

Today's Sport Parade

Lesnevich Favors Ring To Gridiron

By OSCAR FRALEY
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NEW YORK (UP) — The big boys who turn to pro football are missing the financial boost, former light heavyweight champion Gus Lesnevich said today, because they could hit the boxing jackpot in five or six years without getting hurt.

"I'd rather see my son go into boxing than play football," Lesnevich insisted. "In football they get all busted up for nothing, in basketball the physical strain is murder and in baseball only the real top stars make the big money."
But in boxing, Gus argues, talent is so scarce that anyone with the ability and desire can hit the top swiftly.

"And they won't get hurt doing it, either," he said. "In my day, when I was getting started, they never stopped a bout for a cut or anything like that. They wanted to see you get killed. But now they are cautious and a man who keeps himself in condition and learns properly is in no danger at all."

NOT HUNGRY

The trouble now, he says, is that the kids aren't "hungry." "My family had no money," he explained. "We were poor folks. So when I'm 15 years old I go down to the amateurs and start fighting. I guess I made more than \$500,000 and, while I fought 19 years, I'm not walking on my heels because I trained hard and took care of myself."
But even his 15-year-old son isn't interested in boxing. "He's not 'hungry,'" Gus laughed. "When he needs a few bucks he comes to the old man."

never had it, so I'm easy with him. And if he needs a few extra dollars he can always pick it up caddyding.
"Naturally, I want to see him get an education, because that's something they can't ever take away from you," Gus added. "But if he had the talent, I'd like to see him box. As it is, he's crazy for football."

DYING, BUT NOT EXTINCT

Now a traffic representative for a trucking concern, Lesnevich mourns the fact that boxing is "dying" but doesn't see the day when it will become extinct.
"In New York City alone there used to be seven fight clubs running each week," he recalls. "Now I don't believe there are that many in the whole country. But the amateurs will help to keep it alive and there still is big money to be made, even though the government takes most of it."

"Look at the coming Carmen Basilio-Ray Robinson bout," he illustrated. "They'll take about \$250,000 each out of that one, and the government won't take it all. There's still big money to be made."

"That's why he thinks the burly collegiate footballers who turn to the pro gridiron and other sports as a profession are making a mistake."

"Pro boxers are born with the talent," he cautions. "But some of these big guys must have it. As college guys they can spell psychiatrist. They ought to go see one."

Harry Grayson's SCOREBOARD
By HARRY GRAYSON
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NEW YORK — (NEA) — Something longer ago than it is decent to talk about, a day in New York would start with a cup of coffee and then a hurried trip to Lou Stillman's Gymnasium in time for its noon opening.
Every day it seemed there was a fighter scheduled to work out who was too big a name to pass up.
There would be a crush of a couple of hundred fighters patiently waiting for the big-timers to use the facilities and then clear away for the run of the mill pugs. The spectators' section was packed. The seven telephone booths in the back of the room were filled with managers trying to arrange matches.
As late as 1947, Stillman's was a gang scene with every move made by the flamboyant hoodlum, Rocky Graziano, duly noted.
But the other evening, for the first time in several years, we went up the rickety flight of stairs leading from Eighth Avenue's sidewalk and caught the late session of this famous training place. It was, as it always is to one who was around when there was boxing, a shock.
Freddie Brown, the trainer, was leaning against the lone ring in use, talking to a couple of heavy-set kids who were sparring. There were four youngsters shadow-boxing in the other ring. A handful of nondescript kids in bathrobes and bandaged hands walked around.
Al Weill, who managed Rocky Marciano and three other world champions, was standing off to one side talking to Lou Stillman. There was a guy in one of the phone booths. Otherwise the place was empty.
"Here gets more fighters in here at night than he does during the day," Brown said. "This kid in the green shirt is Rudy Williams. He might be a good fighter some day. Weighs about 65. But you can't get him fights. There's no clubs."
Williams came out of the ring. Brown pulled the boy's mouthpiece out, started unbuckling his headgear.
"I've had 12 fights," Williams said. "I'd like fightin' every week, but the man says they got no place to put me. So I work all day."
"I've been talking about it for a long time, but I mean it this trip," Stillman roared. "I'm going to wait until the spring and then turn this joint into a parking lot. Boxing is a thing of the past."
Downstairs, on his favorite stool at the end of the bar, Whitey Binstein, the trainer, seemed to agree. "I go to work up there, but with what? How yuh goin' to de-

Jim Norris Draws Award

CHICAGO (UP) — The Packey McFarland award for the man of the year who contributed most to boxing will be presented to Jim Norris at the sixth annual Chicago Boxing Writers' Assn. banquet March 22, it was announced Monday.
Norris, president of the International Boxing Club, will be honored along with middleweight champion Carmen Basilio, who two days after the banquet will defend his title in a rematch with Sugar Ray Robinson at Chicago Stadium. Basilio will receive a "Fighter of the Year" award.
Robinson will be honored as the "Most Meritorious Competitor."

