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BRONCHOS TAKE FINAL GAME FROM KALAMAZOO, 10-4

BRONCHOS FROLIC WITH "KAZOO" TEAM

SOUTHERN MICHIGAN LEAGUERS ARE TWICE TRIMMED.

LOCALS WIN IN EIGHTH

Leaf Until Contests Near End and Then Go in and Bat Out Five Runs—Keller Plays With Visitors.

To all outward appearance the South Bend Central league team pulled off two bippodome stunts against the Kalamazoo club of the Southern Michigan league Saturday and Sunday, winning the first game by a score of 5 to 7 and the second by a score of 10 to 4.

Of course the players on the local team deny that they loafed along until the arrival of the eighth inning, and circumstancy point to the above conclusion for in each game when the South Benders came to their final batting inning they stepped up to the plate and made the contest safe by batting five runs over the rubber.

For a Class C organization the Southern Michiganers play fully as well as could be expected. Taylor on the Kalamazoo team was the best pitcher, although he used scouting but a crisp cross against the South Bend players in Sunday's game. Hendricks who succeeded him had a world of speed, but little "head and while he cleaned his shoes up in the first inning he soon lost control and delivered something into smithereens. Another good man on the "Kazoo" bunch was Cal Wagner, who played a nice game at second. Keller, who covered the bag at first, was a fine player for South Benders who was tried out by Grant this season. He is now the property of Kalamazoo and will probably be played as a regular on the infield.

There is really little to be said of the Sunday game. For while the crowd was cheering the Kalamazoo team lustily when they thought of the possible chances of their favorites coming to the front with a victory, the faithful were hushed into silence as soon as South Bend showed what was the matter. The features of the game were Keller's home run over the rubber for the first five innings allowed but two hits; Kroy in life pulled down a spectacular line drive from Kelly's bat and Grant smashed out a three bagger with the bases full on a base pass and the field beat hard.

South Bend was the first to score. In the fourth inning with the interest lagging, Grant gave the word to Kroy to open up strong and the clever gardner bumped one of Taylor's twisters for a single. Kroy was then forced out by a sacrifice bunt, Grant advanced to second and scored when Koehler smashed out a pretty single to deep center. The hitting uncovered Catcher Gleason and with Coffey on Taylor's allowed one by Taylor drove in Koehler and Gleason scored on a base hit. Core sacrificed Koehler to third and the latter scored on Tieman's drive over second.

Smith Succeeds Martin.

"Big Ed." Smith succeeded Martin on the mound in the sixth and in the seventh Kelly was sent to the bench for "Kazoo" to tickle the fans from the celery city by taking the lead. Lagoo opened up with a two-marker and was followed by Tooley with a single. After Martin had been forced out by a Texas league behind Grant, which left runners on first and Tooley on third, Core, but Hendricks, sent in to bat for Taylor proved a pitch hitter and when he landed on a straight one into center Tooley went over the rubber. Hendricks's hit was a bloop single but was kind enough to allow the throwing to reach the grand stand. Tyler hit through Grant and Hendricks scored the fourth and last score.

Hendricks was coming out of short like a meteor when South Bend started its two more runs. Koehler leading off with a double, going to third when Core landed safe and scoring on Tieman's sacrifice hit. With two out Grant landed for a three packer and Koehler came home.

The eighth inning was a heart breaker for the visitors. Tieman hit to Tooley and saw that infielder get off tangled up with the ball. Kelley walked and both men were moved up one base on Hendricks throwing the ball into the right field grand stand in an attempt to catch "Danger" who went on to third, and later scored when Lagoo dropped Smith's high fly. Craven scored Smith with a slashing two-base hit to left field and Kelley tried to make a fielder's choice caught napping Coffey ended the spectacular inning by throwing to two bases and scoring when Lagoo made his second error by dropping Koehler's fly. The score:

South Bend.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Grant, rf	1	1	1	0	0
Kroy, l	1	1	2	0	0
Coffey, cf	1	1	1	0	0
Koehler, 2	1	1	2	3	0
Core, 1b	1	1	9	0	0
Tieman, c	1	1	5	1	0
Kelley, ss	0	0	1	2	0
Grant, 3b	1	1	1	1	0
Martin, p	0	0	0	0	0
Smith, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	10	10	27	10	0

