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DEMPESEY AND GIBBONS READY FOR GONG IN BIG FIGHT

WORLD'S TITLE BATTLE NOT EXPECTED TO DRAW MONEY-MAKING CROWDS

Last Predictions From Shelby Place Attendance at Today's Fight at 15,000.

BOTH MEN ON EDGE

Dempsey and Gibbons Assert They Are in Shape To Fight Battle of Their Lives.

By HENRY L. FARRELL.

Special to The Advertiser.

Shelby, Mont., July 4.—In the big white pine saucer out here on the Montana plains, Jack Dempsey this afternoon answers another challenge for his world's heavyweight crown.

U. J. at daybreak, this little town swelled to a hundred times its population, besieged the big arena with its 40,000 seating capacity to see what Dempsey is going to do with his latest competitor, Tommy Gibbons.

The Irish lad from St. Paul. In a circus setting—hotel tents, hot dog vendors, concessionaires, pennants, flags, milling, excited crowds—the pre-fight scene was set.

Over at Great Falls, Jack Dempsey and his manager, Alvin Karpis, met with the Shelby boxing commission and agreed upon a set of rules that will permit either one of the fighters to hit any time anywhere above the belt.

The rabbit punch, the kidney punch and other questionable blows will be permitted, and the contestants shall protect themselves at all times—which means there will be hitting in the clinches and breaking away.

Ring Engaged. This gives the rugged Dempsey a decided advantage, because he always does his most effective work at close quarters. Upon the insistence of Eddie Karpis, the referee, who had changed the ring and made it 21 feet inside of the ropes, instead of 15 feet, as it was originally built.

This will give Gibbons more room to keep away from the man-killing champion in the early rounds.

Promoters—those same promoters who wished and watched unsuccessfully for the last \$300,000 of Dempsey's \$300,000 purse—say there will be 15,000 spectators at the ring side. It seems at least that many seats will be filled. The eating houses were crowded, and it was impossible to get into any place to drink unless you stood in line for an hour.

The cowboys, with their hair pants, gave the wild west atmosphere to the picture. There was plenty of liquor and good beer being handed around, and no one seemed to pack a third that could not be quenched.

This all lent a more jubilant spirit to the occasion and helped to characterize the last few days before the fight, when it did not seem certain that it would be staged.

The big fight will get under way at 3 p.m., mountain standard time. The arena opens at 10 a.m., and the first preliminary bout starts at noon.

While Gibbons prevails as the sentimental favorite here, most of the critics who have watched the champion and his challenger all through their training were of the opinion that Gibbons had only one chance to win, and that one chance depended upon his style of attack.

Both in Great Shape. Gibbons said this morning that he had his plan firmly in mind, and that he felt sure he knew how to beat the champion. Tommy said he knew he

Today's Fight

Dempsey and Gibbons enter the ring in Shelby, Montana, this afternoon at 3 o'clock, mountain time, equivalent to 5 o'clock London time.

Some results from the battle may arrive in time for publication in The Sporting Green Advertiser at 6 o'clock. Returns will be posted on Advertiser bulletin boards as soon as they come to hand, and Thursday morning's paper will contain a complete account written by two specially engaged ring authorities, together with the victor's own story of how he won.

Watch The Sporting Green. The Advertiser bulletin boards, and Thursday morning's Advertiser.

MAYOR APPROVES PLAN TO CONVERT TO ONE-MAN CARS

Street Railway Company To Remodel Six of Their Older Vehicles.

BETTER SERVICE

Council Ready To Work With Company in Interests of Citizens.

Mayor Wenige views favorably the latest request from the London Street Railway corporation to convert six of their older cars into vehicles of the one-man variety.

"I think the idea is good," his worship stated, "I stand for service all the time. I don't care if the street railway company can operate its cars without any men at all just as long as they can maintain a decent transportation for the general public."

The mayor believes now that the company is making a real honest endeavor to maintain and actually improve their present service.

"Once again I say that it is 1923," he says. "And I can see that the company seems to be making a larger effort than ever before to do the right thing. Why interfere with them or hamper them if they want to improve their service?"

At the next regular session of the franchise committee, the councillors will consider and, from present indications, will approve the company's proposal about one-man cars.

It is more than likely that Ald. Judd's suggestion will be followed. The company suggests employing their new center-door cars with one man during the slack periods, but the council thinks that it would be more satisfactory, and a great deal safer to leave two men on these cars and convert six old cars into one-man cars in lieu of three as suggested by the company.

