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SPORT NEWS GLEANED FROM WORLD'S CENTRES

GIBBONS WANTS A RETURN MATCH

Says That He Will Force
Jack Dempsey to
Meet Him.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 28.—Tommy Gibbons plans to force Champion Jack Dempsey into a return engagement for the heavyweight crown by taking on all of the first and second-class heavyweights in the country, he declared recently. Gibbons returned to his home here from a long vaudeville tour which opened about ten days before his fight with Dempsey at Shelby, Mont., on July 4 last.

"It's a shame that a man who was knocked down nine times in the first minute and fifty-seven seconds is to get the first crack at the champion," Gibbons contended. He said Luis Firpo wanted to get a chance with Dempsey before "risking his reputation in the ring with me."

"I would like to get a chance at Firpo just to convince the public that he is not the great fighter he is said to be. He doesn't want any of my medicine at this time," Gibbons asserted. Gibbons predicted that Dempsey would stop the Argentine heavyweight in the first round if the two meet again.

The St. Paul heavyweight was certain that Georges Carpentier, French heavyweight, would be one of his opponents next summer. He said the reason he did not sign with Tex Rickard for a bout with the Frenchman is that Rickard offered him a purse of \$20,000, with no option of a percentage which Gibbons demanded. Other promoters are bidding for the match, Gibbons said.

"KID" WILLIAMS DEFEATS REIMER

Boxer Who Will Appear
Here in Bout Shows
Class.

Several local favorites and three well known boxers from over the border will show their wares to local sports followers at the Armories on New Year's night. The original Irish Kid Williams, the clever New York boxer, will meet Young Jack O'Brien in the final bout. Billy Groff and Andy Young Palmer, of Waltham, will clash in another feature bout. The preliminaries will include local favorites and will be announced on Saturday.

The following account of the Bobby Reimer-Irish Kid Williams' bout, Providence is at hand. Irish Kid Williams outpointed Bobby Reimer at Providence last night. The contest was remarkably interesting from start to finish but at all times was a duel between a most crafty ring-general and a twerger. Science won over strength and in the victory the winner showed more boxing skill than has been shown by the boxing devotees of Providence for many years. The Irishman gave the 6,000 fans that filled the auditorium a real boxing treat, showing ring generalship that is rarely seen except when the top-notchers are in action. He ducked and slipped Reimer's punches so easily that Reimer had the appearance of shadow boxing. He drove Reimer about the ring, cut his left eye and handily won seven out of the ten rounds.

MOUNT ALLISON TEAM WILL BE STRENGTHENED

The Mt. Allison hockey team, which will appear here New Year's night, will be strengthened considerably by former members. Harsler, a former Mt. A. and Dalhousie star, will appear in the line-up. By permission of McGill two of that university's present team and former Mt. A. men, Wise and Glennie, will also play. The team will be captained by "Johnny" MacMillan. These men all were members of the team in 1922 when they won the Summer trophy. Archibald will be in goal for the visitors for a certain number of weeks or months, as might be decided by the Federation after an investigation.

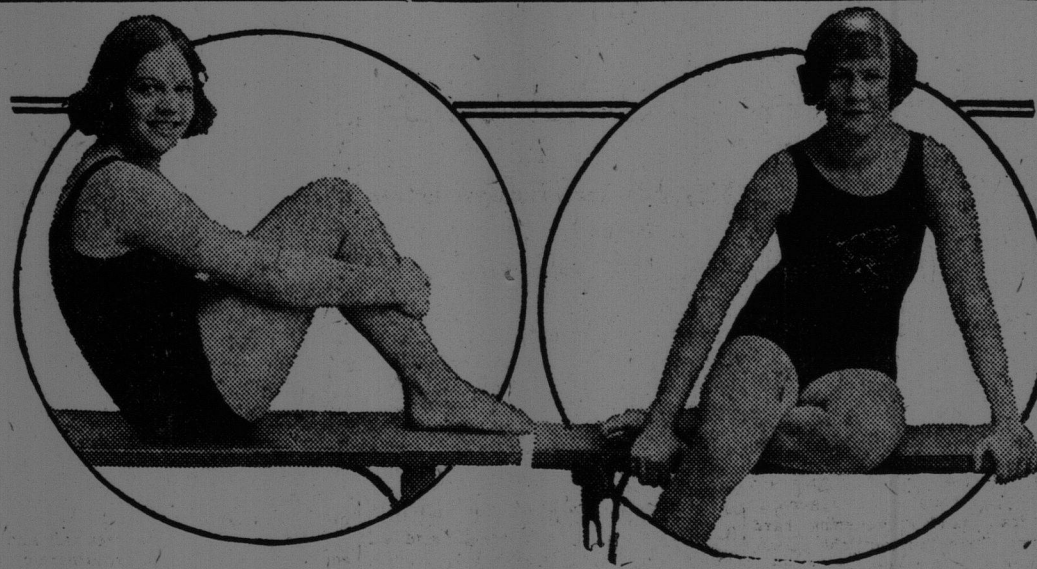
FRENCH BOXING BODY ADOPTS U. S. RULES ON UNFAIR BLOWS

