

R Walcott, Charles Primp For The Title Bout

Both Confident Of Winning Scrap

By VERNON JARRETT
MOMENCE, III.—(ANP)— Do not give odds on the Walcott-Charles title fight until one has been declared heavyweight champion of the world. That's the safest way to play the Joe-Louis sponsored battle scheduled for June 22 at Chicago's Comiskey Park. The fight will be just that close.

Sunday, at the Sunset Hills lair, just 10 miles from the enemy, Ezzard the Younger looked both good and bad against his hefty sparring mate. One drew a frown from Charles' mouth; and administered a slight cut under the right eye, much to his employer's disfavor.

The angry Charles pounced upon Jones with a terrific head and body attack. However, Jones who has won 36 out of 40 fights, retaliated in like measure. The crowd looked on in awe.

WALCOTT FOLLOWS UP

A half hour earlier, at the camp of Peaceful Valley, Walcott the Elder polished up on his fancy day tactics and constantly worked a terrific rick to the kidney against Dick Hagan of Chicago. Walcott's left looked sharp against Tommy Merrill, a light heavy, and Johnny Wilson, whose breathing was impaired by a bloody nose.

Walcott's sparring sessions are doubtless gaining him more admirers from the Charles camp than the many impressive boasts from his publicity staff. This writer metered out to the Sunday drills with Fritz Wilson, of the London Sunday Pictorial, who had nice things to say about Charles' enroute to camp, but found himself in a dilemma after seeing Charles against Gene Jones.

Rumor has it that Walcott will open the starting rounds by fighting Charles in close, instead of employing his back-step shuffle, which he used to near success against Joe Louis. But Charles' board of strategy has denounced the rumor as subversive propaganda.

Walcott is too old to learn new tricks, one of Charles' exponents told this writer.

CHARLES MEANS BUSINESS

Meanwhile, the stud No. Charles is looking meaner and meaner, even when he looks bad in sparring sessions, as the days roll nearer the June 22 deadline. Charles merely comments tersely, "I'll beat Walcott good." And everybody who has seen him is convinced that he means it.

His much older adversary looks equally determined, but cooler. Walcott leaves the impression that he wants to give "that youngster" the boxing lesson of his life.

One of his strongest supporters is Two Ton Tony Galento, who also went the way of all flesh against Louis several years ago.

Walcott will win by a knockout. He's got to win 'cause he fights just like me," said the beer-drinking Sweeney, who quit his fellow Jerseyite.

Sentiment on Chicago's crowded Southside is simply, "I don't know. Let's wait and see."

Cult Leader's Hex Turns Out Houston School

HOUSTON — (ANP)— Reports that cult leader Elder Bonds had predicted a great catastrophe at the Wheatley school here caused several hundred students to leave their classrooms in panic.

According to reports the cultist predicted that the school would be blasted to bits because he was not permitted to address the students about their "sins and transgressions." Later, when a dark cloud hovered over the building, terror broke out in classrooms.

Students reportedly jumped out of windows, broke through doors, jumped over fences, and ran wildly down nearby streets to avoid the "hex."

Mrs. E. Cunningham, dean of girls, said it was miraculous that no one was seriously injured. Assistant Principal William Moore said it was the usual type cloud that frightened the students and it was hard to believe such a thing would cause an outbreak.

Dr. John Codwell, principal, said Elder Bonds denied spreading the rumor upon questioning, and the principal interpreted the act as another example of mass hysteria.

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AT MEETING



Charles R. Mitchell, Sr., Registrar of Morris College, Sumter, recently attended the 35th National Convention of The American Association of Collegiate Registrars, which convened at The Ohio House, Columbus, Ohio. Rego, representative from South Carolina.

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Mrs. Catherine Groves Mitchell, who is also a graduate of South Carolina State College, Mrs. Mitchell is presently pursuing further study at Hampton Institute, Hampton Virginia.

Minister Says God Not To Be With Joe As Two Square Off In Love Battle

By Vernon Jarrett
CHICAGO — (ANP)— "God is not on Joe Louis' side in this battle." Thus spoke Rev. Malthe C. Faulkner, who is forcing the retired champion to fight the same man in two different court rings at the same time.