The latter was favorably impressed with this alternative.

The proposed change in the equipment would take a considerable period, he explained, as it was intended to practically build over the old structures. "We will spend in the neighborhood of \$3,000 a car," he explained. "But the cars will be almost like new, and will materially improve our service."

Mayor Wenige insists that during 1923 at least, the street railway company appreciates the fact that increased service by the company is in their interest as well as the citizens.

CROPS AND TREES DESTROYED BY ICE IN GREAT STORM

Hail and Wind Whips St. Thomas District, Inflicting Heavy Loss.

AGED MAN SUCCUMBS

Charles Ross Dies at School Picnic When Storm Breaks.

The severeness of yesterday afternoon's thunderstorm that hovered over London for a while, and then seemed to move in a southeasterly direction, was not apparent to Londoners, but St. Thomas suffered greatly. Orchards and crops, from Mill Creek bridge to Pinafore Park, and in other sections several miles in area, were destroyed.

In certain areas hail as big as hickory nuts fell covering the ground to the depth of a foot or more. Train crews on L. & P. S. cars arriving in St. Thomas late in the afternoon had visions of winter realistically revived when they saw in the vicinity of Mill Creek bridge, a few miles from Pinafore Park, large drifts of hail that had been swept over the tracks by the wind and rain. The usual depth was a foot, the members of crews state, and in places even the hail was massed as easily as two feet deep.

Farmers and gardeners residing north of St. Thomas declare that it was the worst hail storm in several years. The full force of the storm was felt in a stretch two miles wide and from ten to fifteen miles long, and in this district, whole fields of grain and corn were laid level.

Orchards Suffer. Orchards also suffered to a great extent, and many trees were stripped of every bit of fruit, rendering this fall's fruit crop in certain sections a total loss. In some places reports have been received that barn fowl were killed by the heavy stinging storm and the hail also lay deep on the ground as the storm passed.

It is doubtful if any picnic party ever experienced such excitement as the children of the Southwood town ship school, who gathered in Pinafore Park yesterday for their annual outing. At times the storm was partial, and the children in the park, and a tree near the pavilion was struck by lightning. An unfortunate climax of the picnic was the sudden death of a 12-year-old white girl who succumbed to heart trouble as he was preparing to return home. It is thought that the severity of the storm and the excitement caused by it is in some measure responsible for his untimely passing.

In speaking to The Advertiser this morning, Mr. E. Richardson, the general manager of the London and Port Stanley Railway, said that they were fortunate in being able to maintain their usual passenger service, although the trains had to go through the worst of the storm.

Hail Deep on Ground. Mr. Richardson corroborated reports from the stricken districts that the hail was a foot and a half and even two feet deep in some places. He passed over the road during the storm, he said, and he himself saw fields of grain on both sides of the track beaten down by the hail.

"The fall of hail seemed to be the worst from the Mill Creek bridge right up to Pinafore Park," the general manager said. "The ground was obliterated and the ice on the tracks in some places made me think of the snow storms last winter."

The hail storm didn't include St. Thomas proper, Mr. Richardson stated, although Pinafore Park suffered to some extent. "The hail was on the outskirts of the city appeared unobtrusive and seemed to point that the fall of hail stopped at Pinafore Park."

Mr. Richardson returned to London about 9 o'clock last night and at that hour the hail was four and five inches deep in many places, he asserted.

HUNGARY'S WAR PREMIER PLANS TO LIVE IN CANADA

Associated Press Despatch. London, July 4.—Count Karolyi, who was premier of Hungary for six months towards the end of the war, has arrived in Great Britain on his way to Canada. He intends to settle in Montreal or Toronto, where he will educate his three children in English.

Think Storm Loss In West Will Amount To \$1,000,000

Hail on Sunday Evening Guts Swath in Crops For 150 Miles by Five Miles in Alberta.

Canadian Press Despatch. Lethbridge, Alta., July 4.—Estimates of the damage done by Sunday evening's big hail storm, which cut a swath approximating 150 miles by five miles from Midnapore to the Milk River Ridge in Southern Alberta, cannot be arrived at with any degree of satisfaction for a number of reasons.

