

Bosox Hit Real Snag Out West

By The Associated Press
It took a trip through the west to prove that the Boston Red Sox are only human after all.

A disastrous visit to Chicago opened the jaunt on the wrong key and St. Louis has been one headache after another. Things were so bad last night that Manager Cronin pitched Dave Ferriss with only two days rest.

Ferriss pitched well enough to win but he met up with a real tough opponent in Bob Munier, who hurled a brilliant 1-0 shut-out over the Sox as Ferriss lost his second straight after reeling off 10 successive triumphs.

There almost wasn't any game for the start was delayed 30 minutes by rain. Then the Browns played under protest because Umpire Joe Paparella permitted Ferriss to warm up for 12 minutes between halves of the first inning.

Yanks Rained Out
Boston lost only a half game of its lead which still measures seven games over the New York Yankees who were rained out of a night game in Chicago. Bad weather also forced postponement of a Philadelphia-Detroit doubleheader and a single night game between Washington and Cleveland.

Emil Kush graduated into the ranks of starting pitchers for the Chicago Cubs by blanking the Phillies, 7-0, in a National league arclight contest, his first starting job after 13 relief chores. The 28-year-old right-hander had attracted considerable attention by a perfect 4-0 record as Charley Grimm's ace "fireman."

Kush couldn't have picked a more inopportune time to become a star as far as the Phils were concerned. They had a chance to escape from the cellar because New York had been blanked by Cincinnati, 10-0. Four Cub runs in the seventh inning ended a 0-0 duel between Kish and Al Jurisich, sealing the Phils' last place fate for the night.

Giants Blanked
Bucky Walters showed his old time form in elbowing the Reds to a seven-hit, 10-0, romp over the Giants. It was Bucky's third win of the year and his second in a row over New York which has dropped seven of eight decisions to Cincy. Hal Schumacher, who has been trying for his third victory since May 5 was the victim of a six-run uprising in the first frame.

Fight Cancels Softball Tilt

The softball game between the Knights of Columbus and Palmerton Lumber company, slated tonight, has been cancelled, because of the Joe Louis-Billy Conn fight. Originally to be played on Recreation field, the game will be changed to the Legion field on Applegate and will be played June 26.

Palmerton Lumber, with two wins and three losses, and the Knights of Columbus, with one win and three losses, are fifth and sixth respectively in league standings. Also on Wednesday, June 26, the Moose will play the Merchants on Recreation field.

All softball team managers are asked to meet in the city council chambers of the city hall tomorrow night at 7:30 sharp for a short discussion of the loop second half and other business of the league.

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Joe Louis Going Out For Kayo

NEW YORK, June 19 (AP)—Joe Louis, a ring-weary veteran of 32, will defend his heavyweight title for the 22nd time tonight at the Yankees' ball park, and he very likely will leave Billy Conn a quivering mass in the ring somewhere about the fourth round.

The indelible impression after watching the big negro and his slighter but dead-game 28-year-old opponent from Pittsburgh train for the past 10 days is that Louis still carries too many bazookas for Billy, just as he did another June night five years ago.

Although he has not fought seriously for four years, Louis will enter the ring tonight a beautifully trained specimen. Veterans of the fight game who doubted that Joe could bridge the chasm of time and whip himself into anything approaching his prewar form have watched his closing workouts in open-mouthed amazement.

The big man who has held the crown for nine years still hits fast and with paralyzing force. His legs still look trim, and he shuffles about on his large feet about as swiftly as ever.

As for Billy Conn, he will carry into the ring no measurely greater weapons than he had that other blazing night when he went down under a hurricane of blows in the 13th round. Billy still has a fighting heart the size of a pumpkin, he is utterly fearless of Joe Louis, he is fast—and he thinks he can win.

Also possibly on the credit side, Billy has put on a few rugged pounds, which might help him take a punch better and hit a little harder.

Billy and his handlers insist he is ready to step around Louis tonight and box him dizzy. Billy points out he was well ahead on points when Joe tagged him in their other fight, and he has sworn by all the coal in the Pittsburgh district that he will not try to slug with the lightning this time.

"Louis' punches don't leave you dead, anyway," he said one day recently. "He hits hard, sure. But don't forget he had to hit me about 20 more times after that first right to the jaw before he put me down. He won't get that chance this time."

Louis has made only one promise: that he will "go out throwing punches" tonight. But he expects to win in an early round, and all his training has been toward that end. For publication he has predicted that "Billy won't be around for long." Privately, he has picked the third round as the one in which he might catch up with his elusive rival.

"I trained for a knockout," he sums it up. "Conn trained for the newspapers."

The odds against Conn being the new champion were hovering around 12-to-5, and it was thought they might soar above 1-to-3 by nightfall.

McEuin Will Meet Kiser

Jack Kiser, the slender bronzed young man who makes his living wrestling, and an old customer, Texas Billy McEuin, have been paired to scrap the warm-up bout Thursday night.

This prelim will be for four rounds and will presage the evening's main event tiff, a tag team match.

Coupled for the tag match will be Joe Lynam and the new Pacific coast junior heavy champion, Georges Dusette. Lynam gets a share of the credit for Dusette's gaining the belt as he was in Georges' corner with advice last Thursday night.

Opposing those boys will be the ex-champ, Martino Angelo, and his more or less silent partner of the championship bout, Paavo Katonen.

This will be the third tag team match for the local arena since it was inaugurated by the late Red Dawson last winter. Dawson's partner for the first match was ex-candidate for Siskiyou county sheriff, Pete Castilla.

