

Rademacher Seeks World Crown In Professional Debut Tonight

Pete Fights Patterson At Seattle

Seattle, Wash. —(UP)—Facts and figures on the Patterson-Rademacher fight:

Place—Sick's Stadium.
Time—10 p.m. (p.s.).
Probable Attendance—20,000.
Radio and Television—None.
Weather—Clear and warm.
Money Division—\$250,000 guarantee to Patterson, Rademacher, 10 percent backers and promoter Jack Hurley split gate 60-40.

By HAL WOOD
Seattle, Wash. —(UP)—Powerhouse Pete Rademacher, who has never fought a professional battle in his life, finds out tonight if he is the Cinderella man of the century—or just another humpty-dumpty.

The Olympic champion makes his debut into the pro ranks by taking on reigning world heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson, in a scheduled 15-rounder for the title at Sick's Baseball field.

A crowd of about 20,000 fans is expected to pay in the neighborhood of \$300,000 to witness what many claim is the zaniest sports production of this or any other year. The bout is slated to start at 10 p.m. (p.s.t.).

However, promoter Jack Hurley said he would start it earlier if all the customers were in their seats.

"I have advised all customers to be here by 8:30," said Hurley. "Then if ever, things run smoothly we may start the main event as early as 9:30 to help out eastern newspapermen with deadlines."

Most Expect Kayo

Most expect Patterson to kayo the balding 28-year-old ex-Army lieutenant in one or two rounds. But you can't get Rademacher to subscribe to that theory.

"I'm strong, I'm big and I can hit hard," says Pete. "I think I can win. Otherwise I wouldn't be in the ring."

Patterson, who knocked out Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson in defending his title only a month ago, claims he has trained just as hard for this bout as he did for any of his others.

"Floyd doesn't underestimate anyone," says Manager Gus D'Amato. "He is ready for any emergency—hoping for a first-round one-punch kayo but set for 15 rounds if necessary."

Outweighs Champ

Rademacher will go into the ring with all the physical advantage on his side. He'll outweigh the champion by about 20 pounds at 210 to 190. His reach is 3 1/2 inches longer and he is about two inches taller.

But there the advantages cease. This will be Patterson's 34th fight and he has been beaten only once—an eight-round decision to Joey Maxim in 1934. He has knocked out 13 of his last 14 victims.

There is no wagering on the bout, since nobody has come forward to pick Rademacher. There's not even any betting on which round Patterson will score a KO.

Clark, Harum Tussle Aussies

Chestnut Hill, Mass. —(UP)—The first good American-Australian clash in the National Doubles championships pitted "dark horses" Straight Clark and Dave Harum against Aussies Roy Emerson and Bob Mark in a quarter-final match today.

Clark is the Philadelphiaian without a national ranking and the Miami-born Harum is rated 25th nationally but they showed exceptionally well Wednesday in scoring a driving 11-9, 6-4, 1-6, 13-11 victory over U.S. Davis Cup captain Billy Talbert and Gil Shea of Los Angeles in a third-round battle.

On the other hand, the Australians have experienced little competition in reaching the quarter-finals. They took an easy 6-4, 6-2, 6-2 triumph from James Farrin of Philadelphia and Henri Salaun of Cambridge, Mass.

Althea Gibson and Darlene Hard gained the women's semifinals by defeating little Velmur Gunderson, Fort Meade, Md., Wednesday and Margaret Varner, Boston, 6-4, 9-7. The Wimbledon titlists probably will be rested now until Friday or Saturday to make the most of their gate attractiveness.

LEADERSHIP TIED

Columbus, Ohio —(UP)—Pretourney favorite Jack Nicklaus of Columbus, Ohio, and Dick Youngberg of Northbrook, Ill., held a two-stroke lead today going into the second round of the International Jaycee Golf tournament here.

The two 17-year-old par-busters carded one under par 71's in Wednesday's first round play on Ohio State university's Scarlet course to lead the 103 junior qualifiers.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

BILL CATEY CAPTURES RVCC SENIOR DIADEM; DEFEATS STACEY 1-UP

Bill Catey, one of Rogue Valley Country club's longtime golfers, celebrated his 60th birthday yesterday afternoon in an appropriate manner.

He won the senior club championship. The postal employee defeated accountant George Stacey 1 up in the hard-fought 18-hole finale.

A par five on the last green won the tussle. The two seniors were all even after 17 holes.

Government Could Do Well To Call on Cus, Jack in Monopoly Busting Work

Seattle, Wash. —(UP)—If the government's anti-trust division fails in its efforts to break up the so-called monopoly of the International Boxing club, it might do well to call on a local duo.

