

## TALKING IT OVER

WITH JOE WILLIAMS

NEW YORK, July 4.—The prize fighters aren't doing right by July the Fourth any more. There was a time when they looked upon the historic date not only with vast reverence but with an eye to mounting box office receipts. But that day has gone.

Only one championship was on the cards for today and it has been postponed until Thursday night by the promoter. It is a minor bout. Tod Morgan and one "Cannon Ball" Martin are to fight in Brooklyn for what is called the junior lightweight championship.

Until Signor Fugazy persuaded these two youths to get in there and do their stuff, a surprisingly large percentage of the peasantry did not know there was a junior lightweight champion. This is what is meant by the phrase of where ignorance is bliss.

Still, it probably will be a very fast fight for the fifteen rounds and very stimulating to those who find it possible to obtain stimulation in this manner. In spite of the fact that a junior lightweight champion will be defending his title it may be a great fight.

I HAVE little patience with these trick titles, and, judging by the lack of enthusiasm manifested by the left hook worshippers they have even less. And besides it's hard enough to work up a fair amount of enthusiasm over the legitimate title holders these days.

In the old days the Fourth used to be a favored date for important fights, but in recent years little use is made of it by our patriotic promoters. Tex Rickard, for one, is now against any and all holiday dates, and particularly Independence Day.

Still, in the past Rickard has been known to tempt the holiday trade. Probably no promoter tempted it more. Among other records he crowned two new heavyweight champions in commemoration of all the beautiful principles July the Fourth stands for.

The first one was Jack Johnson at Reno in 1910 when the giant Negro crushed Jeffries in fifteen rounds, and the other was Jack Dempsey at Toledo nineteen years later when the man who was to become known as the Manassa Mauler and the great god of the ring massacred Willard.

I SEE to recall that Rickard's first effort to elevate the noble science of beat-busting was on a holiday. This was when he brought Gans and Nelson to Goldfield in early September of 1906. That picturesque battle in the hills ended in the forty-second round with the white man fouling the Negro.

Rickard also came close to a holiday in the promotion of his first battle of the century. He missed the Fourth by a matter of forty-eight hours. It was on July 2 Jersey City saw its biggest fight day when Carpenter faced a Dempsey he couldn't have beaten with a hammer.

## Women Athletes in Olympic Tests

By United Press

NEWARK, N. J., July 4.—The final Olympic tryouts for women track and field stars will be held here today in conjunction with the national championships. The four Olympic tests are the 100-meter dash, 800-meter run, running high jump and discus throw. The 400-meter relay team will be selected from the finalists in the 100-meter dash.

Seventeen to twenty girls will be chosen from the performances today for their first trip to the Olympic games. Ten national champions were to defend their titles, with 250 entries from eighteen States competing in all events.

## With Amateur and Semi-Pro Nines

The Big Four A. A. of Indianapolis defeated the local team pitched wonderful ball, allowing four hits, striking out nine, and giving up one run. Indianapolis scored its first run on a squeeze play, pulled off by Atherton and Hinde. The team will journey to Cincinnati to play the Big Four team of that city. Springfield Indians score by 10 to 3.

Diamond A. A. defeated the Triangle A. A. 5 to 4. Diamonds held a park permit for Sunday, and desire to play on Saturday. The team will play the 14-6-year-old class. Call Drexel 6794-W and Snarey: Price and Keithly.

CARMEL, Ind.—Fast traveling Carmel Reserves charged the local team with 10 runs by Sunday. The Arcadia Ind. nine Reserves played at Zionsville today.

Acme A. A. fast local semi-pros are without a game for Sunday. Any fast local semi-pros are welcome to play. Morris St., or call Belmont 1335. Charlie O'Donnell, well-known athlete, has been added to the Acme line-up. He will perform as third.

## INJURED IN SMASHUP

Lew Tandler receives bouncing around while on trip.

By United Press

PHILADELPHIA, July 4.—Lew Tandler, Philadelphia boxer and one-time contender for the lightweight championship, was injured Tuesday night in an accident near Salisbury, Md., while on his way with his family to visit relatives at Deal Island, Md.

Mrs. Harry Lasker, his mother-in-law, was reported to be in a serious condition, while Tandler himself had an injured left arm. He suffered from the ring last month after knocking out Nate Goldman.

# Spurt of Giants Revives Interest in National League Chase

## Spanish Girl in Finals of London Play

Senorita D'Alvarez Defeats Australian; Hennessey in Doubles Victory.

BY ROBERT C. DOWSON

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WIMBLEDON STADIUM, July 4.—

Senorita Lili D'Alvarez of Spain won the right to oppose either Miss Helen Wills or Miss Elizabeth Ryan, American survivors in the women's singles of the all-England tennis championship, when she defeated in the semi-final today Miss Daphne Akhurst, champion of Australia.

Miss Wills and Miss Ryan will clash later in the day for the right to meet Senorita D'Alvarez.

Miss Akhurst fought entirely on the defensive. Occasionally she retrieved well, but Senorita D'Alvarez's speed and courtcraft were overwhelming, especially when she went to the net. The Spanish star's baseline drives often went in.

George Lott and John Hennessey, American doubles team, defeated E. F. Moon and R. O. Cummings of Australia, 6-1, 6-1, 6-3, and thereby entered the semi-final. They will meet Henri Cochet and Jacques Brugnon, French stars, for the right to appear in the final.

## BASEBALL CALENDAR

### AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

W. L. Pct. W. L. Pct.

INDIANAPOLIS 46 31 .597

Kansas City 43 35 .551

St. Louis 41 32 .531

Toledo 41 37 .526

Memphis 39 34 .544

Louisville 31 46 .469

Columbus 27 49 .353

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

W. L. Pct. W. L. Pct.

N. York 51 27 .580

Phil. 41 31 .550

Boston 46 36 .520

Cleve. 37 35 .567

Chiago. 31 41 .431

St. Louis 37 36 .444

Cincy. 41 34 .547

Phila. 20 46 .303

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