Paris, Dec. 28.—The "one minute rest" granted a boxer in the French ring injured by an involuntary low blow from an adversary, which has been practiced in France since the introduction of boxing, will become a thing of the past Jan. 1. The French Boxing Federation has just decided to adopt the American system, making the referee the sole judge of ring conduct. The Federation felt that an expert boxer has no business to strike a low blow and that his opponent should be given the decision if the referee is convinced the blow was involuntary landed, while in the case of a willful foul the boxer should be disqualified not only for the fight in which he struck the blow but for a certain number of weeks or months, as might be decided by the Federation after an investigation.

OLYMPIC SKI TRIALS TO START AT MINNEAPOLIS ON SATURDAY

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 28.—Four ski runners and a bob-sled team to represent America in the Olympic games in France next month will be selected here Dec. 29 and Jan. 1. Thirty ski runners from all sections of the country will participate in the tryouts here. The two-day programme is expected to draw more than 80,000 persons from the Northwest, in which territory skiing is firmly entrenched as a winter sport. Four events, a long-distance skiing event of fifty kilometers, and twelve to eighteen kilometre races, the ski jumping contest and a combined race will be held. The four winners automatically will become the United States entrants in the bob-sled competition.

Sisters Win Titles Same Night



MARJORIE TAYLOR

FRANCES TAYLOR

Great swimmers seldom come in clusters. However, the Smith sisters of Columbus, O., formed a great swimming pair. Now come the Taylor sisters of Pittsburgh to rival them. The two Taylors, Marjorie and Frances, scored notable triumphs in a recent meet when the former won the junior championship of the Allegheny Mountain Association and the latter won the senior title. Both won their titles at the same meet, on the same night and in consecutive tries.

U. N. B. TEAM WINS BY SCORE OF 3 TO 1

Richard, Reid and Fleet
Score Goals That Defeat
Boston College.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 27.—Boston College hockey team, conquerors of McGill, 1 to 0, this year, went down to defeat to a team carrying the University of New Brunswick colors here tonight, 3 to 1. The Canadian team outclassed the Boston sextette and inspired in the locals a desperate effort in the final period, to wrest victory from defeat by playing a five man offense.

The first goal of the game was scored by Richards of U. N. B. in the first period, with ten seconds to go. Foley of the Bostonians evened the score in the second period when he knocked the puck into the net from a scrimmage in front of the visitors goal, two minutes and fifteen seconds after play started. Bidlake, U. N. B.'s net man, was kept busy during the period and played a stellar game.

The Canadians added two more to their score in the third period, Reid in the first minute and Fleet in the second, and Fleet in 14 minutes and 30 seconds.

Fitz Gerald, local goal keeper, was put off the ice for the rest of the game when he fell on the ice and stopped a shot after three New Brunswick players had carried the puck down to the ice.

The line-up: Boston College

Bidlake Goal Fits Gerald
R. Wing Groden
Keoughan L. Wing Culhane
Fleet Centre Foley
Wade Defence Mahoney
Richardson Mullarney
Referee—Stewart and Geran.

MATHEWSON IS NOW OPTIMISTIC

Believes Trades Will Greatly
Strengthen the Boston
Braves.

Boston, Dec. 28.—Christy Mathewson, president of the Boston National League club, once the greatest pitcher of his time, pressed for a story about his team, gave out the following: "Boston is one of the best, if not the best, sport town in the country, and is entitled to a good team. It did it this year. We actually played worse at home than we did while on the road."

"I believe that Boston benefited in all three trades recently made. Jesse Barnes and Catcher Smith were decided acquisitions. In Bancroft we got one of the greatest shortstops of the day. We had to give up a mighty good man in Southworth, but in McMillan and Stengle we got combined batting and fielding strength to offset that loss. The Philadelphia deal brought us a hard hitting infielder, and that punch we needed most. The trouble with the Boston club of last year was it lacked offensive power."