Kalamazoo.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Tooley, ss	1	1	1	1	0
Lagoo, 2	1	1	2	3	1
Craven, 1b	1	1	9	0	0
Wagner, 2b	0	0	1	1	0
Keller, rf	0	0	1	0	0
Taylor, p	0	0	0	0	0
Hendricks, p	0	0	0	0	0
Tyler, lf	1	1	1	0	0
Gleason, c	0	0	5	1	0
Kelley, cf	0	0	1	0	0
Doubler, 3b	0	1	1	2	0
Lagoo, cf	1	1	2	0	0
Totals	5	6	27	8	1

South Bend	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	9—10
Kalamazoo	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	4—5

Summary: Earned runs, South Bend, 3; Kalamazoo, 1. Two-base hits—Smith, 2; Tieman, Craven, Lagoo. Three-base hits—Grant, Kelley. Sacrifice hits—Martin, 2; Smith, 1; of Taylor, 2; Kelley. Stolen bases—Grant, 2; Kroy, Koehler, Tieman, 2; Kelley, Craven, Lagoo, Hit by pitcher—Tieman, Craven, Lagoo. Bases on balls—Off Martin, 1; off Smith, 1; of Taylor, 2; off Hendricks, 1. Struck out—By Martin, 1; by Smith, 1; by Taylor, 2; by Hendricks, 1. Passed balls—Tieman, 2; Gleason, 1. Time of game—1 hour. Umpires—Kerwin and Kelly.

Saturday's Game.

South Bend.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Grant, rf	1	1	2	0	0
Kroy, l	1	1	1	0	0
Coffey, cf	1	1	1	0	0
Koehler, 2	1	1	2	3	0
Core, 1b	1	1	9	0	0
Tieman, c	1	1	5	1	0
Grant, 3b	1	1	1	1	0
Kelley, ss	1	1	1	2	0
Martin, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	10	10	27	10	0

Kalamazoo.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Tooley, ss	1	1	1	1	0
Lagoo, 2	1	1	2	3	1
Craven, 1b	1	1	9	0	0
Wagner, 2b	0	0	1	1	0
Keller, rf	0	0	1	0	0
Taylor, p	0	0	0	0	0
Hendricks, p	0	0	0	0	0
Tyler, lf	1	1	1	0	0
Gleason, c	0	0	5	1	0
Kelley, cf	0	0	1	0	0
Doubler, 3b	0	1	1	2	0
Lagoo, cf	1	1	2	0	0
Totals	5	6	27	8	1

South Bend	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	9—10
Kalamazoo	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	4—5

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DAYTON FAN INJURED.

Skull Fractured By Foul Ball at Cincinnati-Pittsburg Game.

CINCINNATI, O., April 26.—A man giving the name of Henry Schmidt of Dayton, O., aged about 40, who attended the game yesterday afternoon between Cincinnati and Pittsburg, was struck on the right temple by a "foul tip" ball and fell unconscious in the grand stand in the third inning. The accident caused great excitement and confusion, and at first it was thought the man had died on the spot. He was taken to the hospital, where the man was taken, it was stated last night that he was seriously injured. He suffered a concussion of the brain and a possible fracture of the skull.

TAKING A SHORT SWING AROUND THE CENTRAL LEAGUE CIRCUIT

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., April 26.—Anson's Cubs had no chance against the pitching and fielding of Terre Haute, here yesterday, except in the 8-run inning. Anson was given a rousing cheer when he hit a safety. Score:

T. Haute	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	6
Colts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—	1

Batteries—Terre Haute, Cunningham; Allemang and Williams; Colts, Boyle and Lundgren.

There is a pretty fight on in the Tri field between Orth Collins and Smyths for the center field position.

Fisher, the Grand Rapids try-out, who was forced out of the fold by the arrival of Kihn last week has been farmed out to Newark by Manager Rally. Fisher played with Newark against the Raiders Saturday and not like a fool.

Fisher, the Hoosier twirler from East Lafayette, of the O. and P. league, connected for a home run in the game against his former team-mates Saturday.