Rules for a tag match are simple. There are two men on a team, but only one is allowed in the squared circle at a time, while his partner must stay outside on the apron. When the fighting partner gets tired or in a bad way, it is up to him to angle over toward his corner and touch the outstretched hand of his running mate, who then may come in and assume the fight.

The bout will go until one side has two falls scored against it.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT
By The Associated Press
OKLAHOMA CITY—Buddy Scott, 180, Dallas, outpointed Bill Peterson, 197, Chicago, 10.

Fight Facts and Figures

By The Associated Press
The title—World Heavyweight Championship.
The principals—Champion Joe Louis, Detroit, vs. Challenger Billy Conn, Pittsburgh.

The place—Yankee Stadium, New York City.
Length of bout—15 rounds to a decision.
The time—First preliminary bout 4:30 p. m. (PST); main bout 6 p. m. (PST).

Approximate weights—Louis 208; Conn 182.
Promoter—Twentieth Century Sporting club, Mike Jacobs, president.
Estimated attendance and gate 75,000 persons and \$2,600,000.

The purses—Louis 40 per cent of net (estimated \$780,000); Conn 20 per cent (estimated \$390,000).
The seconds—For Louis: Manny Seamon; Larry Amadee; George Nicholson; for Conn: Johnny Ray, Freddie Fiero, Bill Joos.

Main preliminaries: Johnny Colan, New York vs. Erv Sarlin, Pittsburgh (6); Billy Grant, Orange, N. J., vs. Tommy Yarosz, Monaca, Pa. (6); Omelia Agramonte, Cuba, vs. Johnny Kapovich, Baltimore, (6).

Broadcast: American Broadcasting company network, 6 p. m. (PST).
Television, National Broadcasting company, 4:30 p. m. (PST).

NEW YORK, June 18 (AP)—Champion Joe Louis scaled 207 pounds to Challenger Billy Conn's 182 at the official weigh-in for tonight's 15-round heavyweight title fight at Yankee Stadium.

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From MIDFIELD

By HALE SCARBROUGH

Louis In Six

About this time, because if we put it off any later it would be cheating, we would like to predict that Billy Conn is wasting his time and Joe Louis should knock him kicking in or near the sixth round.

We have made a couple of token wagers, of a million dollars each — you know, the "I'll betcha a million bucks that . . ." kind — that Louis will retain the heavyweight title, one giving three to one that Louis wins somehow and sometime and the other even money that Conn isn't around to answer the bell for the 10th round.

In fact, we think the 10th round stipulation is slightly out of proportion, figuring that Conn will be through for the night by the sixth.

The big brawl will be broadcast over KFLW starting at 6 p. m. tonight. Don Dumphy and Bill Corum will attempt to give radio listeners a word picture of what they would be seeing if they had plunked down \$100 bucks for a ringside seat, as many did, we hear.

For the past three weeks the Associated Press wire every day has been carrying stories from the training camps, one by Gayle Tabot and one by Sid Feder. Every day these stories have pictured Conn as working hard, mauling his sparring mates, plotting victory and not being afraid of Louis, and also every day these stories have pictured Louis as working hard, mauling his sparring mates, plotting victory and not being afraid of Conn.

But despite the hard work, mauling, plotting and courage displayed, the odds today back in New York are reported to be 13 to 5 in favor of Louis.

Hugh Fullerton comes up with this bit of skulduggery to throw at people who say Louis is too old.

Bob Fitzsimmons and Jack Johnson were both 37 years old when they were dethroned, and Jess Willard was 36, which still gives Louis, at 32, four more years of activity.

On the other hand, five former champs were older than Conn (28) when they won the title. Best comparison is the fight in which Tunney (27) beat Dempsey (31).

SPORTS

By Hale Scarbrough, Sports Editor

Snapp Gets Decision Over Billy Sunday

By HALE SCARBROUGH
Billy Sunday, opponent for Ursal Snapp in the armory main event boxing match last night, met excellent fighting with raw courage but courage alone wasn't enough and Snapp, the popular lightweight from Merrill, walked away with unanimous decision at the end of five rounds.

In making his first postwar fight here, Snapp gave an exhibition of skillful boxing plus a damaging punch in either hand, but Sunday, tough as whit leather, stayed in and made it one of the best bouts of the current armory season. Sunday's best round was the fourth when he rushed in and traded punches with the heavier Snapp all the way through, and also took a couple of long rights to the face that by rights should have felled him.

In the fifth round Snapp caught Billy in a crouch and sent him to the canvas for an eight-count with a left to the jaw, then a few seconds later the Chiloquin Indian went down for five under another left, but at the bell he was standing up and taking everything coming his way.

LeRoy Barkley of Chiloquin crouched and weaved to a unanimous decision over Johnny Miller in the other five-round lightweight bout. Barkley never stopped moving while he rained blows to Miller's body.

Down Twice
In the third round Miller went down twice under rib punches, but in the fourth and fifth seemed to be getting stronger as time ran out.

Two hurried knockout spotted the prelims. Bobby Barney took a right hand smash from Don Reynolds off the ropes early in the opening round of their lightweight encounter, and rested on the canvas while Referee Wally Moss counted. At nine he started to get up but the count of 10 caught him still with a knee on the deck.

In the next fight between middleweights Johnny Jones and Pete Gordon, the latter caught a rushing left jolt to the chin in the third and sprawled

which Tunney (27) beat Dempsey (31).

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