SERVICES FOR MOORE
LOS ANGELES (UP) — Funeral services will be held Tuesday for George P. Moore, who once managed former boxing champion Henry Armstrong. Moore died Friday at the age of 84.

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Oregon, Stanford To Clash

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Stanford and Oregon clash Monday night to open a week of Pacific Coast Conference basketball play that's bound to shuffle the conference standings.

On Saturday, after a Friday night warmup, the leading California Bears and UCLA Bruins clash at Los Angeles. On Friday the Bears journey to Southern California, the Bruins play host to Washington State College and Oregon meets Oregon State. Idaho plays at Washington Friday. On Saturday Idaho is at Oregon and Washington State at Spaulding California.

Stanford sank 31 of 41 free throws Saturday to kill Oregon State's bid for a share of the conference leadership. The Indians won 69-57.

The Indian first string played all but the last four minutes against the Beavers, who played without Lee Harman, their leading playmaker.

In the only other Saturday game Cal. playing under the direction of assistant coach Rene Herrerias, whipped Santa Clara University 54-46. Cal coach Pete Newell was away.

US, Aussie Skiers Scrap For Slat Title

BAD GASTEIN, Austria (AP) — A nip and tuck battle shaped up today between Austria's triple Olympic gold medal winner Toni Sailer and America's Wallace (Bud) Werner of Steamboat Springs, Colo.
The prize is the combination title of the world Alpine ski championships. The title is awarded to the skier with the best overall showing in the slalom and downhill races.

Werner, a freckled and lanky 21-year-old, was fourth in the slalom yesterday. Sailer was second. They are exactly three seconds apart.

Werner's good showing came as a surprise. The slalom is not his specialty. He is an excellent downhill, though, and usually does fairly well in the giant slalom.

U.S. coach Othmar Schneider predicted that the battle is, one combined crown would be among the trio of Sailer, Werner and Switzerland's Roger Staub. The giant slalom is scheduled for Wednesday and the downhill Feb. 9.

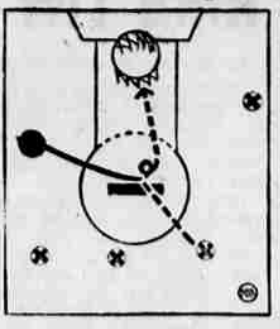
Josf Rieder of Austria, who won the slalom crown, was given less of a chance because he is small and light and therefore handicapped in the downhill.
After the men's slalom, the Austrians are ahead with 22 points. Other scores: Switzerland 11, Japan 8, United States 7, France 4, West Germany 3.

BALL FARE

City League at Altmont Jr. High
Hal's Sport Shop vs. National Guard
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AUSTRIANS TAKE SKATING
LONDON (UP) — Radio Prague reported that Ingrid Wendl of Austria won the European women's figure skating championship Sunday night at the Bratislava Winter Stadium in Czechoslovakia. Hanna Walter, an 18-year-old student from Vienna, was second.

Pointers On Points



By ARCHIE DEES
Indiana University

I score most of my points on a turn-about one-hand jump shot anywhere along a radius of from 15 to 18 feet from the goal.

Under the Indiana system, I alternate a lot in the pivot and float in from the corners. Always moving.

I take a pass from either the guard or the corner man anywhere along my floating or cutting path, generally with my back to the basket.

I try to set up the shot with a head and shoulders fake, sometimes by a ball fake.

With the defensive man going with the feint, I execute a jumping turn toward the basket, holding the ball high in both hands and then shoot a push with either hand, falling back from the defender's defense as I shoot.

If the defense is ganged up, such as sagging in with two or three men, you can go for the shot fairly sure of either the bucket or being fouled.

Dodger Ace Said Cheerful

GLEN COVE, N.Y. (UP) — Roy Campanella, Los Angeles Dodger catcher who suffered a broken neck in an auto accident Jan. 28, was reported "cheerful" and showing steady improvement today.

Harry Gifford, administrator of the Glen Cove Community Hospital, reported Campanella's "lung infection is almost cleared and his temperature is slightly lower than on Saturday." Gifford said Campanella also is eating strained food and apparently enjoying it.

