

'Bring Back the Bookies' Pleads Magazine Article

New York—Old timers will remember past glories of the bookmaker's ring underneath the grandstand at Belmont, Hialeah, Saratoga, et al. The licensed bet-takers of the by-gone days handled your money and gave you your choice at odds based at the true risks of astute race track entrepreneurs. Today, we have "a cold, calculating, inhuman device that never loses nor does it allow the 'mass horse player' to win."

Now at last, Don Mankiewicz rallies all sincere horse lovers to the barricades in his September Esquire article "Bring Back the Bookies," by devastating whatever case there may have been for parimutuel machines, proves we're getting gyped and states his preference for the rough-and-tumble of the bookmaker's ring.

In a stern warning to sports writers, moralists and related breeds of mankind calling for legalized off-track parimutuel betting, Mankiewicz writes that "parimutuel isn't gambling because operators of the tote can't lose. They are permitted to rig the odds after all the bets are in and after the even has been decided."

On the other hand, says Mankiewicz in September Esquire, the Ring was a gamble. The main feature of it was the circle of bookmakers, each with his little stall, each with a chalk board to show the odds he proposed to give. If a bettor didn't like a book's price, says Mankiewicz, he could

wait. Or he could wander to the next stand until he found the bookmaker whose price-line satisfied him. After the player plunked his money down on whatever horse he liked and at whatever odds was quoted to him, he didn't have to worry anymore what the crowd did after him. If the player bet 4½-1, then 4½-1 is what he got. That is the essence of betting with the Ring, writes Mankiewicz. A firm wager at odds agreed on when the wager is made. Parimutuel betting is a wager at odds which will be arranged to suit the management's convenience after the race is run.

Therefore, if a player puts down \$100 on a certain horse at 4½-1 with a bookmaker and wins he will get \$450 and his hundred back, \$550 all told. But if the betting ran to the same pattern in the tote, says Mankiewicz, the bettor would collect a grand total of \$240—7-5 for the player's hundred and the hundred back. With the bookie, Mankiewicz points out, the bettor made a profit of \$450; with the tote the profit was \$140. What happened to the missing \$310? The answer is that the \$310 went to the operators of the parimutuel system, because its operators are allowed, in fact required, to shave the odds as far as necessary to show a profit.

"The moralists will shrug and say 'that's horse racing' or 'that's gambling.' It may be racing, but it isn't gam-

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LaStarza Training Camp Chock Full of Confidence

By GAYLE TALBOT
Greenwood Lake, N. Y. (AP)—Roland LaStarza, a pleasant mannerly young fellow from New York City who expects to be the next heavyweight champion of the world, is in solid training here for his big chance against Rocky Marciano Sept. 24 at the Polo Grounds.

The 24-year-old challenger, by his own admission, has not an awful lot of conditioning to do. He was rated for more than three years for another shot at Marciano, who beat him on a hotly disputed decision, and he has kept himself ready all that time. He's within three or four pounds right now of the 190 he expects to scale for the Rock. The LaStarza camp, cooled

by breezes off a large and scenic lake, is as confident a one as we can recall. No matter what the majority of critics may think, both the handsome young challenger and his manager, Jimmy de Angelo, believe it is only a question of getting Marciano in the ring again.

"What we've made the last three years hasn't amounted to anything," De Angelo said frankly. "There hasn't been a good payday in that time. But that will all be over after we've won the championship."

At the start of his sparring, LaStarza is working with a couple of big men, Keene Simmons, 210, and Tony Carrión, 197. So far as we could detect in a single session, he isn't practicing anything devious or sharpening any particular weapon. He's just laying into the hired hands with the big gloves until he sweats. Does he intend later on to import a few smaller and faster partners to

improve his speed? "I can't say," he replied. "It's all up to Jimmy and my trainer, Dan Florio. Whatever they say, that's what I do. I feel great up here and I'm eating a lot. This is a wonderful camp."

There is a complete absence of bombast in the boy who left college to pursue his goal. All he knows is that, in his own mind, he whipped Marciano once, and it hasn't occurred to him he can't do it again. He can't see that Rocky has improved to any important degree. There will be no fear in his stocky body when he climbs through the ropes with him the next time.

Fights Last Night

(By The Associated Press)
New York—Old Turner, 18½, Philadelphia, knocked out Ramon Puente, 151, Los Angeles, 8.
Cronin Bluffs, 16½—Sammy Williams, Omaha, stopped Frankie Dell, New York, 8, middleweight.

Sixth Annual Shrine Game Promises to Be Wide Open

Portland—The 6th annual Shrine All-Star football game scheduled for the night of August 22 in Multnomah stadium promises to be the most wide-open contest in the history of the event, according to Eugene Ferguson, managing director. Ferguson based his belief on the fact that the opposing teams will be limited to 6-2-2-1 defenses from goal-to-goal this year, giving the offensive team a better break than in the past when the 6-2-2-1 defense was mandatory only between the 10-yard lines.

"When the offensive team moves inside the 10-yard line this year, it won't have to worry about any changes in the defense," Ferguson said. "This should provide more scoring and open the game up more in touchdown territory."

The game pits Portland's outstanding senior high school players of 1953 against the top performers from high schools throughout Oregon. At the moment, the Oregon All-Stars hold a 3 to 2 edge in the series, having captured the last two outings.

The players are already here, getting ready for the annual classic. The Portland All-Stars are coached by Harry Scarff of Central Catholic, whose Rams won the state prep title last year, and he is as-

isted by Eric Waldorf, former Jefferson high mentor, and Ralph Harper of Benson high. The Oregon All-Stars staff is headed by Pete Susick of Marshfield, with Keith DeCourcy of Prineville and Bud Robertson of Bend as assistants.

Officials of the game report a "brisk" ticket business during the past few days, indicating the possibility of a record crowd. All proceeds go to the Shriners hospital for crippled children here. It was pointed out that persons outside of Portland can apply for tickets at their local Shrine headquarters, or at Shrine Game Headquarters, Multnomah Stadium, Portland. Reserved seats are priced at \$3 and there are many good seats available.

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