Five men will be carried on the Fort Wayne infielding staff. Hammond, Curtis, Alberts and Walter Miller are all going good. Robertson and Mahlewy are in the doubtful class, but because there is any doubt as to their ability to hold down positions, but the pitching arms is problematical and still warm weather comes so that they can have without chance of permanent injury nothing can be told about them. Both are confident that they are right and they are working accordingly.

Fisher, the Grand Rapids try-out, shows great promise and in whom Manager Hendricks has a world of confidence and these things taken into consideration shows the folly of having another outfielder, Hammond, Curtis, Alberts and Miller are in the infield, which is without, so after for his services, although he told the manager he could arrange a trade for himself.

Fisher, the Grand Rapids try-out, is a Hoosier by day as he was brought up in Eddie Herr's Big Ten team. Fisher used to get away some time during the day. Frank Roemis has gone home for a visit to his family and he and Ted Fogel expect to leave for Lafayette Monday morning. Fisher, Robertson if Mahlewy is in the absence of the manager and

BUTTING IN ON BASEBALL.

STANDING OF LEAGUES.

National League.	W.	L.	Pct.	American League.	W.	L.	Pct.
Cincinnati	8	3	.727	New York	8	2	.800
Boston	7	3	.700	Detroit	7	3	.700
Chicago	6	3	.667	Boston	6	3	.666
New York	5	3	.625	Chicago	5	3	.625
Philadelphia	5	3	.625	Philadelphia	4	3	.571
Pittsburg	4	3	.444	St. Louis	4	5	.444
Brooklyn	3	5	.375	Cleveland	3	5	.375
St. Louis	2	6	.250	Washington	2	6	.250

RESULTS YESTERDAY.

National League.

St. Louis, 4; Chicago, 3.
Cincinnati, 11; Pittsburg, 5.

American League.

Chicago, 1; St. Louis, 4.
New York, 2; Boston, 1.

American Association.

Columbus, 4; Louisville, 1.
Milwaukee, 3; Kansas City, 1.
Toledo, 8; Indianapolis, 1.
Minneapolis, 4; St. Paul, 3.

GAMES TO-DAY.

National League.

Chicago at Cincinnati.
Pittsburg at St. Louis.
Boston at New York.
Brooklyn at Philadelphia.

American League.

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

Wagner, c 4 4 4 4 0
Keller, 1b 4 4 4 4 0
Kroy, l 4 4 4 4 0
Kerwin, p 4 4 4 4 0
Doubler, 2 ..... 4 4 4 4 0
Totals 36 36 36 36 0

Pfister out on infield fly.
Wagner for Kerwin in ninth.

South Bend	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kalamazoo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Summary: Earned runs, South Bend, 2; Kalamazoo, 1. Two-base hits—Grant, Kroy, Kerwin. Sacrifice hits—Kerwin, Wagner, Keller, Kroy, Doubler. Stolen bases—Grant, Koehler, Tieman, 2; Kroy, Wagner, Keller, Kerwin, Doubler. Bases on balls—Off Kerwin, 1; off Pfister, 1. Struck out—By Kerwin, 1; by Pfister, 1. Passed balls—Tieman, 2; Wagner, 1. Time of game—1 hour. Umpires—Kerwin and Kelly.

CATCHER WALLACE TO KALAMAZOO

BURLY BACKSTOP WILL BE GIVEN YEAR OF SEASONING.

A Most Promising Recruit and Next Year Should See Him in Central.

Wallace, the backstop from the International league, the disposition of whom has caused Manager Grant some little worry, will leave this evening to join Kalamazoo, of the Southern Michigan league, to which club he is on an optional sale.

Wallace was one of the most promising of the new material Grant had to deal with the spring and Aggie was loath to let him get out of his reach as, with the possibility of either Korbe or Tieman graduating this fall. Wallace looks mighty good for the coaching job on next year's Brooklyn.

Behind the bat the big fellow handled himself in fine form. Last year this spring his work has not been in the shape one would expect judging from the pull of his work. A year with the "Kazoo's" should put Wallace into shape that could insure him a cordial welcome to the Central league next year.

