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JIM JEFFRIES TELLS WHY HE WILL NEVER FIGHT AGAIN

Retired Heavyweight Champion Pugilist Is Now Bent on Amassing a Fortune in Business and Will Soon Open a Palatial Saloon in Los Angeles.

(“Tad” in N. Y. American.)

LOS ANGELES, Calif., July 13.—Bill Squires sprang limply in his corner and his seconds started as they claved at the clean new gloves.

“Big Jim” Jeffries walked across the ring, thrusting the intruders to right and left. Leaning down over the ropes he handed the \$10,000 check to the official stakeholder.

“Put Burns’ name on this thing,” he said.

The official stakeholder produced a fountain pen and began experimenting with the same, and Jeffries grinned as he looked about him. There was relief in that grin.

“Well,” he said nodding to an acquaintance, “I guess they’ll let me go back to the saloon business now. Nothing doing here for me.”

“And with the check in his hand the ‘Big Fellow’ plunged into the crowd surrounding the victor. That was just two weeks ago Saturday.

When in Los Angeles Jeffries can always be found in his place of business—a stuffy little cafe where the waiters and waitresses are at work on the glided cafe which is to be called “The Jeffries” and when it is finished it will be the show place of the southwest. But for the present Jeffries receives his friends in a place called the “Tann-houses,” with free lunch to match the name.

“Say, don’t mind the bum joint, will you?” asked Jeffries. “I’ll be in to get the license. We’ll be in the new place some time in August and we’ll have something to talk about.”

“Never mind talking about the place, Jim. The people in New York want to know why you won’t fight again. What do you want to tell them?”

The Big Fellow—“they always call him the Big Fellow in Los Angeles”—threw up his hands and ducked his great, curly head.

“No, that’s all,” he said. “I’ll be in to get the license. We’ll be in the new place some time in August and we’ll have something to talk about.”

“Say, come on back here, I’ll tell you the office and I’ll tell you why. Can’t talk out here.”

Jeffries led the way into a stuffy little room in the rear of the bar.

“Now, I’ll tell you; it’s just like this:—

JEFFRIES’ STATEMENT.

I fought every good heavy weight in the world, didn’t I? Some of them I fought twice. Fitzsimmons, Corbett, Sharkey, Rubin, all the great men of six or seven years ago. I should have quit after the second Corbett fight, that cleared off the bunch of good ones.

Then came along this fellow Munroe, and by press work and big noise got a fight with me. You saw it, and you know how much of a fight it was—just two good smashes and good night, I tell you. I felt sorry for the men who paid \$20 a seat to see that fight. I wanted to apologize to them. I’d almost rather that Munroe had been able to punch me on the jaw—anything to make it look like a real fight. I was ashamed to think they had no real fight for their money. This is honest.

Then I told Delaney and the rest of my good friends that the time had come for me to quit. Mind you, I never would have quit if there had been any good men left for me to meet. There wasn’t one; not a match in sight. I was sick of the show business and sick of the fighting game. I hated the long, hard training spells. I had made a lot of money, enough to keep me comfortable all my life, and there was nothing to force me to stay with it. Away down deep I wanted to get out of it.

“I come down here and bought that land out in Burbank. For a couple of years I worked hard out there getting things into shape. I always like the country, and when I felt like it I could pick up my gun, whistle to my dog and go hunting.

Then I got the ranch into good shape, got a good foreman to handle it and came into town. All this time they were after me—all over the country. First it would be some fellow from New York. ‘Will you fight again, Jeff?’ Then it would be from San Francisco—some old friend. Once I got the price. What’s yours?” I knew the man who sent it and he means business. I sent him back a message that read: ‘Every man has his day, too.’

“I wasn’t looking for a chance to fight again; I was satisfied the way things were going.

“Then Nevada broke into the fighting game and the big purses began to fly. I was about ready to leave the ranch, and I thought if I could pull down about \$40,000 for a last appearance, it would be worth while. I looked over the ground. There were only two men for me to fight and one of

them was Burns and the other John Squire. Burns was out of the question, and so was the negro. I knew John Squire’s record backward; he’s been crooked as a snake’s back; he’s yellow as a canary, and I bar him on general principles.

