

Charles Holds NBA's Version Of Heavy Belt

Jersey Joe Puts Failing Faith In Early Kayo Punch

CHICAGO, June 23 (AP)—Ezzard Charles, who wanted to be a ring champion ever since he started boxing at the age of 14, has realized his burning ambition.

Last night, after 13 years of slugging his way to the top, this 27-year-old Cincinnati Negro won the NBA version of the world heavyweight title vacated by Joe Louis by decisively defeating Jersey Joe Walcott in a 15-round battle.

Charles won the unanimous decision of the three officials, approval of the National Boxing associations, the consent of Louis and the blessing of the newly formed International Boxing club, promoters of the bout, which has an exclusive three-year contract with Charles.

But now Charles has to convince the New York athletic commission, which is on record as favoring a tournament among contenders, and Massachusetts, which does not belong to the NBA. Ezzard, too, will have a champion of his own September 6 when the British board of boxing control recognizes the winner of the Lee Savold-Bruce Woodcock bout for the crown.

The contest was fought in Comiskey park, home of the Chicago White Sox, where 12 years ago to the night Louis won the championship by knocking out Jimmy Braddock.

HEALTHY CROWD
The crowd of 25,392, which paid \$246,246, was not disappointing to Arthur Wirtz, James D. Norris and Louis, who formed the IBC.

However, it was in sharp contrast to the 45,000 fans who paid \$715,470 to see the Brown Bomber get off the floor in the first round and flatten Braddock in the eighth.

Charles' victory over the 35-year-old Camden, N. J., family man was decisive. Walcott staked everything on a knockout blow in the first two rounds. But the faltering veteran, who one year ago was beaten into submission by Louis, had lost much of his speed and ring cunning as the result of a year's absence from the ring.

Charles fought a cautious battle. He had his aging foe on the way to a knockout in three different rounds, but Jersey Joe possessed the ring generalship to escape a knockout. He backpedaled and failed to fight in the closing rounds. Between the 12th and 13th, Joseph Triner, chairman of the Illinois state athletic commission asked Referee Dave Miller to tell Walcott to stand and fight. Walcott didn't.

Charles at 18½ gave away 13½ pounds to Walcott who scaled 185½.

SCORED ALIKE
The two judges were in complete accord with Referee Miller in scoring the fight. Judge Frank "Spike" McAdams voted 76-72 for Charles, and so did Judge Harold Marovitz. Referee Miller's card gave 77 points to 73 for Charles.

The announcement of the unanimous verdict knocked Jake Mizin, one of Charles' four managers, into a complete faint. He collapsed in a neutral corner when Charles was proclaimed the new champion. He quickly recovered, however, and left the ring under his own power after a stretcher had been hustled in to carry him out.

LEGAL NOTICE
SUMMONS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF KLAMATH
GERTRUDE E. MARTIN, Plaintiff
vs.
CHARLES MARTIN, Defendant.
To Charles Martin, Defendant:
In the name of the State of Oregon, GREETING:
You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you on or before the 22nd day of June, 1949, and if you fail to so appear and answer, for want thereof, plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in her complaint against you, to-wit: for divorce from you on the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment and personal indignities and for restoration of plaintiff's maiden name of Gertrude E. Harrington. Your attention is specifically directed to the complaint on file in the above entitled cause.

This summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable David H. Vandenberg, Judge of the above entitled Court, said order being dated May 24, 1949, 2:24 by publication thereof for a period of four consecutive and successive weeks (5 insertions). The date of the first publication is May 26, 1949, and the date of the last publication is June 23, 1949.

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M. F. 3-9-16-23, No. 641.

A Sneaky Puncher

Walcott Claims Foe Used Dirty Tactics

CHICAGO, June 23 (AP)—Having flung his leather at Ezzard Charles without avail, Jersey Joe Walcott has decided to fling some mud.

While Charles, newly-crowned NBA heavyweight boxing champion, was paying somewhat of a tribute to Lower Jersey Joe by saying "he can take it," Walcott called the 27-year-old Cincinnati belter "a sneaky puncher."

Wearied Walcott, a shopworn contender who missed his third try at the crown at Comiskey park last night on a unanimous decision, told a dressing room crowd that "Charles is not a great fighter—he's a sneaky puncher who hit coming out of the clinches. When the referee broke us, I stopped fighting, but that dirty fighter kept banging away."

Felix Bocchicchio, Walcott's manager chimed in:

"Charles kept hitting low every

round—they were punches that hurt my boy."

Davey Miller, veteran referee, discredited Walcott's charge.

"I thought both fighters broke pretty well for big guys," he observed. "I didn't see any punches thrown coming out of clinches."

Walcott, 35-year-old father of six children, is not ready to call it quits.

"I'll fight Charles again next week, if it could be arranged," he insisted. "I'm going to Camden (N.J.) to rest. Then I'll be ready to fight anybody."

Charles wants to be a fighting champion—"like Joe Louis."

"I want as many fights as I can get," he said. "But now I just want to go home and play some golf for a while. Although I trained at a golf course (Sunset Hills near Mokenca, Ill.) they wouldn't let me play."

"I want to be a champion like Louis and I want to play golf as good as him."

Joey Maxim, who gave Charles a rough 15 rounds before losing last winter, may get another crack at him.

"I'll tackle anybody the champ says," added Charles, who still calls Louis "champ."

Charles insisted that the only time Walcott bothered him was "when he wouldn't fight."

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE
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