

STATEN ISLAND ADVANCE

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The Sporting Viewpoint by Jim Halliday

First Step

RINGSIDE, Scrawell Sporting Club, Elm Park, N. Y., July 15.—Kid McMurder, heavyweight slugger and slugging heavyweight, took his first step toward a championship fight with Joe Louis here tonight. He knocked out Tom DeLaet, Walker Park playboy contender in two minutes and 15 seconds of the second round.

For entertainment, the fight couldn't have been improved upon. McMurder, shamelessly out of the ring with the rope, entered the ring with a bear, a monkey and two extra chins weighing 22 pounds. DeLaet, a marvelous specimen of physical perfection, took his loss with a pat on the back, tipping the scales at 184 pounds. Tom, as he was called, was a matchmaker's prayer.

When McMurder and DeLaet clinched through the ropes last night they culminated a rather hectic day. The respective handlers had a tough time convincing each other that everything was as it should be, a little difficulty that started when the men weighed in.

To begin with, DeLaet's manager, one Thomas McCormack, wanted until the morning to let his son-in-law, Tom, know that he was to be paid 52 per cent of the gate, or there would be no fight. That was tough on Bruce, who had been living on two tons of beans per week.

Arthur went into a huddle with the informative sparrows who knew McMurder and they agreed that the kid was to get this fight with, even though DeLaet and his brain trust demanded 100 per cent. So, to keep peace in the family, or what had you, the kid agreed to go on for twenty.

Then came the question of a referee. The DeLaet faction wanted Tony Carcan, and they wouldn't hear of it. Instead, instead that Walter Duff, who was asked to referee the fight, was asked to referee the fight.

All that over with, the rival gladiators went home to sleep and await a great crowd assembled for their climactic bout. DeLaet was the first to enter the ring, his spirit buoyed by the music. McMurder followed, and both men came out with a bang.

Former local lights were introduced, including Al Roberts, Eddie Joseph, Ray, Billy Murphy, Eddie Furey and Willie Curry. And when the ceremonies were over, the new McMurder was passed around, being given glowing headlines and anything and everything.

Duffy passed out the working man's fight started. McMurder virtually waded out to meet the knife thrust of attack by DeLaet. Tom circled his man, then barreled home a right to the stomach that went in so far, DeLaet couldn't extricate his arms.

DeLaet pulled himself free and regained his feet as the fight started counting over McMurder. The kid looked none too good, but Arthur looked worse. However, he regained his feet and finished out the round.

The second round settled everything but the confusion that followed. DeLaet and McMurder took to mauling each other about the ring until the kid contemptuously gave voice to the thought that Glenn Miller was a hum. DeLaet charged across the ring, intent upon committing nothing short of murder. The kid staggered out of the way and Tom's run terminated when he banged his head against a ring post in a neutral corner. Down he went and stayed down while Duffy counted the total 10 over him.

Get me something tough next time," barked McMurder, intent on Arthur as they left the ring.

This 'N' That
Normie Turner is set for the opening of his new road to tonight at the Casino arena. A double Island league meeting. Ceremonies have been planned for the occasion. The Silver Lake House League meets to elect officers tonight at the Station academy. Joe Wal, former local pitcher, is doing Saturday at his new South Beach spot. Men were pleasantly surprised on Saturday upon inspecting the Davis arena for the first time. Scatman took over. Bill, who has formal opening scheduled for tomorrow night, has completely renovated the place and within a year will have an additional 100 seats installed. Featuring Wednesday night's program will be a match between Paul Paruso, former Major League champion, and the late Irishman from Manhattan.

Babe Power Takes Fifth Straight Feature Race

Garson Finishes In Second Place At Stadium Track

They Willman Sets Track Record at Thompson's For 10-Laps

It just looks like nobody will be able to halt Babe Power's winning streak, for last night at Thompson's Stadium the Philadelphia speed star scored his fifth consecutive feature midget auto race here before a capacity crowd, turning the 30-lap main event in 7 minutes 24.4 seconds.

Power led the feature race from the start, but was forced to a desperate attempt by Dick Garson to take over the checkered flag with Power having coasted into the finish.

While Garson and Power were battling for the lead, Jim Forte, Charlie Miller and George Fender were waging a terrific fight for the third place, with three drivers coming out of the last turn for the checkered flag with Power having coasted into the finish.

Willman Sets Record
The second qualifying race was the second qualifying race, the Milwaukee mad man, Tony Willman, who broke the track record in 3 minutes 27.2 seconds. This was Willman's first appearance on this track in five years. He was driving a 1935 Ford.

Unfortunately, Willman ran into his usual hard luck and was forced from further competition when it was noted that his gear box had broken during the race. He was replaced by Dick Garson, who was driving a 1935 Ford.

During the running of the feature, the two drivers, Peter and Jim, were out between the third and fourth turn while waiting for the start of the second semi-final.

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Another surprise incident in last night's midget program was "Wide-World" Paul McCormack, driving his first midget auto race of his Indianapolis career, McGuck decided to take a walk to the stadium and came back with the midget, which was in the hands of the stadium, that went in so far, DeLaet couldn't extricate his arms.

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KLUWICKER SHOOT 244
Last night's gathering of the Kluwickers, left to right they are: Jimmy Gallagher, Chisel Club; Dave Pine, tournament manager; Jeannette Nolte, Flagship Five; and Johnny Ralsch, Barker House Five of the S. I. L. The individual winners were Johnny Asara and Martha Freitag.

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Chet Gibbons Pocketed During Semi-Final Race

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Five Horseshoe Matches Carded

Both Island and Richmond Division Teams in Action Tonight

An abundant schedule of five games, bringing into action most of the teams in both the Richmond and Island divisions of the Staten Island Horseshoe League is on tap for tonight at Willowbrook Park.

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Second-Round Matches Appear on Net Card

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