"We wanted to trade and pay cash to boot, but every club in the league is in the same frame of mind. Those up in the race are trying to make sure to stay up there; those in the second division are hanging on like grim death to every tried prospect."

"We have a lot of promising young pitchers, in my opinion as good as any in the league. Cooney, Dumovitch, McNamara and Benton comprise this quartette. Lucas, secured from San Antonio, looks the best of our rookie hurlers. We have high hopes of him."

"Why did I prefer a player-manager to any other? Why, simply because I have noticed that they have been more successful, as a general rule, than the bench managers. Frank Chaney and Fred Clark, for instance, were wonderfully successful. I believe that in Bancroft I have a type something between that of McGraw and Moran that should succeed. From my talks with him and exchange of views, I feel sure we have the right man in Benny."

Airplane service in the interior of Alaska has cut the time to make the trip from Fairbanks to Livengood from fifty hours by trail to fifty minutes.

Charlie Gorman Is Skating Well

Is Training Faithfully Every Day
On Lily Lake.

Charlie Gorman, the only Canadian skater going to the Olympics, is training faithfully every day on Lily Lake, and from all indications is going better than ever. His workouts with Everett McGowan show that he is fast rounding into form, and if weather conditions remain favorable until he sails for France he should be ready to carry the Canadian colors to the fore in the great world classic. Many admirers are on hand daily to see him perform, and all feel confident that he will soon be ready for the big contests.

NEW YORK WILL HAVE ICE PALACE

Tex Rickard to Have Large
One Erected for Next
Season.

New York, Dec. 28.—New York will regain its place in the hockey snow next winter. Tex Rickard, promoter of the game at the St. John Amateur Skating Association under which the bouts are being held, has contracted to erect a huge ice palace at the corner of Seventh avenue and 67th street, New York. The new palace will be ready by next December. Plans and specifications of the Boston Arena will be followed in the erection of the new rink. Hockey will be fostered on a large scale.

This means that the amateur team that represents New York in the American Hockey Association will be recruited from the Ontario Hockey Association, conforming, of course, with every rule and regulation in the league regarding residence, etc.

Then, too, before next winter arrives, professional hockey will have been pepped up to such an extent that the time will be ripe to put a New York team in the National Hockey Association with the other Canadian teams and possibly Boston.

ZBYSKO LOST BOUT TO SCHIKAT

Big Pole was Tossed Out of
the Ring—Unable to
Continue.

Boston, Dec. 28.—Richard Schikat, the European wrestling champion, defeated Waldek Zbyzsko, the Polish giant, in the feature bout at Mechanics' Building Tuesday night after 2 hours 18 minutes on the mat.

Zbyzsko was tossed out of the ring after the long session and was unable to resume hostilities, and referee ordered a decision rendered for Schikat.

In the other bouts Frank Judson beat Jack Finski in 14 minutes. Renato Gardini beat Joseph Stocco in the same time. Dr. Stegke won over Arley Bogulus in 18 minutes.

LOCAL CURLERS TO PLAY NEW YEAR'S

Local curling clubs are looking forward to a successful season this winter and with the recent frost snap, the ice at the rinks is fast rounding into shape for matches which are scheduled both for St. Andrew's and Thistles on New Year's Day. A meeting of members of the Thistle Club has been called for next Monday evening at the rink to arrange the New Year's Day programme.

KID INFELDER TO JOIN THE GIANTS

Will be the Youngest Player
at Any Major League
Training Camp.

New York, Dec. 28.—McGraw said that in Fred Lindstrom, the second baseman whom he bought from Toledo, he would have probably the youngest player at any major league camp. Lindstrom celebrated his 18th birthday last month. He is a big youngster, built along the lines of Traynor of the Pirates and according to Royer Bresnahan, can play third and short as well as second.

"I look for great things from this kid, who attracted the attention of every scout in the country," said McGraw. "All the clubs tried to buy him and Bill Terry, but they had been promised to us. Jake Weimer, the old pitcher, came to me two years ago in Chicago and tipped me off to Lindstrom, who was playing with Loyola College out there."

"I said to Jake: 'What are you trying to do? Send me in the kid?' But Jake insisted that this 16-year-old kid was a comer, so I told Bresnahan to get him and take him to Toledo. In 1922 Lindstrom broke a finger and did not touch much. But last season he proved a hummer."

