

Gene Tunney Scribbles Life Story

Retired, Undefeated Champion of the Boxing World Succumbs to the Fascination of the Pen; Roy Anderson Bobs Up Again.

By JOE PIGNEY The biographical school of historians—Thomas Carlyle, one of its outstanding exponents in the nineteenth century, and Emil Ludwigs, representative of contemporary recorders—describes its illustrious men as keys to the interpretation of the times.

Before us is a publicity release touching upon the self-written yarn of a "great man." The great man is Gene Tunney, retired as the undefeated heavyweight boxing champion of the world.

There have been at least four biographies written about him. They were so inaccurate from beginning to end that to me they were more amusing than historical.

I have come to the conclusion that since the public is sufficiently interested in its pugilistic champions, the all too terrible incidents leading up to the Chicago match, the match itself and what took place afterwards.

"Independence is the goal of all ambition. Fortunate men occasionally find the way to independence without much search. Wise men select the medium for which they are best equipped by nature and training.

"In my case, though the ladder was short the climb was sheer. If I were again I and confronted with the problem, my choice of career would be the same.

"In making the observations on boxing contained in this series of articles it has not been with any intention to discredit professional boxing. Such a purpose could only be infructuous. I have attempted to write the accurate story of my career. If I step on the toes of the great or small it is with no vindictive intention. I have only told circumstances as I remember them and as I reacted to them at the time.

"But although I am still an ardent devotee of the sport, it could only be with my tongue in my cheek that I could express affection for all the elements that make up the profession.

Roy Anderson, inenquachable main-eventer, who held forth on the Legion mat for so long, has come to notice again. This time he has been heard

Gar Wood Sets World Speedboat Speed Mark

MISS AMERICA HITS CLIP OF 110 PER HOUR

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Jan. 27. (AP)—Gar Wood, veteran American speedboat racer, today set a mark of 110.785 miles an hour in his Miss America IX, to claim the world's speedboat record.

On the second of his runs today, Wood pushed his boat at 110.49 miles an hour southward over the measured nautical mile course in Indian Creek, following a northbound run at a speed of 111.08 miles an hour. Elapsed time was 37.52 seconds.

The average of the timed runs was 110.785 miles an hour and exceeded the record of 110.223 miles an hour set July 9, 1931, by Kaye Don of England.

The second and stower of the two runs was with the wind, measured at eight miles an hour, from the southeast.

It appeared he planned a third run over the course as he piloted the Miss America IX to the starting place of a northbound run.

AUCKLAND, N. Z., Jan. 27. (AP)—Reaching a speed of 224.545 miles an hour, Norman "Wizard" Smith, Australian, failed yesterday to eclipse the automobile speed record established by Sir Malcolm Campbell, last year at Daytona Beach, Fla. Sir Malcolm's time is 248.773 miles an hour.

OREGON WEBFOOTS LOSE TO HUSKIES

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 27. (AP)—University of Oregon moved into third place in the northern division of the coast conference standings last night by showing University of Oregon out of that notch.

The Huskies won their second game from Oregon—their third consecutive victory—by a score of 33-23. They won Monday night 43-32, and split a series last week with Oregon State.

The Huskies displayed a fast attack tonight, but were unable to match the pace set by the Huskies, who seemed to have regained their 1931 championship form after a bad start.

Cap Roberts of Oregon was his high scorer, with 16. Lee Nelson, Fuller, and Cairney tallied heavily for Washington.

Jake Schaefer Sets Tournament Record

CHICAGO, Jan. 27. (AP)—Jake Schaefer of San Francisco, world's 18.2 ballkine champion, set a tournament record for best game today when he defeated Gus Westling of St. Louis, southern titleholder, 19 to 23 in 31 innings in the world's three-circuit championship tournament. He went out with an unfinished run of 10, the second best run of the tournament.

