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SHARKEY-SCOTT BATTLE TONIGHT

American Favored to Whip British Champion — Schmeling O. K.

By Alan Gould (Associated Press Sports Editor)

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 27 (AP)—They were tight along the public-fringed boulevards, with the crowds and clatter, the blaring brasses and the twittering of the ballyhoo bids that flock to the midwinter carnivals of Florida.

Behind all the gaiety and the glamour of tropical scenes, the boys associated with the second annual battle of the coconut palms were hoping for the best but fearing the worst—hoping an eleventh hour rush for the turnstiles would materialize but fearing a financial flop; hoping that Phil Scott, the London fire huddle, would make a gallant fight of it all but fearing that the rough and rugged American, Jack Sharkey, would turn the main event tonight into a one-sided punching bag.

Sharkey Favored
Sharkey enters the ring an overwhelming favorite to repeat Anglo-American boxing history by knocking out Phil Scott in the 15-round feature of an all-star heavyweight card of five bouts. Although there is no chance whatever of a schout, the show appears certain to attract a notable gathering of wealth and fashion, of talent and celebrities to the ring-side.

No title was at stake but the championship aspirations of the principals were involved, for the winner, whether Sharkey or Scott, will be within a stride of a decisive match for the world's heavyweight crown put aside by Gene Tunney a year and a half ago. Only Max Schmeling, the German champion, is considered to stand at present in the path of the victor. And Max, who is in perfect health in Germany in spite of alarming, ballyhoo-inspired reports circulated yesterday that he had been injured, is prepared to meet either Sharkey or Scott in June at New York under the terms of an agreement already reached.

Scott, English Champion
Scott, the pale and apprehensive-looking Briton, holds the championship of his home-land, but has yet to demonstrate either that he has a punch or that he has much ring ability beyond that of a fair boxer. Quiet by nature and at times ever morose, Scott has been well conditioned but failed to thrive mentally on American methods or gain stimulation from the vocal outpourings, and the combative spirit of his New York manager, Jimmy Johnston.

Sharkey, thoroughly at home, splendidly conditioned and equipped, has displayed every intention to remove the stigma of a somewhat erratic career, and remove all obstacles in his path to the world's championship battle. In speed, punch and resourcefulness, as well as confidence, the American has marked advantages over his British rival. Sharkey has been at his worst among rushing, flapping types of fighters like Drimsey, Hicken and Henney. He has been at his best against less aggressive, less powerful punching foes such as Wills, Maloney and Longman. The experts regard Scott as "made to order" for Sharkey and the Boston sailor has acquired supreme confidence of his ability to end the fight quickly.

Under such circumstances, it has been small wonder that in spite of a supporting card of high calibre, headed by the Victorio-Coty polo-Johnny Risko semi-final, the master of the old-fashioned ballyhoo have been at their wits end to

stimulate interest in the fight show and gain consequent results at the box office. There has been little to do but to make over the final bout with Sharkey a five to one favorite and picked to score a knockout inside four or five rounds. Scott's most enthusiastic supporters, if any, concede his only hope to be tactical at the outset, designed to the adoption of strictly defensive weather an early storm and, with the recovery of some poise and confidence, to use his long reach and boxing ability to advantage.

Ticket Sales Disappointing
The advance sale for the fight has been far below expectations. Forecasts depended upon factors of stimulation today but it seemed reasonable to most observers to expect not many more than 25,000 customers, if that many, and a gate not much beyond \$200,000. Giant officials stuck to a prediction of \$200,000 or more.

The Campolo-Risko affair, regarded the most exciting action of the evening, with the Argentine slight favorite to whip his pudgy American opponent because of big advantages in weight and punch. A six rounder between Paul Hanel of Argentine and Bill Darin, heavyweight protégé of E. F. Hutton, New York and Palm Beach sportsman, was scheduled to open the fistfights at 8:15 p. m., to be followed by a ten round preliminary between Jimmy Maloney of Boston and Mose Biquillon of France. The semi-final was slated for around 9:15 and the main bout at 10, followed by a 10-round acrobatic affair, involving Tommy Louman of Philadelphia and Pierre Charles of Belgium. The American entries in the international jamboree were favorites in all except in the semi-final.

NIGHT FIGHTS

By the Associated Press
San Francisco — Jack Stewart, San Francisco, stopped Alex Rowe, Honolulu, (5); Benny Gallup, St. Paul, outpointed Johnny O'Connell, Denver, (6).
Detroit — George Trافتon, Chicago, knocked out Harvey Starr, Detroit, (3).
Phoenix, Ariz. — Battink Siki, Phoenix, outpointed Leonard Bennett, Detroit, (3).