Shortly after Superior Judge Benjamin Epstein ordered Louis to reveal whether he had presented pretty model Carolee Drake Faulkner thousands of dollars in cash and gifts, the Baptist minister filed suit for a divorce, charging Louis and Mrs. Faulkner with adultery in three cities. He charges they were together in New York, Detroit and Chicago.

The Reverend already has a \$500,000 alienation of affection suit pending against the Brywn Bomber, and in the divorce suit, Rev. Faulkner charges that Louis did more damage in wrecking his home than he ever did in the prize ring.

Louis and Atty. Truman K. Gibson, his counsel, have vigorously denied these charges. Last week Gibson told this writer that the reverend is trying to win a "newspaper decision" because he is sure to lose in court. Louis says the "reverend is sadly mistaken. I just knew his wife, that's all."

In suit number one, the Georgia minister charged that he has suffered mental anguish because of Louis, and in suit number two, he is demanding custody of his two children, Matthew, Jr. and Olan.

"My wife was a beautiful model," said the reverend, "but she was not a model wife after Louis took over." Faulkner charges his wife with deserting him Jan. 13, 1948.

In an interview last week, the reverend declared, "During the war, I respected Louis when he went around the world saying 'God is on our side.' But his times' Faulkner added, "God is not with Joe Louis."

Louis must appear in Friedman's office June 24 and affirm or deny charges that he has given money and gifts to Carolee and the divorce suit is expected to come up near the end of the month or the first of July.

Joe Louis Feted In Bacon Casino

CHICAGO — (ANP)— Retired heavyweight champion Joe Louis will be honored June 17 at the site of the old Bacon's Casino, the place where he fought his first bout as a professional.

Bacon's is now the home of the DuSable Community center. The reception will be given for the benefit of this center.

Jackie Robinson, Roy Campanella, and Don Newcombe of the Brooklyn Dodgers and Johnny Lush, football star of the Chicago Bears have been invited to attend. Arch Ward, sports editor of the Chicago Daily Tribune, will be guest speaker.

Dr. C. Stanley Hough is president of the DuSable center. Judge Fred (Duke) Slater and business man Leo Rose are co-chairmen of the committee. Jesse Owens will be master of ceremonies.

'Black Messiah' To Lose African Hold

ACCRA, GOLD COAST, BRITISH WEST AFRICA — (ANP)— Some day the British will be driven out of Africa, Kwame Nkrumah, the "Black Messiah" of the Gold Coast said in an interview last week.

Nkrumah, 32 year old American educated leader for self-government in West Africa, said he had already planned a non-violent drive against the British.

"We do not want violence," he said, "on the selected day all work will stop. We will sit and die rather than turn a hand unless the commission drawing a constitution gives us self-government by June 16, we will set that day."

Then, there will be similar movements in Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Gambia, and French West Africa. We will then organize the Union of West African Socialist Republics. We will be Socialist like the Labor government of England, but never Communist like Russia.

While studying in the United States, 1935, Nkrumah then called for the independence of Kingfisher, continually spoke of freeing West Africa.

He earned M. A. and M. S. degrees from the University of Pennsylvania, and also studied at Harvard university and Howard university.

Nkrumah has continually refused to talk with British colonial officials. They call him a demagogue and self promoter.

While walking down the street, he said his followers chant "Nkrumah" as he passes them by. Then they chant "G. S. G. S. G." meaning self government, self government. Finally it is "Fah-di, tah-di, their native dialect meaning "we want freedom."

PORTLAND ORE — (ANP)— For the second time in the 29 year history of the Portland area Boy Scout council, a Negro boy won an Eagle Scout badge last week. Raleigh Washington, 16, won the coveted honor.

With 23 merit badges, Raleigh earned his award only three years after becoming a scout.

Member of troop No. 69, he has attended Camp Leader three years and is senior patrol leader of his troop.

In special ceremonies at the Lake Grove pioneer district court of honor G.H. Oberbauer, area scout executive, presented his with the Eagle Scout badge.

He is the oldest of six children of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Washington. At Jefferson high school he will be a junior next year he ran the half mile and 440. to the school track team.

Land Of Gold Cost Owners One Horse

JOHANNESBURG, UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA — (ANP)— In America people still talk about the Indians who sold Manhattan Island to white men for a few trinkets and pieces of silver.

Here in South Africa people are really talking about the Erfel farm where this nation's richest strike in gold has been discovered. Years ago when it was first sold by a native to the Van Rensburg family, this land of gold was given for the price of one horse.