Edgren Reconsiders Boxing Resignation

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 27. (AP)—Robert Edgren, prominent sports writer, who announced his resignation from the state athletic commission, will continue as a member of the group, Governor James Rolph, Jr., announced today. Edgren withdrew his resignation during a conference with commission members and the governor.

It was announced that difficulties and misunderstandings arising from wrestling and boxing had been "wiped away," and that problems in the future would be handled at more regular meetings of the commission.

from San Diego, and wrote the following notes: "Having a good time; just saw the races. I am doing a little wrestling, and have some very good matches in view. Strange to say, I have had no trouble with wrestlers, promoters or even sporting editors since I left Klamath Falls."

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SANTA ANA FIGHTER WINS FAN PLAUDITS

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 27. (AP)—Pat O'Hannigan, wild swinging Irishman from Santa Ana, Calif., won the hearts and hands of the fans here last night by his pucky battle against Pete Cerkan, Pe Ell, Wash., after giving away a 12 1/2 pound advantage to Cerkan.

O'Hannigan showed so much action in his six rounds that everything that followed seemed tame. Cerkan was awarded the decision, but Pat won a derby hat put up for the best fighter on the card.

Georgia Dixon, 167 pounds, Portland, met a tartar in Norman Wilson, 147 1/2, Vancouver, B. C., who left jabbed Dixon to a draw after six slugging rounds.

Teddy Fox, 137 1/2, 135 1/2, Salem, and Benny Pels, 135 1/2, pounds were too highly keyed up and cautious to put up the battle expected of them and it was called a draw. It was a lame affair with much clinching. Pels had a slight lead in the early rounds, with Fox coming back stronger as the bout progressed. No damage was done.

The six round bout between Young Nationalists and Paddy Sullivan, bantamweights, was stopped by the referee in the fifth round and declared no bout. Sullivan had whatever advantage there was, as Nationalists was unable to do anything. The boxing commission later reversed the referee's decision, paid the boxers and fined them \$20 for their poor showing.

Rudy Vastino, 144 pounds, Vancouver, Wash., took a pasting for two rounds, evened up the third and dropped Red Stanley, 149, Longview, for a count of 10. Chicago stores led with a gain of 55 per cent.

Department Store Sales Show Gain

CHICAGO, Jan. 27. (AP)—December department store sales in the seventh federal reserve district, its monthly report said today, spurred upward 66 per cent over November. The report covered Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Iowa and Wisconsin.

White Sox Pitcher Released to Oaks

CHICAGO, Jan. 17. (AP)—The Chicago White Sox today released young Ed Walsh, right-hand pitcher, to the Oakland Pacific Coast league club on option. Walsh was with Minneapolis last season.

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FAST PUNCHING BANTAMS TRAIN FOR OWEN CARD

Young Nationalists, sensational Filipino bantamweight of Portland, was in the last stages of training today for his main event fight with Young Doc Snell at the Legion hall Monday night. Both Snell and Nationalists have been sparring in Portland at isolated gymnasiums in preparation for the week-end journey down the state.

Snell, confident after his knockout victory over Buddy Ambrose of Salem here on the last fight card, looks toward winning over the stiffest competition he has ever faced as a major step forward for his fighting ambitions. Nationalists, on the other hand, will be out to continue a long string of triumphs earned in the feature fights at all the boxing centers in the country.

Becker in Shape Pete Becker, recently of Colorado and more recently of Klamath Falls, declared Tuesday he was in better shape than at any time since he had been in Oregon. The crowd-pleasing wrestler-beer will have the use of both hands for his six-round semi-windup against Red Stanley, Portland. Becker injured his right hand in the first round against Chief Thomas of Coquille and was forced to punch his way to a decision, using only a left hand. The following week, although his injury had not recovered, the ex-Coloradan won a four 10-minute rounds wrestling bout from Pat Roegan, Seattle.

Little Johnny Jackson, Chillicothe, has set about serious preliminary work for his first chance in the six-round class. Jackson will fight the outstanding fighter from Vancouver, Wash., Bud McClood. The Indian boy, pleased with his advancement from the preliminary division, last year, became thoroughly set on an early victory.

