

Today's Sports Parade

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NEW YORK (AP) — The push toward retirement which Irish Billy Graham was given by a fistic "nobody" pointed up the fact today that boxing isn't the long-time career which it used to be "in the good old days."

Graham, a veteran of "only" 13 years in the ring, contemplated retirement after being beaten by one Christ Christensen. Billy blamed his legs and admitted he might be about through.

Which would leave only four valid "old-timers" still in action.

They are, in order, light-heavyweight champion Archie Moore, heavyweight challenger Ezzard Charles, light-heavyweight Joey Maxim and welterweight champion Kid Gavilan.

There was a time when boxers lasted in the ring just about as long as the average man handles a normal job. Bob Fitzsimmons fought for 33 years; Tommy Farr stuck with it for 28 years; Jack Johnson 27 years; Jack Dempsey and Max Schmeling, each 25 years; Jersey Joe Walcott 24; Sam Langford and Battling Nelson, each 22; and Benny Leonard, Chalky Wright and Arturo Godoy, each 21 years.

Twenty-Plus Vets Numerous

These are just some of the better known among more than 50 men who fought 20 years or more.

Yet Moore, who risks his title against much younger Harold Johnson at Madison Square Garden on Aug. 11, is regarded by many as just about washed up in his 19th year of boxing. As the oldest active competitor in point of service he has had 141 bouts, winning 117, losing 19 and boxing five draws.

Charles, as the second oldest competitor in the ring in point of years, has been boxing 17 years and is in his 14th as a professional. During that time he has had in the battered neighborhood of 100 bouts.

Maxim, a former light-heavyweight boss, also is in his 14th year as a professional and has had more than 100 bouts. While Gavilan, in only his 12th year as a boxer, has had some 115 fistic engagements.

LaMotta And Pep Retire

Two members of the old guard who called it a career

in recent months were former middleweight boss Jake LaMotta and one-time featherweight king Willie Pep. Bobo Olson is approaching the veteran status, with nine years of milling behind him, while 10-year man Johnny Bratton is about through and Sandy Saddler is finding that time marches on as he looks back on nine active years.

But the moderns find it virtually impossible to reach the 20 year class, and Moore just possibly could fall short. In his recent bouts he has been well over the 175-pound limit, fighting at as high as 190 pounds. To get down to his title limit he has to strip it off too fast and that may weaken him and slow him up.

Johnson isn't the greatest light-heavy threat in history but he did win one of four close 10-round affairs with Moore. With the added five rounds, against a Moore who figures to run down in the late frames if he is weakened making the weight, Johnson could take the title.

In which case old Archie might call it a day, too.

Johnson Cotton Co. Defeats Jaycees 6-2

Johnson Cotton Co. defeated the Jaycees last night by a 6-2 score on Herman Godwin's three-run homer. The Jaycees were leading the Johnson team by a score of 2-0 going into the bottom of the fourth. Doc Corbett walked and scored on GOGO Jackson's double and then Jackson scored on a wild pitch to tie the game at 2-2. Roy Tart singled and Spell was safe on an error, then Herman Godwin hit his homer over the leftfielders head to put his team out front by 5-2 score.

Both teams collected 6 hits apiece but the only man on either team to get more than one hit was Landon Barefoot with two singles. Rain interrupted the game several times last night so after six complete innings the game was called with the Johnson team out front by a four-run margin of 6-2.

It is not definite whether the games that have been rained out will be replayed or not. Henry Hutaff says that he will probably leave it up to the individual teams as to whether the games will be rescheduled.

Table with columns: JAYCEES, AB, R, H. Lists players like West ss, Sechrest p, Johnson c, Furr 1b, Jackson lf, Barefoot cf, Godwin 2b, Wilson rf, Blackburn lf.

Table with columns: JOHNSON, AB, R, H. Lists players like Goff lf, Corbett c, Godwin, B. 3b, Jackson ss, Tart 2b, Spell p, Godwin, H. cf, Bass 1b, Royal rf.

Table with columns: Major League Standings National League. Lists teams like New York, Brooklyn, Cincinnati, Milwaukee, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Chicago, Pittsburgh.

Table with columns: Tuesday's Results. Lists games like Chicago 3 Brooklyn 2, New York 2 Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 4 Philadelphia 2.

Table with columns: Thursday's Games. Lists games like Brooklyn at Cincinnati, Philadelphia at Milwaukee, New York at Chicago, Pittsburgh at St. Louis.

Table with columns: American League. Lists teams like Cleveland, New York, Chicago, Detroit, Boston, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia.

Table with columns: Tuesday's Results. Lists games like Detroit 12 Philadelphia 0, Detroit 4 Philadelphia 3, Cleveland 5 Boston 5.

Table with columns: Thursday's Games. Lists games like Baltimore at Washington, Detroit at Philadelphia, Chicago at New York, Cleveland at Boston.

