

Pittsburg Played Tie With Giants

JIM JEFFRIES AND JOHNSON AT LAST SIGNED FOR BATTLE

Sam Berger Is Willing to Let the Bout Go the Limit—Many Big Bids Have Been Made and Record Gate Is Looked For—Some Fight Gossip.

Malachy Hogan in Chicago Record-Herald: Jeffries and Johnson have signed at last. That is, while Jeff's signature is still lacking on the articles of agreement, his representative, Sam Berger, signed up for him, and it is now thought that a meeting between the heavyweights is assured. It has been a long time since we have had a heavyweight bout worthy of the name. In fact, the last bout that was really accepted as a championship affair between the big men, was that between Jim Jeffries and Jim Corbett at San Francisco in 1902. Various contests since then, Tommy Burns has figured had to be considered seriously, for the lack of something better. But his title was never regarded as unclouded by the vast majority of followers of the ring.

Berger on Hand.
Sam Berger made a flying trip to this city last week to act for Jeffries in the arrangements with Johnson. There was little delay in the meeting. Johnson has become somewhat angry over criticism about his long delay in signing up with Jeffries, and has insisted that he was always ready to sign.

He showed this by immediately putting his signature to the articles when Berger drew them up. The only point not yet decided are the length of the bout and the division of the purse. Berger's proposition to leave the split of the money to Jeffries was accepted by Johnson. As for the length of the go, it will depend on where the men meet.

Bids for the Fight.
Crofford of San Francisco, and McCarey of Los Angeles, have both made bids for the contest, and each has suggested a 45-round clash. Hugh McIntosh of Australia, and representatives of both the National Sporting Club of London, and of the Cirque de Hippodrome in Paris, have made bids for the match, mentioning the same number of rounds. The club in Ely, Nev., which has made a bid for the affair, suggests a finish match. If the contest is held in any other location it may be cut down to 25 rounds.

Will Go the Limit.
While Berger was making arrangements for the battle at a meeting attended by representatives of the daily press, Sam seemed entirely indifferent as to what the length of the bout would be. He was equally willing to sign up for a 20-round go or for a bout of 100 rounds. In fact, these two figures are mentioned in the articles. It was probably deemed policy not to mention the length of the fight, but to specify some definite length of contest.

Forty-five-round bouts are practically finish affairs. In fact, I cannot recall any of them going the limit. The nearest approach to it was when Battling Nelson won 42 rounds from Joe Gans in 1906 at Goldfield, only to be disqualified on a claim of foul. So if Jeffries and Johnson sign up for a match of that length it will practically be equivalent to having a finish match.

Sam Is Confident.
It is somewhat interesting in this connection to note some of the remarks made by those interested on either side. Berger is supremely confident that Jeffries can whip Johnson, and while Sam may be prejudiced through his connection with Jeffries as sparring partner, it must be admitted that his judgment will have to be regarded, as he is a boxer of considerable ability himself.

I remember when Jeffries was here fast, on his most recent theatrical appearance, that someone asked Berger how long he thought a bout ought to be between the men. Sam simply smiled in confident fashion.

"Jeff isn't worrying," said, "give him ten rounds. That will do."

Johnson Explains Tactics.
Berger unquestionably means what he said, and undoubtedly believed that Jeffries can rush in and beat down Johnson's guard, setting at naught all the cleverness of the colored boxer. So, when a few days later I heard a remark made to Johnson in much the same vein, I awaited his answer with interest. Johnson responded very seriously and evidently sincerely.

"There's been a lot of talk about my standing flat-footed in the ring," he said, "maybe I do—but I do it on purpose. Don't you know that if you set yourself and let the other fellow rush, you lend about twice the force to your own punch? I hope Jeffries will try and rush me. I hope he will."

The Burns Fight.
His remark recalled to me the pictures of his bout with Burns at Rushcutters Bay in Australia, when they were exhibited here last winter. I had a talk with Promoter McIntosh on that occasion, and his remarks showed that Johnson clearly had mapped out a careful policy before entering the ring with Burns. Only in one round did Johnson charge in rapidly. This was in the thirteenth, when he beat Tommy around the ring, finally sending him sprawling in one corner.