LEAVES FOR SEATTLE

CHICAGO, Feb. 27 (AP)—Daniel Lamont, who will net \$5 line coach under Jimmy Phelan at the University of Washington, and Ed Collins, former Notre Dame star, recently selected to tutor the ends at Washington, will leave tonight for Seattle to assist in spring training.

CITY RETIRES BOND ISSUES OF YEAR 1910

(Continued from Page One)

Library cost advanced	1,245.67
Hand cost advanced	443.65
Park cost advanced	4.50
Office supplies	172.00
Special interest advanced	2,597.50
	\$1,208,499.48
LIABILITIES	
District interest re-	24,404.00
District warrants paid	6,772.13
General warrants paid	14,843.37
Normal warrants	394.78
Road warrants	20.54
Taxes received bonds	18,174.58
Park	1,998.17
Road	6,959.93
Taxes retire improvement bonds	7,427.36
Taxes Connordale park	533.35
Bonds general	293,000.00
Bonds improvement	459,330.12
Present worth	487,358.42
	\$1,208,499.48

Treasurer's Statement

RECEIPTS	
Cash on hand, January 1929 (including im-	
provement warrants, bonds & cash items)	\$ 66,622.88
291 electrical permits	146.50
593 dog licenses	559.00
82 plumbing permits	111.70
10 sidewalk permits	7.50
367 licenses	2,921.50
174 building and street permits	101.00
12 moving permits	32.50
Cutting pavement and curbs	204.00
Hospital	164.00
Miscellaneous receipts	534.64
General acct. (taxes)	25,522.61
(State highway taxes)	6,065.19
Water receipts	57,278.72
Fines	4,341.25
Found fees	86.00
Land fund (taxes)	2,267.74
City of La Grande assessments (taxes)	7,429.82
Advertising	1.20
Franchise West Coast Telephone	2,272.45
Land fund (taxes)	2,463.90
Connordale park (taxes)	82.72
Sinking fund, general bonds (taxes)	12,780.78
Special taxes, general bonds	10,255.25
Special taxes, interest on general bonds	20,867.70
Library (taxes)	5,846.24
Park (taxes)	1,753.42
Improvement bond sinking fund (taxes)	77.43
Normal school (taxes)	5,322.10
Sale of bonds, District Nos. 167, 172, 177, 180, 182, 183, 185, 187	19,827.75
Premium and interest on bonds	811.16
Improvement district installment	51,985.88
Improvement district interest	18,449.98
	\$343,178.29

DISBURSEMENTS

General warrants and interest	\$117,887.13
Land fund (warrants)	974.65
Special interest (interest on general bonds)	19,991.87
Hospital fund (warrants)	3,072.11
Land fund (warrants)	2,483.65
Library fund (warrants)	9,339.42
Park fund (warrants)	1,615.17
Pipe line bonds (warrants)	754.92
Water works besterment bonds paid	4,000.00
Sewer extension bonds paid	2,000.00
Fire extension bonds paid	1,000.00
Obligation sewer bonds	500.00
Sewer bonds	13,000.00
18 in. pipe line bonds paid	2,000.00
Refund water bonds paid	2,000.00
Normal school warrants paid	4,876.00
Improvement bonds paid	19,179.97
Improvement warrants paid	14,843.42
Improvement bond interest	26,167.77
Improvement warrant interest	499.07
	\$216,051.77
Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1929 (including improvement warrants, bonds & cash items)	97,116.52
	\$343,178.29

AMENDMENTS TO WAR VETS ACT OKAYED

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 27 (AP)—A hundred and thirty Simon Pure boxes will settle their claims to supremacy here tomorrow and Saturday night with the arrival to day of the main group of California bathers entered in the Pacific coast amateur boxing championship at the auditorium here.

The Multnomah athletic club, under whose auspices the championships are being held, announced a total of 130 entries which shattered all previous lists.

CHARLEY HANSEN PINS OKLAHOMAN

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 28 (AP)—Charley Hansen, Seattle heavy weight wrestler, took two out of three falls from Charley Strack, Oklahoma, here last night. Hansen's greater experience stood him in hand as the Oklahoma strong boy had him on the defensive most of the time. Hansen took the first fall in 18 minutes 27 seconds with a hammerlock. Strack won the second fall in 21 minutes 45 seconds with headlocks and rabbit punches.

