

BOXING UNDER FIRE; LOUIS TOWERS HIGHER

O'Toole Calls For Inquiry

By BUS HAM
WASHINGTON, June 21 (AP)—Rep. Donald L. O'Toole, the scrappy Irishman who aimed a haymaker at the Louis-Conn fight, followed it today with a short jab at the fistfight sport in general.

"The trouble with boxing," the New York democrat told a reporter, "is that persons in authority in the various states pay no attention to it until something like this—a national fraud and scandal—comes along.

"What the sport needs is proper supervision, and the government could solve the problem by putting competent men in as boxing officials, paying them well and giving them needed power."

Not NBA Member
O'Toole said the "National Boxing association can't get the job done because it lacks authority." New York, for instance, where the Louis-Conn fight was held, is not a member of the NBA, he noted.

Abe F. Greene, president of the NBA, came up fast with the answer to that.

"Maybe this would be a good time for Mr. O'Toole to use his good offices to bring his home state of New York into the NBA fold for the good of boxing," Greene commented in Paterson, N. J.

He further suggested that the congressman "keep boxing generally out of his barbequing of Promoter Mike Jacobs and concentrate his fire on his home sector, which was the locale of the promotion."

As his clincher Greene remarked that the NBA made the same objections to the bout, before it came off, that O'Toole raised afterward.

Demands Inquiry
O'Toole, a squat, 44-year-old Brooklynite with an athletic background, sent a telegram to Edward Egan, New York state boxing commission chairman yesterday, calling for an investigation of Wednesday night's heavyweight championship affair.

He also demanded that purses of the fighters be held up "in justice to those who were swindled."

"One more fraud (such as the Louis-Conn bout) and boxing will be ruined in the United States for many years to come," he wired Egan.

In an interview later, O'Toole said that Promoter Mike Jacobs has an "absolute monopoly" on boxing, and that "boxing in New York has not come to the gutter; it's gone into the sewer."

Ties Up Boxers
Asserting that Jacobs ties up promising boxers with contracts to fight for him before he will agree to arrange title matches, the lawmaker added that the promoter also controls bouts in Madison Square Garden, the Polo Grounds and Yankee stadium.

Jacobs, in New York, replied to O'Toole's blast by saying that the representative "wanted complimentary tickets and I refused him—so now he comes hollering."

This O'Toole denied and stated that his New York law partner invited him to attend the fight as his guest but he "turned it down."

Will Sue Mike
Later, O'Toole announced that he would sue Jacobs for \$100,000 for "accusing me of extortion—I have instructed my New York attorneys to file suit for damages."

Of the fight, O'Toole told a reporter that Conn should not have been permitted to enter the same ring with Louis, that he visited both training camps and had first-hand knowledge of the condition of the fighters. Louis was tough, hardened by workouts with rugged sparring partners; Conn was not, he asserted.

Joe Runs Out Of Prospects

By GALE TALBOT
NEW YORK, June 21 (AP)—Never before in the nine years since he won the heavyweight championship has Joe Louis stood out over the world's fighting men to the extent he does today.

When the big, amber-colored Negro knocked out Billy Conn with such convincing ease Wednesday night he just about fought himself out of prospective challengers for his title. He finds himself out on a high plateau, all by himself.

Probably not since Jim Jeffries retired for lack of opposition has the field been so barren of contenders, men whom Promoter Mike Jacobs might hope to pit against Louis in a big outdoor fight. It would be difficult to guess when Joe will fight again.

Tami Maurello, a blubbery Bronx heavyweight who recently beat Britain's novice champion, Bruce Woodcock, and Joe Walcott, Camden, N. J., Negro who recently defeated Jimmy Bivins and Lee Oma, are about the only scrappers anyone can think of who might just possibly give Louis a few busy rounds at this time, and that is not an intriguing prospect.

Might Be Year
Nat Rogers, Jacob's matchmaker, admitted yesterday while the fight post mortems were being held in Mike's plush offices that it might be a year before some youngster would emerge from the nation's gymnasiums and small fight clubs and catch the public's fancy.

