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ALL SET FOR RING BATTLE AT SHELBY

Gibbons Will Have Good Will of the Crowd.

Attendance Not So Large as First Looked For—Dempsey Early Away to Scene of Conflict—Government Takes Charge at the Box Office.



CHAMPION DEMPSEY.

IN A NUTSHELL

Shelby, Mont., July 4.—Facts concerning Shelby's premier championship contest today: Principals: Champion Jack Dempsey, age 38 years, weight 182 pounds. Challenger, Tommy Gibson, age 29 years, weight 178 pounds. Time of bout, 3 p. m., Mountain Time. Referee, James Dougherty of Philadelphia. Attendance, Richard T. Burke of New Orleans. Weight of gloves, six ounces. The fight arena covers six acres, seats 40,000 persons, built at cost of \$85,000. Price of tickets, \$20 to \$50.

Shelby Wants Gibbons to Win

Shelby, Mont., July 4.—On edge as the heavyweight title bout between Jack Dempsey and Tom Gibson nears its climax, Shelby is torn by two ardent desires today. One is to see Tom Gibson win. The challenger is an overwhelming favorite with the townspeople, with whom he has been fighting during his training here. Almost to a man they will be cheering for him this afternoon. But if there is anything Shelby would prefer to see, aside from a victory for Gibbons, it is a record breaking crowd at the arena. From present indications the wish is to remain unfulfilled. While streets were crowded last night, general estimates placed the attendance figures for today at 10,000. Optimistic fans are predicting more than that, but fight officials and residents who have witnessed the heart-breaking struggle would keep the crowd here, and the recent uncertainty surrounding the staging of the bout thought the number might be even less. The day promise will be clear and very hot. Fight plans have tapered down to the most minute details. Announcement was made last night that the bout will be held under straight rules of Queensberry rules. This will mean the boxers will be under the injunction "protect yourself at all times." The chancery hold and hitting in a clinch will be barred and the backhand punch will not be permitted. The ring will measure 21 feet square. Gibbons Confident. Gibbons, in top form after three strenuous weeks of training, went for a short walk yesterday, attended a rodeo show last night and spent the rest of the day at home with his family. He is confident of victory. He declared he would have no alibi to offer if he lost, that he had fought for three years for a chance to battle for the heavyweight crown and that he was in the best condition of his ring career. In the heat of the sun and full of energy, Gibbons appears to be at the height of physical perfection. He is his manager, Eddie Kane, said. Gibbons will be seconded by Kane, Bud Gorman and Jimmy Delaney, two of his sparring partners, and Buck Pape, his trainer.

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U. S. OARSMAN HITS BOOM, SPLITS BLADE AND LOSES 10 LENGTHS

Desperate Effort to Overcome Handicap, But is Defeated by Gollan, Deaf Mute—Cable Says St. John Champion Has Excellent Chance to Win the Competition.

(Canadian Press) Henley-on-Thames, July 4.—The most dangerous opponent of Hilton A. Belyea, of St. John, N. B., Canada's champion sculler, in the Diamond Sculls competition was eliminated this morning when Walter M. Hoover of Duluth, defender of the trophy, was defeated in a preliminary heat by D. H. L. Gollan of the Leander Club. Gollan won by three quarters of a length in eight minutes and twenty-four seconds. Belyea, with Hoover eliminated, is now considered to have an excellent chance of winning the competition. He will not row in his preliminary heat until tomorrow.

St. John Keenly Interested In News of Hoover

Gollan, through whose victory the U. S. oarsman loses his title to the Diamond Sculls, which he won in last year's regatta, made his first appearance in sculling races at Cambridge in November, 1919. He was then at First Trinity College and won his heat in a race on the Cam. In his training Gollan, a deaf mute, was given directions by a professional from the river bank by means of signs. Hoover hit a boom with one of his oars in making the course soon after the start and split the blade. He lost ten lengths by the accident, but despite the handicap recovered most of the distance and finished with no daylight between his shell and Gollan's. Hoover was loudly cheered when he pulled to the Englishman's boat and congratulated him.

Word Here That Belyea Went Over Course Three Seconds Faster Than Time Made Today

J. C. Chesley, chairman of the Citizens' Committee who arranged for Hilton Belyea's trip to the Henley, when informed this morning that Hoover had been defeated in the preliminary by Gollan, was delighted. He said that the elimination of Hoover would strengthen Belyea's chances. He said that a week and a half ago Hilton went over the course in eight minutes and twenty-two seconds, which was three seconds better than the time made by Gollan.

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OILING THE WHEELS



Stanley Baldwin: "It's not much, perhaps, but a little drop of oil will make a big wheel go round a lot easier."

