LEONARD AND DUFFY MEET FOR WORLD'S TITLE TONIGHT

Lightweight Champion Defends Crown in Convention Hall Ring

Eyes of Sporting World Are Turned on Titular Go Here Tonight.

SCRAP IS TO A DECISION

One of Leonard's First Engagements Over Limit to Verdict.

ABOUT THE BOUT.

Place—Convention hall.
Time—8:30 o'clock.
Main Event—Benny Leonard of New York city vs Jimmy Duffy, Lockport, N. Y., for the world's lightweight championship. Fifteen rounds to a decision.
Weight—140 pounds ringside.
Referee—William "Kid" McPartland, New York.
Semi-windup — Frank Nurdin, Drumright, vs Carl Fleming, Tulsa; eight rounds, featherweights.
Six rounds—Kid Spack, Tulsa, vs. Ray Thompson, Tulsa; bantams.
Two four-round curtain raisers.
Referee preliminaries—Paisy Corrigan, Tulsa.
Timekeeper—Frank Tessin, Sapulpa.
Auspices—Tulsa Sporting club, John J. Reisler, promoter.

By LARRY DAILEY.

With both principals claiming victory, Benny Leonard, champion, and Jimmy Duffy, challenger, who meet at Convention hall in a 15-round bout for the world's lightweight title here tonight, concluded training yesterday with road work, and last night Tulsa was mecca of boxing enthusiasts from over the entire southwest who have come to see the Gotham crown wearer defend his title against one of the leading contenders for that honor.

Eyes of the sporting world are turned on Tulsa today. A championship go always attracts widespread interest. But greater interest is added in the fact that Leonard, departing from the tiresome procedure adopted by numerous title holders and topnotchers of the ring today, with the exception of a very few, notably Mike O'Dowd, not only defends that title over 15 rounds in place of the usual six or eight, but risks his crown on a referee's decision.

Leonard Sets "Precedent."

Sporting writers throughout the country have seized upon Leonard's agreement to go the distance to a decision of a third man in the ring as a possible renewal of the "good old days," when every bout was over a suitable distance and all were to a decision. Leonard is setting a new "precedent" for a majority of his fellow fistic kings, one of which they undoubtedly do not approve. But the sporting world has greeted a bout for the lightweight title with joy, sensing in tonight's battle the forerunner of other real titular affairs.

Leonard, one of the greatest champions of modern pugilism, enters tonight's bout the favorite. He has been fighting in his greatest style in recent months, his victory over Soldier Bartfield a few days ago, in which he nearly stopped the ex-khaki wearer, proving his fitness to wear the crown.

Duffy, backed by numerous Tulsans despite the edge held by the champion, is expected to provide a great battle. Duffy has reached the crest of his career, and by his own statement, is to make the most of this opportunity to win a title, an opportunity for which he has worked hard and well for several years.

Both Leonard and Duffy worked out before Tulsans last week and it was apparent that each is in shape to go the 15 rounds at top speed.

Capable Referee.

William "Kid" McPartland, veteran New York referee, who has been third man in the ring is numerous champion encounters, including the Benny Leonard-Freddy Welsh bout on May 28, 1917, in which Leonard won the world's lightweight crown in nine rounds, is referee in tonight's go. Frank Tessin of Sapulpa is timer. Maurice Wasserman and Willie McDonald are timers for Leonard and Duffy respectively.

The semi-windup of eight rounds between Frankie Nurdin of Drumright and Carl Fleming of Tulsa is of great interest to Oklahoma boxing fans. Both boys were leading southwestern feathers three years ago. Each has but recently returned from the service and each boasts a large number of backers, a large Drumright contingent having reserved seats for tonight's card.

Kid Spack, clever Tulsa newsboy, returns to a Tulsa ring after several months' absence. Spack meets Ray Thompson in a six-round go.

Tickets for tonight's card will be on sale at Pete Martin's sport emporium exclusively until 6 o'clock. The box office opens at 6:30 and the doors at 7:30. The first event starts at 8:30.

HOAX PERPETRATED ON TURF FOLLOWERS

Ringer Wins Big Money and Then Vanishes With Owner When Big Fraud Is Discovered.

The light harness world is in a turmoil. It has been disclosed that a number of races "down east" during the past season were won by a ringer entitled "Peter Scoopem" when the ringer in reality was none other than Little Price (p) 2:04 1-4, a fleet wiggler hailing from Wisconsin. All of the powers in the harness sport are now blaming one another for the activity of the ringer, while the turf journals are having a lot of fun relating the story and laying the blame at the door of the National Trotting association and the American Trotting association, self appointed guardians of the pastime.

