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Dempsey vs. Johnson

At 62, Jack Johnson is willing to fight Jack Dempsey, 45, in a "three to six round bout" for charity.

Issuing a challenge, the Negro who once was world heavy-weight titlist, said such a bout would be "a lot of fun and draw a lot of people."

Dempsey, who won the championship from Jess Willard, conqueror of Johnson recently knocked out Cowboy Luttrell, a wrestler, in a special bout at Atlanta, Ga. Johnson has been making night club appearances with a dance band.

The bout might provide some fun, but other than that we could hardly see how it could provide anything else.

The report is out that Dempsey is in need of money and that is the reason he has started boxing again.

To us it looks like he might be able to make enough money refereeing boxing or wrestling matches without having to re-enter the ring as a fighter and thus lose the fame and honor that he won in days gone by.

His recent fight in Atlanta did not draw enough fans to make any great sum of money and his next fight might not take in as much as the first one

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Football Tickets Higher

Here's a bit of information about football tickets that may be interesting. The "info" was gathered by Ed. Mitchell of the Durham Herald:

Carolina and Duke have sent out their pre-season football price schedules. There will be nothing less than a \$2.50 game played by Duke. V. M. I., which opens the Blue Devils' schedule here, Wake Forest, at Wake Forest, Georgia Tech here; Davidson here; N. C. State here, and Pittsburgh here, will be \$2.50 games. Duke's game with Tennessee will be \$3.00, the clash with Colgate, in Hamilton, N. Y. \$2.75 and the Carolina game, at Chapel Hill, \$2.75. Carolina has one \$1.50 game on its home schedule, the contest with Appalachian State. Wake Forest, Texas Christian and Tulane will cost \$2.50. Home games for the two schools reveal the only increase. Carolina's games away from home find Davidson, \$2.00; State, \$2.50; Fordham, \$2.75; Richmond, \$2.20; Virginia.

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Wednesday Is Big Day

Wednesday is now one of the most popular days on the Roxboro golf course. This is caused by the fact that a large number of stores close in this city on Wednesday afternoon and the boys get a chance to go out and play golf. Last Wednesday afternoon found a crowd on the course that was about equal to the July 4th. crowd.

Women Shatter Skeet Records At Annual Championship Shoot



WOMEN are making sensational scores and new records in skeet shooting, and becoming increasingly enthusiastic over this sport. A striking instance of this was seen at the 12th annual Great Eastern Skeet Championships at the Remington Gun Club, Lordship, Conn., June 21-23, when Mrs. M. L. Smythe, of Aurora, Ohio, (right) surpassed all previous Lordship records in the women's event winning the championship with a score of 99 out of 100 targets in a field of nineteen entrants.

The runner-up, Miss Patricia Laursen, of Akron, Ohio, (left) holder of the national skeet title, was not far behind, with a score of 98 x 100. Tied for third place were Miss Diana Bolling of Old Greenwich, Conn., 1939 Great Eastern women's champion, Mrs. M. B. Orr of New York and Miami and Mrs. Lloyd Bissell of Williamsville, N. Y., with 94 out of 100 targets.

The contrasting personalities of these three experts indicate that women of all types are taking up the sport. Mrs. Smythe is a diminutive, vivacious brunette; Miss Laursen is a tall, 19-year-old blonde; and Miss Bolling is slim, reserved and blue-eyed.

Mrs. Smythe, the new title holder, considers skeet ideal for women because it requires skill rather than physical endurance, allowing them

to compete with men on an equal footing. To hit the clay targets as they fly through the air like birds, quickness of eye is needed more than muscle. When both Mrs. Smythe and her husband entered in the premier event, the All-Bore Championships, Mr. Smythe came out one target behind her score of 98 out of 100. "And," she adds "it was my husband who taught me to shoot skeet."

Mrs. Smythe, who has been shooting for six years, is also the Ohio State women's champion. At the recent Southwest Ohio Championship, she and her husband both broke 100 straight. This marked the first perfect 100 x 100 score ever shot by a woman in all-bore competition. Last year out of 2,000 targets she averaged more than 95 per cent hits.

Miss Laursen has been shooting skeet for three and a half years and won the Great Eastern in 1938 with a score of 95 x 100. Her title as National Women's Champion was achieved in the same year with a score of 96 x 100, and retained last year at San Francisco. She is a senior at Rollins College. She flies her own plane, swims, plays tennis and does figure skating.

Miss Bolling, who tied for third place, was 1939 winner of the championship and is the daughter of the late Captain Raynal Bolling, war aviator for whom Bolling Field, Washington D. C. was named.

Jeffries Willing To Re-Enter Ring

Los Angeles, July 12 — James J. Jeffries—honest, it's a fact—said today he had been reading where Jack Dempsey had challenged Gene Tunney to box for the Red Cross, and now has an offer to make himself.