Make Held His Ground.
"Johnson simply propped himself and waited," said McIntosh on that occasion. "You can see in the films how he kept his left out ready for Burns. When Tommy rushed, Johnson could either hold him off by sticking out his left and giving him a slight shove, or he would jolt him in the face. Tommy's chief blow was a right hook for the

DETROIT TEAM DROPS FROM FIRST POSITION

Rain Interfered In The Eastern

DOWNPOUR LEAVES GAME UNDECIDED

Pirates and Giants Each Have Two Runs When Game Is Called.

GIBSON'S GREAT TRIPLE

Eleven Thousand Fans Witness Close Struggle—Murray Staves Off Defeat With a Great Catch.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Standing.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Pittsburg	73	29	.716
Chicago	68	35	.660
New York	61	38	.616
Cincinnati	53	50	.575
Philadelphia	47	55	.461
St. Louis	46	57	.447
Brooklyn	37	65	.363
Boston	26	79	.248

Yesterday's Results.
New York 2, Pittsburg 2. Game called end of eighth inning; rain.

Today's Games.
Brooklyn at Boston.
New York at Philadelphia.
St. Louis at Chicago.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh.

Pittsburg, Aug. 16.—With nearly 11,000 fans yelling themselves hoarse, Pittsburg secured a run in the eighth inning of today's game with New York, thereby tying the score, and was prevented from sewing up the contest in that period by the most sensational catch ever seen in this city. A heavy downpour of rain at the close of the eighth inning stopped further play with the score 2 to 2. Mathewson and Willis, star twirlers for the opposing teams, were on the mound. Willis having slightly the better of the contest. In the eighth inning, with the score 2 to 1 in favor of New York, Hyatt, batting for Willis, tripped, Abbatichio, running for him, scored the tying run when Barbeau fled to Seymour. Leach doubled to centre, Wagner was intentionally walked, and Miller knocked what ordinarily would have been a triple to centre, but Murray ran into Seymour's territory and reaching out his bare hand took victory out of the grasp of Pittsburg, keeping the game a tie.

The visitors secured their runs in the second inning on errors. Murray was safe on Barbeau's wild throw, and Devlin reached first when Clarke muffed an easy fly. They scored on Merkle's single and Mathewson's out.

Gibson scored in the third when he tripled and came home on Barbeau's single. The score:

Pittsburg.	A. B. R.	H. O. A. E.			
Barbeau, 2b.	3	0	1	0	1
Leach, c. f.	4	0	1	0	0
Clarke, l. f.	4	0	0	0	1
Wagner, s. s.	3	1	5	0	0
Miller, 2b.	4	0	1	2	0
Abstein, 1b.	2	0	0	8	2
Wilson, r. f.	3	0	0	1	0
Gibson, c. f.	3	1	2	5	0
Willis, p.	2	0	0	1	4
Hyatt, c. f.	1	0	1	0	0
Abbatichio, ..	0	1	0	0	0

Totals .. 29 .. 2 .. 7 .. 24 .. 15 .. 0
New York. A. B. R. H. O. A. E.
Doyle, 2b. 4 .. 0 .. 2 .. 1 .. 0 .. 0
Seymour, c. f. 3 .. 0 .. 0 .. 2 .. 0 .. 0
McCormick, l. f. 4 .. 0 .. 1 .. 3 .. 0 .. 0
Murray, r. f. 4 .. 1 .. 0 .. 2 .. 1 .. 0
Devlin, 2b. 3 .. 1 .. 0 .. 1 .. 0 .. 0
Bridwell, s. s. 3 .. 2 .. 2 .. 1 .. 0 .. 0
Merkle, 1b. 1 .. 0 .. 1 .. 13 .. 0 .. 0
Meyers, c. f. 2 .. 0 .. 0 .. 1 .. 1 .. 0
Mathewson, p. 3 .. 0 .. 0 .. 0 .. 6 .. 0

Totals .. 27 .. 2 .. 6 .. 24 .. 11 .. 0
*Patented for Willis in eighth.
*Ran out Hyatt on eighth.

