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JOHNSON IS VICTOR

BLACK MAN KNOCKS OUT JEFFRIES IN THE FIFTEENTH ROUND AT RENO TODAY

Ringside Reno, July 4.—Johnson, the colored champion of the world, won the fight today in the fifteenth round by knocking Jeffries out. The white man tried hard to rise but was unable to do so and took the count from the negro.

Ringside, July 4.—Billy Jordan, veteran announcer, stepped into the ring at 1:43, and was cheered. At 1:45 there was no sign of the fighters. Betting is 10 to 6 in favor of Jeffries.

Ringside, July 4.—Governor Dickinson entered, and took a seat. At 1:23 there was no sign of either fighter, notwithstanding the promise that the fight would begin at 1:30. Rickard just announced that the purse would be \$121,000 instead of \$101,000, as Jeffries and Johnson each put up \$10,000 bonus. 60 per cent goes to the winner, and 40 to the loser.

At 1:35 p. m. Rickard called for the fighters, asking them to appear in the ring immediately.

The house, it is said, amounts to \$225,000. It is packed and every entrance is jammed.

At 1:55 Bill Muldoon entered the ring and delivered an address, paying tribute to the State of Nevada for allowing the fight. This aroused great cheering.

Rickard entered the ring at 2:00. Rickard cheered as the greatest sport in the world.

Stakeholder Sullivan introduced.

Sullivan, Sharkey and Fitzsimmons were next introduced.

McIntosh was next introduced, and then a number of fighters.

At 2:55 p. m., loud cheering: First Jeff's handlers enter the ring.

Jeffries entered the ring at 2:33 p. m.

When Jeffries entered the crowd went wild. He was accompanied by Corbett, Jeffries, Choynski, Armstrong, Dewitt, Vanvourt, Abe Attell Trainer Cornell.

Johnson was given a tremendous cheer, and smiled as usual. He was accompanied by Flannigan, Purey, Sutter Cotton and Trainer Delanty.

Reno, July 4.—"Let her go." At 2:30 old Billy Jordan will roar his celebrated starting signal and the gong will clang at which time the Jeffries-Johnson fight will be on. It promises to be the greatest battle the world has ever seen and men from all parts of the world are here to view it. The purse is for \$100,000, and the winner will take 75 per cent.

Reno, July 4.—Jeffries is either the greatest actor or the most unconcerned man in Reno. Yesterday he put in the day playing cards with a small party of personal friends. The big fellow was in a playful mood despite his Saturday grouch. When he won a few cents he joshed his friends un-

mercifully, and when he lost, he "rough-housed" the crowd in a good natured way. Jeff went to bed at 9 o'clock. Close friends of the undefeated Jeff say he expects to receive much punishment in the early rounds of today's fight.

Reno Is Wild.

Reno, July 4.—This city is stark, crazy fight-mad today. Nothing else is seen or heard. Special trains are pouring a stream of humanity into the city from all corners of the globe. Gambling is on in full blast and the frontier days are reproduced. Contrary to expectation the odds did not lighten this morning.

Pool room wagers remained at 10 to 6 in favor of Jeff and much money is passing hands. All ten dollar seats in the arena were sold last evening and but few \$25 seats were left this morning.

The gate receipts will probably reach \$250,000.

Moana Springs, July 4.—The usual calm prevailed at the springs this morning. Jeff slept later than usual and then strolled about the grounds. He ate heartily. Only members of his training squad are with him. Jeff sent early notice to promoters that he would not enter the ring until the thin, slippery canvas was removed and one heavier substituted. Haste was made to replace the cloth. Jeff asserted the canvas was so thin it would mean injury if a man was knocked out.

Rick's Training Camp, July 3.—"I know I am on the short end of the betting because of my color, but when the fight starts, we'll all be color blind," confidently asserted Jack Johnson this morning. Johnson said he respected Jeffries and especially his gameness in going into the ring with a younger man. If Jeffries should win, Johnson said he would be the first to congratulate him. "but he won't win," concluded Johnson. The negro was up with the birds this morning smiling his golden smile.

Ringside, July 4.—Before one of the greatest aggregations of old time ring stars had taken seats, and among them were Sullivan, Lang, Fitzsimmons, Nelson, and Lanford. Shortly before 1 o'clock the band entered and aroused enthusiasm playing America. A large number of persons, seach at the gates were relieved of guns.

Ringside, Reno, July 4.—Now for several months, millions have been speculating on the outcome of the meeting here this afternoon between the white and ethiopian pugilists. Approximately 20,000 people crowded around the arena at noon waiting for the gates to open. When the gates opened, the crowd stormed the entrance, and poured into the arena afterward. Eight boxes on the edge of the arena, reserved, were crowded with giggling women.

Dr. Morrison and Dr. Asher earlier

in the day visited Jeff's camp and examined him. Then the physicians did the same for Johnson. Both men were found to be in perfect condition, trained to the minute.

