

MCTIGUE MAY MEET TUNNEY

Also Considering Greb or Carpenter for Siki's Conqueror—Other Boxing News.

New York, March 23.—Joe Jacobs, manager of Mike McGigue, who defeated Battling Siki in Dublin last Saturday, has offered Promoter Tex Rickard first call on the services of the boxer. Rickard immediately telegraphed McGigue asking when he would be ready to come to America. McGigue announced that he would endeavor to meet McGigue with Gene Tunney, American lightweight champion, or Greb, Pittsburgh boxer from the Tunney, former holder of world's light heavyweight crown, a bout in the arena at Jersey City coming summer.

Rickard made no definite offer to McGigue, but said he would submit the fight to the State Boxing Commission, will not permit guarantee, the bout will be staged on a pay-per-view basis. As the match is still making, Rickard was unwilling to make even a probable date. McGigue may favor Tunney Bout, so far as Rickard is concerned, he little choice as to McGigue's opponent on this date, figuring that either Greb or Greb would be just as good a drawing card against McGigue Tunney. McGigue, however, probably will insist on a chance to meet Tunney. He would have everything to do and nothing to gain in a bout with Greb, but with Tunney would have the opportunity of ending the American light heavyweight title.

Rickard made no progress in the selection of an opponent for Luis Angel

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Firpo at the Yankee Stadium on May 12. At least, Rickard would give out no information, but Firpo, who is now in Philadelphia, was reported as saying that Captain Bob Roper would be his opponent on that occasion. It is also the consensus among followers of boxing here that Roper will be pitted against the maturing South American. Rickard has telegraphed Jack Dempsey, Jim Jeffries and Jim Corbett asking them to officiate in the bouts on May 12. Dempsey as referee and Corbett and Jeffries as judges, if Chairman William Muldoon would give his permission. The champion and the former title holders would be in added attraction with drawing powers.

BRAVES' INFELD UNCERTAIN

Personnel of Regulars Still in Doubt—Opposition for Melania.

Boston, March 23.—Much uncertainty prevails in the St. Petersburg training camp of the Boston Braves as to who will make up the regular infield. Even Stuffy McInnis was said to have opposition at first base in the person of Fred Henry. Larry Kopf and Tony Rocco, regulars most of last season, have had opposition to face in Jocko Conlon and Bob Smith.

MOORE WINNER IN ALL TITLE RACES

Captures Every Met. Skating Championship by a Clean Sweep at 181st St.

New York, March 23.—Joe Moore of the 181st Street Ice Palace made a clean sweep of every event in the Metropolitan indoor ice skating championships at the 181st Street Ice Palace Tuesday night in the third and final of the title series. The indoor skater thereby captured every metropolitan title, having previously won the half-mile and three-quarter mile. The victor came in the 440-yard, the mile and two-mile championships, and Moore holds undisputed claim to the all-around metropolitan championship. In the points for the title Moore stands far in the lead with a total of 150, his nearest competitors being Paul Forsman of Iceland and Bobby Hearn of the Morningstar A. C. were tied at twenty points each, and Horace Potter of the 181st Street Ice Palace brought up the rear with ten points.

Miss Marjorie Dose of the Tremont Skating Club carried off the honors among the women skaters, with a total of seventy points, through finishing second last night in the half-mile event. Miss Elsie Muller of the 181st Street Ice Palace was second, with thirty points, and Miss Mildred Truslow of Iceland third, with thirty points. Miss Isabelle Yorke of the Women's Skating Association of New York, and Miss Peggy Conaty of the 181st Street Ice Palace each had ten points. The best race of the evening was in the 440-yard championship event. Joe Moore took the lead at the pistol, but Bobby Hearn soon pulled up level, and they had a wonderful battle to the finish. Coming down the home stretch they were skating stride and stride, and it appeared to the spectators that it was a dead heat as the skaters flashed by the finish. The judges, however, caught Moore in the lead by the narrowest of margins. The crowd, which was the largest of the season, cheered the brilliant finish. Paul Forsman was favored to win this event, because of his sprinting abilities, but he got away to a poor start, and also took a tumble on the last lap, finishing third. The mile was an easy victory for Moore. Becker set the pace for the first six laps, when Moore took command and thereafter was never in danger, winning by fully a lap. The real fight of the race was for second place. Becker being able to nose out Bobby Hearn by inches only. In the two-mile championship Becker again started the pace-making, with McLoughlin taking second place and Moore laying back in third position until the first mile of the journey. For the next half mile the skaters took turns in setting the pace. Then Schwanekamp jumped into the lead with a fast spring, carrying Moore along with him and leaving the rest of the field some distance behind. With a lap to go Moore jumped into a lead of three yards over Schwanekamp. The latter fell at the turn, but recovered himself and managed to beat out Potter for the place by about five yards. Elsie Muller skated away from the rest of the field in the half mile championship event for women, winning by half a lap. Marjorie Dose just managed to defeat Miss Peggy Conaty for second place. If Miss Conaty had been able to win from Miss Dose, the former would have been tied with Miss Muller in points and it would have been necessary to skate off for the championship title. She was not able to command the speed, however.

