

Joe, Billy End Training Grind

NEW YORK, June 18 (AP)—The long weeks of sweaty, monotonous training behind them, Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis and his collar-and-challenge challenger, Billy Conn, took final light workouts today, just sufficient to keep their red corpuscles stirring.

Both concluded their boxing yesterday, the big Negro stepping four rounds against his sparmates and Conn dancing through a final two. If utter confidence means anything, each of them should score a smashing victory tomorrow night before the first crowd of \$100 ticket-buyers in the history of prize fighting.

The two former soldiers, who made a scintillating scrap in their other meeting five summers ago, will see each other once before they square off under the lights at Yankee stadium when they appear at Madison Square Garden at 11:30 a. m. (EST) tomorrow for the official weigh-in.

Prospects are that Conn, the 28-year-old former light-heavyweight king, will balance the bar at around 182 pounds. Louis is expected to weigh around 206 or 208.

It might be significant that Louis, before he began training for the 22nd defense of his crown, chose 208 as the weight to which he expected to scale himself down. One hundred and forty-four rounds of boxing and 466 miles of road work after he began his grind, the big champion is precisely where he wanted to be.

Conn and his entourage broke their New Jersey camp last night and Billy came into the city to stay in a friend's apartment until the fight. He planned a light workout in a downtown gymnasium today. Louis expected to remain at Pompton Lakes until just before the weigh-in.

Oregon Golfers After Utah Open

SALT LAKE CITY, June 18 (AP)—Headed by Defending Champion Harold West of Portland, Ore., contenders for the top share of the \$5000 Utah open golf tournament prize money began getting acquainted with the slanting fairways and dippy-do greens of the Fort Douglas layout today.

The 72-hole test opens Friday with 18 holes on each of the first two days and 36 Sunday. The winner gets \$1000 with the next four picking up \$700, \$500, \$400 and \$350.

In addition, there's \$1000 for the professionals to try for in a pro-amateur event Thursday.

The Zimmerman brothers of Portland, Al and Emery, will each be gunning for his third Utah title. Al won in 1937-38 and his brother the following two years.

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How the Heavyweights Match Up



This chart shows how Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis and Challenger Billy Conn compare for their world's heavyweight title bout in Yankee Stadium tomorrow night.

NEW YORK, June 18 (AP)—Benjamin Parry, chief of the New York weather bureau, predicted occasional rain tomorrow during the day and "cloudy conditions" in the evening at the time of the Joe Louis-Billy Conn heavyweight fight in New York Yankee stadium.

The temperature will be in the "cool" category with a northeast wind of 19 to 24 miles an hour.

West Paired In Tourney

PORTLAND, June 18 (AP)—Portland entries led qualifiers for opening round matches of the Oregon Golf association's state junior championships today.

Among pairings for today, with qualifying scores:

Championship flight — Dick Yost, Rose City (74), vs. Bill Macomber, Rose City (82); Leon Chandler, City View (77), vs. Allan Hall, Eugene (85); Bill Johnson, Corvallis (81), vs. Dick Phillips, Centralia (85); Roy Morgan, Eugene (79), vs. Phil Cannon, Eugene (85).

Second flight — John West, Klamath Falls (89), vs. Ed Kercher, Rose City (97); Lee Lindquist, Corvallis (88), vs. Rod Carter, Oswego (97).

Boys' division (under 16 years): Championship flight — Richard Estey, Portland (78), vs. John Roth, Corvallis (90); Ralph Coleman, Corvallis (87), vs. Dain Tatro, Rose City (96).

Team Match Is Arranged

Georges Dusette, glorying in the acquisition of the Pacific coast light heavyweight wrestling belt, and Martino Angelo, the man from whom Dusette lifted the bauble, will meet again in the armory ring Thursday night.

This time the match will be a little different as each will have a partner in the activity.

Dusette will be paired with Joe Lynam in a tag team match against Angelo and his companion, Paavo Katonen.

Lynam was in Georges' corner last Thursday night when he dethroned Martino, and it was Jumping Joe who advised Dusette to whack the Italian groaner up with rabbit punches rather than to try to hold him down by force. Katonen acted as second in Martino's corner for the big match.

After the fight was over both Lynam and Katonen were embroiled in the general squabble which took place while ring officials were presenting the title belt to Dusette.

Split bamboo fishing rods were first made in America by Samuel Phillips at Easton, Pennsylvania in 1845.

Turnaway Crowd In Offing For Tonight's Fight Card

TURNAWAY CROWD—324 Even with the changes necessarily made in the card, tonight's fight has assumed all the appearances of a turnaway gate with most of the reserve seat ducats having been gone for days.