Grant says that so far as he knows there has been no deal by which Middleton goes to Plymouth. He would like to have him there but so far he has received nothing from them nor correspondent with the Plymouth management. Middleton is a good ball player and under way by which Middleton will go elsewhere but at present he seems to be taking anyone into his confidence further.

DISCUSS TENNIS PLANS.

Y. M. C. A. Will Feature Pastime in Its Work This Summer.

About a dozen of the older members of the Y. M. C. A. interested in tennis met in the association building Saturday night and discussed plans for featuring the sport in the association work this summer.

The association has decided to build a tennis court on the association premises and the work on them will start within the next three days. They will be counted among the finest in the city when completed. The association committee and their guests only.

Plans for the running of the courts and the rules governing them were informally discussed and at a later date a committee to arrange dates for tournaments will be appointed.

WEAR warmer, help get in with a Tribune ad.

SPIRO'S GO DOWN BEFORE ALUMNI

COLLEGIANS TAKE CONTEST BY TIMELY HITTING.

K. and S. Nine Has Easy Time Swamping Past Mishawaka Team —Turners Juniors Win.

In the last of the practice series at Notre Dame, a picked alumni team trimmed the Spiros to the tune of 4 to 1. The game was closely contested throughout, the Spiros gaining a good lead at the start and losing it in the third inning when the alumni bunched their hits in the Clothiers for three runs.

Alby started out to do the slab work for the Clothiers but in the seventh gave place to Beck. Both men twirled fair ball but showed a tendency to group errants in pinches. Waldorf, who did the mound work for the alumni, was hammered for 10 bingles but after his team once took the lead managed to keep them fairly well scattered.

Spiros tried out two new men, Lush, in the outfield and Kowalski, at second. Solder, Bob worked with Hathaway, scouting out a double and triple. He will have another chance next Sunday, when the Clothiers open the season with Kendallville.

The Spiros look pretty well from some of the skids and pretty terrible from some of the skids and pretty terrible short themselves before the season is over. The new uniforms have arrived and all is in readiness for the out-of-town games. Following is the schedule as far arranged: May 2, Kendallville; May 16, Mishawaka; May 23, Ft. Wayne; May 30, Michigan City; May 31, Decoration Day, Goshen; June 13, Warsaw; June 20, Nappanee; June 27, Plymouth. The remained of the dates will be filled in with home games, among which will be at least one game with Spiros the Antis' Independent team.

The score of yesterday's game:

Spiros									
Lush, rf	0	0	0	0	0				
Richards, cf	0	0	0	0	0				
Martin, 1b	0	0	0	0	0				
Kracker, 2b	0	0	1	1	0				
Kowalski, 2b	0	0	0	0	0				
Solder, c	0	0	1	0	0				
Beck, ss	0	0	1	1	0				
Alby, p	0	0	0	0	0				
Beck, p	0	0	0	0	0				
Totals	0	0	3	2	0				

Alumni	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Marie Dame,	0	0	0	0	0
Brown, lf	0	0	1	0	0
Dwyer, 2b	0	0	1	0	0
Dungan, 3b	0	0	1	0	0
Waldorf, p	0	0	1	0	0
Hathaway, c	0	0	1	0	0
Kendall, cf	0	0	1	0	0
Morris, ss	0	0	1	0	0
Ryan, 1b	0	0	1	0	0
Grace, rf	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	0	0	10	0	0

Spiros	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alumni	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Summary: Earned runs, Spiros, 1. Two-base hits—Spaeh, Hathaway, Waldorf. Sacrifice hits—Dwyer, Dungan, Hathaway. Stolen bases—Dwyer, Dungan, Ryan. Bases on balls—Off Alby, 1; off Beck, 1; by Waldorf, 4.

The K. and S. baseball team opened its season yesterday afternoon on Cartier field, Notre Dame, before a crowd consisting mostly of students and townies, by swamping the C. C. M. club of Mishawaka, by the score of 13 to 5. The feature of the game was the stick work of the Brewers who made 15 hits from the visiting crew. Score:

K. and S.	0	1	4	2	0	3	2	0	1	—13	16
Mish.	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	— 5	8

Batteries—K. and S., Hyde, Wilhelm and Ferryman; Mishawaka, Pine, Weinkauf and Kreal. Umpire—J. Rice.

