,

widely known orthopedic surgeon who made the examination.

It would take at least six months for the knee to heal after such an operation, Dr. Weiland said. One of Liston's associates said the champion probably will not schedule a fight during the remainder of this year.

When the rematch with Patterson will be fought now is up to Liston. Where it will be is up to Patterson, who has the right in the return bout to name the site.

Quietly, Patterson closed his Tropical Park training camp

Tuesday night and began an automobile trip to his home in New York. His advisor, Julius November, said it would be a leisurely trip and Patterson would stop in several cities to visit friends, reaching New York Monday.

November said Patterson had given no thought to a future site for the rematch, nor to whether he would take on another opponent while Liston is recuperating.

Talk started immediately of a possible match between Patterson and the young contender, Cassius Clay.

"I don't feel so good," Liston

moaned when he walked out of Dr. Weiland's office after the hour-long examination which he had returned from Chicago to undergo on orders from the boxing commission.

His knee, originally injured when he swung a golf club, apparently was recovering when he hurt it again March 13.

"You know how you set the knee when you're fixing to throw a left hook," Liston explained to the doctor. "I slammed a hook into the heavy bag and my knee popped out of joint."

Less than two hours after the examination, a glum Liston

climbed on a plane and returned to his Chicago home. Before reaching the doctor's office, he had been in good humor.

In reply to a reporter's question as to whether he was trying to get out of fighting Patterson again, he had laughed loudly and said:

"I wouldn't be scared if there were lions, tigers and Patterson in the ring, and then I would be scared only for Floyd."

The promoting agency, Championship Sports, Inc., prepared to start refunding to ticket buyers this morning some

\$74,000 now in the till. General Manager Al Bolan said cancellation of the April 10 fight would cost the promoters about \$50,000.

A few buyers had wandered in to get refunds earlier this week, after Liston made his surprise departure for Chicago, saying he needed a rest at home.

The boxing commission ordered him to come back for an

examination Friday but he boarded a plane Wednesday morning within hours after learning that he would have to return. At the Miami Airport on arrival, he said he was here to "settle this thing. They're beginning to hurt my feelings now."

The return match with Patterson has been embroiled in controversy ever since it was announced that it would be held in Miami Beach. It was originally scheduled for April 4, then postponed until April 10 because of Liston's knee.

Bolan has accused Nilon of deliberately stalling the fight

because of his hatred for Championship Sports. Nilon denied it, saying he was interested only in getting it over, freeing Liston from the restrictions of the return bout contract, and putting him in the driver's seat to call the shots as champion.

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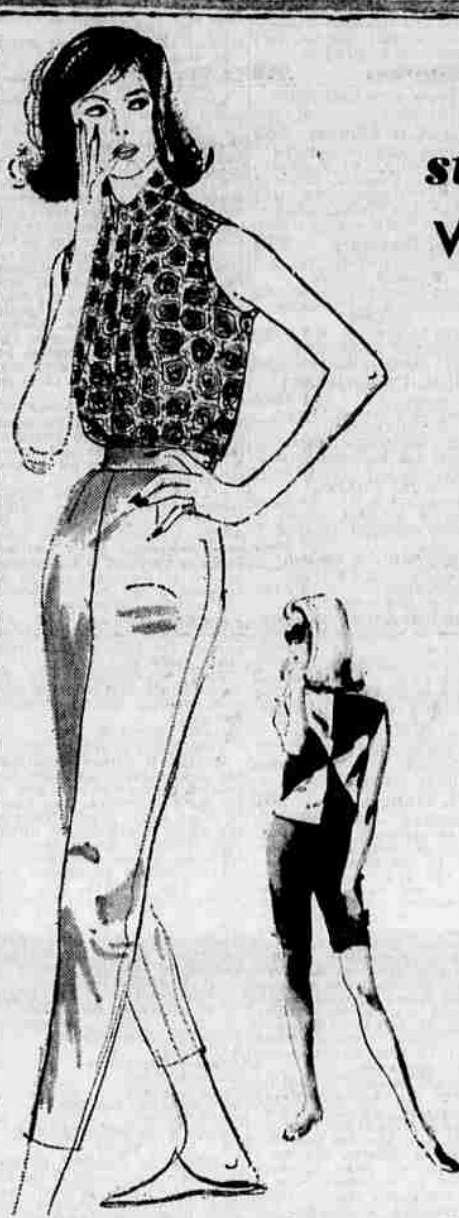
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