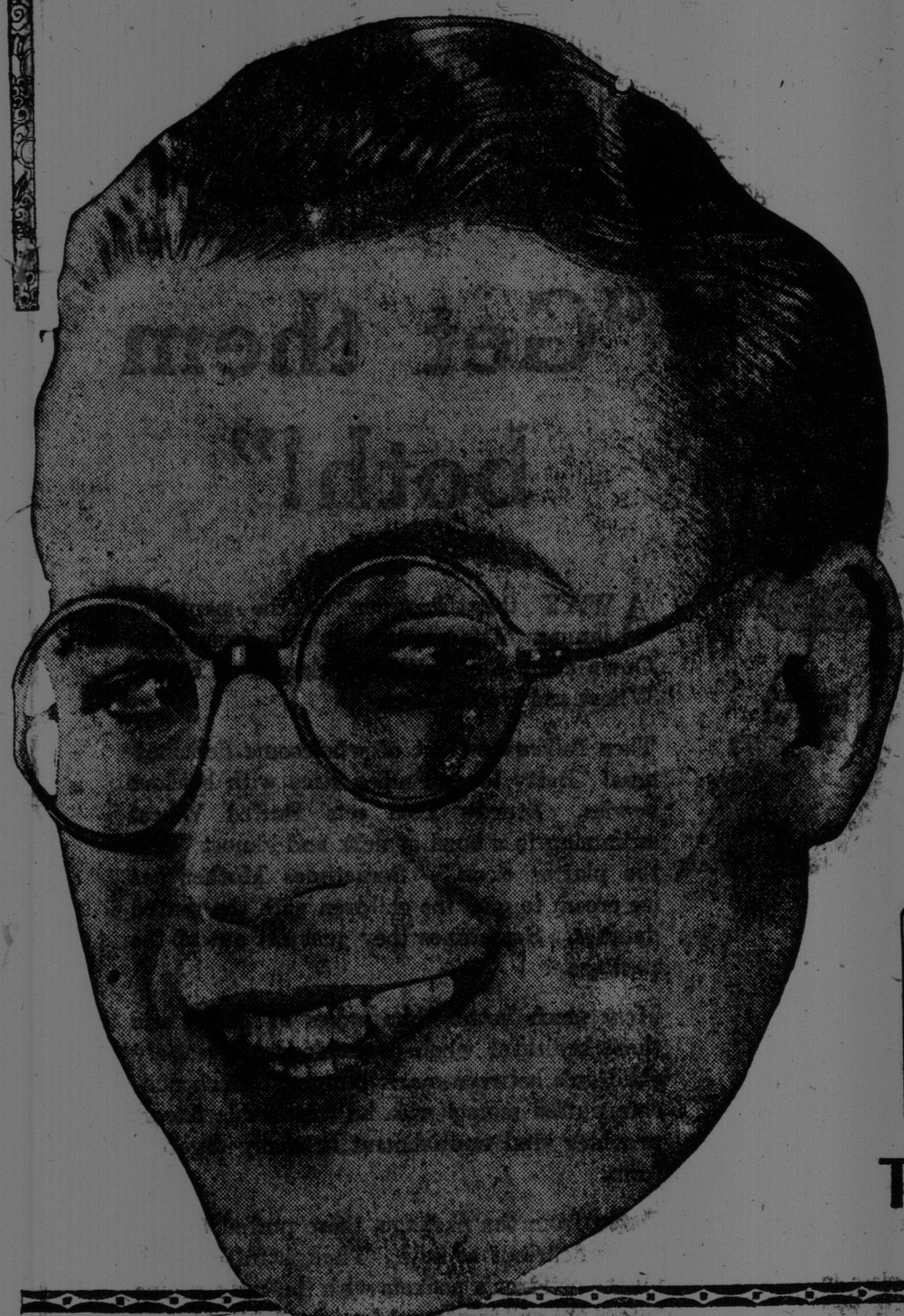


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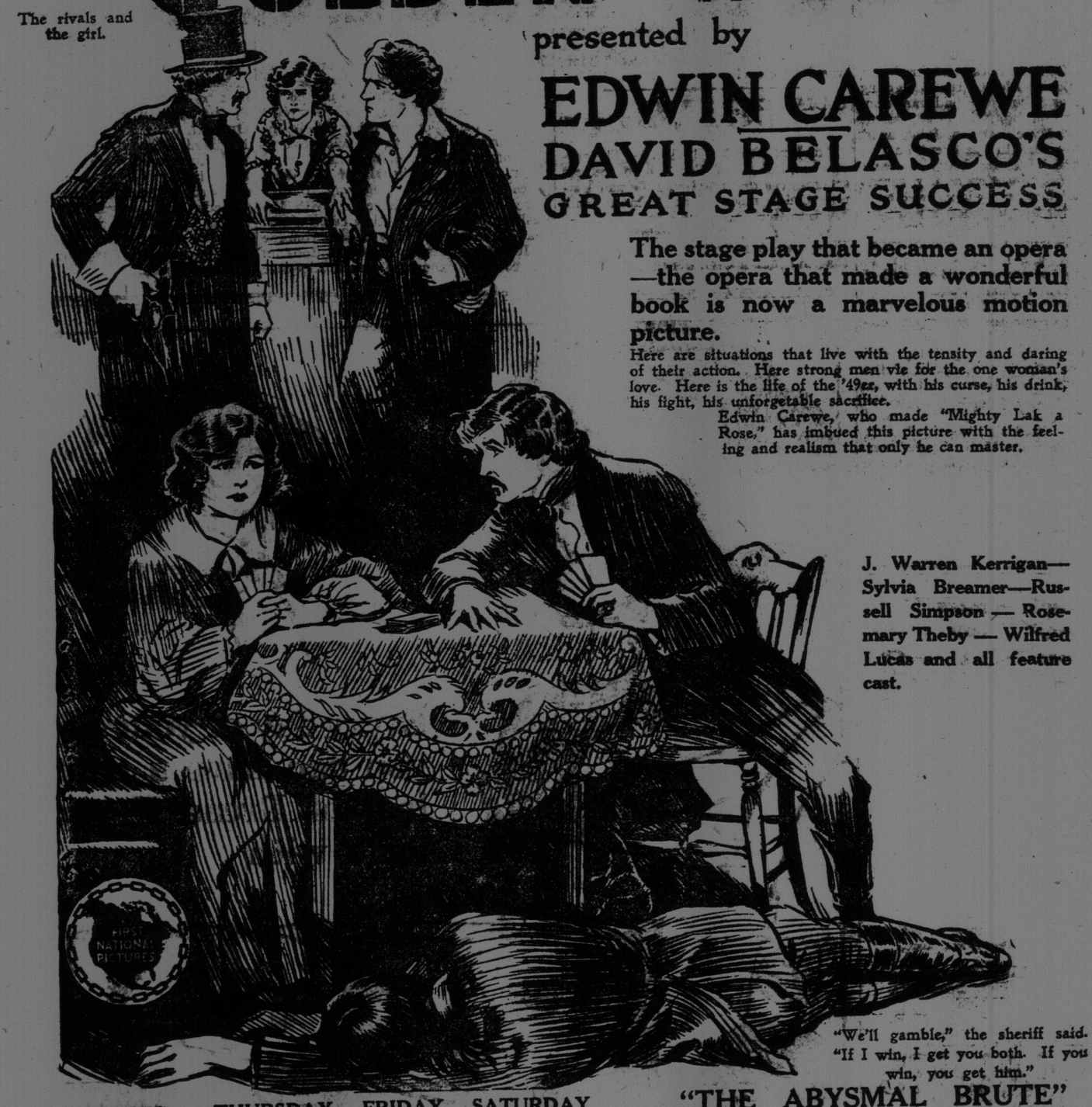
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Champion Wears a Head-guard to Protect Cut Eye While Boxing Six Rounds—Shows Punching Power