"I liked the way he hit. At the short of the season he was down to 240. Soon he climbed to 255. When the next set of averages appeared Lindstrom was up to 270. Then he was at 285. Gradually he reached the 295 mark and in the last month of the season was well above 300—and stayed there."

HOPPE ARRANGES GAMES
New York, Dec. 28.—Willie Hoppe has completed arrangements for exhibition games which will serve to get him in shape for the challenge match for the world's 182 title, which will be played against Walker Cochran on Jan. 10, 11 and 12. On Jan. 7 and 8 he will play a 1,200-point match against a leading semi-professional at George Slosson's Academy in Boston, and on Jan. 9, the day before the Cochran match, he tentatively is scheduled to play in New Haven. However, the New Haven engagement is subject to change, as the champion at the last minute may decide to take a day of rest before engaging in the title match.

Cochran will play exhibition matches in Philadelphia on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

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SASKATOON TAKES LEAD.
Saskatoon, Dec. 28.—The Saskatoon Crescents jumped into the lead of the Western Canada Hockey League here last night when they took the measure of the champion Edmonton Eskimos, 8 to 2, in an overtime game.

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GAMES IN CITY BOWLING LEAGUES

Results of Last Evening's
Candle Pin Matches on
Local Alleys.

CITY LEAGUE.	
In the City League last evening, the Y. M. C. A. team took three points from the Victorias. The scores were:	
Victorias.....	Total Avg.
Bentley.....	78 101 76 203 81-2
Bowdler.....	78 117 73 268 81-3
Covey.....	71 78 90 239 86-1-3
Thurston.....	89 92 85 266 88-2-3
Minchener.....	100 77 93 270 90-3
Sommerville.....	84 90 81 255 85
429 477 417 1313	

Y. M. C. A.	
Foshay.....	91 84 88 268 81-3
Roxborough.....	83 84 76 243 81-3
Copp.....	91 78 90 259 86-1-3
Jenkins.....	98 106 116 320 108-2-3
McDonnald.....	71 88 73 232 85
Sommerville.....	78 85 89 252 85
451 484 484 1359	

C. N. R. EXPRESS LEAGUE.

In the C. N. R. Express League last evening Team No. 4 took four points from Team No. 5. The scores were:	
Team No. 4.....	Total Avg.
Ricketts.....	85 101 74 260 85-2-3
Vincent.....	77 70 63 210 70
Smith.....	74 77 77 228 76
G. Hustin.....	73 76 74 223 74-1-3
McNiven.....	82 88 85 255 84-1-3
391 410 373 1174	

Team No. 5.	
Stafford.....	68 68 67 203 71-2-3
Turner.....	77 72 73 222 75-2-3
R. Hustin.....	60 65 65 190 63-1-3
McDonnald.....	71 88 73 232 85
Carpenter.....	83 76 71 230 76-2-3
359 333 359 1057	

The clinic of the New York University Medical College gives bacteriology instruction treatments for rheumatism.

BOXING Armories, New Year's Night

At 8.30 Sharp

Read over the programme for this Special Holiday Show then use your own judgment as to what sort of battling will be on tap. Double main bouts.

10-ROUNDS—LIGHT WEIGHT

IRISH KID WILLIAMS vs. YOUNG JACK O'BRIEN
New York, An Irish fighter, conqueror of Frankie Buff, Sammy Seliger, Kid Dube, Tony Julian, Salior Byron, Barney Ryan, Sid Marks, Charlie Parker, Eddie Wallace, Puggy Montroy, Bobby Reimer, Johnny McIntyre and others.

8-ROUNDS—WELTER WEIGHT

BILLY GROFF vs. ANDY (YOUNG) PALMER
of Winnipeg, Canada's most colorful of fighters, won over Batling Christensen in three rounds. Put up good battles with Healy and McIntyre. Has good Boston record.

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Get your Reserved Seats at once. Every live boxing fan in St. John will be on hand to see this special show, so if you would assure yourself of a good seat get your reservations at once. No advance in price. Reserved seats on sale at Herman's Tobacco Store, Charlotte Street; Union Quick Lunch, Union Street; Young's Restaurant, King Square and at the Armories on New Year's night. 12-31

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WOULD IMPROVE ENGLISH RACING

London Writer Advocates
That All Horses Appear
in Parade.

