

Today's Sport Parade

Vargas Philosophical Over Anthony Fight

By OSCAR FRALEY

NEW YORK (UPI) — Reuben Vargas, a handsome young Mexican out of Richmond, Calif., who dates on Plato, has a philosophical outlook as he prepares to battle Tony Anthony at Madison Square Garden on Friday night.

"If I hit him with this," Vargas said quietly as he held up a fist as big as a first baseman's glove. "Mr. Anthony will have to go."

The odds are 3-1 against Reuben accomplishing this feat of marksmanship on Tony's mysterious mandible, a curious bit of crock-

Soviets Nail U.S. Cagers, Win 62-37

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — The Soviet Union finally caught up with the United States in basketball.

For the first time, a Soviet team has beaten the Americans at the game which was originated in the United States.

It happened Wednesday night when the Russians walloped the Americans 62-37 in the game that generally was expected to decide the championship of the World Amateur Basketball Tourney.

The Russians were elated by the victory.

"This victory will live in our memories for a long time," said Alexandri Gomeleski, one of the Soviet coaches. "Our defense kept those American snipers No. 12 and 13 (Jerry Vayda and Dick Welsh) from having time to shoot. Therefore they couldn't score as they usually do."

The Air Force All Stars, representing the United States, had been unimpressive in maintaining a perfect record through the preliminary round robin and their first three games of the final round robin championship play. Wednesday night they looked even worse as they bowed to the tall Russians.

The way the U.S. boys played they couldn't have defeated a good college five or a top flight amateur club team.

The Soviet victory meant they clinch the championship by playing Nationalist China Friday night. Even if they lose to the Chinese, who have not won a game, they would take the title on the basis of goal average.

Wednesday night's victory was their fifth in as many starts. All other teams have lost at least one game. The U.S. plays Chile to-night and dangerous Brazil Friday.

However, the Russians have said they will not play the Chinese because of political reasons. The International Basketball Federation has ruled that if the Russians do not play Nationalist China, they will forfeit all previous games.

In the event the Russians do not play the Chinese, the tournament winner probably will be decided when the U.S. plays Brazil. Brazil matched the Americans' 3-1 record Wednesday night by beating Puerto Rico 99-71.

Representatives of the U.S. team acknowledge this one is not the best team that could be sent, by a long way. But they say it was the only one available since college teams and the best amateur club fives had scheduled commitments.

Farmers, Blues Grab VL Wins

Paced by Dean Rhodes who potted 14 points the Farmers and Gravel Victory League cagers blasted a 44-17 victory over the outmanned Lost River DeMolays Wednesday night at Mills School.

In the other half of the night's action the DeMolay Blues carved out a 35-34 margin over Keith Larson's Tigers.

Six field goals by Dick Dehlinger weren't much help to the losing Lost River quint as the balance of the squad had trouble finding the range.

Bill Hammon potted 13 for the winning Blues while Joe Pynes with 12 was high for the Tigers.

Ex-Champ Tosses In The Towel

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Little Willie Pep, of the spidery legs and two featherweight titles, has decided to quit boxing. "I decided it would be foolish to continue," he said.

Pep, 36, has been down before, but not out. He lost his featherweight title in 1950 when Sandy Saddler defeated him in their second title match.

Sports writers have predicted Pep's retirement ever since, but the scrappy ex-champ has been in Hartford refused to quit.

Monday night Pep was beaten by Sonny Leon in a fight at Caracas, Venezuela. Wednesday night Pep stopped by to see Hartford Courant Sports Editor Bill Lee, who has followed his career ever since it started.

"I did a lot of thinking," after the Caracas fight, Pep told Lee, "and decided it would be foolish to continue."

Shuff-Stuff

Focus 4, Moore 8
Verns 3, Pines 1
Gervais 3, Eagles 1

ery which is highly allergic to contact with leather mittens.