Pittsburg, Aug. 16.—The game was a tie, 2 to 2, at the end of the eighth inning. Two-base hit, Leach; three-base hits, Gibson, Hyatt; sacrifice fly, Barbeau; sacrifice hits, Seymour, Bridwell, Merkle; double play, Murray and Merkle; left on bases, Pittsburg 5, New York 6; first base on balls, off Willis 1, off Mathewson 2; first base on errors, New York 3; struck out, by Willis 1, by Mathewson 1; time, 1:30; umpires, Klem and Kane.

WIND AND RAIN WIN AT WINDSOR

Jockeys Have Set-to and Whip Each Other to the Wire.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Detroit, Aug. 17.—The muds were reeled yesterday. The track wasn't sticky. It was just slop. There was some good racing and some bad.

The judges took a hand in the latter form of contest, and as a result of their action Jockey Brannon won't ride again at this meeting, and S. Davis will be forced to hand over \$25.

Jockeys Punished.
It happened the sixth race, Davis, up on Golconda, the even money favorite, and Brannon, riding Denver Girl, were making a race for the place in the stretch. Nettle Traver was cantering toward the wire away out of danger, when the trouble began. Brannon tried to crowd Davis' horse on to the rail. Davis lost his temper and struck the other boy over the head with his whip. Then the riders pitched in and whipped each other almost to the wire.

The judges found Brannon guilty of rough tactics and gave Davis "his" for losing his temper.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.
Mobile 4, Memphis 0.
Atlanta 4-11, Birmingham 2-0.
Nashville 4, Montgomery 4 (eight innings, darkness).
Little Rock 3, New Orleans 1.

ST. PAUL MUST PAY \$1,000 FOR NEEDHAM

National Commission Awards Sum to Giants for Catcher.

Cincinnati, Aug. 16.—The National baseball commission in session here today, has given a decision that the St. Paul American Association club must pay the New York National team \$1,000 for Catcher Tom Needham.

The New York Club's claim against the St. Paul club for Pitcher Holmes was not allowed, Holmes reverting to the New York Club.

The Pittsburgh Club was ordered to pay \$300 to the Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Club for failing to keep an exhibition date on July 18.

LOCAL SHOTS BEATEN

Team From McClary's Defeated by the Nissourians.

Nine crack shots from McClary's Rifle Association visited the Thorndale rifle ranges Saturday and suffered a defeat at the hands of the Nissourians. The score was as follows:

McClary's.	Thorndale.
200 yards, 500 yards.	200 yards, 500 yards.
F. Patterson .. 23	B. Logan .. 26
Major G. W. Hayes .. 20	J. Beck .. 25
E. Jeffrey .. 27	W. Tates .. 28
W. J. Gibling .. 22	J. McVey .. 32
J. Rogers .. 23	A. Duffon .. 30
J. McKeller .. 29	Capt. Sugden .. 31
J. Henry .. 30	W. Fraser .. 27
O. Ellis .. 25	R. L. Mills .. 28
J. C. Ross .. 24	Totals .. 253
Totals .. 249	McClary's 472, Thorndale 519.

Majority for Thorndale, 47.

COURTS AFFORD REMEDY

If Ontario Government Objects to Metropolitan Racing Association.

Ottawa, Aug. 16.—The correspondence made inquiry at the justice department as to the right of the Dominion Government to grant a charter to the Metropolitan Racing Association which will allow it to conduct races in Ontario in spite of any provincial laws which may exist in respect to the matter.

The officials declared that the definition of powers must rest with the courts. The Dominion Government can grant the charter, and if the province of Ontario feels aggrieved it has recourse to the courts.

OFFER UNIQUE TROPHY

Winners of Event at National Automobile Races To Be Well Rewarded.

Indianapolis, Aug. 16.—Most of the popular "cup" drivers who are to compete in the National Automobile races at the Indianapolis speedway on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, arrived today. Sixty-five cars already have been entered in the races and the list is not yet complete.