(New York Times.)
Great Falls, Mont., June 16.—Jack Dempsey has entered upon the serious part of his training for the defence of his title against Tom Gibbons on July 4. The world's heavyweight champion went through seven rounds of work on Thursday before a full-sized crowd, and thrilled the spectators with an exhibition of his hitting prowess. Dempsey started his round—two round each with George Godfrey, Jack Burke and Harry Drake. Before donning the sparring gloves Dempsey went through one round of shadow boxing to limber up.
Against Godfrey and Drake Dempsey's hitting prowess was shown. Godfrey was felled by a left hook, followed by a right cross to the jaw. Drake, who was the last of the men in the ring with the champion, was driven groggy and helpless against the ropes in a neutral corner of the ring by a left hook and right swing to the chin. Against Burke Dempsey had no opportunity to demonstrate his hitting strength. The Pittsburgher was fast and elusive, and avoided the heaviest punches.
The workout was shorter than those to which Dempsey had been accustomed. The champion eliminated the fast bag and heavy bag punching. The day's exercise was mainly for the purpose of limbering up after the champion's respite from sparring for the past week, and the weather was a trifle cooler than it has been in a week. The champion worked in an indoor ring which was flooded by sunshine tempered by a light wind.
Dempsey's Defence Poor.
The workout showed that defensively and in punching accuracy and timing, the champion is not quite up to his standard. Godfrey and Burke punctured Dempsey's defence with right hand swings and right uppercuts to the face and landed with rights to the body.
Boxing critics, who compared the Dempsey of today with the Dempsey of two years ago at Atlantic City, found a marked difference from a physical viewpoint. Dempsey today does not appear as rugged and strong as the husky champion who prepared for Georges Carpentier at the New Jersey resort. In other respects, however, Dempsey is impressive.
The champion faced Godfrey in the first sparring session and started with greater vigor than he has exhibited in any previous workout here. Lashing out furiously with left hooks and right crosses, Dempsey drove his colored sparring mate to the ropes in the first five seconds and then pummeled Godfrey about the ring under a volley of punches which had the negro bewildered. A left hook made Godfrey's knees sag and a glancing right sent the negro down on his hands and knees. Dempsey quickly stepped forward, assisted Godfrey to his feet and the pair resumed milling. The champion foreviolently at Godfrey's mid-section and pounded him rights to the heart and wind which carried considerable force. Godfrey, however, stuck to his guns

and at times stopped the champion's rushes with rights driven against an unprotected jaw as Dempsey rubbed his wide open.

Burke was the next to face the champion, and the two went through a lively six minutes of work. The Pittsburgher, however, proved a more elusive target for Dempsey's attempts for the jaw and stood up well under the champion's body drives. Repeatedly, too, Burke connected with right to the body and face.

Drake Is Groggy.

Against Drake, Dempsey worked quickly in the first round, and in the second had the English heavyweight in retreat. Near the end of the second round, as Drake was backing away, Dempsey landed with a left hook and followed with a right to the jaw which sent Drake helpless against the ropes, his arms hanging limply at his sides and his jaw absolutely unprotected. Dempsey rushed in quickly and pulled Drake's head on his shoulder, clinching until the English boxer's head cleared. Then the champion took things easy, pecking at Drake's face with a left jab and brushing his right over occasionally. The jabbing started a stream of blood from Drake's nose and at the call of "time," Drake's face was a bloody smear. After the outdoor workout Dempsey returned to his living quarters for a session of body calisthenics in which he engaged every day before receiving his rub down.

Dempsey worked with a headguard on as a protection for his injured eye. Before donning the protecting leather affair Dempsey treated his eye to an application of collodion, and covered the wound with cotton dipped in the fluid. The injury appears to have entirely healed now. The athletes have been removed and Dempsey said the eye was all right, but at the same time the champion does not want to invite a re-opening of the wound, and has decided on the use of the head guard until thoroughly satisfied the wound has healed entirely.

The workout marked the entrance of Dempsey upon the hardest part of his preparation for Tom Gibbons. According to the programme announced by Manager Jack Keegan, Dempsey will continue daily workouts without interruption from now until two or three days before the bout in Shelby.

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