Many Home Runs Changes Record Of Association

By WILLIAM O. TOME United Press Sports Writer

ATLANTA (AP) — The anguished howl of "give us more room" arose from the pitching fraternity today after one of the biggest Sulphur Dell home run sprees of the season moved Nashville's Bob Lennon to within a hop, skip and a jump of a new Southern Association record.

The husky left-handed swinger deposited four balls over the short Dell rightfield fence last night to tie a league mark of four home runs in a doubleheader and give him 43 for the year.

Lennon now needs only 10 more circuit clouts to surpass the record of 52 set by another Vol, Charlie Workman, for the number of home runs in a season.

The Vol slugger enjoyed one of his best nights of the year as Nashville halved the twin bill with the Atlanta Crackers, winning the first 4-1 and losing the second 14-13 in a two of base hits.

Two homers for Rambone. In other get-togethers around the circuit, Memphis stopped league-leading New Orleans 5-4; Little Rock hammered the Mobile Bears 9-3, and the Birmingham Barons won over Chattanooga 9-5.

In addition to his home runs, Lennon clouted a double and single to give him "six for eight" in the two games and he drove in eight runs to push his league-leading RBI total to 110.

The first contest was the opposite of the second as Joe Margoneri pitched a five-hitter to become only the 10th Vol pitcher to go nine innings in the 50 home games. In the nightcap, 32 players saw action as the two teams battered 31 hits, including seven home runs. Paul Rambone's ninth inning homer, his second of the game, powered in three runs and spelled defeat for the Vols.

At Memphis, Chick Ken Landenberger and George Noga each hit two-run homers in the fourth inning to give Mary Rotblatt and Dixie Howell sufficient margin for the decision. The loss cost the Pels a half-game or their lead, leaving them only one game ahead of the Crackers.

Little Rock Manager Pat Mullin found his Travelers could win after watching them drop four straight since he took over the team. Russ Sullivan clouted a grand-slam home run to give lefty Dick Heeksema a big boost as he successfully scattered 12 hits to the Bears.

Dave Benedict won his 10th game, a five-hitter, as the Barons patted Chattanooga, easing the pressure of a Lookout drive to push Birmingham out of third place. Benedict and Bill Currie matched pitch for pitch until the Barons jumped ahead to stay with three in the sixth inning.

Table with columns: THE STANDINGS. Lists teams like New Orleans, Atlanta, Birmingham, Chattanooga, Memphis, Mobile, Little Rock, Nashville.

Table with columns: Detroit 12 Philadelphia 0, Detroit 4 Philadelphia 3, Cleveland 5 Boston 5, New York 4 Chicago 1, Washington 9 Baltimore 1.

Athletics Win Over Tigers

The Athletics defeated the Tigers Tuesday morning by 7-6 score to hand the Tigers their first defeat of the season. The Tigers had won four straight ball games without a defeat until the A's trimmed them by the one run margin yesterday.

Bud Hudson was the winning pitcher for the A's and was also the leading hitter for the Athletics with two for three and David Dixon had two for four to follow Hudson in the hitting attack.

The loss was the first of the season for the Tigers and was the second defeat of the season for Joe Thomas who now has a record of 4 wins and 2 defeats. Wallace Dixon, with two hits, including a double, was the leading batsman for the losing Tigers.

Table with columns: Athletics, AB, R, H. Lists players like B. Allen 3b, T. Jones 2b, David Dixon 1b, J. Wilkins ss, B. Hudson p, J. Tart c, C. Lee lf, Danny Dixon cf, G. Pope cf, E. Wellons rf, D. Lee lf, Total.

Table with columns: Tigers, AB, R, H. Lists players like B. McLamb 3b, R. Goodman 1b, J. Thomas p.

Table with columns: L. Godwin lf, M. Hyatt ss, W. Dixon 2b, M. McLeod cf, J. Whitenton rf, T. Prince lf, L. Godwin c, Total.

Table with columns: Doubles: B. Hudson, W. Dixon; Triples: Joe Tart; Base on balls: Thomas 3, Hudson 3; Struck out by: Thomas 7, Hudson 10.

Table with columns: DODGERS, AB, R, H. Lists players like A. Bass 3b, J. Clifton ss, J. Jordan c, H. Pope 1b, L. Godwin p, J. Pope 2b, D. Bass cf, J. Whitenton lf, J. Godwin rf, B. Overman rf.

Table with columns: Total, CARDINALS, AB, R, H. Lists players like L. Dudley 3b, J. Sturgill c, G. Godwin ss, G. Lee p, G. Neighbors 1b, F. Godwin lf, W. Jones cf, B. Thornton 2b, D. Bennett rf.

Table with columns: Total, Doubles: L. Dudley, G. Lee; Base on balls: G. Lee 4, Godwin 3; Struck out by: Lee 7, Godwin 7.

George Lee pitched for the Cards had his third no-hitter of the season going into the last half of the final inning with two outs when E. Clifton hit a hard pitch back through the box for an infield hit. Lee pitched a one-hitter but gave up 7 runs to the winning Dodgers on errors.

The Cardinals managed to get

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