Anthony has lost six bouts and five of those times he was knocked out. Vargas, a television mystery man what with this being his first video bout, has scored 13 knockouts in compiling 17 victories. So there is merit in his statement.

HAS CHINA CHIN

If almost anybody strikes Mr. Anthony on his chin, young Tony usually "has to go." So there is no reason why Vargas cannot accomplish the feat "if I hit him with this."

Vargas, however, may be too busy receiving and avoiding to engage in offensively effective tactics. For, while he professes to have "no time for the ladies," out of the ring he looks like one of those Latin lover types out of an old grade B movie.

His hair is thick, jet black and curly. His brown eyes are soft. And white teeth smile evenly from under a pencil moustache. On top of which, he talks like a college man.

"I only graduated from high school," he says softly. "It is true that I read a great deal of philosophy and, while I am a carpenter by trade, I am studying to be an architect. As a matter of fact, after this fight I am going to begin my career by building a house for my mother."

PREDICTS GOOD FIGHT

His record shows 17 wins in 23 bouts and, as evidence of his ability, he went 10 rounds against heavyweight Alex Miteff. This is not a guillotine guarantee of Reuben's prowess. Miteff not being rated exactly a top drawer tiger, but it does show that Vargas knows his way through the ropes.

Anthony, the top-ranking light-heavyweight challenger, at 23 will be giving away 10 pounds. But this class boxer is a stiff puncher with 28 knockouts in 37 wins who also has heavyweight aspirations. All of which makes it shape up as a better than average tee-vee brawl.

Tiger Stops Joe Giardello

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Ralph (Tiger) Jones, the nation's 10th-ranked middleweight, avenged two previous losses with a split decision over Joey Giardello in a 10-round fight Wednesday night.

Giardello, ranked No. 4, outweighed Jones 162½ to 156½ in the nationally televised (ABC) bout before a crowd of 5,000.

Jones lost to Giardello in 1954 and 1957.

Jones battered a cut over Giardello's eye in the fourth round and wound away at it the rest of the way.

Giardello couldn't keep away from his agile opponent and got a cut over the other eye late in the match.

Jones went into the bout with a 46-24-4 record.

It was his 35th appearance on television, a record no other fighter has matched.

Giardello's preflight record was 67-15-5.

Referee Paul Matchun's card gave the fight to Giardello 46-43.

Jones had it 46-45 from Judge Tom Nuckles, judge Walter Beck gave it to Jones 48-47 and The Associated Press scored it 46-45 for Jones.

Jones forced Giardello against the ropes late after time and jolted his heavier opponent constantly with solid rights and lefts, many of them body punches.

Giardello rallied in the seventh and eighth rounds and staggered Jones, but he wasn't able to keep it up.

Arnold Palmer Open Favorite

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP) — Young Arnold Palmer stood out today as the logical choice to win the \$20,000 San Diego Open as a field of about 150 professionals set forth in the first round of the tournament.

Palmer won the event the last time it was played — 1957 — and won the \$15,000 Thunderbird invitational at Palm Springs last Sunday.

The event, now back on the PGA winter tournament schedule, is being played on the Mission Valley Country Club course. Par is 36-36-72.

The cast of pros is virtually the same as has been performing on the golfing trail in California this winter.

Dietzel Predicts Happy Season

WICHITA FALLS, Tex. (AP) — Paul Dietzel, coach of national champion Louisiana State, thinks he has a strong chance of repeating next fall.

In a statement that might hurt his standing in the coaches union, the young tutor of the undefeated, untied Tigers, who climaxed a great year with victory in the Sugar Bowl, declared: "We will be deeper, stronger and bigger and we're not planning on losing any games."

