



BEST OF HEALTH EACH BIG FIGHT NEEDED BY PUGS IS MUCH BIGGER

NEW YORK, Oct. 6. (UP).—The lesson taught by Gene Tunney's successful defense of his heavyweight title is the value of condition above everything else a boxer may possess.

Only the most unusual recuperative powers enabled the champion to get from the floor before the mount of "Iron" in the seventh round of the fight at Soldier Field.

When Jack Dempsey toppled Tunney and kept pounding home punches, one-two, one-two, even as Gene was sagging to the canvas, the heavyweight champion layed in the balance.

Could Gene get up? Boxing skill, brute strength, a fighting heart, were of no avail as he lay sprawling beside the ropes with his head almost in Dempsey's corner.

Perfect physical condition alone provided the basis for the recuperative powers which beat the fleeting count of the timekeeper by a scant second and brought Tunney back to his feet and into his kingdom.

Once on his feet, Gene had to be primed for the dance of his life, around the leering, shambling, hairy, brown opponent who threatened him with destruction and invited him to combat with a scornful beckoning of a soggy paw.

Gene's recuperative powers had to do more than carry him up to his feet; they had to keep him nimble-footed in that circling dance and keep his brain clear so that he knew better than to fall into the error of complying with Dempsey's gesture inviting him to fight.

The champion's condition was the deciding factor in the fight. Long before they entered the ring, it was well-known that Gene could box rings around his opponent, and that Dempsey probably could withstand Tunney's heaviest blows and be on his feet fighting when the last bell clanged.

Doubt as to the outcome resolved itself largely into the question, could Tunney "take it"?

It was not that the champion's courage was questioned—at least not by rational observers. It was a question of whether Tunney, if driven to the floor by one of Dempsey's smashes to the jaw, could regain his feet in the requisite number of seconds.

Gene could, and did. Those who claim the number of seconds was prolonged are merely guessing that Tunney could not have risen sooner had it been necessary.

But those who take a fairer view of the situation give credit for Gene's victory, not to the "long count," but to the healthy coordination of brain and muscles and nerves which was the result of perfect physical condition.

NEW MAN IN PITCHER'S BOX

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chance when he can afford it, in nominating Phipps threw the burden on the broad shoulders of a young pitcher who has performed nobly for the American league champions this season but has yet to receive the stern initiation ceremonies of a world series.

Pittsburgh, a game behind as a result of playing yesterday's game for fun, was prepared to put up a desperate battle today.

FOXY PHANN

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"DON'T KNOCK," SAYS STRICKER

(By Dr. E. D. Stricker)

The health officer should be regarded by his community as a specialist in hygiene and disease prevention. In order to meet the demands of his position, his knowledge of disease prevention should be broad and comprehensive. His selection should be made solely in regard to his fitness. The health officer must have a strong personality and must realize the great significance of preventing disease. He must not limit his services to the amount he thinks he is paid for, but should serve his community with an unselfish devotion which will command the admiration of all. His duties should not be the perfunctory ones of a sanitary policeman, who is often regarded by the public as a worse menace than the disease for which he quarantines. He should give instructions in the methods to be adopted in preventing the spread of disease—a function which the family physician too frequently assumes.

Through a better knowledge of disease prevention, the work of the health officer should impress itself on the community in a manner sufficient to command the cooperation and assistance of all the local societies and organizations. The health officer should be prepared to answer promptly and intelligently all questions relative to the fundamental principles underlying disease prevention when such advice is asked by the citizens of the community. His knowledge of disease control should be sufficient to enable him to meet effectively all outbreaks of disease and, insofar as possible, to trace them to their source.

The conditions under which most health officers have been expected to work and to produce results have been most discouraging. They are underpaid and are given no financial resources for health activities; they are appreciated by the community for what they do not do, rather than for efficient service. It is only by efficiency that he can gain the confidence of the public and the respect of the physicians. No matter how conscientious a health officer may be, his enthusiasm soon wanes if he is conscious that his work is not appreciated. Indifference on the part of physicians will often defeat the health officer's plans.