Local Men Matched Two Klamath Falls fighters, "Buzsaw" Zimmerman and Russell Howard will meet in one of the preliminaries. Both have grown eager for victory, for the winner probably will earn a position on the next card.

Another Eugene man will show here Monday, Orlando Farmer, regular preliminary boxer in the valley city, has been signed against Young Schmeling of Klamath Falls.

Although the curtain-raiser has not yet been announced, Herb Owen, matchmaker, has sent on word from the north it will be a sensational as the opening bout two weeks ago between Butch Johnson and Louis Nelson.

Brouillard Favored To Put Away Fields

CHICAGO, Jan. 27. (AP)—Brouillard, Worcester, Mass., world's welterweight champion, was a 7 to 5 favorite today to defeat Jackie Fields, Los Angeles, former champion, in their 10-round title bout at the Chicago stadium Thursday night.

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Three Basketball Games Saturday At Pelican City

Three games of basketball are scheduled for the Pelican City school gymnasium, beginning at 7:30 o'clock Saturday night. The feature game will show the Sons of Italy of Klamath Falls against the Sons of Italy team from Modoc, Calif. The middle game will be between the Cubs and the Swan Service Station quintets, and the opener will feature two grade school teams.

BAER DETERMINED TO TRIM LEVINSKY

ORANGEBURG, N. Y., Jan. 27. (AP)—Max Baer, California heavyweight, has conquered his fear of killing another man in the ring, he said today, and he will meet King Levinsky of Chicago at Madison Square Garden, New York City, Friday night, without thought of pulling his punches.

Baer, who is training for the fight at Gus Wilson's camp here, explained that fear has been his worst opponent all of his 22 years.

"Just when I was getting confidence in the ring," he said, "Frankie Campbell died in San Francisco after a fight with me. It's been hard to get over that, but I've finally done it."

After a grand jury refused to indict him for Campbell's death, his friends induced him to continue in the game. Since then Max has been only moderately successful. He unconsciously let up when the other fellow was weak and helpless.

Ace Hudkins Loses California Title

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 27. (AP)—Ace Hudkins today was stripped of his California heavyweight boxing title on the ground that he had failed to defend it within the prescribed 30-day period.

The state athletic commission, after removing the title from Hudkins, ordered it vacated.

Hudkins' last opponent in the ring was against Dynamite Jackson, Los Angeles negro from whom he won the crown, several months ago.

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ASHLAND FIVE AWAITS GAME WITH KLAMATH

Ashland high school, riding on the crest of victories over Roseburg and Grants Pass, calmly awaits the arrival of the Klamath Pelicans for a two-game basketball series in the valley town Friday and Saturday nights.

Jack Bliss, Lithian coach, still has a sprinkling of veterans from the team which last year won the southern Oregon conference championship, and has few doubts but what his team will be victorious over Klamath for the second year in succession.

The Lithians won from Roseburg last Saturday in a close-checking game, 21 to 18. The victory was particularly brilliant as Ashland was caught off guard at the start of the contest and had to pull out from behind an 8 to 4 disadvantage at the end of the opening period.

At the half Ashland had taken a one point lead, 13 to 12, and held the Roseburg offensive to

but four points throughout the entire second half. At the start of the fourth period the score was even at 18-all.

Captain Howell, center, will be the key to the Ashland offensive against Klamath. Howell, the same pass-catching and who nearly wrecked the Pelican football hopes last autumn, has figured in all of Ashland's scoring this season.

Bliss will probably start his regular lineup against Klamath. Howells will be at center, Becot and Gearhart, forwards, Page Mabbutt, guards, and Durham and Darling on the first line reserves.

DINNER DANCE PLANNED

At the regular meeting of the 49 of 3 society of the American Legion Tuesday night plans were made for a dinner dance February 30. The place will be decided later.

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