Although with the close of the flat racing season in England there is evidence of the jealous care with which the stewards of the Jockey Club have carried out their duties, and often delicate duties, suggestions are being made by close critics of the sport whereby it may undergo still greater improvement in 1924. It is possible that some of these measures may be adopted because the stewards, while paying due heed to the traditions of the sport, have shown that they are ready to adopt a progressive policy, being fully alive to the necessities arising out of the continual development of the business side of racing.

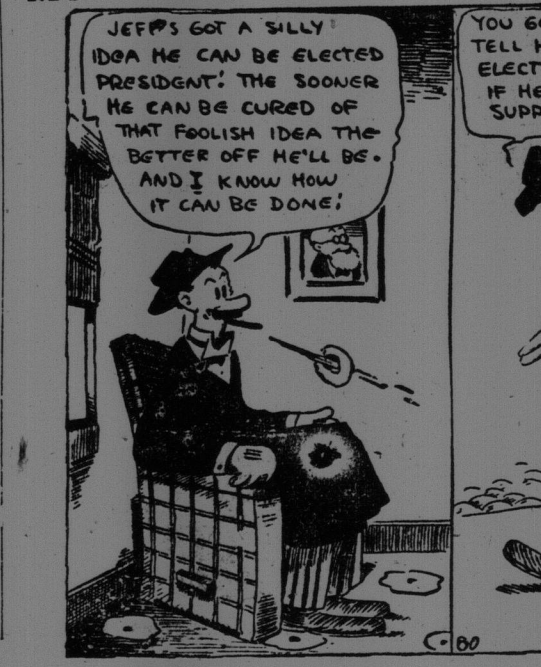
Lord Londsdale's suggestion that "steps should be taken for preventing the overcrowding of the parade ring is welcome," says the London Field, editorially, "but we would, at the same time, suggest that such measures as may seem advisable for insuring, unless adequate excuse be forthcoming, the presence of the horses themselves in the parade ring, might be taken. In inspection of the horses affords great pleasure to very many people, of whom no inconsiderable portion pay for admission to the paddock, simply because it is there that the horses are to be seen. Owners and trainers, at best, are ever, who seem to consider it necessary to keep their horses away from public scrutiny as much as possible, and we may add that the practice obtains more at Newmarket than elsewhere."

"Putting forward with much diffidence suggestions of our own, we would like to see a wider distribution of financial recognition to breeders of winning horses in weight-for-age races, and would again draw attention to the alowance of weight made to geldings. It is true that geldings play a useful part in the general scheme of racing, equally true that by their performances they do at times draw attention to the value of strains of blood which might otherwise have been neglected. They are, however, imperfect animals, at best, by reason of their imperfectly certain advantages from a trainer's point of view, inasmuch as, being less apt to develop heavy crests and tops, the strain on their joints and tendons is diminished, nor do they require so much work as entire horses."

"To these advantages we now make addition of an allowance in weight—a proceeding which is to our mind logical and is, in fact, tantamount to putting a premium on cracked chins and broken bones. It is more or less generally assumed that other things being equal, geldings are inferior to entire horses in courage and general racing ability. Even if this theory is accepted, we do not see why an allowance of weight should be made to the imperfect animal. Our thoroughbred breeders, however, are in the hope that they will win races—but they are also bred in the hope that, having given proof of soundness of limb and constitution on the training grounds, and of the possession of speed, stamina and courage on the racecourse, they may in due course become fit reproductions of their kind. This being so, it seems to us to be another argument against the continuance of a protective tariff in favor of geldings. For its resolute dispatching of the winner of the Derby to America to take part in a race against whichever of the American three-year-olds might be selected to battle with him. The conditions of the contest were such that every advantage was on the side of the American colt, and, as had been anticipated, the winner of the Derby was hopelessly beaten, the result having no possible bearing on the respective merits of the American versus English three-year-olds. From first to last the whole affair was a mere travesty of sport, and Lord Durbam may be said to have voiced general opinion when he expressed himself as being 'rather surprised and disappointed at the result of this foolish enterprise.'"

GIRL PLUNGES TO A WORLD'S RECORD
New York, Dec. 28.—Miss Dorothy McWood of Michigan College earned for the United States another aquatic world's record when she plunged 68 feet in the prescribed time limit of one minute at a water carnival in the pool of the Detroit Y. M. C. A., a few days ago. The former international standard of 67 feet 11 inches was held by Miss Hilda Dand of England.

MUTT AND JEFF—STONE



THIS IS KILLING TWO DUCKS WITH ONE



By "BUD" FISHER



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