Three changes which were made in the lineup have strengthened rather than weakened the card, in the estimation of Matchmaker Larry McLane. The bouts will be a middleweight scrap between Will Knock of Klamath and Pete Gordon of Chiloquin. Pete is a brother to Milton Gordon who was supposed to fight Snapp in the mainliner, but asked to be taken off the card because of a bout with the flu.

Crews Make Trial Runs

SEATTLE, June 18 (AP)—Three eastern crews and the host University of Washington eight scheduled trial runs today over the 2000-meter Lake Washington course where they will compete Saturday in an international-flavored collegiate regatta.

In the main event is Ursal Snapp of Merrill, who will battle with Billy Sunday, ex-heavyweight champion, at 169 pounds. Snapp is just out of the air force and recently represented Indiana in the national AAU boxing at Boston.

The second five-rounder will be between Ben DeVore, football letterman at KUHS, and LeRoy Barkley of Chiloquin, a lighthweight contender.

Top of the four-round glove bouts, two five-heat affairs, and three four-rounders, will begin at 8:30 in the armory.

Seattle Buys Two Phillies

PHILADELPHIA, June 18 (AP)—Outfielder Lou Novikoff, whose sale to Seattle of the Pacific Coast league was announced last night by the Philadelphia Phillies, said today he is doubtful if he will ever play in the major leagues again.

"My sale came as a complete surprise," Novikoff added. "When Manager Ben Chapman told me I was sold I couldn't believe it. I wish I could have had a chance to play regularly again to see what I could do but I couldn't and that's that."

Novikoff, now 30 years old, was used mostly as a pinch hitter this season. He said he "holds no regrets as far as the Phillies are concerned."

The Philadelphia Phillies also announced the sale of Pitcher Ike Pearson to Seattle in a straight cash deal. The price was not disclosed.

Manager Chapman said "Pearson wasn't quite good enough this season to be used often. I think he can win on the coast."

SOX DRAW BIG CHICAGO, June 18 (AP)—The seventh-place Chicago White Sox, thanks mainly to the gate appeal of the Boston Red Sox, have almost tripled 1945 home attendance at this date with 314,774 paid admissions.

Oak Lead Hacked To Decimals

By The Associated Press
Manager Casey Stengel mended the Oakland Acons' infield fences today with the echo of a fan howl in his ears because the pesky San Francisco Seals had virtually caught up again in the Pacific Coast Baseball league.

The Oaklanders held an advantage of three percentage points over the Seals at the top of the loop, the San Francisco club having won one more game and lost one more than their rivals. Oakland fans put forth a beef over their pennant aspirants' failure to shake the persistent challenge.

Second Baseman Tony Sabol, Stengel let it be known, is headed for a rest, and Bill Hart will likely move over from shortstop to third. Johnny Price, whose recent performance has been steady, probably will plug the second base gap. Ray Hambrick, formerly of the Philadelphia Phillies, is ready, the fence-repairing manager said, to step in at shortstop.

San Francisco moved into the near-lie with the Acons on an 8-3 win over the last-place Seattle Rainiers last night. Al though they were outlived ten to eight, the Seals reaped 12 walks off three Rainier chuckers and took advantage of three errors. Al Lien, third Seal moundsman, got credit for the victory.

The defeat was Seattle's fourth in a row since Jo Jo White took over as manager of the club. Beavers Shut Out

Red Lynn came out of a slump and turned in a three-hit game last night for a 10-0 Los Angeles victory over the Portland Beavers. The Angels pounded two Beaver hurlers for 14 hits.

Los Angeles did its most damage and apparently demoralized the Beavers in the second inning, when the Beavers left first uncovered on an infield hit with the bags loaded and two out.

Before the frame was over the Angels had put across five runs. The other four clubs of the league were idle last night. San Diego begins a series against the Acons at Oakland, and Sacramento takes on the Stars at Hollywood, both series opening tonight.

SPORTS

By Hale Scarborough, Sports Editor

Browns Bump Bosox; Cards Win Twin Bill

By The Associated Press
Throwing the ball over the grandstand is hereby suggested as a healthy exercise for all American league pitchers. Ever since Jack Kramer of St. Louis climaxed a bumping bout with Umpire Hal Weaver by heaving the pill out of Fenway park, the young gentleman has been nothing short of terrific.

After shutting out Washington in an extra-inning game and downing the Yankees in a relief chore, Kramer took the hill last night to prolong the Boston Red Sox' "slump" with a 7-1 triumph.

Kramer, a 28-year-old right-hander from New Orleans, is well on the way to becoming the chief tormentor of the leading Red Sox.

Luke Sewell's Brownies didn't give the Bosox much chance to breathe deeply last night, belting Mickey Harris for five runs in the fourth inning with the help of homers by Johnny Berardino and Veru Stephens. Harris, trying for his 10th win, suffered his second loss.