Coach Rockne of the Brewers and Captain Cassidy will start the season Catchers, Ferryman and Wilhelm; pitcher, Hyde; shortstop, Kurch; first base, Dazey; second base, Bigelow; third base, Carson; left field, Cassidy; center field, Lacy; right field, Ballard. The Brewers will play the Lake Forest ground next Saturday at San Claire, Mich.

The Turners Juniors defeated the Mussert school team Saturday afternoon by the score of 16 to 11. Score by innings:

Turners	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	5—	11
Mussert	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	—11	

Batteries—Turners, A. Bishop, Mahn and P. Bishop; Mussert, Willcome and Willcome.

The Brown baseball team defeated the Sladebacker Juniors by a score of 9 to 3. Saturday. The feature of the game was the pitching of Snyder, who allowed two hits and fanned 14 players. Batteries—Brown, G. Snyder and Ryan; Sladebacker, Sylvester, Sabacarger and Lackey.

The Coquard State defeated the McCormick Colts in an exciting game of baseball Saturday morning by the score of 12 to 5. The state challenges any team in the city under 12 years of age. For games call Home phone 1491.

The Juniors forfeited their game to the Jefferson team Saturday morning by the score of 9 to 0.

"DOC" POWERS DEAD; WAS GREAT CATCHER

FAMOUS AMERICAN LEAGUER VICTIM OF GANGRENE.

NOTRE DAME GRADUATE

Oldest Man on Philadelphia Athletics in Point of Service Fails to Recover from Operation for Strangulation of Intestines.

By Associated Press.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 26.—Dr. Mauricio Powers, star catcher for the Philadelphia American league baseball club, and one of the best known and most popular ball players in the country, died in a hospital in this city to-day of gangrene poisoning. Powers became ill during the second inning of the opening game of the season with Boston on Easter Monday at which time the new grounds were dedicated. He was seized with violent pains during the seventh inning but his team was inning he persisted in continuing in the game until the end when he fell unconscious ad was borried to a hospital. Physicians discovered he was suffering from strangulation of the intestines and he was operated upon, two other operations being subsequently performed.

Powers was 37 years old and was born in Pittsfield, Mass. He was graduated from Holy Cross and later took a course in medicine at Notre Dame, but he never practiced medicine. He began his career in 1894 in Louisville. From there he went to Washington and then to Philadelphia. He joined the Athletics in 1901, being the oldest man on the team in point of service.

Manager Connie Mack and the players left for Boston immediately after the game in Washington, where the team is scheduled to play this afternoon. News of the death of Powers was telegraphed to Manager Mack and it is probable the game scheduled for the day of the funeral will be called off.

WOULD SEW NELSON UP.

Packey McFarland's Manager Wants Bat to Peat Rafael.

CHICAGO, April 26.—Now comes one Harry Gilmore, jr., acting in behalf of Packey McFarland, an infant under parental court decision, and demands that Battling Nelson, author and pugilist, at once and forthwith post his forfeit of $5,000 which is to insure appearance for their 45-round quarrel, scheduled to take place in San Francisco, July 4.

Harry Gilmore yesterday wired Jimmy Coffroth at San Francisco, promoter of the quarrel, that if said forfeit were not posted by April 30 the articles of agreement calling for a settlement of the lightweight controversy would be considered null and void. This is what the infant McFarland was convinced of.

According to Gilmore, McFarland stated that the money at the time articles were signed but Coffroth took Nelson's word for it. Now, says Gilmore, relied on Coffroth to see the Battler's end of it was all right.

Gilmore claims a change of mind, according to his own statement, is due to the report which has reached him that Nelson wishes a postponement of the battle until next fall. Well, he and if Nelson has no money up. Why, how are you going to make him fight? McFarland wants the date originally set and objects to two months of "Nelson's Bat" chasing up the theatrical circuit.

WEEDING OUT AT NILES.

Three South Bend Players Now in Blue Squad—Outlook Promising.

The Tribune's Special Service.

NILES, Mich., April 26.—Niles expects to have one of the strongest teams in the Service county league during the season of 1909, and local fans are anticipating a continuous pennant with a view to encouraging the national game.