Among the trophies offered is a metal band to be worn on the arm of its winner, who will receive \$75 a week so long as he is able to retain it.

TURF RESULTS

Windsor.

First—Lumen 3 to 1, Royal Report 8 to 5, Colonel Jot 1 to 2.
Second—Ben Sleet 4 to 5, Paul Davis 1 to 2, Starover 8 to 1.
Third—Sir Edward 8 to 1, Hasty Agnes 5 to 1, Merrick out.
Fourth—Emperor William even, Marston Doyle 1 to 2, Michael Angelo out.
Fifth—Anna L. Daley 7 to 1, Merry Gift 5 to 2, Stromeland out.
Sixth—Nettle Traver 2 to 1, Golconda 3 to 5, Denver Girl 4 to 5.
Seventh—Eldorado 15 to 1, San Primo even, Sabado 6 to 5.

Saratoga.

First—Crystal Maid 6 to 5, May Amelia 2 to 1, Hill Top 2 to 1.
Second—Commodore 9 to 10, Student King 4 to 5, Meno even.
Third—Diction 5 to 1, Scarus 8 to 5, Love Watches 5 to 1.
Fourth—Dorante 7 to 5, Nadzu even, Zingapo out.
Fifth—Berkeley 7 to 5, Red River out, Eyebright out.
Sixth—Loco 5 to 2, Fulfill 4 to 5, Queen's Song 3 to 1.

SEC. KNOWLES RECOVERING.

Pittsburg, Aug. 17.—Secretary Fred Knowles, of the New York Baseball Club, who was overcome by heat during the game at Chicago yesterday, was confined to his bed today, but will leave for Philadelphia tonight with the team. Mr. Knowles' condition was considered serious last night and early today, but he so far recovered as to be able to take the trip tonight. The secretary was under the care of a physician all day.

RAIN STOPS BRUTAL GAME.

Norwich, Conn., Aug. 16.—Rain, which continued through the day, prevented the opening of the national quoque tournament here this morning. Two practice games were played, Eddie Clark, of Springfield, defeated President J. H. McDonald, of Chicago, and L. C. Williamson, of Washington, defeated R. H. Steele. About twenty players have already arrived, and many more are expected tomorrow.

GEORGE GANO IS FORT ERIE WINNER

Takes 2:05 Pace After Losing First Heat to Major Brino.

GERALDINE A WINNER

Ed Geers Upset Dope by Bringing Marie N. Home in the 2:20 Trot.

Buffalo, Aug. 16.—The feature of the card today was the 2:05 pace, which brought together George Gano, Darkey Hal, Major Brino, and Major Mallow. Gano, the favorite, got away badly. On the back stretch Driver Murphy tried to get out of a pocket and was forced to pull up, Gano going to a break. The stallion trailed the leaders, getting fourth place, and Major Brino beat Darkey Hal to the wire. Gano went to the post a favorite in the second heat, and won from Darkey Hal. Darkey Hal was pushing Gano hard in the final heat, but broke ten feet from the wire.

Marie N. a Winner.
Ed Geers upset calculations in the 2:20 trot, when he brought Marie N. home in front of Penia Maid, the favorite. The betting favored Marie N. in the second heat, but Geers could do no better than second. Penia Maid repeated in the next two heats, the race going four heats.

Geraldine, Geers' pacer, ruled favorite in the 2:11 pace, the closing event on the card. She was never in trouble, winning four straight heats in order. Orangeburg and Lady of Honor fought it out for the place, the latter getting the decision. In the second heat of the race Earl, Jun., fell at the threequarter pole, but Driver Cox escaped injury. The grey pacer ran away, but fell again, wrecking the sulky.

Summaries.

