

Marv Jensen Maps Series Of Title Fights For Fulmer

NEW YORK (AP)—Manager Marv Jensen is mapping out a series of four title fights for National Boxing Association middleweight champion Gene Fulmer. One of them would be a battle of champions with light heavyweight king Archie Moore in February in Miami or Los Angeles.

"Gene wants to be busy and cash in," said Jensen of West Jordan, Utah. "I'm working on the possible title defenses against the Joey Giardello-Dick Tiger winner: Gustav Scholz, the European middleweight champion from Germany; Archie Moore, and then Spider Webb next June or July.

"Of course, Gene would have to win his middleweight title fights to keep on going. But I'm very confident he will be able to do that. He's won ten in a row and is in peak form."

Giardello, long-time contender from Philadelphia, and Tiger, Nigeria's British Empire 160-pound titleholder, clash in the Wednesday night television feature at Chicago tonight.

GRATEFUL TO NBA

"I am committed to fighting a leading contender," said Jensen, "and we're going to do that and more. We're grateful to the NBA for getting us the fight with Carmen Basilio (Fulmer stopped Basilio in the 14th round Aug. 28) and the title.

"If Gene keeps busy it will be better for boxing, which sure can use a good lift right now. We have no intention of ducking Webb even though Gene beat him a year ago. Gene and Webb would be a big fight for Salt Lake City but it would have to be out-

DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

At Blue Bonnets Raceway, Montreal, last Friday night, the "C" trot, purse \$1,000, was won by Palacoona in 2:08 3/5. He is owned by George Henderson, Montreal, and H.B. Willis, Charlottetown, and was sired by the locally-owned Russel Hanover. Palacoona has been a consistent trotter all through the season, and we expect to find that when his earnings for 1959 are finalized they will be over the \$6,000 mark.

Another Maritime-bred, the eleven-year-old pacer Dr. J.A., by Simcoe Harvester, dam Pansy C., won the fifth race on the above program at Blue Bonnets, with the mile in 2:09; the purse was \$1,000. So the Maritimes could claim two of the ten firsts.

At Suffolk Downs Raceway, Boston, on Thursday night, September 24, a new track trotting record was set up by Music Man when he won the fifth race on the program in 2:01 2/5. This track was built for the runners, but this year has been resurfaced to permit harness racing. Its proximity to the city of Boston will give it a big advantage in attracting spectators.

A local friend of this column writes an interesting letter regarding a race that took place on the Charlottetown track on September 29, 1912. The trotter, Red Wing, had won the first heat; but in the second heat, when the horses went away, Red Wing made a break and the starter rang the bell for his return.

Dr. Jack Nicholson, who was driving the trotter "Aquirit," paid no attention to it, but the others came back. The Doctor passed the half and paid no attention to the call at that point, finished the mile, and trotted back and pulled up at the judges' stand. The starter asked him why he had not pulled up when the bell rang, and Dr. J.M. referred him to the rule which stated that there was no recall once the word "go" had been given, and he was correct.

A GREAT DAY

What was said to be the biggest day in harness racing in New England since Star Pointer and Lou Dillon paced and trotted miles in better than two minutes at Readville, Mass., mile track years ago, took place on the night of September 19 at Suffolk Downs mile oval when 19,907 fans passed \$470,218 through the pari-mutels, and a Canadian-owned three-year-old filly won the feature event—the Suffolk Downs Three-Year-Old Trot, purse \$28,400. She was named Dalayce Blue, and her sire is Ezra Blue, owned in Ontario. Dalayce Blue was driven by Dr. J. Finlay, and the mile was in 2:04 3/5.

The fastest mile paced was in the "AA" Pace, purse \$3,000, which was won by Renny Ifanover, a five-year-old by Dean Hanover, in 2:02 1/5 with the first quarter in 29 4/5 seconds; he was driven by Canadian reinsman, Maurice MacDonald.