Today the owner, descendants of the man who bought him a farm for a horse, recently gave an option on the farm for about \$600,000 in American money. This option, however, has not been taken up yet. And to think all this began for a horse.

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N. Y. Dead Over Title Scrap

NEW YORK — (ANP) Chief anything in the Chicago papers about the heavy-weight championship fight June 22? There isn't much in the local sheets—and only Friday morning I saw a couple of "sacks" buried way down in the bottom of the racing page about Walcott and Charles being declared physically perfect for the fight.

Round this town, when there was a championship fight—in the good old days when Joe was bopping 'em off regularly—there was plenty doing a month before the fight—but, of course, we are about 900 miles away from the main event here, so the drum beating hasn't been too loud in these parts.

Joe's battles were money events for everybody—and everything—hotels, night clubs, bars, walks, and gosh knows, what else. Remember the night you saw the parade standing at the corner of 138th street and Seventh avenue—who had Joe beat that night?

Notin' like that around here now—this championship fight is not raising as much fuss as Dick Welles' funeral. (One of our local papers heralded him and devoted lots of space and picture to the passing of this character—just about indicated the level to which journalism has depreciated—the paper you are proud to take into your home.)

But back to the fight—if there is no more interest in Chicago than there is here, they had better cancel the whole thing out and start out fresh with Joe as the chief attraction. By the way, I saw a picture of Joe with Ezzard Charles, the other day and did Joe look "fat and fortyish." It's hard to believe that is the same guy who tore Schmeling's head off one night in the Yankee stadium.

I imagine a lot of Southerners will be out to Comiskey park to witness it. Wonder why they put the fight in Comiskey? It's hard to believe that is the same guy who tore Schmeling's head off one night in the Yankee stadium.

Wayman Johnson, assistant state supervisor and 4-H leader is director of the camp. Miss Marie Price, assistant state home agent, is 4-H leader in association director.



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Boston Man Wins English Derby

BOSTON, MASS. — (ANP)— "It's a very pleasant surprise." Those were the words of Alan W. Hill of this city when he was notified last week that he held the winning ticket for the English Derby. The official winner of the famous Irish Hospital sweepstakes, a long-horned horse named Nimbus, paid off the holder of the ticket to the tune of 25,000 pounds sterling. The equivalent amount in American cash is \$100,450, at present par value currency exchange rates.

Hill is married and employed at the Rapid Service press as a skilled printer.

Upon the announcement of Hill's good fortune, the phone line was jammed with well-wishers, alemen and women.

Jethroe Hits 2-Run Homer, Swipes Twice

MONTRÉAL — (ANP) Sammy Jethroe, one of Branch Rickey's proudest minor league possessions, clouted a two-run homer to give Montreal 4-3 win in the first game and stole two bases to help the Royal's cause in the nightcap against the Syracuse Chiefs.

Jethroe's two-run slam came in the seventh with Catcher Steve Lembo aboard, and in the second game, he stole two bases to help Montreal win 5 to 4. In register his 23rd and 24th thefts of the seasons.

Would Allow Object To Site City

LITTLE ROCK, ARK. — (ANP)— Negro leaders who led the fight for a Negro park in Little Rock opposed the proposed site of the new park as recommended by the city's Planning commission report, last week. Other Negroes, however, favored the spot.

The City council, too, seems to be confused and divided over the issue. It voted 6 to 3 to override the commission plan, but this was not the necessary three fourths majority needed. It then voted 5 to 4 against approving the plan.

See. W. H. Biss of the Urban League, leader of the drive for the park, objected to the plan. It calls for the setting up of park on South End Crump field. Opponents favor locating the park on 4th and Rago's streets. Biss favored the latter site.

He wanted to say right now that I think it's absolutely unfair. This building will be used by Negroes and no Negro had a part in making that recommendation.

Odd Fellows Meeting Called

All ex-odd Fellows wishing to form a new lodge in Columbia are invited to attend a meeting at Pearson's Funeral Home, 1325 Park Street, Sunday, June 16, commencing at 4:30 P. M. All young men wishing to affiliate with the order are invited. Persons wishing information may telephone 4-3622.

The following are signed by the following: George Hampton, Eugene Lewis, Robert Butler, Harry Goodwin, Doc Jackson and Henry D. Pearson.

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