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Much Demand For Grandetta To Fight Here

What about a return match between Dove Knight and Dane Brady?

Very few fight fans have expressed themselves in favor of a match of this kind.

All appear satisfied to let the matter rest, with a draw.

But much interest is aroused over a prospective Knight-Grandetta fight or a Brady-Teddy Fox fight, which should not be so hard to arrange judging from the sentiment locally over a battle between these principals.

Dove Knight who fought Teddy Fox at Forest Grove about eight months ago, lost the decision by a narrow margin, and since Brady drew a draw from Knight there may be a possibility that Brady may win from the Salem scrapper. The Dove Knight and Grandetta fight would be a great drawing card here, as many are of the opinion that Knight would be the logical man of the two best local scrappers to mix. All details rest between matches of this caliber until financial arrangements can be settled between the matchmaker and Fox or Grandetta, but the guarantees are not much larger than those paid to Brady and Knight in their recent bout in this city.

Purses Paid Local Equal That Paid In Most Other Cities

Little has been heard recently about the match that the matchmaker is attempting to line up between Dove Knight or Dane Brady and Grandetta.

Grandetta is asking for a flat guarantee of some \$100 to appear in a fight in this city but wishes to take a generous percentage of the gate.

For the past two months Grandetta has been fighting in California cities, and last week won by a knockout from a favorable local boxer at Oakland.

Knight has signified his willingness to meet Grandetta, providing that he received sufficient time for training, and is quite willing to have the match set for labor day.

Dane Brady who met the Portland boxer at Walla Walla about six months ago is very anxious to have a return match, for in their previous meet only lost on points and by a narrow margin.

Arrangements for a match between Knight and Jack Sharkey is also under way, for Sharkey challenged the winner of the Knight-Brady fight recently, and

is anxious to meet either of the local boys.

Evidently from the present outlook, Roy (Swede) Nelson and Jack Sweeney, will not do any further boxing in the local ring for some time to come.

Talk of guarantees, since these two lads have had a manager handle their affairs, leave the impression that the lads and their manager have raised the prestige of themselves so high as to demand an exorbitant price for their services in the local ring.

Nelson was a good drawing card, could fight, is a likeable lad, and may be worth more than he received for his services boxing in this city. Should be remembered, however, that these boxers who have only been in the game for less than one year, have not enough experience to feature in the main and semi-draw events in the larger cities, and we wager that Nelson and others have received twice as much for their fights in this city than they would receive for battling in any of the preliminaries they have fought in Portland.

Sometimes good advice from whoever is attempting to manage the boxer, gives trouble to all concerned.

In many places these managers and would-be advisers are like leeches, especially hanging on, when there is a possibility that they may bask in the small glory of some boxer, who has taken the public's fancy for a short time.

A wonderful example of what a manager can do by not using good judgement, and hurting his man, is Joe Jacobs and Schmelling. In dutch with Carey of the Madison Square Garden, with the New York state boxing commission, throwing aside a chance to become the idol of the American public, which is rather putting it strong for a German boxer to be that, but a chance to step into Dempsey's shoes, the dangerous dodging, breaking of contracts, etc., has given Jacobs and his manager beaucoup publicity but the public imagines that Schmelling has been bit by the Bunkony, and consequently is suffering from a "wegates," which in the American language means the "big head."

All we have to say at the present, is less managers and more fighters less advice and more action.

If a boxer is good, it should be proven to the fight fans, and by the way, a more critical person never did exist that the fight fan, who is never backward in voicing his likes or dislikes, probably a poor diplomat but on the level.

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Newly Elected Commissioners Are Optimistic

Dave Marshall and Patty Hughes appointed last week on the boxing commission have pledged their whole hearted support to give every possible assistance in building of the fight game in this city.

Many new ideas will be injected for the good of boxing in this city by the new members who are experienced in the business which should be very beneficial to the Vernonia boxing commission.

Both are very interested in boxing, which was the main reason they were appointed by Mayor Mills on the commission. The new chairman of the commission Clarence Nance who has been with the commission for the past few years advised that every possible effort would be made this year to cooperate this year with the matchmaker in getting a larger attendance, seeing no reason why Vernonia should not eventually be one of the best fight towns in the state with the exception of Portland.

Just whether or not the new officials of the local post of the Legion will permit bouts to be held in the Legion hall in the future, will be determined within the next few weeks.

The arrangements approved by the executive committee for the local post to receive ten percent of the gate, seems attractive enough and may meet with the approval of the new commander Connie Anderson and his Legionnaires.

The local Legion hall is the most logical place in town for holding smokers, all agree.

Burns—Structural steel work at Edward Hines Western Pine company sawmill plant well underway.

Mail Smoker Ticket To Out Town Customers

Here's a suggestion. Let the merchants purchase a ticket for the smokers which are being held in this city and send it as a complimentary ticket to several out-of-town customers.

Good stuff, that would show their appreciation for receiving the business from this out of town customer, and also encourage them to attend future smokers here in the event the holder of the ticket enjoyed the smoker.

The smokers as previously explained are a great drawing card for bringing people into the city over the week end, especially from camps.

The business man who may not have the time during a Saturday evening to attend the fight himself could give his support in the purchase of a fight ticket and do double good, by writing a letter enclosing a ticket to the customer, inviting him as the guest of the business house.

Longview Boxing Commission Strong For Local Boxers

The Longview boxing commission which has been very successful, attribute their success from using good judgement by matching as many home boys with those of nearby camps.

"It is surprising the number of boys that journey down from the camps on nights which the smokers are held to see their favorites box," said the matchmaker.

Longview draws an average of 350 to 400 patrons, with a gate of around \$225 at an average. The proceeds derived after all expenses paid are given to the American Legion who use these funds for charitable purposes.

North Side Challenges Return Tilt

The north side Bridge street baseball team has challenged the south side for another baseball game to be played within the next three weeks or so.

While the gate last Thursday reached the staggering figures of around twenty dollars, it is hoped that with sufficient time and the proper amount of publicity, the gate receipts will reach \$100 at the next game.

The boys put up a surprisingly good game the turning point in the last inning upsetting the dope, and bringing in three runs for the south side.

The public should surely get out and support the game sponsored by the local Chamber of Commerce, featuring the business men of this city, especially looking from the standpoint of the splendid support which the business houses give to every response for support asked from them during the year.

Of the \$20 taken in at last Thursday's game, \$10 was paid for the use of the park and around \$4.50 for baseballs, the proceeds turned over to the general fund of the chamber to be used in work for the good of Vernonia.

Scott, Israel Ready For Go Here Aug. 24

All is set for the six round main event Saturday August 24, between Kid Scott of Westimber and Perry Israel of Portland.

Tex Bush of the I. P. camp and Young Campbell of Timber

will probably feature in the semi windup.

It is the intentions of the matchmaker to secure a few fighters strangers to these parts for the preliminaries.

The card for the 24th will contain 24 rounds and it is the aim of the commission to have the fight start on schedule time and beginning with this next fight the rounds of the main and semi-final will be fought at schedule three minute rounds.

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