

WANT FIGHT PURSES FIXED BY STATE LAW

Sport Writers See Ruin Facing
Boxing Ring Through Ex-
orbitant Demands.

HIT JACK DEMPSEY

Champion Threatens To Go
Into Movie and Disguists
New York.

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New York, Feb. 2.—Jack Dempsey is
today looking for an opportunity.
Here is a fighter surrounded by fighters
and never a blow struck, not even an
immediate prospect of one. This is
because the fight game is ruled abso-
lutely by money.

Dempsey could get lots of battles, but
he won't fight for less than half a
million dollars, or some such sum, and
as a consequence, the promoters must
pick an opponent who would give prom-
ise of drawing enough money to satisfy
the star and give him a fat return.
Also, as for the opponent, track at the
title is the most valuable thing he
gets.

Richard has seen the light. Where
a week or so ago he rather grandly
announced that he was not going to
fight altogether to please the
sporting editors of the country, he is
today in a fighting mood. It is significant
that he stated in withdrawing from
drawing from the lists of those who
are after a Dempsey bout that he is
through unless he has the support of
the press and the public.

Looks to Movies.
As for Dempsey's declaration that he
will return to the ballyhoo time out
California way and re-enter the mov-
ing picture game, there is little doubt
that there are many who would wel-
come such a move on the champion's
part. It might be more or less per-
tinent, however, just how far
Will Hays feels about it.

Meaning, anybody who wants to
stage a fight for the champion must put
up \$200,000.
Two hundred thousand dollars! A
few years ago Dempsey would have
taken a chance on hanging by his toes
from the Niagara Falls suspension
bridge for a quarter of that sum.
The sooner the legislature enacts a
law stipulating just what prices go
with bouts of various sorts, the sooner
the public will see real fights at rea-
sonable prices. In these days of
unheard-of purses about the boxing
game, it is a genuine battle. What we
see are Dempsey-Carpenter hippo-
dromes, Dempsey-Willard ballyhoos,
and the like.

Urges State Law.
Half a million dollars for Dempsey to
fight fifteen rounds with someone!
Congress ought to pass a law compel-
ling him to go to work. Jack Dempsey
isn't any too popular with a lot of
folks, as it is. There are things left
undone in his part that are remem-
bered with a bad taste. True, he was
acquainted of a charge of draft-evasion,
but the fact remains that he didn't put
on a uniform and fight, but instead,
swung a hammer in a shipyard against
rivets that could not hit back when his
country called for fighters.

Why only today Jim Dougherty of
Liverpool apologized for offering Harry
Wills \$5,000 to fight eight rounds with
George Godfrey in Philadelphia.
Imagine being thus at offering what is
two or three years' salary for most of
us for eight rounds of boxing!

Ye gods! It is time to handle the fight
game without gloves.

Today in History
of Squared Ring

February 4.
1886—Jack Dempsey (Nonpareil)
knocked Jack Purcell in 7 rounds,
at New York, middle title bout.
1900—Kid Carter knocked Jim
Austin, 3 rounds, Brooklyn.
1909—Bill Lang knocked Bill Lane,
17 rounds, Sydney, Australia, for
Australian heavy title.
1912 — Johnny Coulton beat
Frankie Conley, 20 rounds, Vernon,
Cal., for world bantam title.

How They Paid off the
Mortgage

They Made Assurance
Doubly Sure

"I HAVE found a way," cried John
enthusiastically. "I am going to
take out an Endowment policy in
the Mutual Life. In ten years we'll have
three thousand dollars to pay off our
mortgage, and this house will only have
cost us a low rent in the shape of interest
and premiums—nothing like so much as
we paid for the apartment. And the best
of it is I'll be insured all the time and if
anything should happen to me, you would
be all right."

And he went into details until Mary
interrupted.

"See here," she said. "When you
mentioned all that money we paid for the
apartment, I had an idea. Why not take

out a policy for each of
us? I'm sure it would
cost us no more than the
apartment, and it would be a good way
to save money. Then if anything hap-
pened to me—you would be all right."

"Nothing is going to happen to you,"
John assured her. "But," he added,
"it's a good idea. We'll make assurance
doubly sure."

Many young couples have adopted John's plan
of financing their homes in co-operation with this
company. Mutual profits help pay the premiums.
Would you like to learn more about our profit-
participating endowment policy, which affords
protection at net cost and on maturity pays you
back more than you paid in? Clip this coupon,
fill in the blanks and mail it to us to-day.

The Mutual Life
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The Company of Net Cost Life Insurance

Please send me detailed information as to the Mutual Life System of insurance at
cost, particularly concerning the plan of policy I have specified.

Name _____
Street Address _____
Post Office _____ Province _____
Age _____ Policy Plan _____



WILLARD WILL WORK TO ENGAGE DEMPSEY

Declares He Will Fight Any-
one To Earn Chance
At Title.

By WESTBROOK PEEGLER.
Special to The Advertiser.

New York, Feb. 2.—Jess Willard is
stricken dumber than ever by the crush-
ing orders of the New York and New
Jersey Boxing Commission, and had a
mild delirium Friday afternoon.
"I'll fight anybody," he mumbled.
"I'll fight Tommy Gibbons or Harry
Wills or Floyd Johnson, or Joe Lynch.
I'll fight anybody for a fair percentage
of the gate. I don't even insist on
fighting on a return match."

When Jess Willard runs off thus with
offers to fight it is alarming enough.
But when he offers to fight without de-
manding a guarantee of \$500,000 the
case is serious, for Willard ranks only
second to Squire Charlie Ebbetts of the
Brooklyn Dodgers, as a numismatist, or
coin collector. With rest and quiet, it
is believed that big Jess may recover,
but he'll never be a matter of rejoicing
which may be a matter of rejoicing or
regret, according to what one happens
to think of Jess.

