

JOE LYNCH CONFIDENT OF BEATING CHAMP PETE HERMAN

Eastermer Beat Title Holder In No Decision Bout Year Ago

Lynch Is Leading Contender for Bantam Crown.

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MUCH INTEREST IN GO

To Be Herman's Second Title Bout Since Beating Kid Williams in 1917.



By International News Service. NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Joe Lynch, New York's popular aspirant to the bantamweight championship, will find out this week whether or not he has been chasing a rainbow.

Lynch will get his first chance at the coveted title over the decision route Wednesday night when he meets Champion Pete Herman in a 10-round 10-round bout at Madison Square Garden.

Lynch Best Bantam. Confidence is Lynch's middle name. He feels he will walk away from the ring Wednesday night with championship laurels on his brow. His confidence has a foundation in the fact that he is admitted by the best bantamweight on Herman's trail, and that he gained a popular decision over Herman in a 10-round no-decision bout at Waterbury, a little over a year ago.

Since capturing the title from Kid Williams in 1917, Herman has defended it but once in a decision bout when he met Frankie Burns in a 20-round bout in New Orleans. However, the champion is confident he can take care of his crown for he has already signed to meet Jimmy Wilde in a title bout in London, January 14, and has arranged to sail for England next Thursday, the day following his bout with Lynch.

Pete Thinks Well of Joe. Herman thinks well of Lynch. "He is easily the best of contenders for my title," said the bantamweight champion today. "That's one reason why I am giving him a shot at the championship before I go to England to meet Wilde. I don't want to be said I took the trip broad to duck a title bout on this side.

"As I said before I think Lynch is quite a fighter. I also think I can lick him. I've fought him three times, one here, once in Philadelphia and once in Waterbury. I have improved a lot but he's quite a bit all right with me. I haven't come back any, I think. The bout between the little fellow is causing quite a little interest and it is expected to draw the biggest house that has been attracted by a match between bantams in the east."

RECEPTION FOR OHIO STATE

Willie's Men Receive Great Greeting From Alumni at Denver. DENVER, Colo., Dec. 20.—The Ohio state football team arrived in Denver early today and was given an enthusiastic reception by hundreds of supporters headed by the local alumni association of Ohio state college.

The football squad, "Big Ten" champions, accompanied by about fifty rosters from Columbus, is en route to Pasadena for the contest with University of California January 1.

The stop here included a program of entertainment and a brief check-out by the squad at Broadway park this afternoon. The party left at five o'clock for the west.

STATE BANKER AT AD CLUB

Eugene Gum and George Brubaker, Correspondent, on Program. A "double-barreled" program is in store for members of the Advertising club at its weekly meeting in the private dining room of Hotel Tulsa Tuesday noon.

George Brubaker, press correspondent, who is now in Tulsa on special work, will talk on the subject "My Observations of Advertising." Eugene Gum, secretary of the Oklahoma State Bankers association, will tell of financial conditions in the state. Considering the present economic unrest, Gum's talk is expected to contain a number of pertinent points.

L. O. Long, president of the club, who has been attending a family reunion in Texas, is expected home Tuesday morning, so he may preside at the meeting.

BRANNON FUNERAL SUNDAY

Daughter of Pastor of Orcutt M. E. Church Died of Diptheria.