2:05 pace, purse \$1,200.
George Gano, b. s., by Gambetta Wilkes-Credition, by Nuthurst (Murphy) .. 4 1 1
Major Brino, blk. g. (Roche) .. 1 3 4
Darkey Hal, blk. m. (Snow) .. 2 2 2
Major Mallow, b. g. (Mallow) .. 3 4 3
Tessa Rooker, b. g. (McEwan) .. 5 5 5
Giftline, b. g. (Carter) .. 6 6 6
Time—2:07½, 2:05¾, 2:06¾.
2:20 trot, purse \$2,000.
Penia Maid, b. m., by Penant Seneca Maid, by John Adams (Shutt) .. 2 1 1
Marie N. br. m. (Snow) .. 1 2 2
Dr. Jack, b. g. (Murphy) .. 4 2 2
Almaden, blk. s. (Duffee) .. 4 4 4
Time—2:11½, 2:10, 2:12½, 2:11½.
2:11 pace, purse \$1,000.
Geraldine, br. m., by Cutting Miss Reiley, by Gen. Reiley (Geers) .. 1 1 1
Lady of Honor, ch. m. (Snow) .. 4 2 2
Orangeburg, b. s. (Grady) .. 2 3 3
Earl, Jun. g. h. (Cox) .. 3 3 3
Argot Hal, b. h. (E. Benson), Dis .. 4 4 4
Time—2:10, 2:09¾, 2:12½, 2:12½.

WESTON TO TRY AGAIN IN 1910

Veteran Says He Will Make Trip in 100 Days, Profiting by Experience.

New York, Aug. 16.—Edward Payson Weston, 70 years old, who recently walked from New York to San Francisco, 3,895 miles, in 105 days, has just returned to New York and announces that next spring, when he will be 71 years old, he will start again to walk to the Pacific coast. Then, he says, he will have no difficulty in making the long walk in 100 days, profiting by his experience of this year.

SUCCESS OF HIS MARE MAY MAKE SHUTT MAYOR

Rock Rapids Offers Everything to Penia Maid's Owner.

M. D. Shutt, of Rock Rapids, Ia., who owns and drives Penia Maid, may be made mayor of his town if the little mare has a successful season on the grand circuit. The home folks think Penia Maid is the best ever, and stand ready to give her owner what he wants if he will put his town on the map.

NO CANADIAN TEAM.

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 16.—The Dominion Rifle Association has reconsidered its decision to send a team to compete for the A trophy this year. This action is due to the fact that the American marksmen are allowed more latitude in the choice of sights than is permitted with the Canadian service rifle.

EASTERN LEAGUE.

Standing.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Rochester	53	48	.518
Providence	55	48	.538
Newark	56	48	.538
Buffalo	54	50	.520
Toronto	50	53	.485
Jersey City	49	54	.475
Moscow	48	57	.457
Baltimore	49	55	.468

Yesterday's Results.
Buffalo 4, Rochester 1 (three innings—rain).

All games postponed on account of rain.

Today's Games.
Buffalo at Rochester (two games).
Montreal at Toronto (two games).
Newark at Providence.
Baltimore at Jersey City.

ATHLETICS SWEEP INTO LEAD WHILE CHAMPIONS ARE IDLE

Heavy Downpour at Detroit, and Philadelphia's 6 to 1 Victory Over Nationals Give Mack's Men Slight Advantage—Krause Effectively Stops Senators in First of Series.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Detroit, Aug. 17.—Once more have the Tigers relinquished claim to the first position. While a cheerless downpour swept the Champions' field yesterday afternoon and prevented the second clash between the Tigers and White Sox, Philadelphia swished to the top of the league percentage column with a 6 to 1 victory over the Nationals.

The Athletics lead Hugh Jennings' team by but four points, Detroit's average being .613, while that of the Quakers is .617. Boston made no gain towards the goal that with Tigers and Athletics it is struggling gloriously towards, for Jupiter Pluvius also interfered with its contest scheduled with the Highlanders.

Rain also stopped the Cleveland-St. Louis game. The game between Washington and Philadelphia, therefore, was the only one played in the league.

Krause proved effective against the team that took three out of four from the Tigers recently. Johnson was quite the opposite and he gave way to Dolly Gray during the sixth inning. The latter retired the Philadelphia side in order during the remaining innings.