Moncton, N. B., March 22.—T. A. Marquis, for the last eight years buyer to the Maritime Provinces for the William Davies Company, Montreal, men in the provinces, died at his home in Amherst, N. S., tonight. He was fifty-two years of age.

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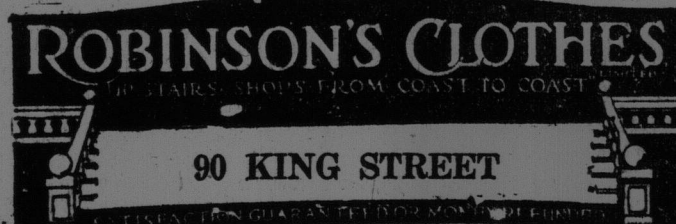
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BILLIARD STARS REQUIRE NERVE

Is as Essential as Ability to Execute Shots—Review of a Recent Championship Match.

(New York Times.) It takes nerve as well as ability to be successful at billiards. A sound game is essential, but ability to execute shots that is not supported by nerve and courage will not win many championships. A demonstration of what ability plus nerve plus courage can accomplish was given last week when Willie Hoppe successfully defended the world's professional 18.2 ball game championship against Jack Schaefer in their 1,500-point challenge match at the Hotel Pennsylvania. Hoppe entered the match under a heavy mental handicap. His manager, R. B. Benjamin, was seriously ill. This shifted the labors of a co-promoter of the affair to his shoulders, for the players virtually promoted the match. He also had the running of the Hoppe-Peterson Billiard Club on his mind. In this respect he owes much to Charles Peterson, who came on from his academy in St. Louis to assist the champion. These cares were weighty ones. Added to them was the defense of his cherished title. The champion started as if he were doomed to ignominious defeat. At the conclusion of the first 500-point block he was 223 behind. During that ses-

sion Hoppe played some of the poorest billiards he had ever been guilty of in a championship contest. Those who watched his work left the ballroom convinced that he would be decisively beaten. He entered the second evening's play needing 233. Schaefer needed 500. Then it was that Hoppe showed what nerve will do. He was not in good stroke, and it was nothing but sheer bulldog tenacity and grit that enabled him to overcome the big handicap and assume a six-point lead. On the final night Schaefer showed that he, too, possesses nerve and courage. As he stepped to the table for his thirty-seventh inning he was 264 points behind. The score stood 1,262 to 988 in Hoppe's favor. In spite of the fact that Hoppe needed but 238 more points to win and that Schaefer had been able to accumulate only four points in four innings during the evening's play while the champion had made 232. Jake, at this stage, injected the high run of the match, a cluster of 244, and came within twenty points of tying the score. That's nerve, nothing else. How evenly matched are Hoppe and Schaefer is shown by the fact that they have now played two 1,500 point matches with the world's championship as the stake—a total of 3,000 points. Schaefer won the first in Chicago a year ago by thirty-two points. This time the difference was 159. Thus the net results stands 157 points in Hoppe's favor.

HANDCUFFED MEN ESCAPE

Overpower Guard and Carry Him With Them in Prison Auto.

Chicago, March 23.—Overpowering a prison guard and a trusty while they were being driven from the old penitentiary at Joliet to the new prison at Stateville a few days ago, two convicts escaped in the automobile and are be-

lieved to have driven into Chicago. They apparently took the guard with them.

The prisoners—Thomas Pruett, serving a life term for murder, and John Hale, sentenced to from ten years to



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life for robbery with a gun—were handcuffed together. They sat on the rear seat of the automobile beside C. N. Wilkey, the guard. Frank Cressi, a "lifer," drove the machine.

Arriving at Lockport, on the way to Stateville, the prisoners, using the one hand each had free, forced Wilkey to the bottom of the tonneau. One knelt on his shoulders, while the other compelled Cressi to climb out of the car, leaving the trusty standing in the middle of the road. They headed the machine for Chicago at break-neck speed.

Pruett was at the wheel when the car passed from Cressi's view. He was steering with one hand, the other being held over the back of the seat, fastened to Hale's, who held the guard on the floor.

Cressi ran to the nearest house and notified the prison authorities by telephone. Five cars of guards were sent out to search the roads between Joliet and Chicago. So far, they have been unable to find Wilkey, who supposedly is still in the prison automobile.

ROUGH TO START TRAINING.

Asks Permission to Workout With K. I. O. League Team.

Cincinnati, March 23.—Eddie Roush, star centre fielder and holdout of the Cincinnati Reds, has asked permission to practice with the Bellevue (Ky.) club of the K. I. O. League, according to Edward Rohrer, president of the Bellevue club. Rohrer said he received a telegram from Roush, which said: "See Earle Neale is manager of your club. Can I work out with you if I come to Cincinnati?" Rohrer said Roush told him over the telephone that he would like to be with the Bellevue club just to "be around Cincinnati." Roush, Rohrer says, asserted that the Cincinnati club would have to meet his terms if it wanted him on its team this season.

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