DR. TOLMIE NEW ORGANIZER OF CONSERVATIVES

Plans for Union Legislation—Finances—Dominion Brotherhood of Methodist Men in View. Toronto, July 4.—On being informed that the Presbyterian committee of forty-two on union was arranging to meet in Toronto on July 17, the general conference special committee of the Methodist Church, meeting here last night, ordered the calling of the Methodist Committee of forty to meet on July 16 to institute preparations for presenting the church union bills to parliament and the nine legislatures. The special committee which between general conferences has wide powers, also authorized the reviving of efforts to strengthen the union. Each circuit throughout Canada will be asked to vote its proportion of the Methodist church.

Will Open Office in Ottawa—He and Mr. Meighen Plan Speaking Campaign

(Special to The Times) Ottawa, July 4.—Cheered by the success of Hon. G. Howard Ferguson in Ontario, the federal Conservative party has renewed its organizing activity and it was announced here yesterday that Hon. Dr. S. F. Tolmie, M. P. for Victoria, B. C., and Minister of Agriculture in Mr. Meighen's cabinet, has been appointed national organizer of the party in success Dr. J. W. Black, who retired from the position in 1921. It is expected that Dr. Tolmie will open an office here and assume his duties almost immediately. The evening journal last night had a former Liberal, and with an outlook and limited by the narrow horizons of orthodox partisanship, Dr. Tolmie is a strong admirer of Mr. Meighen and his policy. He is expected to be a member of the search party last night.

DOUBLE HEADERS THE ORDER TODAY

Holiday Baseball in the Big Leagues—Giants Recover Stride. New York, July 4.—The two league baseball teams are together again in the winning stride. The Giants, who have been out of step for several days, snapped back into the victory yesterday by defeating the Phillies 4 to 2. The New York Americans continued to add to their wide margin which now separates them from other teams in the American League, when, after fifteen gruelling innings, they drove out the visiting Boston Red Sox and brought defeat to Washington by the close score of 2 to 1. Pittsburgh continued to press the world's champions for first place honors by taking their game with St. Louis 4 to 2. In the American League, after a tenning struggle, Detroit trounced Cleveland 12 to 8, while Chicago was defeating St. Louis 4 to 3. Both Boston teams were idle because of wet grounds, the Braves at Brooklyn and the Red Sox at home with Philadelphia as their scheduled opponents. Double headers are called for on the schedules of all teams in both leagues today.

UNITE VETERANS

A Live Topic to be Discussed at G. W. V. A. Convention in Vancouver. Vancouver, B. C., July 4.—Delegates to the sixth annual convention of the G. W. V. A., heard the annual address of the acting president, Dr. W. B. Sharp of Brampton, Ont., reviewing the achievements of the organization since its inception. The speaker touched on various questions today. Amalgamation of the various veterans' associations is likely to be a live topic, according to some delegates. Oscar Perry, president of the Vancouver branch of the Amputation Association, was warmly applauded when he declared there now existed an excellent opportunity to bring the returned soldiers of Canada under one head.

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ALLIES ACCEPT CHALLENGE OF ISMET PASHA

Lausanne, July 4.—Replying to Ismet Pasha's protest, the Allies have accepted his challenge to discuss at one sitting of the Near East conference all the outstanding questions as soon as final instructions are received from their respective Governments. They have deprecated Ismet's action in communicating his protest to the press before sending it to the Allies. "With regard to the evacuation of foreign troops from Turkish territory, the Allies reiterate that they are favorably disposed, but always subject to a solution of the problems of concessions and the Ottoman debt."

SUZANNE IS WINNER

Wimbledon, July 4.—Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen walked away with her semi-final match with Mrs. Geraldine Beauchamp, winning 6-0, 6-0.

Coal Miners Of Cape Breton Laid Down Their Tools

Join Steel Works Strikers In Protest Against Presence of Troops—Are Violating Act, Says Minister of Labor at Ottawa.

NO WORD YET OF MISSING MAN

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FRANCE REPLIES; HOLDS POSITION

No Solution of Reparations Problem in It.

Way Left Open for Further Negotiations—Position of Belgium and Italy—Second Letter from Pope Relieves Tension.

(Canadian Press) London, July 4.—France's long-awaited reply to the British memorandum on reparations, was presented to French Secretary Marquis Curzon late yesterday afternoon but it offered no solution of the problem. Count De Saint Aulaire, the French Ambassador, in an earnest talk with Lord Curzon lasting nearly an hour and a half, set forth France's views on various phases of the Ruhr question but failed to define in specific terms his country's exact position. It is understood that raised in Lord Curzon's recent questioning. The general verdict of those in a position to know what took place at the conference is that it was "unsatisfactory and inconclusive," but the authorities were quick to add that the way was left open for further discussion. This is taken to mean that the exchange of views will continue for another week and perhaps longer.

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