The three-time National League most valuable player shows only slight improvement in his paralyzed right arm, Gifford said.

Trabert Victor

SYDNEY, Australia (UP) — Tony Trabert of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Ken Rosewall of Australia won the two singles matches Sunday in the second day of the round robin professional tennis tournament at White City. Trabert whipped Lew Hoad of Australia, 6-3, 6-4, 6-1, in a best of five set match. Rosewall beat Rex Hartwig of Australia, 6-4, 3-6, 8-6, in a best of three set match.

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Venturi Registers Golf Win

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — Ken Venturi of San Francisco sank a three foot putt on the 18th green to win the \$15,000 Phoenix Open.

"I've never been as nervous," he said.
After dropping that putt worth \$2,000 in first money, he sailed his white cap into the madly screaming gallery of 7,000—the largest in the history of the Phoenix tournament.

Venturi, a 26-year-old with little more than a year of pro experience, won this 72-hole tournament the hard way. He started the final round with a 1-stroke lead over Jay Hebert, Sanford, Fla.

He saw that lead melt after the first nine under the heat of a sub-par round by Walter Burkemo, Franklin Hills, Mich., and the pressure of Hebert.

Burkemo climaxed the finest round of the tournament as he dropped a birdie putt on No. 18 for a day's total of 65 — 6 under par for the 6,585-yard Phoenix Country Club course.

That gave him a total of 275—9 under par. He had started the round six strokes behind the leading Venturi.

Hebert missed a seven-foot putt on the final hole and finished in a tie with Burkemo.

Venturi was teeing off on 17. He said he knew what he needed to tie — one birdie — and what he needed to win — two birdies.

He sank a four-foot putt to go one under on the par-4 17th; and then the short one on the 18th. Tied for fourth at 279 were young John McMullin, Alameda, Calif., and Bill Collins, Grossinger, N.Y. Each pocketed \$950.

At 280, with \$800, was Paul Harney, Worcester, Mass.

Patterson To Texas

NEW YORK (UP) — Heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson and manager Cus d'Amato were en route to Houston, Tex., today for a four-round exhibition bout Tuesday night. Patterson also will fight an exhibition at Philadelphia, Feb. 18.

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NBC Suggests Bleacher Special

CHICAGO (AP) — The 50-cent bleacher seat is a thing of the past in the major leagues but it is returning to some phases of baseball.

The National Baseball Congress Monday proposed that each of its 48 state tournaments include 50-cent bleacher seats as a means of attracting larger crowds.

The organization established a maximum price of 90 cents plus state tax on grandstand seats for the state playoffs. No restrictions were placed on box seats.

Ron Delaney Sweeps Boston AA Mile Run

BOSTON (AP) — Irish Ron Delaney, the turkey-trotting marvel of track, is looking ahead to the 1960 Olympics while adding to his victory string at the expense of all challengers on the indoor circuit.

"I want to win the 1,500-meter championship in the Olympics again in 1960," the Villanova senior from Dublin said.

Unlike some gold medal winners who complained of a letdown after victories at Melbourne two years ago, Delaney said he thinks his competitive desire was whetted.

"When I won in Melbourne it was a great thrill," he said. "But I decided right then and there that I had another job to do in four years—retain my championship."

Although there may be some runners who can upset Delaney outdoors, there is little doubt he is the king of millers on the boards.

The flying Irishman with his funny running style posted his 16th straight indoor mile triumph Saturday night with a 4:05.3 effort in the Boston AA games.

Delaney, if pressed, appears a cinch to break the world indoor mark of 4:03.6 set by Denmark's Gunnar Nielsen. However, he thinks the three-quarter mark must be hit in 3:02 to accomplish that feat.

Jim Beatty of North Carolina was a surprising second in the mile, followed by George King of the New York A.C., Burr Grim of Maryland and Phil Coleman of Chicago.

Other outstanding performers were Charlie Jenkins of Villanova, who won the 500 in 1:10.9; Dave Scurlock, the Sugar Bowl quarter mile champion from North Carolina, who captured the 1,000 in 2:11.1; and Deacon Jones of Iowa, winner of the two-mile in 9:01.1.

Lakeview Girl Records Ski Win

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Jean Sauter, defending national junior girls champion from Lakeview, Ore., won the junior girls expert combined title in the eighth annual Cranston Cup ski meet at Bogus Basin Sunday.

Brent Whitman of Yakima, Wash., won the expert combined title in the men's division.

Both won the downhill events and placed second in the slalom. The intermediate boys title was won by Johnny Jonas of Boise and Yakima's Sally Scheffer captured the intermediate girls crown.

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