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Basketball Scoreboard

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OREGON PREP BASKETBALL

Junction City 58, Pleasant Hill 57

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Hawaii 60, Southern Calif 56

Seattle 60, San Francisco 62

Denver 84, Air Force Academy 65

Bradley 68, Toledo 55

Michigan 68, Washington (St. Louis) 63

Dayton 67, Canisius 54

Pitt 64, Geneva 62

Army 60, Albright 42

Muhlenberg 67, Rutgers 66

Brown 61, Northeastern 47

St. Bonaventure 74, St. Francis (NY) 56

Fordham 93, Wagner 67

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSN.

Wednesday Results

Boston 120, St. Louis 111 (OT)

Minneapolis 112, Syracuse 109

Philadelphia 99, Cincinnati 84

BOWLING SCORES

AUTOMOTIVE LEAGUE

Halvorsen Union 48 21

Bain Motors 43 31

Motor Investment 43 31

Mogilas 43 31

Carlson Mattress 42 34

Baininger Motors 46 26

Pacific Fruit 35 37

Jim Winde Buick 37 39

Specialized Svc. 35 41

Interstate 33 43

Olson Motors 28 47 1/2

East Side Elec. 23 52 1/2

Last night's results:

Pacific 3, Interstate 1

Halvorsen 3, Olsons 1

Specialized 3, Bain Motors 1

Carlson 4, East Side 0

Jim Winde 2, Baininger 2

Mogilas 2, Motor Investment 2

High team game—Mogilas 964

High team game—Mogilas 2730

High ind. game—Gene Carlson 229

High ind. series—Bill Pickett 585

MINOR CLASSIC

Dairy Tavern 42 30

Spud Celler 42 32

Lewis Chevrolet 38 34

Winema Mills 36 36

Kinsley Field 36 36

Landmark 35 37

Rings Cafe 32 40

Herald & News 29 43

Last night's results:

Kinsley Field 4, Landry Ins. 0

Spud Celler 4, Herald & News 1

Dairy 4, Winema 0

Lewis Chev. 3, Rings Cafe 1

High team game—Dairy Tavern 946

High team game—Dairy Tavern 2746

High ind. game—Bud Rott 226

High ind. series—Ralph Barnett 608

BASIN LEAGUE

Pittsburgh 2, HRP 2

Bend Portland 29 11

Bills Tavern 29 17

National Guard 22 18

Acme Concrete 18 22

HRP 18 22

Team No. 8 15 25

City Center Lodge 8 32

Last night's results:

Pittsburgh 2, Bend Portland 2

Bills Tav. 2, Bend Portland 2

City Center 4, Acme Concrete 0

National Guard 4, Team No. 8 0

High team game—Bend Portland 917

High team game—Bills Tavern 2682

High ind. game—Floyd Larson 210

High ind. series—Keith Larson 536

MAJOR CLASSIC

Sportsman Hotel 46 26

Sixth Street Oxygen 46 26

Klamath Tractor 37 35

Bill Davis Flying A 36 36 1/2

Maurys Foreign Cars 36 36

M. L. Johnson Ins. 35 36 1/2

Baraboo Elec. 32 40

Pelican Motors 24 48

Last night's results:

Canyon Bakery 3, Rainbow 0

Dunsmuir Hotel 2, Mode O Day 1

Ski Bowl Cof. 2, McCloud Horsemen 1

BPW 2, Shasta Beverage 1

High team game—Canyon Bakery 902

High team game—Canyon Bakery 2778

High ind. game—Irene Blount 183

High ind. series—Irene Blount 313

NIGHT OWLS

Veterans Club 32 25

LaPortas 32 25

Marlins 31 26

Hwyway Cafe 30 27

VFW 29 28

First Western Bank 29 28

Piedmont Motel 25 32

El Rancho 20 37

Last night's results:

First Western 2, Marlins 1

LaPortas 2, Piedmont Motel 1

VFW 2, Hwyway Cafe 1

Veterans 2, El Rancho 1

High team game—VFW 755

High team game—VFW 2129

High ind. game—Fay Uribe 180

High ind. series—C. Dixon 456

SCRATCH LEAGUE

W L

Shasta Lanes Lounge 34 21

Mt. Shasta Lions 33 24

Mogilas 28 28 1/2

R. L. Smith 29 29

C and C 25 32

Flamingos 22 34 1/2

Last night's results:

C and C 3, Shasta Lounge 0

Flamingos 2, R. L. Smith 1

High team game—Lions 652

High team game—Lions 2307

High ind. game—Harry Anderson 208

High ind. series—Earl Cain 541

Floyd, Swede To Sign

NEW YORK (AP)—Floyd Patterson, the almost forgotten heavy-weight champion, and Ingemar Johansson, pride of Sweden, sign for a title fight today.

