SPORTS SESSION REVIVED BY 2YD

AFTER a lapse of nine months 2YD's sports session is to come on the air again on Thursday, October 24. at 8 p.m. and will be broadcast weekly at the same time after that.

The first session will take the form of a reconstruction of the sort of session which made 2YD justly famous among sportsmen. Opened on April 25, 1937, the station featured sport each week regularly, and often in special programmes, until the end of January this year.

Some idea of the extent of the ground covered will be given this month by the introductory session for the new series. Every sportsman of note who has visited New Zealand is represented in 2YD's extensive library of records. Now that such live sportsmen have become scarce in civil life, the station organisers think themselves exceptionally fortunate in that all material available in the prewar days was prepared for broadcast in the form of records.

Many of the records in the station one library are now irreplaceable. The approach of the Melbourne Cup next month is a reminder, for instance, that 2YD has a record of the voice of Keith Voitre, who died the year after he won the Cup. The Ellis brothers, Tommy George, C. S. Donald, are other racing

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But racing was by no means the only sport followed by the versatile 2YD sportsmen. If any sport was given particular attention, it was Rugby football. Of the nineteen or twenty footballers who have captained All Black teams since 1913, the station has records of 15. One of their greatest prizes is a record carrying the voice of Maurice Brownlee, a star of the Rugby field who has consistently refused to go on the air.

Frank Beaurepaire, who held 33 world's swimming records when he was in 2YD studio, is a sample of the talent secured by this station. Jack Lovelock's voice talks about tips for young distance runners. Every wrestler in the country until this season has left his autographed photograph with 2YD. There was King Kong Cox, who did not understand until they explained the position that it was not sufficient to nod the head in answer to a question in front of the microphone; and Vincent Lopez, who nearly strangled one of the announcers while he was unconcernedly explaining a hold over the air.

Before they settle down to keeping up with topical events, 2YD will allow themselves the luxury in their first session of remembering some of these highlights. They will be worth hearing.

BOXING NOTES

Armstrong Down To Zivic +
Gildo's In-Fighting + Brander
Had "Buckley's Chance"



HERE was never a good man who did not sooner or later meet someone better. From the days of Sullivan to the present time, champions have had to give pride of place to others, with Gene Tunney one of the few exceptions.

The latest to go under is Henry Armstrong, welter-weight champion of the world, known for his smashing tactics and long series of knock-out wins as "Dynamite Henry."

On a recent Saturday afternoon the writer tuned in to an American station and caught the broadcast of the last few rounds of his championship battle with Fritzie Zivic. The thirteenth round was in progress and a badly-battered Henry was reeling under punches that made his own seem feather-duster flips in comparison.

In the last round Armstrong was on the ropes taking the same sort of punishment he had handed out so often. It was a very excited announcer who broadcast the news that "Dynamite Henry" was the welter-weight champion no longer.

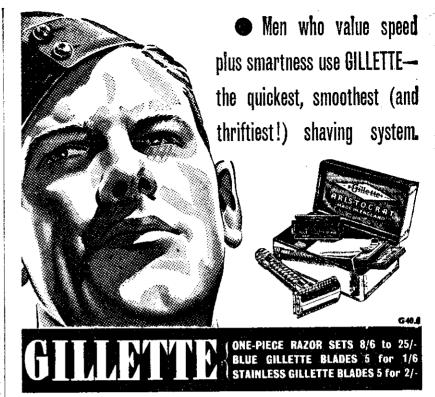
Herman Gildo broke the spell when he met Clarrie Rayner in Wellington and ran out a winner on points at the end of twelve rounds. Rayner had been putting it over Gildo during recent months, but Gildo has yet to admit that any boxer ever had a hoodoo on him.

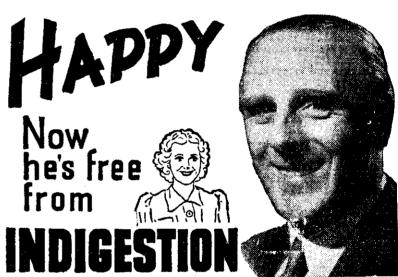
Rayner gave one of his most impressive displays and at long range was the master; but with his head on Rayner's chest and his gloves working overtime with half-arm jolts, Gildo was at home. He is certainly a great in-fighter.

When Les, Brander saw the first round out in his return bout with the Alabama Kid at Auckland, he became full of confidence, although an incident in the first, when Brander claimed that an uppercut had landed low, created a momentary impression that this bout, too, would end. The referee's "box on" smoothed matters over.

Brander was doing fairly well up to the end of the third. In the fourth his mouth guard became jammed in his throat. The negro stood off until the trouble was rectified.

In the fifth round the Kid showed impatience. He sprang out, dropped his right on Brander's chin, and that was the end of the show. The bout proved conclusively that the Australian has only one chance of beating the negro, and that is "Buckley's." There is talk that Brander might be engaged to meet Cliff Hanham but the prospects are that Brander will return to Sydney. At 12.10 he would be somewhat heavy for the Waimate man.





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