"Jess has had offers from Boston,
Montreal, Buffalo, Roanoke, Va., Omaha
and half a dozen other towns to fight
or give sparring exhibitions, said his
cavalier, Ray Archer.
"I have decided to fight our way
up to a bout with Dempsey. We're go-
ing to take as many of these offers as
we can crowd into our route, and the
old boy is going to fight himself into
shape for a return match."

"If any of these promoters can get
opponents for Jess and can handle
actual fight promotions, then we'll fight
if not, well box exhibitions. None of
these big young fellows—Gibbons, John-
son or Purcell—to fight Jess any
way, because they know he's too big
for them. But we'll force them to fight."

Would Alternate
Home of Football

District Football Association
May Change Headquarters.

This afternoon will see one of the
toughest little elections ever held in this
city, when the London and District Foot-
ball Association holds its annual meet-
ing.

At least three men are out to head
the association this year, and addi-
tional names will likely show up before
the meeting. Jack Cunliffe has joined Bill
Friend and Matt Morgan, the present
vice-president, in the fight for the
presidency.

The meeting will be held in the
armories at 5 o'clock, instead of at 3
as was originally planned. The change
was made necessary through the illness
of the president, Mr. Cunliffe.

There is a notice of motion awaiting
the general body, asking that only one
man per team be on the count, and that
the home of the president and sec-
retary be in London one year and in
St. Thomas the next year, and the vice-
president and treasurer be likewise.

At present only three teams have
asked to play with the district in 1923,
namely, Public Utilities, Maple Leafs,
and St. John's Rovers, St. John's Rovers.
Sarnia will ask to be admitted on
Saturday.

Some of Western Ontario's best
played a big part in the St. Thomas rink
skipped by S. A. Batchelor, made an exceptionally good showing, capturing the
Jest Wright Trophy. Reading from left to right they are:
Stratford—W. H. Mallon, M. W. Pinder,
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RACE RESULTS AND ENTRIES

NEW ORLEANS RESULTS.
First race, 2-year-olds, maidens, 2
furlongs—Elliott, 4 to 5, 1 to 4, out;
Milton M., 3 to 5, 1 to 6, second;
Porty Two, 1 to 3, third. Time, 35.4.
Omasek, Patsy Howe also ran.

Second race, 2-year-olds and up, 4
furlongs—Locarno, 5 to 1, 5 to 2, 6 to 5,
out; Black Hackle, 2 to 1, even, two;
Alex H., 1 to 6, third. Time, 1:13.
4-5. Sandwood, Cockroach, Gor-
ham, Billy El, Mary G. and Flip also ran.

Third race, 3 years and up, 6 furlongs
—Charles J. Craigie, 4 to 1, 7 to 6, 7
to 10, 1 to 5, won; Epitome, 2 to 1, 4 to 5,
out; The Archer, 7 to 10, 1 to 3, Time,
1:13. 2-5. Pietrus, Tran-
sient, Comedie d'Amour, Bedazzle, Ogar-
ite, also ran.

Fourth race, 3 years and up, allow-
ances, mile and 70 yards—Gem, 11 to 5,
out; May Roberts, 7 to 5, 3 to 5, second;
The Archer, 7 to 10, 1 to 3, Time,
1:44 2-5. Onus, Rapid Traveller, Canyon
Kee ran.

Fifth race, mile and a sixteenth—
Winnebago, 5 to 1, 2 to 1, even, won;
The Peruvian, 2 to 1, even, second; De-
vante, 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:47 3-5. St.
Donard, Serbian, The Lamb, Hello
Partner ran.

Sixth race, mile and a sixteenth—
Alta Boy 2nd, even, 2 to 5, 1 to 6, won;
May Roberts, 7 to 5, 3 to 5, second;
High Gear, 2 to 5, third. Time, 1:47 4-5.
Timber, Tulane, Citation, Simplicity,
Scottish Chief ran.

Seventh race, mile and 70 yards—
Yorkie, 7 to 1, 5 to 2, 7 to 10, won; Ghost,
even, 2 to 5, second; Marcia Wood, 7
to 10, third. Time, 1:46 2-5. Wrangler,
Reefoot, Punta Gorda, Aluring, Hill-
house, Henry Dattner and Tempress ran.

HAVANA RESULTS.
First race, 3-year-olds, 5 1/4 furlongs—
Rockabye, 3 to 1, 3 to 1, 7 to 10,
won; Confedery, 7 to 10, 1 to 3, second;
Faithful Girl, 1 to 2, third. Time,
1:07. Veneno, Virgie K.,
Queen Masonia, Valmond and the U-
tarian ran.

Second race, 3-year-olds and up,
5 1/4 furlongs—Ruth White, 5 to 1, 2
to 1, even, won; First Pulet, 5 to 1,
2 to 3, second; Ho Mills, 5 to 10, 1 to 3,
third. Time, 1:07 1-5. Gon withim, Get Em,
Bigson, Retrain, Scurry and Kent-
more also ran.

Third race, 3 years and up, claiming,
5 1/4 furlongs—Valentine D'Or, 4 to 1, 3
to 5, 4 to 5, won; Kora, 5 to 10, 1 to 3,
second; Elmont, 6 to 5, third. Time, 1:08.
Max Gold, Bobbed Hair, Ed, Garrison,
Happy Go Lucky, Memphis, Hullo, Red
ran.

Fourth race, 3 years and up, mile—
Kee ran.