“Then this Squires talk started. From the stuff we read about him we got the idea that he must be something of a fighter. All the men met on the other side he whipped. The knockout route, and the man who does that must have some of the qualities of a fighter. Corbett came to see me. He told me that Squires was to fight Burns in San Francisco and he asked me if I would meet Squires if he won. He showed where they were moving pictures of such a fight would be worth a world of money. I never did get in on one of the really good ones. I saw pictures of like Britt-Nelson thing, and I began to think it over.

“No man ever had so much money that he could afford to pass up a gold mine, and if this fellow Squires should turn out to be a world-beater there would be my excuse for going after him. It gets right back to the same thing again—a good man for me to fight; a man who could give me the count of a fight to attract the big money. Then there was that talk about keeping the championship in the family. That was sentimental, and sentiment never got a fighter or anything.

“Fighting is a business, and don’t you forget it. But that sentiment about it would have drawn heavy at the gate. If Squires had beaten Burns and done a nice clean job, every sport in the country would have howled for me to fight him. Putting two and two together, I said that if Squires beat Burns I would fight him as soon as I could get ready.

“The Squires-Burns fight was another Munroe thing. I won’t say that Squires is a better fighter than Burns, for he threw in his fight just once and there was steam behind it. But, anyway, Burns beat him in a round, and if it would have drawn heavy at the gate, let Squires out. It lets me out at the same time. When he went down the last time, he took my chance of another big fight along with him.

“I’m not sorry. Since I promised Corbett that I would fight Squires, I have gone into the saloon business. It takes a lot of my time, and while I am filling up this new place I have to be around every day watching the things. I have put a great deal of money into this new place, and I know that I am going to get a great deal of money out of it. I’ll bring in all the money I want—more than I can spend. Why should I go into the ring again when I have something here that will pay better in the long run?”

“And there’s another side to this business; look at John L. Sullivan. He was the greatest fighter of his day. Probably the most popular fighter of all time. He was so good that all he had to do was to look at a man and scare him to death, and he had a punch that laid them all out for the count.

“When Sullivan was 31 years of age he fought a great fight with Kilrain. 75 rounds under a hot sun. There was no one for him to fight after that, so he laid off for three years and the rest didn’t do him any good. All this time a clever, spry young fellow was coming—Jim Corbett. John L. thought he could lick this fellow the way he licked all the rest—a rush and a punch and curtains. He tried it and changed the heavyweight map. John L. was 34 years old at the time, but the man who beat him was only 26. If John L. had retired when he was 31 years old after he fought his best fight—he would still be a great popular idol. People would say about him: ‘There’s the man that never was licked.’

“As it is, he is the fellow who was beaten by Jim Corbett and that makes a difference—all the difference in the world.

“When I won the championship of the world I was 24 years old. It took me five years to trim the heavyweight division until there wasn’t a fight in sight anywhere. The promoters ought to know—they went through the country with a fine-toothed comb and Munroe was the best they could find.

“I am 32 years old. I weigh 250 pounds and not 300 as they say. I have time after time. I have never been a dissipated man, and at the present time I am taking better care of myself than I did between fights. When I drink I take a spoonful of claret and a swallow of seltzer, the Jeffries cocktail. I call it. I have stopped smoking cigarettes and that is something I never did while I was fighting.

“But even with all this in my favor, I know that I have been out of the harness a long time. Ranch work may be a good thing for a fellow, but it does not help his judgment of distance.

(Continued on Sixth Column.)

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WANTED—Two girls to help in kitchen at dinner hour, KING’S DINING ROOM, 15 and 18 Canterbury street.

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WANTED—Kitchen girl at Bond’s Restaurant, 151 Mill St. 2-8-4.

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WANTED—Housemaid. Apply to MISS SMITH, 21 Dorchester street. 31-7-4.

WANTED—A girl for grocery store. Apply to ALFRED GREENSLADE, 295 City Road. 31-7-4.