As outside possibilities in this category he named Jack Crumford of Washington, D. C., Jimmy Evans of Brooklyn and Orelia Agramonte of Puerto Rico. He also mentioned Tommy Gomez, the pride of Tampa, Fla., and said that maybe Woodcock would develop into something much better with more experience this side of the water. But at no time did Nat sound enthusiastic.

Will Will Quit
When he showed up at Jacob's office yesterday to get his check, Billy hanged his head in his mind about quitting a business that calls for a person to be hit by Joe Louis. His forehead still was discolored and he had a couple of half-healed wounds on his face, but he didn't look like a man who had been through a thrasher, the way Tony Galento did, for instance, after he had played with the champ.

"I'm still not kidding myself," said the pride of Pittsburgh. "I didn't have it last night, and when I know that, that's the time to quit. I was fully prepared to make a stinkin' fight for seven or eight rounds. I didn't care how much they booed, because I knew they would forget about that after they were up and started banging Joe around."

Yes, It Was
"I felt good going into the eighth round. I kept telling the guys in my corner to take it easy, that Joe and I were fighting 15 rounds and to let me attend to Joe. And then Joe hit me. That last left he hit me was a beauty, wasn't it?"

"Louis, with no one to fight, intends to wrap himself up temporarily in golf, and the new restaurant he is opening out in Harlem, at Fifth avenue and 125th street. The latter will be known as the "Joe Louis" restaurant, and a syndicate is supposed to be sinking \$800,000 in the establishment.



Joe Louis

Olsen Will Take Mound

Umpire Fails To See Joke

By The Associated Press
The Pacific Coast league's biggest baseball burlesque of the season left the Oakland Aacorns in the lead today with a game and a half advantage over their challengers, the San Francisco Seals.

While the Seals were idle last night, Manager Casey Stengel's jovial Aacorns had a hitting bee and blasted the San Diego Padres, 14 to 3. The game was a frolic for players and fans alike.

Pepper Martin's happy but not very lucky Padres came out on top in the fun by putting on an eighth-inning comedy. Del Ballinger, pinch-hitting for Earl Chapple, let Aacorn hurler Francis Shea's first offering go by, and Umpire Gordon Ford called it a strike.

Ballinger beamed and in the middle of the argument pulled out a toy pistol shoved it against Ford's stomach and pulled the trigger.

Ford failed to laugh and, apparently considering such conduct unbecoming in a league which had announced its aspirations to become a major, tossed Ballinger out of the game.

But the never-threatened Oaklanders had a rip-roaring time putting across their 14 runs on 15 hits and four errors.

In the only other league game scheduled the Hollywood Stars turned back the Sacramento Solons, 6 to 3, captured their short series two games to one. Xavier Rescigno, Hollywood starter, received credit for the victory, and Tony Freitas was charged with the loss.

SPORTS

From the CORRAL

By "TOP-WRANGLER"
Howdy folks:
The Hillbilly program is runnin' night onto full. Noticed store windows are a settin' the pace for the Rodeo. Town Shop has a western window in and gittin' plenty of the teeners rigged out to contest for the 4th of July queen. Jist heered the big Queen Ball is set for June 29th with the Saddle club playin' hostess to all them little beauties.

Mac Barbour turned his brahms in the fairgrounds already. . . any yuh fellers care to practice sum foot racin' it ortta whip up yore time considerable with one of them babies at yor heels for a co-maker.

Klamath has been sportin' sum celebrities. Charles Hester and his attractive wife spent sum time helpin' the Saddle club iron out a quadrille hossa-back. The Hesters hall from San Fernando valley, the hoss capital of southern California, where for over four years, as a hobby, they started a hoss show that has grown into a institution with world-wide recognition.

Betty Jellinek of the Pal-O-Mine ranch, Marysville, is spendin' a well earned vacation in our fair city. Blanche Harmon gonna half to buy a new hat that'll fit since her little quarter-hoss colt arrived. He's a week of' now and she tagged him "Cisco Kid."