Our friend George R. MacDonald, who is associate judge at the Charlottetown track, happened to meet Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ellis of Wilmington, Delaware, in Charlottetown a few days ago, and during the conversation learned that they are vacationing here or the first since 1910. Mr. Ellis was born in this province and left with his parents for the United States when he was nine years old. He must have gotten along very nicely there, as we have noticed that he is racing four horses at Saratoga Raceway, New York, and two of them are quite prominent in the summaries. They are: Rensselaer Lad, p. 2:06 2/5, that up to the end of 1958 had won \$10,395; and a younger member of his string is Reed's Dutchess, 2:09 2/5.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis attended the races here last Saturday night and enjoyed them very much. They spoke very highly of the drivers who raced their horses from wire to wire, which they said, is something not seen at many tracks.

Mr. Ellis was born at Tynes Valley, P.E.I., where his father was born also. His horses are trained and driven by his son, Roger Ellis.

The writer of these notes had the pleasure of being a guest of the management of Sackville Downs Raceway last Saturday night, where the feature event was the "Colonel Dan" Pace, purse \$2,000.

The whole program was a good one, but the great interest, of course, was centered on the free-for-all which six starters, one of them, Robertdale 2:06 3/5, had been racing at Truro almost exclusively until Saturday night. In the first heat of the big race, he went away at the pole, and he and Mighty Lee raced like a team all down the backstretch, past the half, and around the turn. The first quarter was in close to 30 seconds, and the half was in 1:02 3/5. But they both tried dably then, and Convail and Rainbow Clegg were leading when they hit the homestretch, with Mighty Lee finishing third. Darn Good Pick (E. Shaw) was fourth. The time was 2:06 3/5. There is no doubt that the fast first half influenced the result.

In the second heat of the event, Convail (R. Barrieau) was first, Rainbow Clegg (D. Pinkney) was second, Darn Good Pick (E. Shaw) was third, Newport Prince G. Morseide) fourth,

Felix Mantilla Didn't Make Bad Play Says Fred Haney

By PATRICK McNULTY
LOS ANGELES (AP)—"I was off balance when I grabbed the ball," said Felix Mantilla, close to tears. "It was the only play I had. I had to get rid of it."

A low throw by Mantilla on Carl Furillo's winning run to the 12th enabled the Dodgers to score from second base in the Los Angeles Dodgers 6-5 victory over the Milwaukee Braves in the second game of the best-of-three playoff for the National League pennant.

Yet Furillo was given a hit on the play and even manager Fred Haney of the Braves was inclined to forgive Mantilla.

"He did the only thing he could," said the crestfallen Haney. "He didn't make a bad play."

Mantilla had moved from second base to shortstop after Johnny Logan was shaken up in the seventh inning.

FORCE PLAY

Mantilla said he thought when the ball was hit that he might have a force play at second base.

"But the ball took a crazy bounce and pulled me across the bag before I got it," Mantilla continued.

"He was lucky to stop the ball at all," Haney said, "and he was out of position to throw—and he threw low."

If Mantilla had held the ball, recovered his balance, and thrown to the plate, could he have cut off Gil Hodges lumbering down the line with the National League flag in his pocket?

"No," said Haney. "The run would have scored."

How does Haney rate the Dodgers against the American League champions, the Chicago White Sox?

"The White Sox?" said Haney. "You don't think about them unless you win—and we didn't win."

In another cubbyhole, pitcher Lew Burdette was pulling off his sweatshirt when a knot of sports writers tentatively approached.

The veteran righthander talked pleasantly to the writers, saying with a light smile:

"In the ninth I thought I could have fielded (Duke) Snider's grounder" (The ball went through the box for the second hit of the rally that closed a three-run gap to a 5-5 tie.)

Manager Haney said he thought day she had twins, a boy and a girl.

Giardello, ex-Philadelphia now living in Rosedale, L.I., is far more explosive than Tiger with a knockout right. On Aug. 11 he defeated Chico Vejar. Previously, he had knocked out Del Flanagan in the first round June 17 and defeated Holly Mims May 6 to start his winning streak.