"I would like to meet the winner," said the 65-year-old Jeffries, "provided either can go for four rounds. And I'm serious about it."

Big Jim's last fight was the memorable loss in 1910 to Jack Johnson.

Dempsey Willing To Box Tunney For Red Cross

New York, July 11 — Before leaving for Detroit today, former Heavyweight Champion Jack Dempsey said he would be glad to meet Gene Tunney, also a former champion, in a bout for the Red Cross.

Dempsey was questioned by newspapermen and said that as far as he was concerned he could get in condition in a short time.

The former champion said: "I would do it, and of course all the money would go to the Red Cross."

Dempsey emphasized that he was talking about the possible bout and only for himself and that as far as he knew there was nothing definite in the wind to arrange such a match.

"The friends thou hast and their adoption's tried, grapple them to thy soul with hoops of steel." —Shakespeare

'Lefty's' Daughter



Posing proudly at the Boston, Mass., General hospital is Mrs. Vernon Gomez, and her first born, a baby girl. The infant's dad is famed "Lefty" Gomez of the New York Yankees.

dairy has made a perfect score," says Mr. Fowler.

In a letter of commendation to Mrs. Foushee, Mr. Fowler said: "I want to take this opportunity to commend you on the excellent sanitary condition of the Elco Dairy. Mr. Linker and I congratulate you on having the highest score of any dairy in Person county and we feel sure that milk produced under so ideal surroundings will go far in the protection of the health of the people of this community."

The Richland Dairy also rated Grade "A" but there was sixteen marks against it.

Roxboro Dairy Products Co., distributors of Quail Roost milk is rated Grade "A". The inspection of this milk is left up to the Durham Health officials and their records are filed at the local department, says Mr. Fowler.

Dairy Grades Announced At Local Office

In the July inspection of Person county dairies made by M. L. Linker of North Carolina State Board of Health and T. J. Fowler, local Sanitarian, the Elco Dairy owned by Mrs. E. B. Foushee made a perfect sanitary score, according to announcement made yesterday. The dairies are graded on one hundred and twelve different items, some of which are cows tested, dairy barn, milking house, toilet facilities, water supply, milking utensils, milking, bottling and capping, and employee's health certificates. If one of these items is not met with a 100 per cent a mark is made against the dairy. "This was the first time in the history of milk inspection in Roxboro that a

Ca-Vel Wins Game From Boydton

Ca-Vel won a ball game from Boydton Wednesday by the score of 9 - 1. Ca-Vel scored five runs in the fourth inning and was never in danger.

Blanks did the hurling for the locals while McKee pitched for Boydton.

Briggs for Ca-Vel, connected with the ball for a four bagger while Shotwell came through with a three-base hit.

Crowder and Montague umpired the game.

Altus, Okla. — Two private planes crashed in mid-air, but both pilots escaped with minor injuries.

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YANK SUPPORTERS ABOUT READY TO GIVE UP HOPES

New York, July 11 — Here's a double-barreled item of interest as the major league clubs swing into the second half of the season today:

Both Yankee fans and Yankee club officials have about abandoned hope that their favorites can repeat this season. And, strangely enough both fans and officials grudgingly admit the current Yankee debacle may be all for the best in the long run.

The sorry showing of the Yankee stars in the all-star game just about convinced the die-hands that the Yanks haven't got it any more.

The loss of Lefty Gomez, the apparent slipping of old Charles Ruffing, and the even more costly skidding of Bill Dickey, Red Rolfe's eye-trouble and the failure of the others to play up to their old standard, all contribute to the slow-down of the Yank machine and indicate the approach of a new champion.

The Yanks in fourth place are still only seven games off the pace. If this were the same Yankee club of last year that deficit would be no great obstacle. But the current Yanks simply haven't got what it takes.

Who then, will be the new title holder? the obvious answer is either the Indians or the Tigers.

We lean to the Tigers because they have a little more power than the Indians and slightly better pitching.

The Red Sox are only 3 1-2 games behind the leading Tigers today but they are that close only because of their terrific hitting and not because of their pitching. And, unfortunately for them, their hitting is more apt to fall off than their pitching is to improve. We can forget the other clubs.

What about the National League? An unbiased observer must admit that the clubs probably should finish as they now stand—Cincinnati, Brooklyn and New York.

The Reds have the best balanced club in the league and their three pitching aces—Deeringer, Walters and Thompson—already have won 31 games among them. These three are likely to finish the season with at least 20 victories apiece and how can you pick anybody to beat a club with pitching like that.

MAN ARRESTED ON THREE COMPLAINTS

Chicago — A man who gave his name as Edward Young Clarke, sixty-two, and said he was once "Grand Kleagle" of the Ku Klux Klan in eGorgia, was held here on three complaints that he owed a \$600 hotel bill, passed worthless \$76 check in Atlanta and failed to repay a \$600 loan.

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