The weather is cloudy, ideal sun, and the temperature mild.

Fight by Rounds.

Round 1.—They advanced cautiously. Jeff feints with left. Johnson grinned. Jeff feints left again. Johnson lands right to eye. Clinched. Johnson appeared strong. Exchanged lefts to head. Jeff butts under, pounding short ribs; clinch again. Jeffries smiling. Johnson looks worried. Anybody's round.

Round 2.—Johnson bleeding slightly at mouth. Jeff's eye slightly swollen. Jeff crouches, misses left to head. Jack tries to feint, but Jeff is wary. Jack sent light uppercut to chin. Jim sends left to ear. Clinch. Jack misses right uppercut, with right on break. Jeff kids him slightly. Jeff's round.

Round 3.—Both smiling. Johnson falls into short left for stomach; Clinch. Jack misses left right uppercuts. Jim ducks under vicious to head; clinch. Johnson sends two rights lightly to head; clinch; Jim sends light left to short ribs. Anybody's round.

Round 4.—Both block lefts, right to head clinch. Jack hits head. Jim pounds stomach; Johnson bleeding badly at mouth. Johnson pounds kidneys; Jeff smiles, break; clinch again. Jeff pounds stomach with left. Crowd howls. Jeff's by a shade.

Round 5.—They fiddle clinch. Jack opens cut on Jim's left eye. Clinch. Jack sent a terrific left to Jeff's right eye, almost completely closing it. Jim bleeding at the nose. Johnson's round.

Round 6.—Fiddle, Jim's eye bothering him. They clinch. Jim sends light left to short ribs. Jack uppercuts face with left. Jeffries sends left to chin. Clinch. Jack sends left to jaw. Johnson's round.

Round 7.—Spar, clinch, break. Johnson boxing beautifully. He sends three lefts to head in half clinch, while Jeff pounds stomach. Break. Jeff dodges long left; stuck two lefts in Johnson's stomach. Johnson's slightly.

Round 8.—Fiddle, clinch. Jack rushes; puts hard right to stomach. Jim repeats trick, negro grinning, clinch, both cool. Jeff gets hard punch in ribs, makes him grunt. Jack send light left to mouth, fiddling at bell. Jeff's.

Round 9.—Sparred. Jack lands light left to nose. Jim to short ribs. Clinch. Jeff sent heavy left for stomach but negro blocked. Uppercut with right in following clinch. Jim lands left to eye and winks at crowd. Jeff prods Jack in stomach. Johnson's by a shade.

Round 10.—Johnson lands hard right to ear. Jim grins. Jeff forces matters; Jim is getting worst of it. Johnson sent Jim's head back and Jeff landed on smokes midrift. Johnson lands another uppercut, while bleeding bad. Swap undamaged rights. Jeff sends hard smash to face. Shade Johnson's.

Round 11.—Jack hooks to ear three times, then uppercuts to mouth;

hooks to right eye; clinch. Johnson hooks Jeff's damaged optic. Fiddling at goug. Johnson's.

Round 12.—Jack lands left hook to ear, sent nasty hook to Jeff's bad mouth making Jeff spit blood. Jeff sends in three light lefts to stomach. Johnson lands hard wallop to face. Clinch. Jeff's face blood-smearred, can scarcely see. Jack lands on right eye. Clinch. Johnson's round. Jeff appears dejected as takes seat; shook head solemnly.

Round 13.—Jeff rather weak; Jack prods nose, clinch, break fiddling. Johnson lands right to head. Jeff sends hard left to coon's mouth. Crowd cheer. In half clinch, Jeff pounds stomach. Jeff rushes, lands right to ear. Johnson's favor.

Round 14.—Rush into clinch. Jeff against ropes. Jeff got into ring. Johnson wins with knockout.

THE PROGRAM

FOLK CENTER OF ATTRACTION AT THIS WEEK'S SESSION.

Full Program for the Opening Week of Chautauqua is Announced.

The week's program at the Chautauqua grounds is one of the best of the entire Chautauqua and with the coming of Joseph Folk next Thursday, La Grande will be the stamping ground for a great concourse of people. The other numbers are likewise interesting, and after Wednesday, the program will primarily be made up of out-of-town talent, and under Chautauqua management. The week's program follows:

Tuesday, July 5.
W. C. T. U. Day—Program in charge of local W. C. T. U.
9:30 to 11:30 a. m.—Class in domestic science.
10 to 11 a. m.—Prof. A. W. Cordley, lectures on Fruit Pests.
Noon.
1:30 p. m.—Round Table.
3:00 p. m.—Address—Mrs. Ada Wallace Unruh, president state W. C. T. U.
7 to 8 p. m.—Concert by the band.
8:00 p. m.—Concert by L. D. S. Union Stake choir of one hundred voices. Conducted by Prof. L. D. Edwards

Chief Justice Fuller Dead.
Bar Harbor, Maine, July 4.—Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court Melville Fuller, died here today of heart failure.