The "Peter Scoopem" outrage was perpetrated by one George Richards who has been traced to several cities in Wisconsin. Richards it seems applied some hair dye to his fast wiggler and then invaded the eastern circuits and enter his nag in the slow classes. In this way he not only won all the purses after which his horse started, but he also cleaned up a number of wagers with individuals who owned horses that competed with his dyed champion.

A correct tabulation of the amount of money Richards gathered in with his "incog" wiggler can only be estimated at about $15,000, but of course this does not include the wagers he won in various cities.

At one meeting he was accosted by a veterinary who claims to have completely identified the horse, having seen him race in the middle west. Richards had the animal's teeth doctored and made to show his as about six years of age. In fact, the horse is close to 12 years old. When the disclosure was made Richards and his horse disappeared and have not been found. The former owner of Little Prince has publicly announced that he sold the horse to one George Richards in November, 1918. Richards will be suspended by the parent trotting association, but even this does not compensate for the money lost by those who were trimmed by the ringer. The case is attracting national attention in horse circles and is accorded the distinction of being one of the most unique frauds in the history of the pastime.

Ohio State Nears Title.

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—With the western conference football championship race drawing to a close, the undefeated Ohio State eleven tonight is within one game of the title, Illinois, victorious in five of its six games, being the only team left for the Ohioans to vanquish.

These championship rivals, perhaps the most evenly matched teams in the Big Ten, will clash at Colwinbus next Saturday in what promises to be the most bitterly fought contest of the season.

HARMONY MADE REDS, SAYS 'SLIM' SALLEE

Elongated Southpaw Points to Success of National Champions as Proof of His Contentions.

Harry "Slim" Sallee, Cincinnati pitcher, is justifying his move from the New York Giants by pointing to the success of the Redland crew in going through to a pennant and a world's championship. Sallee is not claiming all the credit, nor even that part to which he is justly entitled, but he refers to the success of the Cincinnati team as proving what is possible when there is harmony on a ball club.

It will be remembered Sallee got away from New York almost by request. He was under contract to McGraw, but during the final weeks of the 1918 season he became peeved with McGraw's manner of doing things. Sallee said nothing. But he carried his grudge to winter quarters with him and then exploded in the spring when it came time to report to McGraw.

The Giant pilot is not in the habit of letting ball players get away just because they want to, but he evidently figured Sallee too valuable to force into retirement, so "Slim" was swapped off to the Reds. McGraw, however, did not think he was handing Pat Moran a hurling ace when he sent "Slim" to the Ohio port.

"I was anxious to get to Cincinnati," said Sallee, "because I knew there would be harmony on the team. I knew Pat Moran would get the boys working together and I was sure I could work for Pat and turn in a good season. He is the kind any man can work for, because he don't drive his men."

Sallee, as a matter of fact, had one of his best years while with the Reds. His showing in the world's series was not as impressive as some of his followers hoped it would be, but during the campaign his consistent work enabled Moran's men to turn in a number of victories that might otherwise have been lost. "The Reds will repeat in 1920," said Sallee, "because the whole bunch is pulling together, and they have a terrific wallop in a pinch—they proved it," he declared. Sallee is considered a veteran in the senior league, but he has many winning ball games left in that left souper yet. He lives the simple life on a farm in southern Ohio.

RECOVERED FUMBLE PUTS AUBURN OVER

Georgia's Tech Slashing Victory Over Georgetown Is Surprise of the Week.

ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 16.—When Captain Bonner of Auburn fell on a Mississippi A. and M. fumble behind the Aggies' goal line Saturday and won the game, 7 to 0, the last of the old S. I. A. A. undefeated football teams was pulled from its pinnacle. As a result Washington and Lee, by its defeat of Georgia Tech a week ago and its victory over South Carolina Saturday, is putting forth strong claims for Dixie honors.

Georgia Tech's slashing victory over Georgetown on Grant field Saturday was easily the surprise of the week. The Yellowjackets, employing Heisman's great shift, were out to blot out the unpleasant memory of the defeat by Washington and Lee a week ago, and they battered the Blue and Gray severely throughout the contest.

Vanderbilt disposed of Virginia as had been forecast, but with greater difficulty than expected.