Dorothy and Scotty Lacombe bought a couple of fillies shipped in from Wyoming, haff American saddle-bred and haff Morgan. With folks driffin' in fer the Rodeo our fairground bellhop, Al Jones, is just a jump behind a run.

Blanche Hatchett and Mable Liskay trucked in two saddlers last Sunday. . . Dan cudn't make it fer he's sick in bed with the doctor. Janet Dierdorff celebrated her birthday with a new pair of boots and a ride with Barbara Daniels.

Darlene Knowles is back in the saddle agin, but she ain't aimin' to ride the cow-hoss race this year, it's too hard on the shins. Mrs. W. D. Miller had to take the kinks outta her hoss tother day when he got to feelin' his oats.

Don't ferget the auction sale tomorrow. Ever a 100 hosses with one to fit ever need. Seth Waters pulled in this week and is headed fer Pleasanton for the 13 days meet of the broomtails. It's time to stop throwin' the adjectives 'round, I gotta git to a weddin'.

Bye now.

Red Sox Dumped By Browns Again, 2-0

By The Associated Press
If the Boston Red Sox can still see through the fog that has engulfed them, they can take a scheduled opponent, Bob Feller, who started them on their amazing retreat.

Since Feller set them back on their heels June 12, the Bostonians have dropped seven of the last eight games including last night's 2-0 setback at the hands of the St. Louis Browns.

Sammy Zoladak, a stringy sophomore southpaw, applied the whitewash brush to the ragged Red Sox last night, duplicating the feat of Teammate Bob Muncie the other night. Joe Dobson, Zoladak's mound opponent, put up stiff opposition, but a first inning lapse, when the Browns tallied all their runs, overshadowed his nine strikeout total.

Boston lost only a half game of its lead as the runner-up New York Yankees were held to a split in their double header by the Chicago White Sox. A neat eight-hitter by bespectacled Bill Dietrich halted the Yankees 3-1 in the opener as Yankees pitcher ace, Spud Chandler, gunning for his 11th victory, was forced to accept his third defeat. Floyd Bevens gained the split for the Yanks by besting Lefty Ed Smith 6-1 in the nightcap.

Brooklyn's pace-setting Dodgers and the challenging St. Louis Cardinals reached themselves for their "crucial" three game series for the National league lead which starts tonight by knocking over the Pittsburgh Pirates and Boston Braves respectively, in easy fashion. Brooklyn won 7-3 while the Cards triumphed 9-1.

The third place Detroit Tigers advanced to within nine and a half games off the American pace by routing the Philadelphia Athletics a couple of times, then Martino bounced into the ring to join the fray.

A whirlwind brawl took place for a minute or so, then Dusette headlocked Martino and Lynam did the same with Katonen. The next step was to bash their heads together and Martino was counted out.

Paavo Katonen was unassisted in the third fall. Lynam hoisted him up for a wild spin but Katonen knew how to combat it. He locked legs and arms around Joe's arms and when they fell to the mat he had Lynam stretched out.

In the opener last night, Bald Billy McEuin and Jack Kiser went to a draw. McEuin took the first with a half crab and Kiser finished off with three dropkicks and a bear-hug press.

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Badgers Clamor For Practice

SEATTLE, June 21 (AP)—The mighty Wisconsin Badgers, seeking their first national championship in 65 years of rowing, started a reception committee at the airport at 7:50 p. m. (PST) last night by clamoring for an immediate workout on Lake Washington to make up for lost time in arriving here nearly a day late.

"Where's the shellhouse?" asked Alan Wlaz, coach of the Badgers, when he and his crewmen deplaned.

The surprised reception committee immediately bundled the Badgers into automobiles and took them out to the University of Washington shellhouse, where Wisconsin put a boat in the water just as the University of British Columbia, next to the last crew to arrive, was pulling their's out.

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Heavyweight Fiasco

The Louis-Conn fiasco Wednesday night was just about as poor a professional fight as people ever paid good money to witness, and the radio broadcast of the fight didn't do a whole lot to improve it from a listener's point of view. The motion picture version probably won't make it look any better.