Promoter Jack Hurley and fight manager Cus D'Amato are ready if they can get the proper assistance, to blast the IBC right off the continent.

"In fact, as long as I manage the heavyweight champion," says D'Amato, "no challenger who is tied up with the IBC in any way will get a chance at the crown."

Did that mean that such men as Eddie Machen, Hurricane Jackson, Willie Pastrano and others would be left out in the cold?

GI Ringman Picks Floyd

Karlshue, Germany —(UP)—A GI boxer who fought both Floyd Patterson and Pete Rademacher said Patterson would keep his heavyweight title tonight but will have "a rough time."

Gordon Gladson, 25, of Spokane, Wash., was defeated by Patterson in the 1952 Olympic Trials and has sparred more than 100 rounds with Rademacher, who was his teammate on the Washington State College boxing squad.

Patterson went on to win the Olympic title. Rademacher did the same in 1936.

"Patterson's experience should make the difference," Gladson said. "But Rademacher's tremendous size and power should give him a rough time."

"Patterson is a small heavyweight at 186 pounds. He's not what you'd call a heavy puncher, but rather sharp in his reactions, fast on his feet, and accurate with his punch."

"On the other hand, Rademacher is heavier and very fast with his hands. Besides, he hits the hardest of any fighter I've been in the ring with."

Leafs Keep Hold On First Place

By UNITED PRESS
It took the Toronto Maple Leafs more than a month to get atop the International league, and from the way they're playing of late, apparently they plan to stay there awhile.

The Bisons kept pace, however, by defeating the Rochester Red Wings, 4-1, behind the five-hit pitching of Walt Craddock who ran his record to 15-7.

The third-place Richmond Virginians slipped six games off the pace by dropping a twin-bill to the Havana Sugar Kings, 9-4 and 4-2, the second game in 11 innings, and the Columbus Jets defeated the Miami Marlins 9-4 in other action.

TOURNEY STARTS

Williamsport, Pa. —(UP)—The 11th annual Little League World Series, postponed one day by rain, got underway today with two games scheduled. Monterey, Mexico, and Bridgeport, Conn., met in the first game and Escanaba, Mich., and La Mesa, Calif., in the second.

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Jack Hurley Rates High As Skipper

By BILL McFARLAND

Phoenix, Ariz. —(UP)—You've really got to know this guy Jack Hurley to appreciate his genius. He's the fellow promoting what is becoming known as the fistic-farce of the century—the world heavyweight championship fight between Floyd Patterson and Pete Rademacher, the Olympic and amateur, champion.

The match itself is a paradox of Hurley's own sentiments regarding the fight game, in which, for most of his 60 years, he's made his living.

As a fight manager, and he's classified as one of the most capable in the business, the worst words he has for a fighter is to call him "amateur."

Champion Flattened

What did Hurley, who has been stuck with a variety of nicknames ranging from Deacon to Professor say when his magazine cover champion Harry Matthews was flattened by Rocky Marciano?

"He turned amateur on me." That's Hurley the fight manager, and he detests "amateurs."

Now there's Hurley the promoter, and he's no novice at this. As the boys around Chicago will tell you, the Deacon used to be a big man in the windy city in his type of enterprise.

The fact he's using an amateur in one of the slickest deals since the Dutch bought Manhattan Island from the Indians is a credit to his ability in the promotion department of his profession.

Hurley is honest with himself, his fighters, and the public. He tells you what he's doing, and he tells you why.

Got His Chance

He got his chance to make some money when Patterson won the title. Patterson's manager, Gus D'Amato, is from the Hurley school, after a fashion. The fashion is both hate the International Boxing club. If nothing else, this promotion is a get-even whack at Jim Norris, who Hurley used to claim gave him the run-around with regard to Matthews.

Probably the biggest reason Hurley is getting away with this seemingly illogical title fight is that they like him in Washington state.

Antelope Hunt Delay Ordered

Salem —(UP)—Gov. Robert D. Holmes said today that because of extreme fire danger he had ordered one of three special antelope hunting seasons delayed two weeks.

The area is located in portions of Harney and Malheur counties and is designated as area No. 3. It had been scheduled to open this week end but now has been tentatively set to open Sept. 7, continuing through Sept. 11.

Hunts in areas No. 1 and 2 will continue as scheduled from August 24 through 29.

LA MESA CHAMPION

Watsonville, Calif. —(UP)—La Mesa, Calif., last night added another junior baseball title to its standard by defeating Covina, Calif., 5-3, in the finals of the Region 8 Pony league playoffs. Previously the San Diego suburb has placed teams in the national Little League playoffs at Williamsport, Pa., and the Colt League national tournament at Ontario, Calif.

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