The Niles Hines will be pitted against the Reserves in the Lake street ground to-morrow. This game will be the last game of the season of the players by Manager Marshall has signed up this week, among whom are O. Potts, the star catcher of the Three Oaks team; Turner, of Dowagiac, and Ed. Ott, of Cass Tech. Three men from South Bend, Turner and Potts are looked upon as the best of the fastest infielders in South Bend, and is expected to fill in the airdusty infield behind Bell. Hains has been seen in action here, having played several games for the Niles team last season.

The first cut in the squad, which now numbers 28, will be made to-morrow.

TRACK VICTORS RETURN.

Winners of Marion Club Meet Back From Indianapolis.

The varsity track team returned Saturday morning from Indianapolis where they won the eighth annual track meet held under the auspices of the Marion club. This is the first year that more than three entered a team in the meet, so that the victory was especially gratifying to Sam Barry, the quarter mile was a spectacular race and ended in a photo finish, Barry, Ross and Hoffman being so close together in which only one photo was taken of a winner.

The varsity nine defeated St. Vincent on Carter field Saturday afternoon by the score of 4-3. The game was called at the end of the seventh inning on account of the rain. Hains for the varsity, was in great form, fanning 11 men, giving five bases on balls and allowing but six scattered hits.

Analysis of Argument.

"Dar is two kinds of arguments," said Uncle Eben, "dem in which you lay yo' hands on somebody and dem in which you is tryin' to fool somebody."

Life, Battles and Career of Battling Nelson

XVIII.—Third Fight With Gans

By BATTLING NELSON, Lightweight Champion of the World

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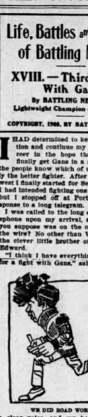

VS DED DEAD WORK.

I HAD determined to keep in condition and continue my fighting career in the hope that I would finally get Gans in a ring and let the people know which of us was really the better fighter. After touring the west I finally started for Seattle, where I had intended fighting one Kid Senier, but I stopped off at Portland in response to a long telegram.

I was called to the long distance telephone upon my arrival, and who do you suppose was on the other end of the wire? No other than William Britt, the clever little brother of Sir James Edward.

"I think I have everything arranged for a fight with Gans," said Willie in a clear voice, and my heart jumped into my throat. I felt that my life's ambition was about to be realized.

After three conversations over the phone and a few hundred words over the telegraph wires the match was within a few hours of being closed. Johnny Reed very kindly agreed to let me off of the Seattle match, and I beat it for Frisco. Upon my arrival I found that all arrangements had been made for me to fight Gans on July 4.

I went to Garden Hall Springs for a week's training with my assistants—Jack Green, Red Cornett, Percy Dean and Manager Willie Britt.

We spent a week at the springs, hunting and climbing hills and doing road work, etc. We found the high altitude very beneficial. Next we went to Milbrey's training quarters at Colma, Cal., which had been my old lucky stamping grounds.

A Fourth of July Affair.

We met at the lightweight limit, 133 ringside. The fight was to commence directly after weighing in. Jack Welsh of San Francisco was mutually agreed upon as referee of the contest by all parties concerned.

We entered the ring a few minutes after 3, and the boys were accorded hearty receptions. After a bit of preliminary photographing and posing for the moving picture machines we bandaged our hands and were ready for the fray. Then old familiar Billy Jordan, the official announcer, said:

"Gentlemen, this will be a forty-five round contest, lightweight Marquis of Queensberry rules to govern. Let 'er go!"

As we entered the arena, as usual, I was the under dog in the betting. Any one who cared to bet a dollar on me could practically "write his own ticket." Just to give an idea of how the betts looked in the fourth round such a wise fellow as the "one tiner" fighter Sam Berger bet $20 against $2 with a personal friend of mine named Joseph Blanket of Ireland. I could never see where I had any the worst of the fighting at all, but some of our opinions differ.

After the seventh round I had such a big lead in the fight that every man in the house seemed of the one opinion—"Nelson is a sure winner, and it is only a question of rounds before the black man will get his."

Before our first battle in Goldfield I was somewhat in doubt as to my ability of being able to defeat the black wonder, but after that fight I was more confident than ever.

