

QUITS ARGONAUTS

Knox Declares Football A Game For Animals

TORONTO (CP)—Ronnie Knox, with a passion to become a poet and novelist, quit Monday night as Toronto Argonauts' quarterback and proclaimed that football is a "game for animals."

The Hollywood glamor boy, who has tried to break into the movies and television as an actor, flew to California with plans of finishing a novel in Paris, Spain, Venice or Mexico.

The 24-year-old quarterback, whose contract with Argos called for \$1,250 a game, turned his back on more than \$11,000 he would have received if he had finished out the Big Four football season.

HAD ENOUGH

"I just had enough of the game," Knox said in an interview. "Money isn't everything and I decided I just couldn't continue. I've been playing football for 13 years now and I'm sick to the teeth of it. It's a game for animals and I like to think I'm above that. The better things in life interest me more."

His decision came as a surprise to managing director Lew Hayman and coach Hamp Pool who tried to talk him into staying. He broke the news to Hayman after requesting a meeting before last night's practice.

"I tried to pin him down to give a reason but he just talked in circles," said Hayman. "He's a pretty mixed up kid. It's a shame to see all that talent go to waste."

The Argo managing director said they talked for 2 1/2 hours and kept coming back to the same thing.

"He said he wanted to write, but this wasn't the big reason he gave me," Hayman said.

BACK INJURY

Knox told him, Hayman added, that he had a back injury and

was afraid it might become chronic.

"I asked him to talk it over with Hamp or someone else but he seemed to have his mind made up and said he didn't want to talk to anyone. He said he felt badly but that he had given it considerable thought and that it was his decision to make."

Knox, who now has failed to stick with four professional teams was switched to the role of second-string quarterback behind homebrew Gerry Doucette in last Sunday's game against Ot-

tawa Rough Riders. The third-place Argos won 19-6 for their second victory in five games.

Knox's puzzling goodbye likely means the end of his football career that started in grade school in California when he was 10 years old, took him to half a dozen high schools, three colleges and four professional teams. Besides Argos he has played pro football for Hamilton Tiger-Cats, Calgary Stampeders and Chicago Bears but he hasn't stuck with any for long.

Besmanoff, Machen Swap Blows Tonight

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Will Besmanoff, the transplanted German, gets his chance to gain a heavyweight fight ranking tonight, meeting Eddie Machen.

Machen, rated No. 4 among heavyweights, will be after his sixth straight victory since being knocked out by Ingemar Johanson last year.

A victory for the unranked Besmanoff in the nationally televised 10-rounder might move him into the top 10 and would earn him a fight against Pat McMurry of Tacoma.

Promoter Tommy Moyer said Tuesday that Machen and McMurry have signed for a late October bout, contingent on Machen winning from Besmanoff. He also said Besmanoff would get the bout if he should upset Machen. The site for the McMurry bout will be either Portland or Seattle, Moyer said. The date has not been selected.

CONFIDENT OF UPSET Besmanoff, who will be 27 Sunday, was confident of scoring an upset as his training ended.

He came to the United States in 1957, had a dismal start in boxing in this country, but said

he has hit his stride in his last three bouts, winning them all under a new manager, Eddie Metrie.

The German, who worked as a baker at Milwaukee when fight dates thinned, said he expects to have a 15-round weight advantage over Machen. That would put him at 210 pounds, about 10 pounds heavier than his previous fights.

Besmanoff said he feels stronger at that weight and believes he has sacrificed no speed. He probably will need all his speed against the normally quick Machen. The 27-year-old Machen, who is managed by Sid Flaherty of Portland, was undefeated until Johanson knocked him out. It still is his only loss. He has a 29-1-1 record.

Besmanoff's record is 41-15-7.

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Backstretch

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winnings for a trotter, which was \$353,097 earned by Belle Acton.

Frank Acora, race secretary at the Charlottetown track, was much encouraged in his efforts to keep racing going for the balance of the season by the hearty cooperation he received from the horsemen and his staff, and those who attended, despite the cold afternoon. The races were real good and everybody was satisfied.

Frank has arranged to have night racing Saturday night, and also on next Monday night. We hope the weatherman will cooperate and that there will be a large turnout of race fans.

Island drivers were very active at Sackville Downs Raceway Monday night in dashes 1 and 2.