Hansen won the final fall in about five minutes. With Strack seemingly destined to take the final fall with a series of flying headlocks, Hansen suddenly kicked Strack's feet from under him, and with a hard shove on the Oklahoman's chest, sent him over backwards taking the fall with a reverse body slam.

JOSEPH HALL WINS BILLIARD CROWN

SEATTLE, Feb. 27 (AP)—A Californian will represent the Pacific coast at the national amateur three cushion billiard tournament at French Lick Springs, Ind., next month. Joseph Hall of San Francisco won the Pacific coast championship when he defeated Wilkes Lindsay, Bellingham, Wash., in a three block 150 point match here.

Although losing last night's block, Hall captured the title by virtue of his lopsided victory over Lindsay in the first game Monday night. Two Californians won the 50 to 47, and then last the third, 50 to 51 to give him a grand victory of 150 to 125.

SNOW AT PENDLETON

PENDLETON, Ore., Feb. 27 (AP)—An inch of snow fell over this region last night. The fall continued through the early morning, but had melted by 9 a. m.

ROCKEFELLER ISSUES DENIAL

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (AP)—John D. Rockefeller Jr. today issued a statement denying reports that his father was directing an "oil trade war."

BRUSHING UP SPORTS By Laufer

PITCHERS' NIGHTMARE!
A THREE-I-LEAGUE GAME PLAYED JULY 20, 1926

CLUBS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	
PEORIA	5	4	1	2	3	0	2	4	2	3	27
SPRINGFIELD	0	0	8	7	3	3	5	7	X	3	27

...THE STRANGE STATISTICS...
TIME OF GAME, 3HRS.-5 MINUTES.... BILL RODGERS, PEORIA MANAGER, USED SIX REGULAR PITCHERS, THEN CALLED IN A RESERVE CATCHER, AN OUTFIELDER AND HIS FIRST BASE MAN TO DO THE THROWING... SPRINGFIELD USED FOUR PITCHERS.... 10 HOME RUNS, A TRIPLES, 7 DOUBLES AND 18 BASES ON BALLS.... BUSTER CHATHAM OF SPRINGFIELD WALKED 5 STRAIGHT TIMES.... LAYNE OF PEORIA HIT 3 HOMERS, WHILE THOMPSON AND MENZIE OF SPRINGFIELD COLLECTED TWO EACH... FANS, PASSING DOWNTOWN SCOREBOARDS AT THE USUAL CLOSING TIME RUBBED THEIR EYES, THEN HURRIED TO THE PARK TO SEE THE FINISH... THE CROWD IN THE NINTH INNING WAS SEVERAL HUNDRED LARGER THAN AT THE START OF THE GAME... THE WHOLE TOWN HAD A LATE SUPPER....
OFFICIAL SCORER, R. A. DRYSDALE
SPORTS EDITOR, ...ILLINOIS STATE JOURNAL...

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Bones of a prehistoric sloth have been discovered. Wonder if it looks anything like a congressman.

Sport Slants

by ALAN J. GOULD

The business of steaming up the Sharkey-Scott fight show in Florida not only met with a flock of obstacles this year but it has raised some question as to just how long the winter fistfights may be promoted in the resort area.

Anything may happen when a boom is on but the folks in Florida have had their minds on business for some time and the visitors find a variety of pursuits and pleasures well organized for their benefit. Boxing is not conspicuous among them. Racing, tennis, golf, the surf and quieter, less strenuous or exciting pastimes claim the attention of most of those who go south for their health, for fun or for variety.

It takes a big spectacle to command statewide interest. Florida's make-up is so complex, its interests so varied that it is difficult to draw the crowds to any one spot or event. Miami may contribute to furnish an ideal battleground for at least one important heavyweight circus each year but neither Sharkey nor Scott brought in the ticket appeal to make the prospect much brighter.

The Dixie die-hard among the fight fans still think Willie Stricklin, though not so young as he used to be, could have beaten either of the main bout participants.

Able to Miami, Tampa and Jacksonville are the best Florida locations for professional sports. Both are good "fight towns." Jacksonville expects to see a revival of horse racing there on a substantial basis by 1931, thereby sharing some of the popularity gained by Miami's track, Hialeah. Tampa is not so enthusiastic about the sport, perhaps for the reason that opposition to horse racing, or specifically the gambling feature of it, is more pronounced on the west coast than on the east. Yet at St. Petersburg, only an hour's ride from Tampa, dog racing has been put over with a "corporation system" of financing that appears to have completely baffled the legal experts and state laws. It has worked because every "stock certificate" is the equivalent of a mutual ticket, is redeemable, the losing ones at the nominal (but at the same time protective) sum of five cents.

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