

THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

These wings that I'm equipped with won't do for aviation. I thought I'd better tell you—they're just for decoration.



WNU Service.



LIEUT. COM. GENE TUNNEY has rounded up a first-class set of ring men for the navy. But the army still has the top champ in a fellow by the name of Joe Louis.

Many have said that the next world's heavyweight champion would come from this war assemblage—which is a dead-sure bet. It's my guess that his name will be Joe Louis, if some unlooked for fate doesn't crowd in on the main act. Or if army life doesn't pack too much extra weight on the Bomber's frame. It took him only a few days to add an extra ten pounds after he'd cleaned out Buddy Baer.

Army life can put on weight as well as take it off. The ring has never had a champion before who spent so much time in a training camp, who nicked off more miles in road work, year after year, than Jolting Joe. It will be interesting to see how much Louis weighs some three months from now.

Louis called the turn in his last fight long before the fight was ever made. He was training for Lou Nova at the time. We were talking about his first Buddy Baer meeting and the Billy Conn fight. Always ducking anything that looked like an

Gems of Thought

SO NEAR is falsehood to the truth that a wise man would do well not to trust himself on the narrow edge.—Cicero.

Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.—Franklin.

The stone that is rolling can gather no moss; Who often removeth is sure of loss.—Tusser.

Bad men will excuse their faults, good men will leave them.—Ben Jonson.

Study as if you were to live forever. Live as if you were to die tomorrow.—Isidore of Seville.

ASK ME ? ANOTHER ?

A quiz with answers offering information on various subjects

The Questions

1. What is an abecedarian?
2. What is known as the right of angary?
3. What year saw the ratification of the woman suffrage amendment to the Constitution?
4. What Spanish king built the Invincible Armada?
5. Approximately how many children took part in the disastrous children's crusade in 1212?
6. In what way were Abraham and Lot of the Bible related?

7. What is a bibliophile?
8. Who is called the father of English poetry?

The Answers

1. A beginner.
2. A belligerent nation's right to seize property of neutrals.
3. The year 1920.
4. Philip I.
5. Approximately 50,000.
6. Uncle and nephew.
7. A lover of books.
8. Chaucer.

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JOE LOUIS

alibi, the Bomber finally admitted that he was stale and well below par in both contests.

"Before I fought Buddy Baer in Washington," he said, "I was dead tired. I trained in a hot place and I began to see black spots before my eyes. I didn't have no pep left. I hit Buddy plenty that time, but there wasn't much steam back of my punches."

It was all different in the second Buddy Baer party after Joe had gotten his rest and had recovered his lost steam. Quite different.

Louis also admitted the same occasion that he wasn't any too keen before the Billy Conn roundup.

"He's a fast boy," Louis said, "but I wasn't right. I was too slow. Maybe he made me look slower, but I can be faster than I was then. I was still stale. I'll be different for Nova."

Conn is the challenger picked for the next Louis start, if there is another heavyweight battle soon. At least, the slender Pittsburgher is the only one given a chance.

As fine a boxer and as game a kid as Conn is, I still think he got a break in catching Louis below form. Louis also got a break, on the odd side.

"Here's a funny thing," Conn told me, "the best punch I threw cost me that fight. I'll tell you how and why. I had hoped and expected to outbox him. I was doing that through the middle of the 12th round. But near the end of that round I nailed Joe on the jaw with a good punch. I saw his knees half-buckle and his eyes roll. I knew I'd hurt him. I thought he was about through. So I decided at that spot I'd knock him out."

"I wasn't content any longer to win a decision. I got rough instead of getting smart. If I hadn't landed that punch I'm pretty sure I wouldn't have taken the chance I took—wading in and swinging flat-footed. I gave him a still target to hit in place of a moving target. And I wasn't hurt at the time. Don't let anyone tell you his body blows had worn me down. They hadn't."

"It was that belt on the head in the 13th when I was trying to out-punch him that turned the trick. It isn't often that your best punch costs you a fight. But that's what happened to me."

At His Best

It is my guess that Louis was only keyed up in something like four contests. One was against Max Baer. The other was the second Schmeling fight. The third was against Tony Galento. The fourth was his final shot against Buddy Baer.

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