WANTED—At once, good general maid. Apply 41 Sydney St. 30-7-4.

WANTED—Experienced dining room girl. Apply W. C. T. U. Coffee Rooms. 29-7-4.

WANTED—At once a kitchen girl, and also a girl for the dining room. Apply NEW VICTORIA HOTEL, Prince William street, city. 29-7-6.

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WANTED—Two women. AMERICAN STEAM LAUNDRY.

WANTED AT ONCE—Competent dressmaker. Highest wages. 4 right person. Apply at 23 Cliff street. 30-7-4.

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WANTED—Two good fancy ironers. Apply GLOBE LAUNDRY. 24-7-4.

WANTED—Two girls wanted at once. Apply 23 Charlotte street. 23-7-4.

GIRLS WANTED—To sew by machine and hand. Good pay. Steady work. Apply J. SHANE & CO., 71 Gernain street. 1-8-4.

WANTED SALESMEN—Must be intelligent, industrious, and able to furnish good references. Apply to G. N. Comer, 23 Dock street, between 9 and 10 a. m., and 5 and 6 p. m. Liberal compensation to the right parties.

AGENTS—Starting household investment. Sells on sight. Agents coin money. Salary or commission. BRADLEY GARRESON CO., LTD., Office 2, Brantford, Ont. 2-4-4.

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WANTED—We want at once, for both wholesale and retail departments, several bright, intelligent boys from 14-16 years of age, who have a desire to learn the dry goods business. Apply at once, Manchester Robertson Allison, 12-7-4.

WANTED—Young man having two or three years’ experience at type setting. Apply SUN PRINTING CO., LTD. 19-7-4.

Wanted at Once Carpenters, \$2.00 to \$2.50; Brass fitters, \$2.25 to \$3.00; Rough painters, \$1.75; Machinists, \$2.25 to \$2.75; Laborers, \$1.75; Teamsters, \$2.00 and board. Apply McCrack’s Employment Bureau, Globe building, St. John, N. B. 27-4-4.

FOR SALE—Two lots in Carleton, Queen Square, one on St. John street, 60 feet frontage, running back 100 feet. Other on St. George, same dimensions. Address Box 138, Star Office. 15-7-10.

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WANTED—Two boys for tinshop, teamster for sloven. Steady work. Good wages. EMERSON & FISHER, Ltd. 1-8-2.

WANTED—A few men to learn to run machine tools. Must be strictly temperate. Steady employment. THOMPSON, MFG. CO., Grand Bay, N. B. 1-8-4.

WANTED—Good Cook. Apply, ORIENTAL RESTAURANT, 105 Charlotte street. 31-7-6.

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(Continued from Second Column.)

have not had the gloves on for months and then it was only for three one-minute rounds—a benefit, I believe. I would have to learn to box all over again. I would have to go on the road for months in order to get my wind in shape. I figure that in case Squires won I would have to train for at least nine months to get back into anything like my previous form.

“Every year that I stay out of the game makes it just that much harder for me to get back into fighting form. If I should train for a fight, I might be a disappointment to my friends and to myself, just as John L. was at New Orleans. I have never and away down deep I would not care to take the chance unless—well, unless I needed the money awful bad.”

“I had eight years of the game and while I was in it I fought as often as I could get a match. I quit when there was nothing left but the theatrical business. The theatre is the bunk. I’d rather live in my ranch at Burbank than tour the country and take in all the whistling stations between here and Hackensack.”

“I think a fighter ought to fight—not strut around the stage and show himself—but they all do it and will. I was an actor once. Bad actor, too.

How about the present day heavyweights? Well, Burns is the best of the lot. Compare him with Fitzsimmons, Sharkey and Corbett and you will have some sort of a line on the way the championlike Corbett? Those are the men I had to beat and the people were not satisfied until I had beaten them twice.

Just before the Burns fight Tommy was quoted as saying that it would be cruelty to children and stimulate trade, and I know that he is not anxious to meet me in the ring.

“No, on the level, I’m done with the championship thing. I had my fun out of it; I made