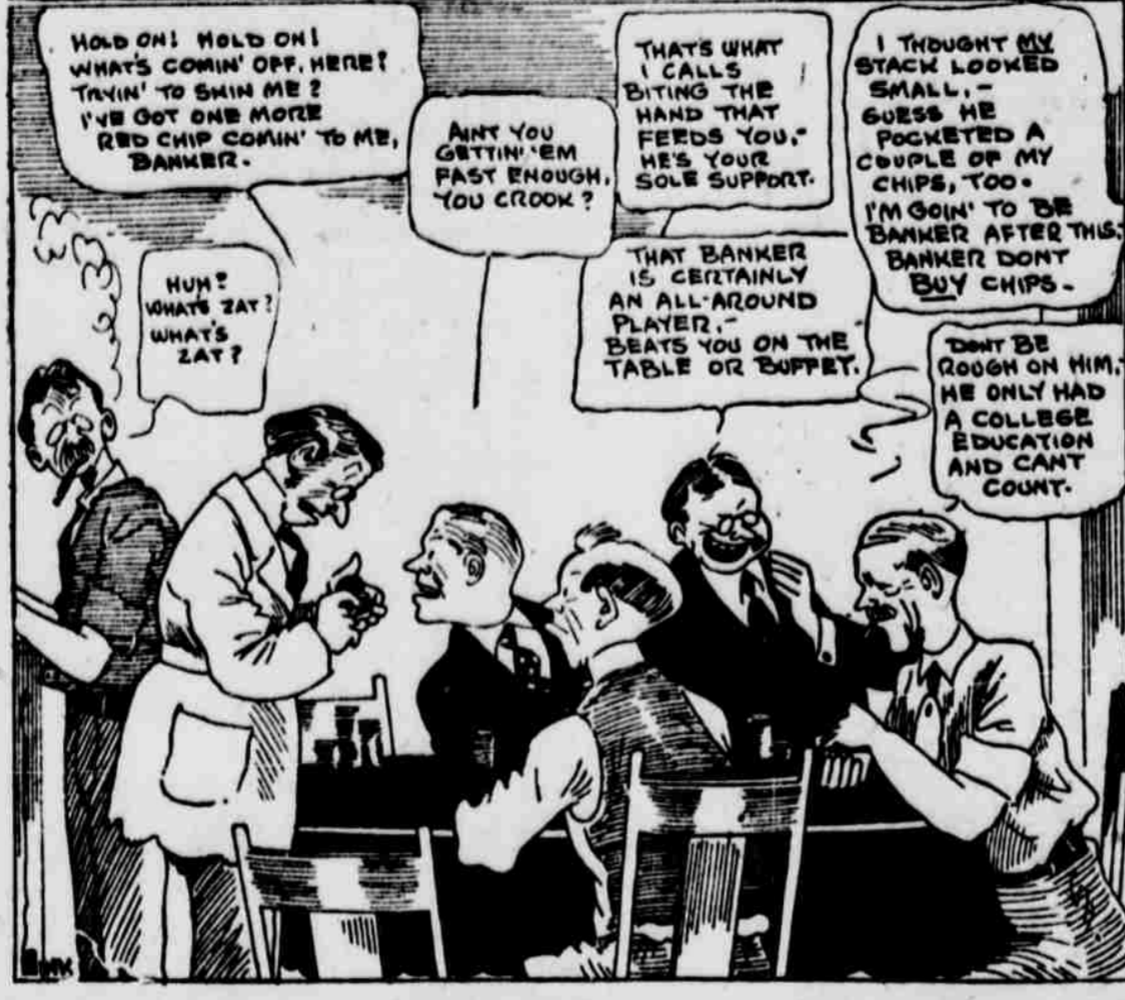
Funeral services for Miss Letha Valentine Brannon, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Brannon, were held at Orcutt Methodist church at a 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon with Rev. J. W. Abel of the First Methodist church officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill cemetery.

Miss Brannon died at her home Friday afternoon, following an illness with diptheria and a relapse. She was born in Deepwater, Mo., February 14, 1907. Besides friends whom her sweet, lovable disposition and kindly acts won, her death is mourned by her father and mother, two sisters, Sarah and Helma, and two brothers, David and Robert. Reverend Brannon is pastor of Orcutt Memorial church.

"There are many things which make our conditions much better than in former times of depression," he said, "and know more and the federal reserve banking system is our greatest bulwark in the time of storm."