Christdale (MacGregor) was 1-4. In dashes 3 and 4 Lady Lakeburn (J. Arsenault) was 1-1 - time 2:09 - 2:10 3-5 she is owned by Mapco Stables Summerside. In race 5 - Bumpy (E. Shaw) was 1 - Time 2:16-3

winning owner Dr. Geo Bishop. In race 7 - Famous Boy (J. Bernard) was 2 and in race 8 Miss Reo (R. O'Brien) was 2 - Time 2:14 2-5.

Jockey Ycaza Draws Suspension

NEW YORK, N. Y. (AP)—Jockey Manuel Ycaza, one of the top riders in the country, Tuesday drew a 10-day suspension from the stewards of Aqueduct race track.

Ycaza was set down effective Thursday until Sept. 26 inclusive for bearing out in the stretch while scoring a victory with Naik in the eighth race Monday. Naik was disqualified and placed third for the offence.

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TOO LATE

day Big Four football game in Toronto. Shatto took a 22-year pass from quarterback Gerry Doucette on the 10-yard line and dragged Bill Sowalski (75)

over with him. The Toronto win left Ottawa in the Big Four cellar. Ottawa's Al Romine looks on helplessly.

(CP Photo)

Frank Clair Thinks Riders May Beat Argos Tonight

OTTAWA (CP)—Coach Frank Clair, after a close study of the last Sunday's game in Toronto, appeared Tuesday to some encouragement that his Riders may come up with a winning effort here tonight against the Argonauts. "We played some pretty tough ball in the second half," he said. "If we play Wednesday as well as we did then, we may be up with something. We made a lot of mistakes, but we can't get much worse—the way to go now is up."

LL UNDECIDED Clair said he still is undecided about changes in the lineup, though he must find a replacement for Canadian defensive end Bruce who is out for at least a week with a twisted knee. He said he will not decide on changes among his Canadian players and his 12 imports until one time tonight. Meanwhile, Clair's handling of club was sharply criticized by three former Ottawa players, Billy Masters, Arnie Morrison and Jake Dunlap. Masters also coached the team a few seasons before the Second World War. Morrison, a pre-war quarterback, said "the Big Four has

BASEBALL

By THE CANADIAN PRESS American League Chicago 000 100 021-4 11 1 New York 200 000 001-3 7 0 Pierce 14-14 Shaw (8) and Lohr; Terry, Ford 14-10 (8) Turley; (8) Grba (9) and Berra. HR: New York, Mantle 2 (31). Kansas City 000 000 000-0 3 1 Washington 000 000 10x-1 7 1 Fairbanks 4 - 3 Grim (8) and Smith; Pascual 16-10 and Korkc. Kansas City 000 220 011-6 12 0 Washington 100 000 100-2 5 2 Kucks 8-10 and House; Ramos 18 Woodeshick 5, Kemmerer and Courtney. HR: KCy-Janski 1. Cleveland 000 000 000-0 6 2 Boston 000 000 001-1 6 1 Grant 9-7 and Nixon; FitzGerald 9, Brewer 10-11 and White. Detroit 100 000 000 10-1 4 1 Detroit 100 000 001-2 7 0 Foytack 13-14 and Berberet; Wilhelm 15-11 and Triandos. National League Pittsburgh at Chicago ppd, cold weather today. St. Louis 200 001 021 1-7 1 1 St. A. 000 501 000 2-8 16 1 Pizarro (4), Rush (6), Mahou 5-3 (8) and Crandall;raig, Podres (5), L. Sherry (8) Burns 3 - 1 (10) and Roseboro. R. Mil - Adeock (25). Cincinnati 100 110 012-7 12 3 Fr 530 210 02x-13 13 1 Hook 5-5 Osteen (1), J. Bailey, Acker (8) and E. Bailey. McCormick 12-14 and Landrih. St. Louis: Cin-E. Bailey (12), Thomas (9), SF-Spencer (12), McCovey (2). St. Louis 302 100 00x-6 10 3 Keegan, 0-3, Phillips (6) and Awatoki; Broglio 7-12 and McCarver.

PACIFIC QUAKE

PASADENA, California (AP)—A large earthquake believed centered near the Kermadec islands northeast of New Zealand was recorded Monday. Its force was reckoned as considerably higher than the Yellowstone shocks that shook the northwestern United States and parts of western Canada last month.

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