First of these is that the storm occurred so early in the crop season



NOTED BAND VISITS LONDON. Bandmaster Broughton, Col. Morehen, Ensign Hicks, and Mayor Wenige snatched by The Advertiser staff photographer at the C. N. R. station this morning. Bandmaster Broughton and Ensign Hicks are in charge of the Flirt band, which arrived in London to play two concerts, this afternoon and this evening.

Mayor To Call Convention To Plan Commission Rule

Formally Authorizes Meeting of Ontario Municipal Representatives To Deal With New Form of Government.

As requested by Mayor Wenige, and in accordance with his inaugural address, the city council has formally authorized a convention in this city to formulate a standardized commission form of government.

Whether years ago was made by the government for legislation to permit this change in municipal administration but failure was encountered because the several towns and cities submitted different propositions.

Londoners voted four years ago to inaugurate the commission form of city government.

LYNCH YOUNG NEGRO FOR ATTACKING GIRL

Two Hundred People Snatch Prisoner From Police of Texas.

Associated Press Despatch. Schulenburg, Texas, July 4.—Two hundred citizens of Fayette, Colo., and Lavaca County late yesterday took Jesse Bullock, 25-year-old negro, from the city marshal and hanged him to a tree on Main street after a 12-year-old white girl had identified him as having attacked her.

Members of the mob claimed that Bullock admitted guilt and the rope was placed about his neck.

THINK LYNCHED NEGRO BROTHER OF M. BULLOCK

Canadian Press Despatch. Hamilton, July 4.—Friends with whom Matthew Bullock stayed here while fighting extradition to North Carolina, where he said he would be lynched, believe that Jesse Bullock, who was lynched at Schulenburg, Texas, was a brother of the famous Matthew.

In Bolshevik Prisons

Princess Tatiana Kourakine, cousin of the Russian counter-revolutionary general Wrangel, has written the story of her arrest, her sentence and reprieve, her re-arrest and detention as a hostage, her trial for communicating with Wrangel and jail term in Moscow, and her eventual flight from Russia to Poland, whence her young son, a boy of 17, has succeeded in preceding her.

It is a story of Red and White crammed with thrills.

The first installment will appear in Saturday's Advertiser.

FEAR FOR SAFETY OF SYDNEY MINES WITH PUMPS IDLE

Company Officials Take Over Work in Attempt To Save Pits.

TEN THOUSAND IDLE

Company Declares Trouble Is Between Workers and Government.

Sydney, N.S., July 4.—With over 10,000 men on strike in the Cape Breton industrial area, the night passed without serious disturbance so far as police and municipal officials have been able to ascertain this morning.

In the coal fields relays of pickets organized on a military basis are closely guarding the 22 collieries of the British Empire Steel Corporation but no attempt is being made to work the mines. Company officials, who have been bringing out horses and trying to keep the pits pumped have not so far been interfered with.

Semi-official information from Besco sources indicate that the company regards the trouble as between the men and the company, inasmuch as their avowed demand is for the removal of the mill and provincial police who were sent here by the two governments respectively.

The strikers have abandoned the fight to save the big coal bank at New Aberdeen, where a huge pile of over 20,000 tons of coal has been on fire for the past 10 days. No disturbance has occurred at the steel plant or the coal mines, and no move toward a settlement has been made by either side since the informal conference between Hon. D. A. Cameron and the strike leaders here yesterday afternoon.

OFFICIALS WORK PUMPS.

Special to The Advertiser. Company officials will take over the maintenance work and endeavor to keep the pumps, fans and power houses in operation to save the mines. During the last strike the pits were allowed to flood and incalculable damage was done the underground workings.

The strike actually commenced early in the evening as the men on the night shifts in a number of pits did not go to work. The strike at midnight 100 per cent strong was tempered with a resolution of permit the maintenance men to remain at the pits as long as they allow the company to get the horses out of the mines.

Following a meeting the men reported that the company had withdrawn its demands that the provincial police and soldiers be withdrawn. Later in the afternoon, they said they had a conference in Sydney with D. A. Cameron, provincial secretary, which they characterized "The greatest force they had ever attended."

Seek Postponement. In regard to the accusations respecting the conduct of the provincial police here, the provincial secretary asked that they order the strike postponed until the matter be fully investigated. This they refused to do.

Colonel Eric MacDonald, who was called into the conference was ridiculed by the speakers as a result of their meeting. They said Hon. D. A. Cameron left last evening for Halifax to confer with the premier and the members of the government regarding the whole situation. They counseled the miners to remain firm in their decision until the provincial police and other troops were removed from Cape Breton.