He was born at Augusta, Maine, Feb. 11, 1843. He has been chief justice since 1888. He graduated from Bowdoin college, class of 1853, and was admitted to the bar in 1856. Two years later he went to Chicago where he lived, until appointed to the supreme bench.

Then Cleveland appointed Fuller, who was a democrat. Justice Fuller spent much of his time at work in Washington, and devoted summers to study at his home at Bar Harbor. He had been married twice, and has eight daughters, all married.

The death of Fuller occurred at six this morning, but was not made public until four hours later.

GREAT LOSS BY CHAUTAUQUA HAS GOOD CROWD

Red Front Livery, valued at \$5000. Carried \$2,000 insurance on barn only. Equipment insurance had elapsed last June.

Cherry's New Laundry, valued at \$5,000 to plant. Partially insured. M. A. Adams' building, valued at \$1800.

Mary Noble buildings, \$3,000 loss. Mrs. Zuber, \$100 loss.

Independent Telephone company, \$100.

Individuals and various other buildings, \$1,000.

"Dutchtown," a block of wooden structures bounded by North Fir, Adams, Jefferson and Greenwood, was gutted by fire in a half hour's time yesterday afternoon with a loss of many thousands and threatened destruction of the entire block and adjoining residences. The conflagration—for such it was for a time—originated on the roof of the Red Front Livery stable and had spread itself over the dry structure before discovered by Joe Woods, owner of the building, and equipment in it. Mr. Woods had gone to the alley for supplies about four o'clock, and on returning to the barn found the smoke circled over the street. Though prompt response was given to the fire alarm, the structure was in ashes in less than 20 minutes, and but for the heroic work of Mr. Woods, would have incinerated thirteen valuable horses. As it was, one horse owned by a wild west show concern of Wallowa, was burned. Carriages, buggies, saddles, feed harness and equipment, office supplies and various other articles were consumed with great rapidity.

Mr. Woods was badly burned in cutting loose the horses. His neck and hands sustained burns that forced him to retire, and it was not until this morning but he was able to leave his bed. But for his coolness of nerve and presence of mind, many horses would have been tortured and burned to death.

Conflagration Spreads.
A high wind and dry buildings surrounding, quickly caused a spread of the conflagration. The Cherry New Laundry, only recently equipped with as good machinery as can be installed in a plant of its kind, was consumed with equal rapidity. The fire carried across it to the structure with telling force and despite all that the department could do, the place was razed. Some of the stock in the place was saved, but it was later damaged by water and much of it has now disappeared entirely. At this point a lull in the wind prevented further destruction of property. Suction and heat lulled flames against the wind and the many shacks in the interior of the block were burned as swiftly as kindling wood.

One of the pathetic incidents of the conflagration was a hurried removal from the A. M. Paul residence in the same block. Mrs. Jess Paul, who has been critically ill for some time. She has recovered from the nervous shock today and is resting well. Furniture

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OPENED WITH GOOD PROGRAM YESTERDAY—PEOPLE PLEASED WITH EVENTS.

Rev. Powell's Address was Hardly Up to the Standard, According to Many.

The Chautauqua opened yesterday with a large crowd in attendance and the program as announced in the Observer, was carried out. In the forenoon, the band headed a delegation of Sunday school scholars, who marched to the park. After the opening ceremony, the address of the day was delivered by Rev. Redfern of Idaho. He chose for his subject, "Conservatism of the Child," and the remarks on this subject were pertinent and to the point.

President Rinehart made a happy little speech telling the people the object of the Chautauqua. After the noon hour a gentleman by the name of Rev. Powell was introduced, and talked to the audience for some time. His speech was a disappointment to many. Suffering from a weak throat, it was almost impossible for him to deliver clearly and without effort, the remarks he had prepared. His subject was out of the ordinary for a Chautauqua gathering, and generally speaking, his speech was not up to the expectation.

Today a rousing time is being held at the park, including that greatest of events, the Continental congress, which is being enacted by home talent.

Judge Stephen A. Lowell, one of the most delightful speakers in Oregon, delivered the Fourth of July oration, and was lustily cheered for his eloquence. A good sized crowd attended and all pronounced the Chautauqua as a whole a splendid success.

BUNCH HITS WIN FOR LOCALS

ELGIN OUTBATS LA GRANDE BUT LOSES THE GAME ANYWAY

Visitors Carrying Long String of Errors, and Can't Bunch Hits.

Games Yesterday.
La Grande, 5; Elgin, 3.
Joseph 2; Enterprise 1.
Cove 6; Baker City, 3. (At Baker.)
Inter-County League.

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Elgin	6	2	750
La Grande	5	3	625
Enterprise	4	4	500
Joseph	1	7	125

Bunching hits and fielding clean. La Grande won from Elgin for the second successive time yesterday afternoon at the Lincoln lot and made it five straight for the home team.

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