Giardello, 29, has had 100 fights, winning 51 by decision and 27 by knockouts.

In his last start, before TV cameras in Camden, N.J., Sept. 2, Tiger defeated Ace Armstrong. Tiger was a lopsided underdog, but was ahead all the way and scored a knockout in the third.

Burdette was out of position for both Wally Moon's and Snider's singles over second in the ninth. Los Angeles manager Walt Alston stroled over from the tumult and the shouting of the victors' dressing room. He and Haney warmly shook hands and Haney said:

"You came from behind and beat us and you deserve to win."

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Al Lopez Inks Record Pact With Chicago White Sox

By JERRY LISKA
Associated Press Sports Writer
CHICAGO (AP)—A record Chicago White Sox contract, calling for an estimated \$50,000, was handed manager Al Lopez Tuesday to direct the American League pennant winners again in 1960.

The contract signing was announced in typically flamboyant fashion by Sox president Bill Veeck, who said Lopez was rehired only for next year at his own request.

Veeck unveiled a billboard-sized placard on which an enlarged version of Lopez' new contract was printed.

"This contract has been puffed up to its huge size because it's the largest ever given a White Sox player or manager," said Veeck.

The announcement was made to a horde of writers and photographers just after Lopez had started an intra-squad Sox game to warm up for the world series which starts either Thursday or Friday in Comiskey Park.

THREE SEASONS

Lopez had worked the past three seasons for the pale horse on a year-to-year basis, presumably receiving between \$35,000 and \$40,000 for the current season in which the Sox won the American League pennant with a 94-60 record.

The highest paid Sox player is believed to be second sacker Nellie Fox, receiving slightly more than \$40,000 for the present year.

Lopez said he was "tickled to death to come back." The 51-year-old senior from Tampa, Fla., explained he agreed to manage only in 1960 because "maybe they'll get tired of me by then."

Asked if he could "get tired" of the White Sox, Lopez replied: "I don't think so."

There has been mention that Lopez might be a candidate to succeed Casey Stengel, the current manager of the New York Yankees, if and when old Case departs from New York. Stengel already has been certified by the Yankee front office as the club's manager for 1960.

BROKE MONOPOLY

Lopez is the only manager to crack Stengel's Yankee pennant monopoly. Prior to this year, when the Yankees collapsed for a third place finish, Lopez led the Cleveland Indians to a record pennant drive in 1954 and an American League high of 111 victories.

Lopez directed the White Sox to second place finishes behind the Yankees in 1957 and 1958.

As Cleveland manager, between 1951 and 1956, he never finished worse than second and in 1954 won the American League pennant only to lose four straight to the erstwhile New York Giants in the world series.

Lopez' nine-year big league managerial regime has produced a sterling record of 836 victories and 550 defeats. He launched his managerial career, after a fine record as a National League catcher, with Indianapolis in 1948.

He caught 1,861 games in 18 National League seasons covering service with the Brooklyn Dodgers, the Boston Braves and Pittsburgh Pirates for an all-time league record.

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

FRANCIS BREAU, Moncton, won a great victory with his free-for-all, Convail, at Halifax last Saturday night.

The occasion was the "Condon Dan" race, an annual event held each year in honor of Lt. Col. D. A. MacKinnon, veteran harness racing driver and noted authority on anything pertaining to the sport of kings.

Convail, purchased by Mr. Breau from Harry Hirsch last year, headed the field to the wire in both dashes and looked mighty good in doing so. He got a bit of a scare from that great finisher, Rainbow Clegg, in the second dash but at that half a length to spare at the finish.