As much of a pain as Gene Tunney gives us, the guy did a pretty good job about a six months ago that it would be a stinker, and a stinker it was.

But, for all that, we can't figure any solid ground for Congressman O'Toole's demand for an investigation into the thing. On the face of things it looks pretty obvious. Conn knew he didn't have a chance and didn't want to get close enough to allow Louis to tag him.

He danced and bicycled the best he could for most of eight rounds, but couldn't keep it up all night. Louis knocked him up the first chance he had to hit him solid.

Louis didn't carry Conn . . . he just couldn't catch up with him before. Louis, in our estimation, never carried anybody, and he has fought some tankers who never got anywhere except by being carried.

The only basis for an investigation would be in the horrible mis-match of the fight. Conn was no more of a match for Louis Wednesday night than Red Burman or Johnny Paycheck or some of the other hopefuls Louis fought back before the war.

That brings up the question of just who would be a match for him. Well, Gus Lesnevich would have done a better job of putting up a fight, and Gus is tough enough to take more punishment. Lesnevich, though, is a lightweight and he fights in that bracket, something Conn should have been doing.

Elks Tourney Prizes

In the recent Elks-Reames golf tourney which was won by Elks with a one-point margin, some hand prizes were given out for this and that.

For instance, Gus Anderson's ball was closest to the pin on number three and he won a pen and pencil set given by Rogers jewelry. Wesley McNeer was closest on number seven, and his prize was a barometer from the Lorenz company.

Harry Wayne, the railroader, won a lubrication job offered by Gus Anderson's Shell station for the shortest drive, didn't say how short, and won six golf balls donated by Montgomery Ward for being tied for the highest score. Ray Ruger won the other six.

Bob Thompson had the highest score on number three hole and was awarded a toy play horse by J. W. Kerns. Johnny West won a pocketknife from Falls appliance and a billfold from Dick Reeder for the low gross score.

Morgan Johnson had the lowest net score and won a lubrication book from Dick Miller. Carl Woods hit the longest drive off the number one tee and received a cigarette lighter from Pioneer tobacco.

Medford Dairy Man Sells Guernsey Herd

MEDFORD, Ore., June 21 (AP)—C. A. Smith, owner of dairies here and at Vancouver, Wash., said today he had sold his Medford herd of 88 registered guernseys to the San Carlos dairy of Santa Barbara, Calif.

Rising costs, he said, prompted discontinuance of his dairy here but he added that he would retain his Vancouver herd.

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Northwest Dentists Select Vancouver

GEARHART, Ore., June 21 (AP)—Vancouver, B. C., has been chosen 1947 convention site for the Northwest Conference of Dental Medicine.

At the annual meeting here yesterday, Dr. M. J. Wiley of that city was elected president and Dr. C. R. Hallman, also of Vancouver, secretary-treasurer. Dr. Lauri B. Alexander, Haney, B. C., was named first vice-president; Dr. S. M. Rayfish, Butte, Mont., second vice-president.

Canada, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon sent delegates.

Pair Of Softball Games Set Tonight

Two softball games are scheduled for tonight as the local loop resumes competition after a one-game layoff.

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Seattle	28	52	.350

Results Yesterday
Oakland 14, San Diego 3.
Hollywood 6, Sacramento 3.
(Only games scheduled.)

Portland, Tacoma Boys In Finals

PORTLAND, Ore., June 21 (AP)—Marsh Smith, Rose City club of Portland, and Don Mozell, Tacoma, will compete for the Oregon Golf association's junior championship today.

Mozell downed Ray Morgan, Eugene, and Smith turned back Dick Yost, Portland, 6 and 4, on the 20th hole of yesterday's semi-finals.

Dick Estey, Portland, and Delbert Tatro, Rose City, will meet for the boy's division crown. Two Portlanders, Sally Lighty and Dorothy Alexander of Alderwood, will play in the girls' finals.

Johnny West of Klamath Falls, who won 3 to 2 in yesterday's round, is in today's finals in the under-18 age group.

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