

# JACK WINS DESPITE HIS BROKEN RIBS



DEMPSEY'S FIRST TRIP TO NEW YORK WAS IN THE ROLE OF A REAL RUBE. THE NEXT TIME HE WENT EAST IT WAS UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF JACK KEARNS.

This story of Jack Dempsey's career has been written for the La Grande Observer by Hal Cochran on information much of which was furnished by Dempsey himself. The rest was obtained from Dempsey's close acquaintances and official records.

BY HAL COCHRAN  
CHAPTER V

When Jack Dempsey stepped into the roped arena at Price, Utah, with George Christian, a colored celebrity, he was in first-class trim. He had trained for two weeks.

The betting was all on Christian. Why not? This husky had knocked 'em all for a goal. The bout was staged on a winner take 75 per cent, loser 25 per cent basis. It was scheduled as a 15 round affair, but 14 of them fell by the wayside.

Dempsey scored three knockdowns in the first frame, and the third one was for keeps. He drew \$260, his biggest purse thus far.

### Success Brings in Coin.

Jack was then matched with a battler, at Ely, Nev. He was offered 25 per cent. "And, brother! Did I take it? You KNOW I did!" Dempsey laughs as he recalls this affair. At the time, he didn't even know who his opponent was.

It was then that Dempsey took his first ride on the cushions of a train. He had some coin in his jeans.

The man in the other corner turned out to be Joe Bonds. Jack licked him in 10 rounds and was paid \$225. He then went to Ogden, Utah, and drew \$350 for trimming Terry Keller in ten rounds. A battle with Dick Gilbert followed. Jack won this, picked off several smaller fights and then hooked up with Jack Price, brother-in-law of Hardy Downey, the Salt Lake promoter.

They headed east together—Jack's first trip out of the western states.

### Was A Regular Rube.

In New York Dempsey stacked up like a fine looking rube. He was a rank unknown in the fighting game and had a tough time getting any matches. Price finally landed him in a go with Andre Anderson at the

Fairmont Club. Jack won in 10 rounds and cashed \$16. He then fought Wild Bert Kenney and copped again in 10 rounds. This time they handed him \$47. His third eastern go was with John Lester Johnson, a negro fighter.

"That bird was one of the toughest I have ever met," Dempsey says. "He knew all the scientific points and I knew none of them." Johnson broke several of Dempsey's ribs, but Jack copped the decision and took away about \$100.

Jack's next bout was with Fireman Jim Flynn at Murray, Utah. Dempsey was knocked out in the first round.

At this time Dempsey was under the management of Fred Winsor, better known as "Windy," one of the noisiest managers in the game. Tommy Simpson, the Oakland, Calif., promoter, needed a heavyweight to meet Al Norton and wired Winsor to bring Dempsey along. Dempsey fought a great draw with Norton and then followed two bouts with Willie Meehan, the fattest boxer in the world. Dempsey lost one and won one.

Dempsey and Winsor had a disagreement after the second hour and parted company. Dempsey returned to Utah, then found employment in a Seattle shipbuilding plant, giving up his employment there to return to Utah following the murder of one of his brothers.

### Kearns Becomes Manager.

Soon after this tragedy in Jack's life he was taken in hand by Jack Kearns, who had heard of the battler's various successes.

"Crude as you might be now, you can be turned into a champion, if you're properly trained," Kearns told Jack.

"Will you train me?" snapped Dempsey.

"You're on," said Kearns.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of James K. Smith, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same to said administrator, at La Grande, Oregon, on or before six months from date hereof. Dated this 20th day of May, 1921. J. E. BRAGG, Administrator of the Estate of James K. Smith, deceased. Dly May 20-27 June 3-10-17.

County Treasurer's Call for General Fund Warrants.

NOTICE. The undersigned county treasurer has funds on hand with

which to redeem all warrants issued on general fund, including number 477, endorsed Dec. 2, 1920. Interest ceases on the above warrants on May 29, 1921. JOHN FRAWLEY, Treasurer of Union County, Oregon. Dly. May 19-26; June 2-9-16.

### NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that Edward L. Halley has filed in the county court of Union County, Oregon, his final account in the guardianship of James F. Halley, an incompetent person, and said court has set Monday, the 4th day of June, A. D. 1921, at two o'clock p. m., at the county court room in La Grande, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing such account and all objections thereto.

EDWARD L. HALLEY, Guardian of James F. Halley, incompetent. Dly. Apr. 29, May 7-14-21-28.

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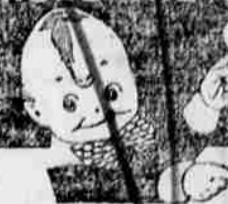
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### TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

Notice is hereby given that the County Superintendent of Union County, Oregon, will hold the regular examination of applicants for State Certificates at La Grande High School as follows: Commencing Wednesday, June 8, 1921, at 9:00 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, June 11, 1921, at 4:00 o'clock p. m.

#### Wednesday Forenoon.

U. S. History, Writing (pencil-ship), Music, Drawing.

#### Wednesday Afternoon.

Physiology, Reading, Mental Training, Composition, Domestic Science, Methods in Reading, Course of Study for Drawing, Methods in Arithmetic.

#### Thursday Forenoon.

Arithmetic, History of Education, Psychology, Methods in Geography, Mechanical Drawing, Domestic Art, Course of Study for Domestic Art.

#### Thursday Afternoon.

Grammar, Geography, Stenography, American Literature, Pencil Writing, Methods in Language, Thesis for Primary Certificate.

#### Friday Forenoon.

Theory and Practice, Orthography (spelling), Physical Geography, English Literature, Chemistry.

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School Law, Geology, Algebra, Civil Government.

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