THERE WAS a large crowd of Prince Edward Island harness racing fans on hand for the big event and they were there in the hope that Mighty Lee would emerge the winner. But the big roan gelding didn't have it last Saturday and was never a serious contender. In the first trip he went away on the outside and he never got a chance to get in near the rail. Driver Callbeck tried hard to go around the field but the other horses would have no part of that scheme. The second mile, going away in third horse place, Callbeck went over Convail in an effort to go to top but Barrieau kept the Island-owned speedster in the second slot until about the three-quarters. Then the big roan faded badly and was only able to head Robertdale home.

MIGHTY LEE went into the big race a top favourite and even after dropping that first dash, the mutual customers again made him first choice in the second. But it wasn't to be Saturday night as the speedy Convail took complete charge.

The should end for this season the meetings of the free-for-allers in the Maritimes. Convail's owner surely got things over on a happy note. However those who back Mighty Lee still can boast that he lowered both the records of Charlottetown Track and Sackville Downs this season. His two great miles of 2:03.4 at Charlottetown and 2:04 at Halifax still stand as the track records. We have a feeling that both these marks will stand up for quite a spell.

AS WE STATED previously in this column, your writer was guest of the Sackville Downs management for last Saturday's big race. We were extended every courtesy by race secretary Jack Cruickshank and his dad, Capt. John. Both these gentlemen did everything to make our short stay at Sackville Downs most enjoyable. We had the pleasure of surveying their fine plant and were informed of improvements that would be made for the 1960.

The Cruickshanks have a good thing in Sackville Downs and they know it. They intend to keep it a good thing and they maintain they can do just that by catering to the needs of the racing public. Both gentlemen appear to have an abundance of public relations and good public relations are one of the greatest assets any business can have.

Through this column, we express our thanks to the Sackville Downs operators for their many kindnesses to us last Saturday.

WALTER ALSTON surely must think this 23-year-old Larry Sherry has nerves of steel. This past week, Alston has called on Sherry on two all-important occasions and both times the young hurler has responded in terrific fashion.

Last Friday afternoon in Chicago, the Dodgers' pilot waved Larry in out of the bullpen to relieve in the tenth inning of a 4-4 game with Chicago Cubs. It was a game the Los Angeles gang must win to stay alive in the pennant race and win it they did in the eleventh on the strength of Gil Hodges' home run blast.

But what Hodges did on the offensive, Sherry more than equalled on the defensive side. Larry came through with sensational clutch pitching in the tenth and eleventh and the day was saved. It was Sherry's victory and the greatest one he had ever racked up.

MONDAY AFTERNOON in the mist at Milwaukee's County Stadium, Sherry got another call from Mr. Alston, Young Danny McDevitt, the Dodgers' starter was in hot water up to his neck in the second inning when Alston asked Larry to rush to the rescue. So in came Sherry and put out the fire. After that he had those Milwaukee sluggers breaking their backs at his pitches but getting exactly nowhere. He held the Braves scoreless the rest of the distance and John Roseboro's homer in the sixth gave him the victory.

Sherry looks like a great find for the Dodgers, if his showing of this past week is any indication of his ability, he should have a banner season in 1960. But lots of things could happen to his fine young arm between now and then.

However, we feel sure that no matter what great heights this hurler may attain, he'll look back on those victories over Chicago and Milwaukee as the greatest thrills in his baseball career.

Baseball fans won't forget him easily and you can be sure Milwaukee Braves just can't get him out of their minds.

We'll be watching this young moundsman with more than usual interest.

FRANK ACORN presents another eight-dash racing program tonight at Charlottetown Driving Park and if this program is anything like the ones "Duck" has been coming up with these past few weeks, it will be a real sizzler.

Acorn's feature tonight brings together five good pacers that should stage a battle royal for top honors. Here Am I, Cathy Clegg, Ginger E., Helen's Dream, and McGee Volo are the five starters.

Dashes four and eight find these speedsters battling for supremacy: Jean Clegg, Janet M., Callie Hal, Ted Genessee, Jolly Dick and Brian's Dream.