I knew full well that the negro had quit in Goldfield during the first part of the forty-second round, claiming foul, when the referee awarded him the verdict.

Gans Scents Defeat.

In the eighteenth round Gans scented that he was being taken beyond all question when he attempted to land unfair means. He tried to push me through the ropes and, in fact, did everything dirty he knew how rather than be knocked out by me.

In the seventeenth round I became somewhat angered, but I was careful not to lose control of myself. I followed him around the ring, pounding him unmercifully about the body.

Toward the end of the round we fell into a clinch. As we were pulling away I saw my chance. Drawing my arm to one side about six inches, I dealt him a terrible left half scissors hook squarely on the top of his head. The negro let forth a loud grunt. His knees twisted up, his eyes rolled back, and, crumpling up like a bundle of paper, he fell quivering on the mat. He was out good and clean.

Gans claimed foul two or three times during this Colma fight, but his claims were not allowed by Referee Welsh.

I had achieved the ambition of my life. I had licked them all. I was now the real champion of the world, and nobody could question my title in any way whatever.

My decisive defeat of the negro champion at Colma that day should have been sufficient to convince the public that I was his master, but several sport writers intimated that Gans might have thrown the fight to me or "laid down," as some expressed it.

Another Match With Gans.

This worked on my pride, and, feeling that I could best him again, I finally agreed to a return go. Jimmy Coffroth offered us flattering inducements to fight again at his club in Colma, and after some argument over details I agreed to give the negro another chance.

The third and last fight with Gans was decided on Admission day, Sept. 9.

Eddie Smith of Oakland officiated as referee. For the first time in my life I entered the ring an overwhelming favorite in the betting. The betting was just the opposite of the Fourth of July meeting. At that time if you wanted to bet on me you could practically write your own ticket. In the present fight if you wanted to bet on the negro you could write your own ticket and there would be no questions asked.

Practically all the betting that was done was on the number of rounds the negro would last. In the July fight I made two bets with him—one of $500 against $1,000 that I would win the contest, the other $500 even money I would last twenty rounds. When I was making the bet I considered it about the same thing as robbing a man's safe. Nevertheless it was Gans who put the bet up to me, and I naturally accepted it.

In the September fight I offered the negro the same bets that he offered me in the other match, only I was the favorite this time, but he refused to consider them.

Nelson Threatens His Opponent.

Before commencing the battle I walked over to Gans' corner and reminded him of the dirty, mean, contemptible, foul methods he used in the eleventh round of our last battle, when he tried to push me through the ropes and possibly injure me for life by so doing.

I warned him that if he attempted any of those tricks or resorted to any unfair means during the battle he would get all that was coming to him. If Gans had any hope of winning this battle before we entered the ring he lost it all right there. His second to turn white with fright.

At the end of the twenty-first round I was noticed that Gans shook hands with his manager, Benny Selig, as much as to say, "Well, I won," meaning he lasted twenty rounds and was his twenty round money.

Joe's time after that was very short lived. In the twenty-first round he went out with a spirit of do or die, taking a chance of sitting for the final time during the entire fight, with hopes of either landing a lucky punch or being laid away, thus ending his suffering.

He certainly bumped into several good hard punches by taking that a wise fellow as the "one tiner" fighter Sam Berger bet $20 against $2 with a personal friend of mine named Joseph Blanket of Ireland. I could never see where I had any the worst of the fighting at all, but some of our opinions differ.

I WENT BACK DOWN.

chance, as I finally succeeded in hooking that now famous "left half scissors hook" into his liver. As soon as he had landed that punch I could tell me his dodge was over. I stepped back a bit to steady myself to land another similar punch when he landed over on his bend, helpless and unable to continue.

This made the third time that I had fought the same Gans and beat him each and every time with the same identical punch—the "left hand scissors hook," which was originated by me.

While showing in Detroit the following fall the world's championship baseball series opened between the Chicago Cubs of the National league and the Detroit Tigers of the American. Gans was there as easy as pull out for a syndicate of papers I became a writer. Then I went back home.

I don't mean that I found the literary work as easy as pull out for a fight or that I took to it with any great success at first. After I had studied the game a little it went off pretty well. If I was my boasting as a newspaper writer, but I have done a good deal of that work since then.

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