

BOBBY EVANS GETS GENEROUS

BILLY GEORGE OFFERED PRESENT TO MEET AL SOMMERS IN PORTLAND—GEORGE SAYS HE WILL GO FOR NOTHING.

(Portland Telegram.)

Billy George, who styles himself the "Idaho Bearcat," never had a better chance to show his metal or to disprove the assertion that he is "scared" of Al Sommers than is offered him right now. Every possible inducement has been made George to box the Portland middleweight, but he has always "squealed." At least this is the claim of Bobby Evans, manager of Sommers. To show that he is in earnest regarding a meeting between the two, Evans is offering George a present if he will box Sommers here. The only stipulation is that George make 158 pounds ringside.

In a letter just received from Evans, in which he enclosed his personal check for \$50 to be presented George the moment he steps from the scales weighing 159 pounds or less, Bobby roasts the Idaho boxer to his complete satisfaction. He says:

"I have just read that Billy George, the self-styled Idaho Bearcat, who is at present making Bend his headquarters, is very anxious to meet Al Sommers, Northwest middleweight champion. Please contradict that statement. I have done everything in my power to get this wonderful mankilla in the same ring with Sommers, but my efforts have been fruitless.

"W. L. Doudlah, the Bend promoter, who appears to be handling George, has done all in his power to avoid the match by imposing terms which were ridiculous. My only stipulation was that George should make 158 pounds ringside. Doudlah refused, saying the match must be at catchweights. I then agreed to let the match go on at Bend at catchweights, and split the purse 75-25, but I received no answer. A few days after my arrival in Wallace I received a message from Doudlah, who by the way, resembles Fatty Arbuckle, asking me to cancel Sommers' match with Farmer Burns at Echo, as he wished to use Burns at Bend with George. The wire also said if I would do this he would match Sommers with George, March 26. I wired back accepting the match, but would not cancel the go with Burns under any consideration. This wire must have hurt Doudlah, for he sent me a collect message, which I refused to accept, telling me I could never hope to have any of my boys appear before his club in future.

"As the Portland fans well know, I tried several times to get George to appear in a Portland ring, but he made terms so high I could not meet them and still live within the city ordinance, which forced me to turn the match down.

"To give the fans an idea of what this conceited young Bend boxer demanded for appearing in Portland, I will say he asked more than such stars as Bob McAllister, Fighting Billy Murray and Johnny Coulon. If he received what he asked, it would make Eddie Campi, Billy Mascott, Lee Johnson and Muff Bronson green with envy. I believe Mike Gibbons would be more reasonable.

"That I am sincere in my belief that Sommers can tame the Bearcat, I am sending you a check for \$50, which you are to hand to George the minute he steps off the scale weighing 158 pounds or less, ringside. This is with the understanding the two boys are to meet in Portland as the main event of the Business Men's club show to be staged March 23. I will also let Fatty Doudlah and the bush champion, Billy George, protect themselves by bringing Dr. Cousineau with them to referee. I will pay all the doctor's expenses. I can do no more, and it is now up

AL SOMMERS,



Who will meet Billy George here on April 12.

to Doudlah to accept or admit that he was only trying to get a little cheap publicity at the expense of Sommers. I hope this offer will be accepted by the time I return home in a few days."

Accepting the challenge of Bobby Evans, Al Sommers' manager, W. L. Doudlah, of the Bend Athletic club, who has been interested in promoting boxing matches for Billy George, stated this morning that George is willing to meet Sommers in Portland early in April and that he will do it without cost to either Sommers or to Evans.

Manager Doudlah received, with considerable interest, the announcement that Bobby Evans canceled the engagement he had made for Al Sommers with Farmer Burns at Echo, Saturday evening, owing to poor attendance. "When George went to Echo to fight Farmer Burns," Mr. Doudlah said, "he did not crab on the poor house, but went in and made the fight for only \$28. That shows his style. He'll fight in Portland for nothing."

BENDER EXCEPTIONAL INDIAN BALL PLAYER

Copper Colored Athlete Most Prominent of His Race in Annals of the Diamond.

By H. C. Hamilton, (United Press Staff Correspondent.)

NEW YORK, March 12.—There is always something touching about the passing of an old-time baseball player, one of the men who grew up with the game and saw it develop into the sport of the nation.

It was so with Chief Bender, just as it has been true of other ball players, and there is just a shade more of emotion in his passing, for it leaves only one Indian of prominence in the major league.