The second and sixth races have My Darling, The Sheik, Myrtle E., Propane, Lilly's Pointer, Royal Train, Mr. Jillscott and Prince Edward and in dashes one and five Ranida, Bertha Clegg, Bowery Boy, Miss Cyclonic, Lee Cyclonic, Stormy Clegg, Rena Bell and Nellie Bangs will provide the entertainment.

All in all it looks like a great night for the fans and with the warm weather still with us, one of the better crowds of the season should be on hand for this top notch card.

First dash goes at 7:30.

HUNTERS FLUNK VISION TEST

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP)—Optometrists who examined the eyesight of 1,700 hunters here last week reported Tuesday:

About one in six flunked the color vision test.

Nearly one out of every five didn't pass in depth perception.

About one out of seven failed in the keenness of vision test.

Dr. Henry J. Ernst, an official of the Inland Society of the Washington Optometric Association, said the tests were given hunters last Friday and Saturday at a shopping centre here as a public service in co-operation with the Spokane Gun Club.

"Some hunters could identify the primary colors when the colors were by themselves," he said. "But if the colors were mixed together, like the colors in the woods the hunters couldn't distinguish between them."

"Quite a few persons couldn't tell the difference between red and green. There should be significant to all persons who go into the woods wearing red coats and hats."

"To protect himself against the color blind person, a hunter should wear yellow, which can be distinguished even by those who have a color deficiency."

Charlie Grimm Fires Coaches

CHICAGO (AP)—Charlie Grimm made his first move Tuesday as new manager of the Chicago Cubs—he fired coaches Fred Fitzsimmons, Rogers Hornsby and George Myatt.

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S'side Golf Club Ladies' Section Elects Officers

SUMMERSIDE — The ladies division of the Summerside Golf and Country Club held their annual dinner meeting and election of new officers on Monday evening at the club house.

Mrs. Harold Schurman was re-elected president, and the 1959 executive will remain in office until December.

Other officers elected for the 1960 golfing season include: Mrs. Roy Aherm, vice president; Mrs. Evelyn MacAlpine, secretary; Mrs. Paul Schurman, treasurer; Miss Sally Basler, chairman of game committee; Mrs. J.K. Beer, chairman of handicap committee; Mrs. Gladys MacQuarrie, chairman of house committee; Mrs. Gordon Ramsay, chairman of treasury committee; Mrs. Cliff Ramsay, chairman of membership committee; Mrs. Leo Wood, press liaison; Mrs. Fred Willander, representative of the RCAF at Slemon Park.

The chairman of the nominating committee was Mrs. Wendell Murtat.

The secretary's report was presented by Mrs. George Smallman, and piano selections were played by Mrs. Roy C. Aherm.

Moss, Wife Are Hospitalized

STAFFORD England (Reuters)—Racing driver Stirling Moss and his Canadian-born wife were admitted to Stafford General Infirmary Tuesday night after a car in which they were travelling was in an accident.

Moss received cuts and bruises and his wife had facial injuries.

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Giardello Battles Tiger Tonight

CHICAGO (AP)—Joey Giardello, seeking his fourth straight in a new winning streak, is a 6-5 favorite over Dick Tiger, British Empire middleweight champion, in their 10 round bout at Chicago Stadium tonight.

Tiger, a 30-year-old Nigerian who lives in Liverpool, England, will be making his second televised ring appearance since starting to campaign in this country. The bout will be scored under the five point must system.

In his last start, before TV cameras in Camden, N.J., Sept. 2, Tiger defeated Ace Armstrong. Tiger was a lopsided underdog, but was ahead all the way and scored a knockout in the third.

PREVIOUS FIGHTS

He fought Rory Calhoun to a draw June 17 then lost a 10 round decision July 17 in a rematch. Tiger, a pressure-fighter with a deceptive left hook, has won 34 of 44 bouts, 10 by knockouts.

Before leaving New York Sunday for Chicago, Tiger took his wife to a hospital. Early Monday she had twins, a boy and a girl.

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