With the rest of the league unscheduled, the Sox lost a half game to the other contenders. It was a great day for St. Louis with the Cardinals picking up a full game on the idle Dodgers by belting the Boston Braves twice, a 9-6 and 1-0. Five runs in the first inning sewed up the first game despite a game uphill scrap by the Braves and Howie Pollet shut the door on the Boston club in the finale, outdueling Bill Lee.

White Showered
The Cardinals spoiled one of the most dramatic stories of the year by knocking out Ernie White in the first inning of the opener. White, an exCard who drew a release because of a "dead arm" was picked up by Billy Southworth, his former manager who now bosses Boston.

After a long period of nursing along, White finally got a starting chance against his old mates. He walked two and then yielded two solid hits before he took an early shower with nobody out in the first frame.

Phils Win Again
Ben Chapman's Phillies are knocking on the cellar door again, only .006 behind the seventh-place New York Giants and in a virtual win-and-lose tie for seventh. A four-run cluster in the second inning doomed Pittsburgh, 7-3, although Dick Maury had to come to the relief of Charley Schanz, the Phil starter.

Skeeter Newsome, who hit only six home runs in 10 previous big league seasons, swatted one in the sixth with a man on to assure the decision.

STANDINGS

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.
Oakland	30	29	.513
San Francisco	31	30	.508
Los Angeles	44	35	.557
San Diego	42	30	.583
Hollywood	38	41	.481
Sacramento	39	43	.476
Portland	28	50	.359
Seattle	27	51	.346

Results Yesterday
Los Angeles 10, Portland 0.
San Francisco 8, Seattle 3.
(Only games scheduled.)

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.
Brooklyn	29	42	.408
St. Louis	32	33	.493
Chicago	26	31	.452
Cincinnati	25	24	.512
Boston	25	29	.463
Pittsburgh	22	28	.440
New York	23	31	.426
Philadelphia	21	29	.420

Results Yesterday
St. Louis 9, Boston 6-0.
Philadelphia 7, Pittsburgh 3.
(Only games scheduled.)

LEAGUE LEADERS

Batting—Walker, Brooklyn, .370; Hopp, Boston, .354.
Runs—Morial, St. Louis, 42; Slaughter, St. Louis, 38.
Hits—Pesky, Boston, 76; Walker, Brooklyn, 70.
Home Runs—Mize, New York, 11; four players tied with 7.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.
Boston	42	14	.750
New York	36	23	.610
Detroit	30	25	.545
Washington	29	25	.537
Cincinnati	25	24	.512
St. Louis	24	32	.429
Chicago	21	31	.404
Philadelphia	19	40	.323

Results Yesterday
St. Louis 7, Boston 1.
Washington 2, Detroit 0-0.
Only game scheduled.

LEAGUE LEADERS

Batting—Vernon, Washington, .372; Williams, Boston, .360.
Runs—Williams, Boston, 56; Pesky, Boston, 50.
Hits—Pesky, Boston, 75; Williams, Boston, 73.
Home Runs—Williams, Boston, 15; Kelly, New York, and Greenberg, Detroit, 14.

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At a sandlot game between Avarad and Cherokee, he played for both teams and served as umpire all in one contest.

Signed to play with Cherokee, Highfill didn't get to start the game. An Avarad player was spiked in the fourth inning and since Avarad had only nine men to start with, the Cherokee manager allowed Highfill to play with the opposing team.

Two innings later, the spiked Avarad man returned to the game and Highfill went back to the Cherokee bench—but not for long. He was sent to left field for Cherokee in the seventh inning.

Highfill went to bat in the ninth for Cherokee and after being called out on strikes, he complained to the umpire. The umpire, his feelings hurt, suggested Highfill try "calling em" if he thought he could do better. Highfill took him up and finished the game umpiring, with Avarad winning.

Fights Last Night
By The Associated Press
Baltimore: Elmer (The Violent) Ray, 190, Tampa, Fla., knocked out Verne Escor, 180, Toronto, 3.
Washington: Gene Kaplow, 142, New York, stopped Aaron Perry, 150, Washington, 10.
Chicago: Nick Castiglione, 142, Chicago, outpointed Gene Spencer, 137, Chicago, 10.
Pittsburgh: Charley (Casey) Lewis, 129, New York, stopped Juste Fontaine, 125, Pittsburgh, 10.
Cincinnati: Gene Burton, 138 1/2, New York, stopped Willie Russell, 136, Columbus, Ohio, 10.
New York: Jim Neville, 210 1/2, Newark, N. J., stopped Harry Berntsen, 206, Newark, 10.

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