Strong, healthy, quick, drilled in outdoor sports by inherited rivalries, the Indian never has been able to completely fathom the white man's game of baseball. Many hundreds of the copper-skinned men have been called, but very few of them have reached the pinnacle of perfection in the majors.

Bender was one of the most prominent members of his race who ever played baseball, and Chief Meyers is another. Jim Thorpe, wonder though he is at other sports, is nothing more than fairly good as a ball player. Sockalexis will recall glorified athletics to many an old time fan, but he passed as they all did. Chief Johnson was a wonderful pitcher, and might still be, if he had cared to keep himself in condition.

Bender was purely a product of the Connie Mack school. He was picked up after making a wonderful record for a team at Harrisburg, Pa., and then after a summer of illness and a season of no success, he blossomed. It was his work that did more than anything else to drive the Athletics to a pennant in 1911, and then he came through with a world's

series victory practically unaided when Jack Coombs was stricken down. His work held up the Mackmen when everything else was going bad, and his final effort in the 1915 world's series was a crowning attempt to pull his team from defeat.

Connie Mack dropped him at the same time he did Jack Coombs, and both the master hurlers passed into the National league eventually. Bender after spending a season with the Federals. He wasn't much of a pitcher, but he had used his experience to good effect and he was considered about half the strategical board for the Phillies.

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BOWLING AVERAGES HOLDING UP WELL

Averages in the city bowling league are standing up well, with the progress of the season, and lists compiled up to date show the following standing of the individual players:

Springer	21	183
Pietch	18	172
Bice	3	164
Donsmore	3	164
Hedstrom	21	162
Manning	4	161
Stover	8	160
Estes	15	156
Swanson	15	156
Steidl	18	152
Shaw	20	150
Zelner	20	150
Tindall	17	149
Brandeau	7	149
Monasco	16	147
Rhinegold	6	147
Boland	1	147
Torrell	12	146
Palmerton	19	143
Heuer	15	142
Carmody	15	142
Martin	16	141
Stoebr	15	141
Bozley	18	140
Lucas	3	133
Engelbretson	2	133
Johnson	3	132
Bettinger	2	132
Schoels	6	126
Barnes	9	123
Hanck	9	122
Spencer	6	119
Ditter	11	110
Sawyer	3	105
Bell	2	101
Stockton	1	98

GIRL ROOKIE ARE LEARNING WAR ART

Second Encampment at Chevy Chase Will Begin April 16—Greater Success Predicted.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—Sweet girl graduates of the First National Service School, women's section of the Navy League, will delve into the intricacies of warfare when they go into their second encampment here at Chevy Chase, April 16.

Post graduate companies have been organized for the encampment this year and those who served in 1916 are eligible for places. They will take up a higher course of dietetics, camp cookery, map reading, motor car driving, repairing, bicycling, advanced signalling, plain and wireless telegraphy. Former students must have applied for membership in the companies before March 10.

The regular courses, mostly for girl rookies, still have a number of vacancies but officers in charge of the encampment declare it will be even more successful than last year.

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A Plattsburgh idea will be put into effect this time, the red, white and blue system. By this plan those women who attended but one course last year will wear red and white service stripes, while those who took up two courses are entitled to the coveted red, white and blue stripes.

Plans for the second encampment are practically complete. Women have been enrolled from Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Chicago and Boston, as well as many southern cities. Powder puffs and "party" dresses will be replaced by khaki and drab sombreros, while these women are learning the art of soldiering. A large building will be added to the equipment this year where lectures may be held in inclement weather.

Captain E. B. Crocsey, who has returned from Haiti, will have charge of laying out the camp, and Mrs. Hugh L. Scott, wife of the chief of staff of the army, will head the camp committee.

STATE BANK TAKEN OVER BY SWIFTS

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Mr. Dickey represent are prepared to handle livestock loan paper from both the Central Oregon and the First National banks, Mr. Swift stated. "We are not coming in to Bend to injure anybody, but desire to build up the general financial strength of Bend," he declared. "Stock loans should be available to ranchers within a radius of 100 miles from Bend."

Mr. Dickey gave it as his opinion that the value of livestock in the country surrounding Bend could be doubled by proper management. "The farmers need more dairy stock, hogs, and breeding ewes, so that they can make more out of their holdings," he declared, "and it is the purpose of the livestock loan system to make this possible."

Mr. Dickey and Mr. Swift will leave this evening for Portland.

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