The cancellation of the district charter threatened by President John L. Lewis in the case of a strike, was discussed and the executive members advised the miners to keep their hands off if this should occur. They assured the assembly that the outcome would be successful, and repeated that the proper thing for Lewis to do was to "keep his hands off the affairs of district 26."

Picket All Mines.

Following the meeting at which the strike decision was unanimously and enthusiastically reaffirmed, the miners returned to their various localities to appoint pickets who went on duty at midnight.

During the conference yesterday afternoon, D. H. McDougall asked the miners' delegation if it would be possible to have the men remain on duty at Dominion No. 2 bankhead to fight the fire which has been raging there for some time. The answer of J. B. Turn to Page 2, Column 3.



CAN HE DO IT? This is Donald H. Mix, 20-year-old radio operator who is accompanying Captain MacMillan in the Bowdoin. On this young man's shoulders will rest the task of getting his messages through to receiving stations in Canada and the United States as arranged by The Advertiser and members of the North American Newspaper Alliance.

TECUMSEHS BEAT SAGINAW TEAM IN HOLIDAY GAME

Aces Start Off With Run in the First, But London Passes in Second.

ZOLLA HURLS FIRST

Special to The Advertiser.

Saginaw, Mich., July 4.—London took the morning game of the Independence Day card from Saginaw, 2 to 1, Zolla getting the decision over Wayneburg through the breaks.

While Zolla allowed only four hits to Wayneburg's nine, Zolla passed five men and was in trouble about as much as Wayneburg. But neither should have been scored on. Each got sensational support, except for one error on each side.

That's error gave Bashang a life in the first, and Dunn doubled him home on the hit and run. Lopez booted Barbelon's roller in the second and paved the way for two runs.

Saginaw—Bashang singled, Barbelon to third, and after Zolla fanned, put on the double steal successfully. Stimpson walked and Boyle got a lucky hit that hit third base, and caromed off Lopez glove out in left field, permitting Getzie to score from second. That forced Boyle for the final out.

Sensational catches by McNamara and Nietzke featured. McNamara was all over the outfield, taking five down to Zolla to Thurt to Barbelon, and caromed off Lopez glove out in left field, permitting Getzie to score from second. That forced Boyle for the final out.

FIRST INNING. London—Stimpson singled to center. Boyle fanned. That popped out to short. Schaefer singled, Stimpson going to third. Dunn threw out Churry.

0 RUNS, 2 HITS, 0 ERRORS. Saginaw—Bashang safe on Lopez error and scored on Dunn's double to left. Nietzke hit to Zolla and reached second, while Dunn was run down at short. That forced Boyle to Zolla. Boyle fanned. Hammond fanned. Hammond fanned to McNamara.

1 RUN, 1 HIT, 1 ERROR.

SECOND INNING. London—Barbelon safe on Lopez error. McNamara sacrificed, Walsh to Dunn. Getzie singled to left. Barbelon holding third. Zolla fanned. Barbelon and Getzie put on the double steal. Barbelon scoring. Stimpson walked. Boyle singled over third scoring Getzie. That forced Boyle. Lopez to Dunn.

2 RUNS, 2 HITS, 1 ERROR.

Saginaw—Lopez walked. Walsh popped out to Churry bunting. Zolla popped Lopez off first. Vermilyea popped to Getzie.

0 RUNS, 0 HITS, 0 ERRORS.

THIRD INNING. London—Vermilyea threw out Schaefer. Wayneburg threw out Churry. Barbelon walked. McNamara popped to Lopez.

Saginaw—Wayneburg singled to left. Bashang sacrificed. Zolla to Boyle. Dunn rolled out. Getzie to Boyle. Wayneburg taking third. Nietzke walked. Jones fanned.

0 RUNS, 1 HIT, 0 ERRORS.

FOURTH INNING. London—Getzie flied to Nietzke. Wayneburg threw out Zolla. Stimpson doubled to left. Dunn threw out Boyle, robbing him of a hit by a great stop.

0 RUNS, 1 HIT, 0 ERRORS. Saginaw—Hammond lined out to McNamara. Lopez walked. Walsh Turn to Page 2, Column 2.

BRITAIN STARTS SURVEY OF CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Police Branch Next On List of Toronto Investigators.

TRUSTEES IN FAVOR

Board of Education To Be Requested To Sanction Probe.