The ideal health officer is a full-time health official who can create public sentiment and an appreciation by physicians of the great importance of preventing disease. He will stimulate the public to a better understanding of and a deeper sympathy for public health activities. The ideal health officer's motto is "efficiency first, safety always, and courtesy to all."

The following legend placed on the desk of the health officer might not be inappropriate:

"Come in without knocking, and please go out the same way."

ADS LOSE \$600,000

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—Direct-mail advertisers in this country wasted \$600,000 in 1926, post office records show. All this was through the use of obsolete mailing lists and the failure to put return addresses on envelopes. During the year, 12,688,587 letters containing advertising went to the dead letter office.

FEAST ON EELS

TOKYO, October 6.—Japanese have observed their annual "eel day," on which thousands of pounds of the delicacy are eaten. The holiday is in the hottest season of the year and it is believed that the eating of eels prevents the ill and afflictions that are common to summer. There are eel farms throughout Japan.

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BILLY EVANS Says

Tennis Sportsmanship.

It strikes me that the spirit of good sportsmanship is often overdone in tennis.

I have in mind a happening in the recent world championships, when Bill Tilden met Gene Borotra. While it is savored of sportsmanship, yet it was in no way a compliment to the Empire State.

It was in the second set, Tilden, in making a difficult return, drove the ball far out of bounds. Just as he was about to make the play, a ball from one of the other courts rolled slowly in front of Tilden.

In all probability the vagrant ball did interfere with Tilden to a certain extent. He immediately entered a protest. It was as quickly overruled by the official, who evidently was of the opinion that Tilden's chance of accurately returning the shot was very remote, even if the ball had not handicapped him to a certain extent.

It was apparent by his actions that Tilden was a bit peeved when the protest was disallowed. Bill has a habit of showing his feelings.

Abide by Decisions.

Officials in any sport have a difficult task—baseball, football, boxing or tennis. Being human, they often err; but the plays are always called as seen. Therefore, it strikes me that real sportsmanship would be the proper acceptance of the rulings as rendered by the men selected to judge the plays.

That is the prevailing habit in most sports, but a different code, for some reason, exists in tennis. The players do not always agree with the official. When they believe he has miscalled a play, they refuse to accept the advantage, by purposely erring on the next play.

Perhaps that is good sportsmanship. However, it strikes me when the actions of any player in a competitive sport openly flaunt the fact that he believes

the official has erred, it makes it mighty unpleasant for the judges presiding over the play.

That was the attitude taken by Borotra on the play in which the official ruled in his favor against Tilden.

Giving Away Points.

Borotra deliberately drove the next service out of bounds. It was done in such a manner that his intent was readily apparent to every spectator in the stand. The Frenchman also made it evident to the officials that he believed they had erred; that the ball rolling in front of Tilden had interfered with his stroke.

Then came Tilden with a so-called sporting gesture. He just as deliberately served a double fault. Which made it all even again. However, each player appeared to be satisfied that he had done the sportsmanlike thing and the game went on, with Tilden still having the disputed point against him and in favor of Borotra.

Real sportsmanship, I think, calls for the acceptance of the rulings on the part of the officials without a protest, whether right or wrong, when judgment alone is involved.

Had Tilden accepted the decision that the ball had not handicapped his play, there would have been no occasion for the gestures that followed.

Imagine It in Baseball!

This reminds me what a lovely job a baseball or football referee or umpire would have, if the players by some sporting gesture made it apparent they believed the official was in error.

Can you imagine Babe Ruth at bat for a world series game with two out and the bases filled, doing a Tilden or Borotra stunt when the visiting pitcher protested the umpire's decision that made the count three balls and two strikes instead of settling Ruth down on strikes as the pitcher believed?

Let us suppose Ruth, also, was of the opinion that the umpire "booted" one and that he had really been struck out. Say on the next pitch he swung and missed the ball a couple of feet, to let the world know he believed the pitcher had made a

proper protest and the umpire's judgment was at fault.

It that was the customary procedure in baseball, what a lovely life the umpire would lead.

Umpires and referees might well be classed the necessary evils of sport. That being the case, real sportsmanship means the acceptance of any and all rulings without protest.

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