In other games Alabama's 23 to 0 defeat of Louisiana State university is worthy of note. Sewanee's invasion of Texas ended in disaster, the Tigers returning on the short end of 19 to 7 score after the game with Rice Institute at Houston.

Champion and Challenger Confident of Victory in Scrap for World's Lightweight Title Here Tonight

Benny Leonard, Champion

"I have long waited for an opportunity to box for a world's championship and I am fit for the greatest fight of my career. I am going in to stop Benny Leonard. Tulsans will say they have seen a great scrap after our bout tonight. I have beaten the world's champion welterweight, Jack Britton, and others, and I am confident I can beat Benny Leonard.

Jimmy Duffy."

"Jimmy Duffy is tough. He is one of the best boys in the game today. But I am at my best today as my decisive victory over Soldier Bartfield proves. I'm right. And although I anticipate a hard fight, I'll win.

Benny Leonard."

Jimmy Duffy, Challenger

John J. Reisler, Promoter.

"I am proud to give Tulsans a world's championship boxing match. Tonight's contest is the forerunner of other similar bouts which I have planned. Tulsa fans will support topnotch boxers. And I am sure they will be pleased with tonight's bout between Benny Leonard and Jimmy Duffy.

John J. Reisler."

IMPORTANT BATTLES FOR TULSA ELEVENS

High School Meets Ponca City and Kendall Plays Aggie Grids This Week.

Tulsa football elevens engage in important gridiron battles this week. Both the undefeated and leading collegiate and scholastic title contenders, Kendall college and Tulsa high school, meet hard tests.

Tulsa plays Ponca City, one of the leading machines in the northern section of the state. Following the impressive victory of the crimson and cream over Nowata last week, championship prospects are bright and for that reason Coach Brenneman will put the squad through a hard week of preparation for Friday's game.

Victory over the Aggies will give Kendall undisputed state collegiate honors and Coaches McHirney and Schmidt also plan a hard week of the orange and black gridsters.

"Pussyfoot" Improving.

LONDON, Nov. 15.—Continued improvement was reported today in the condition of William E. Johnson, commonly known as "Pussyfoot" American prohibitionist, whose eye was injured Thursday during his involuntary progress in a parade through London streets on the shoulders of students who had interrupted his prohibition meeting. Mr. Johnson is convalescing at a nursing home where he had been warned to keep absolutely quiet lest the eye injury develop more seriously.

COMMUNISTS SETTLE STRIKES IN ODD WAY

LONDON, Nov. 15.—The communist government at Petrograd has a rather primitive but exceedingly effective method of settling strikes within its confines, Paul Dukes, a British secret agent, told The Associated Press. They kill the leader and without leaders probably no workman in the world is so helpless as the Russian.

"Labor leaders involved in a strike have employed many ingenious methods to hide their identity, but a large number of them have failed and have been seen no more," Mr. Dukes said. "When a strike is called the communists' government tries to find the hidden leader. In most cases he finally is ferreted out and some morning the strikers awake to find their leader gone. Without their organization they are ineffective and generally go back to work under worse conditions than when they left."

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IRISH MURPHY DOES NOT ASK GUARANTEE

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Promoters don't have to guarantee all boxers. Here is one who will give the manager a guarantee any time he asks. He is Stock Yards Tommy Murphy, the Chicago middleweight and war hero.

Tommy has signed for a series of bouts with the Racine (Wis.) club, and has agreed to post a forfeit for each show that the gate receipts will amount to a certain sum. For instance, he told the promoter what guarantee and percentage he wanted and the club replied that the show would have to draw a certain sum to show a profit.

Murphy is one of those fellows who believes a boxer is worth no more than he can draw at the gate. He works on the same principle with other clubs and is willing to make the same arrangements with them.

The shifty Irishman is fresh from a 10-round victory over Frankie Brennan of Detroit, at Kalamazoo, and expects a busy season in Michigan rings. He has dates pending at Detroit and Battle Creek.

WESTERN LEAGUE MEN READY FOR CHI MEET

Question of Circuit for 1920 Season Will Be Discussed; Past Season Is Most Successful.

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—Club owners of the Western baseball league began arriving here tonight to attend the annual meeting of the league scheduled for tomorrow. President Tearney said the question of a circuit for the 1920 season would be discussed, officers elected and that other important issues would be brought up for consideration. The past season was one of the most successful in the history of the organization, President Tearney said.

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