As foretold yesterday in The Advertiser, the fire department survey is under way at last, following some months of bickering and argument both in the city council and among Londoners on the streets. Dr. Horace L. Brittain, head of the Citizens' Research Institute of Toronto, started this morning with two of his colleagues, C. C. Wyatt and Joseph E. Howes, on the first survey on the list. The police department is the next in order, and after that the city hall surveys and perhaps the board of education.

Added Efficiency. Dr. Brittain will present the case of the survey personally to the board of education at their next meeting on Thursday afternoon. Many of the trustees are strongly in favor of the idea which is recognized in all the larger centers as being an added efficiency to the administration of any body.

Dr. Brittain, speaking to The Advertiser this morning, outlined the character of the surveys which are made by the institute.

"There are two things," he said, "in connection with these surveys which should be clearly impressed on the mind of every citizen. First, that the survey is the exact definition of what we are doing and, second, administrative side of the various departments."

"Another important part of the work is to get that it has in restoring public confidence in the various departments. We often find that these surveys are asked for in cities where this confidence is lacking. One thing or another, has been destroyed and in this way alone, by proving that the fears of the public were not warranted by the city fathers, have, in my opinion, been justified."

Not Detective Agency. "You know," he went on, "we are not a detective agency, neither are we investigators in the ordinary sense. We are not here to probe into the personal record of any of the officials, and we are not to hold up any member of a department for criticism. The whole idea of the survey is to enable us to forward a sound recommendation, based on the facts, to the heads of the departments, on which they may act as they see fit in the light of our studies. Then we are to make a record of the case of a fire department, of course."

Dr. Brittain and his party, who spent the morning in the central fire hall, on King street, were delighted with the very friendly way in which they had been received by the chief and his staff.

"That is always the way we like to carry on our work," said the doctor. "We like to work with and not against the heads of the departments, and we wish them to feel that we are not antagonistic to them in any way."

The Citizens' Research Institute has carried out similar surveys in Toronto, Windsor, Hamilton, Winnipeg and in many of the big cities, sending in their recommendations and in every case with the satisfaction of knowing that they were able to advise measures which when put into operation would result in a considerable saving in the cost of administration.

Had Varied Experience. Dr. Brittain himself as the head of the institute has had a varied experience in this kind of work. Ten years ago some of the most influential men in the city hall there were being run at too great an expense, looked about for some means for studying the problem and found that in New York there was an institute doing this sort of work.

Accordingly they asked the institute to undertake the survey of the city hall and the man who was sent to carry out this work was a Canadian medical man, the second in command of the institution, and none other than Dr. Horace L. Brittain.

Such satisfaction was shown with the Toronto survey that it was determined to form a similar organization in Canada to that which already existed in New York. The latter, who is a graduate of one of the maritime universities, was asked to take charge and since that time has with the aid of a competent staff, which has gathered about him, undertaken a number of such surveys, bringing credit to the institute, and always a certain satisfaction to the city in which he has operated.

Half the cost of the London surveys are being met by the local branch of the institute, and the other half by the thoroughness of the work done, and the restored public confidence that goes with a survey, has justified the city fathers in their decision to carry them through.

LAD SAVES LITTLE GIRL.

Canadian Press Despatch. Hamilton, July 4.—Little Jack Reagan made what Hamilton beach residents think was a very lucky rescue yesterday when he pulled 3-year-old Audrey Smith, daughter of ex-Detective Jim Smith, to safety after she had fallen off a scow into Lake Ontario.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS. Light to moderate winds; fair and warm today and on Thursday.

Pressure continues above the normal over the eastern half of the continent and it is still relatively low from the western provinces southward. Showers have been fairly frequent in Alberta and Saskatchewan and have occurred more or less locally from Ontario to the Gulf of Mexico, but the weather over the Dominion has been for the most part fair.

Stations—Weather Fair
Victoria 66 52 Fair
Winnipeg 82 56 Cloudy
Port Arthur 77 59 Cloudy
Ferry Sound 78 50 Clear
Toronto 79 42 Cloudy
Kingston 74 60 Cloudy
Ottawa 70 60 Fair
Montreal 70 60 Fair
Quebec 78 64 Cloudy
Ferry Point 68 44 Cloudy
St. John 79 42 Cloudy
Halifax 62 56 Cloudy

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 78; lowest, 59.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 75; lowest, 55.

Barometric Readings. Tuesday, 8 p.m.—29.36.
Today, 8 a.m.—29.38.