There's many a slip twist the lip and the cup, especially where Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager, is concerned. But the best inside information, including indirect quotes from D'Amato himself, indicated that Patterson would come out of hiding around 12:30 p.m. to meet Johansson in the contract signing ceremonies.

Lawyers have been huddling ever since the curly-haired hand-some fistic idol of Sweden arrived last Friday. The word is they have ironed out all of the details for Patterson's fourth title defense since he knocked out Archie Moore Nov. 30, 1956 for the right to wear the crown vacated by Rocky Marciano.

Best guess is that Patterson will be guaranteed \$300,000 as against 40 per cent of the net receipts while Johansson will get \$100,000 or 20 per cent.

The date and site of the fight are not expected to be announced. Bill Rosenzweig, who promoted the Patterson-Roy Harris title fight in Los Angeles last August, said he plans to tour the fight arenas before deciding on the site. New York and Los Angeles have been most prominently mentioned with Colorado Springs and Indianapolis still in running. The most likely date figures to be late in May or early in June.

Willamette U. Adds 8th Win

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Northwest Conference

W L Pct.

Willamette 8 0 1.000

Linfield 4 1 .800

Lewis and Clark 2 3 .400

College of Idaho 2 3 .400

Whitman 1 4 .200

Pacific 0 6 .000

Wednesday result: Willamette

59, Lewis and Clark 57

PORTLAND (AP) — Willamette

University beat back a strong Lewis and Clark team and won Wednesday night's lone Northwest Conference basketball game.

The victory was Willamette's eighth in conference play. It was Lewis and Clark's third loss in five games.

Lewis and Clark was ahead 55-54 with two minutes remaining. But then Willamette's Jim Litchfield poured in five points and gave his team the victory.

Royce McDaniel of Lewis and Clark was high for the game with 15 points. Eddie Grossenbacher led Willamette with 12.

Lewis and Clark was ahead 52-48 at the half.

EXHIBITION

6:30 Delts vs. Fleets

8:00 Kingsley Jets vs. Oregon Foods

EXHIBITION

6:30 Chilquien Parks vs. Pricewise

8:00 Chilquien Thunderbirds vs. AI's Drive-In

YMCA-CHURCH

6:15 Church of the Brethren vs. Salvation Army

7:20 Church of the Brethren vs. Immanuel Baptist

8:50 First Presbyterian vs. Klamath Lutheran

LA Rams Hear

Dick Bass Rumor

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The

Los Angeles Rams have heard

reports that their No. 1 draft

choice, halfback Dick Bass of

College of the Pacific, intends to

quit school and become eligible for

the 1959 National Football League

season.

"This is news to me," said

Coach Sid Gillman of the Rams.

"As far as we are concerned, we

hope Bass decides to play another

year of college football. The added

experience would be good for him.

When we selected him in Decem-

ber as a future choice, we had in

mind only that he would be

available for 1960, not before."

Harlem Trotters

Bounce 49ers

OAKLAND, Calif. (UPI) — The

Harlem Globe-trotters defeated

the San Francisco Forty Niners,

74-59, Wednesday night in an ex-

hibition basketball game at Oak-

land Auditorium.

Bob St. Clair of the Forty Ni-

ners led the scorers with 21 points

but seven-foot Wilt Chamberlain

dominated play and "stuffed" 20

for the Trotters.