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Western Association Asks Class C Rating Next Year

Class C rating will be asked for by the Western association next year, according to President J. C. Letcher of Tulsa, who has just completed a survey of the league which shows the estimated population within the jurisdiction of the circuit to be well above the required 375,000. This application will be based on the recent action of the National association extending the jurisdiction of each club to include all territory within a ten-mile radius. Conservative estimates of the population of the Western association under this plan is 220,000 and the survey made by the president shows that where roads are good and automobiles plentiful, several of the cities draw regular patronage from as high as a 15-mile radius. The entire association is on solid financial footing, President Letcher reports. Any doubt that had arisen over the possible transfer of any franchise was dispelled tonight when word was received from Chickasha that a close-in park had been assured and that Ray Winder, former secretary of the Little Rock Southern League club, had been engaged to take charge of the club. At least a score of players already are under contract to each of the other clubs and every club is supplied with funds ample to carry it through the season. Oklahoma has completely reorganized with E. R. Black heading the new organization.

Plague of Uncleanliness. BUDAPEST, Nov. 22.—Hungarians are suffering from an epidemic of carbuncles and hospital here already are overcrowded with patients. Professor Arthur Verelby, director of the University hospital, said the disease was due to the lack of soap and linen, and might be called "the plague of misery and dirt."



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Two Leagues Formed Instead of Enlarging of W. Texas Circuit

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 20.—Instead of enlarging the West Texas league to eight clubs, the meeting held at Sweetwater of franchise owners will probably result in two separate circuits with six clubs each. Amarillo declined to enter the present league, but announced it would join with handling and New Mexico in a second West Texas league. So the old circuit will remain the same with the exception that the Eastland franchise will be transferred to Breckenridge and that San Angelo likely will replace Mineral Wells. The playing season will open April 24 and close Labor day, September 5. Another meeting will be held February 17 to adopt the schedule.

BASEBALL MAGNATE KILLED

Owner of Beaumont Texas League Club Victim of Murder. BEAUMONT, Texas, Dec. 20.—Funeral arrangements were being made today for O. C. Greaves, a local capitalist and owner of the Texas league baseball franchise here. His life-long friend, Hubert B. Oxford, accidentally shot and killed Greaves while the two were returning from a hunting trip, according to Oxford's testimony at the inquest. The two had completed a day of sport and were walking toward home late Sunday when Oxford stumbled into a mudhole. His automatic shotgun was exploded and the full load struck Greaves, instantly killing him. Greaves is survived by a widow.

BANKER GETS A PUMPKIN

C. H. Howard Advised That Vegetable Will Make 10 Jolly Eats. Gifts are arriving. They come in all shapes and colors. And they come unexpectedly. It is the Exchange Trust company, who Saturday received material for at least 10 pies in the form of an enormous deep yellow pumpkin sent him by George Wallace of Grove, Okla. There is much dispute in the office of Howard as to the comparative greatness of the holiday gift, the consensus of opinion being that it ranks next to the largest pumpkin in the state. The largest has not yet been sent in.

THE TURF

AT NEW ORLEANS.

First Race, 8 Furlongs—Tom Up (Collett), first; Secretary (Wida), second; Pimlico (Rodriguez), third. Time 1:11 1/2. Contender, Mabel, Octavia, Jess Whitpie, Mabel Josephia, also ran. Second Race, 1/2 Mile—Lonely (Meagher), first; Lascaris (Jarvis), second; Oaklawn Belle (Erickson), third. Time 1:11 1/2. Public Opinion, Approval, Valente West, Malvolto, also ran. Third Race, 1 mile—Harvey Smart (Moomen), first; Old Hickema (Gregory), second; Gateway (Rodriguez), third. Time 1:44. Madras Gingham, Dr. Campbell, American Rose, Walter Turnboy, Larchetto, also ran. Fourth Race, 6 Furlongs—Vice Chairman (Barton), first; Hadrain (Wright), second; Bagamora (Erickson), third. Time 1:18 1/2. Crystal Ford, Smart Guy, also ran. Fifth Race, 1 mile—Pantocha (Lyke), first; Bunge Buck (Kink), second; White Star (Wida), third. Time 1:42. Day Lily, Potrarch, also ran. Sixth Race, 1/2 Mile—Cheer Leader (Jarvis), first; Galt De Cause (Erickson), second; Young Adam (Smart), third. Time 1:11. Seventh Race, Mile and Quarter—H. C. Hatch (Jarvis), first; Romeo, also ran. Eighth Race, 1/2 Mile—Faddy Dear (Collett), first; Time 1:11. Dababiah, Jilly Stuart, Adelstein, Jack Neave, also ran.