Curiously enough, the only tally scored by Washington was a home run drive by Walter Johnson himself.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Standing.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Philadelphia	66	41	.617
Detroit	65	41	.613
Boston	65	44	.596
Cleveland	53	55	.495
Chicago	51	55	.481
New York	49	56	.467
St. Louis	43	59	.422
Washington	31	78	.289

Yesterday's Results.
Philadelphia 6, Washington 1.

Detroit-Chicago game postponed—rain.

Cleveland-St. Louis game postponed—rain.

New York-Boston game postponed—rain.

Today's Games.

Chicago at Detroit.
St. Louis at Cleveland.
Philadelphia at Washington.
Boston at New York.

Philadelphia, Aug. 16.—Philadelphia defeated Washington handsly, 6 to 1 today, thereby again taking the lead in the American League. Johnson was wild and ineffective in the fourth and fifth innings, when all the visitors' runs were scored. Gray relieved Johnson in the sixth inning, and the Quakers went out in their order of going to bat in the four final rounds.

Krause was very effective, especially in pinches. The feature of the game was a home run drive by Pitcher Johnson. He caught one of Krause's out-curves on the end of the bat, and when the ball came down it landed in the hands of an onlooker, on a platform several yards outside the left field fence. Johnson trotted around the bases to

REAL FRANK ERNE IS PARIS FAVORITE

Hamilton and London Doing Well in France.

The real Frank Erne, not the hold-up subject who was recently warned out of London and Hamilton by the police, is now a Paris favorite. Freddie Welsh, the English lightweight, writing in the Sporting Life of London about a recent visit to Paris, says: "As you will notice, I am in Paris. Pleasure brought me here, but I was enough interested in the fall with renewed vigor. I find that American boxers are in greater favor here than the English ones, and especially our colored friends. McVea, notwithstanding his defeat by Jeannette, is still the prime favorite. Willie Lewis is also a great favorite, and is apparently considered invincible in his class, and even pretty well out of it. Frank Erne and Kid McCoy, like all the prosperous Parisians, have left the city, so that I have been unable to see them. I am told, however, that Frank Erne is particularly very greatly liked here, and that he has produced a splendid boxer in Marcel Moreau.

WHITE SOX BUY COLE

Wichita Outfielder Will Report to the Chicago Team at Once.

Wichita, Kan., Aug. 17.—Manager Holland, of the Wichita Club of the Western Baseball League, has sold Outfielder Willis R. Cole, to the Chicago American League Club, to report at once. The price was \$2,500.

KEENE REFUSED OFFER OF \$70,000 FOR BALLOT

Englishman Was After Great Thoroughbred a While Ago.

New York, Aug. 16.—It is not generally known that James R. Keene turned down the fine offer of \$70,000 for Ballot, made to him by an Englishman a short time ago. Ballot's superb blood is what they are after, for he is by Voter out of Corito, an imported mare.

CHATTANOOGA SELLS 3

Naps Get Two and Superbas One of South Atlantic League Players.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Aug. 16.—The Chattanooga South Atlantic baseball club has sold First Baseman Wheeler Johnson to the Cincinnati club; Second Baseman Forbes Alcock to the Brooklyn club, and Pitcher James Baskette, as announced last night, to the Cleveland club. Johnson and Baskette brought \$1,500 each and Alcock \$1,200. They will be delivered at the end of the season.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

At St. Paul—R. H. E.
Louisville .. 1 .. 8 .. 0
St. Paul .. 2 .. 7 .. 1
Batteries—Selby and Hughes; Steele and Spencer.

At Minneapolis—
Indianapolis .. 1 .. 6 .. 0
Minneapolis .. 0 .. 0 .. 0
Batteries—Glaze and Howley; Young and Rapp.

At Kansas City—
Kansas City .. 2 .. 4 .. 1
Toledo .. 0 .. 1 .. 1
Batteries—Dorner and Ritter; McCurdy and Abbott.

At Milwaukee—Columbus 0, Milwaukee 0 (end of fourteenth inning; game called on account of darkness). Batteries—Geyer and James; Wacker and Warner.

KAZOO SELLS THREE MEN.

Detroit, Aug. 17.—