First Race, 8 Furlongs—Old Boss, 119; Spartan Boy, 119; Wanda, 113; Carlisle S., 107; Horsh, 115; Haasway, 107; Pansy Blossom, 107; Mandaly, 113; Riddle, 107; Roydon, 113; Pwaukes, 113; Hogover, 119; Adrianna R., 107.
Second Race, 6 Furlongs—Brown Bill, 101; Mottilo, 102; Cometa, 95; Danzell, 103; Omer K., 107; Peppery Polly, 103; Tom Roach, 103; Grimsh Rambler, 103; Sea Court, 107; Silver Springs, 109; Eulacourt, 107; Mary Fonso, 108; Kingette, 94; Louise Yee, 108; Alice Atkin, 107; Tait, 103; Superb, 96.
Third Race, 6 Furlongs—Sammy Kelly, 119; Gradow, 117; Park Road, 109; Antipate, 115; Oregon, 109; Thursty Nigher, 102; Murray, 115; Reale, 110; Bond, 103; Basasas, 103; Miss Mabel, 101; Double Van, 100; Annie Edgar, 107; Iron Hew, 105; Jago, 118; Red Wing, 107; Marchie, 108.
Fourth Race, Mile and 70 Yards—Johnny Overton, 100; The Archer, 100; Drummond, 107; Germaine, 104; Trooper, 118; Lads Love, 114; Raider, 109; Chief, 107; Comma Cl, 107; Titta, 109; Dancing Sprag, 104.
Fifth Race, 8 Furlongs—McKewick, 114; Fibberly Gibbet, 103; St. Quentin, 112; Angon, 110.
Sixth Race, Mile and Sixteenth—Madrono, 114; Golden Dawn, 103; Keep, 101; Colonel Lit, 103; Ironwill, 106; Kieve, 103; Bally Belle, 116.
Seventh Race, Mile and One-eighth—Sundara, 107; Astoc, 110; Ben Hampson, 108; Chalk Barkley, 109; Guy Fortune, 108; Sasin, 110; Georgetown, 105; Lady Ward, 103; Chryson, 104; Harvey Smart, 104; Lucius, 110; Lad, 110; Lorena Nosa, 112; King Neptune, 110.

JOHNSON SCORED BY YANK OWNER

New Yorker Says Landis Will "Curb" Johnson.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Failure of the American league to elect New York, Boston and Chicago representatives to its board of directors at the annual meeting last Friday "indicated clearly" that President Ban Johnson and the clubs which supported him in the league war "are disesteemed from the new Landis regime in baseball," Colonel T. L. Huston, part owner of the Yankees, announced here tonight. "During the past year Johnson has fought the appointment of Judge Landis as chairman of the national commission," Colonel Huston said, "and successfully resisted the judge's advent into baseball until compelled to consent at the recent Chicago meeting. His show of acquiescence is the veriest hypocrisy. He had to surrender at the recent Chicago meeting because his willful five deserted him in the fear that the proposed 12-club league would injure their property investments."

Charging that the recent move is aimed to disgust and discourage Judge Landis at the start, Colonel Huston expressed the opinion "that Huston Landis will quickly find means to curb Johnson and his puppets."

Aged Citizen Dies. James M. Ford, aged 85, died Sunday night at the home of his son, M. M. Bird, 1610 East Sixth street. Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p. m. Monday from the Church of God, Fifth street and Peoria avenue, after which the body will be sent to Ozark, Ark., for interment.

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