

# AMERICA'S OLYMPIC ATHLETES PLEASED WITH HOSPITALITY ACCORDED THEM ABROAD



1—Sam Bellah, Multnomah Amateur Athletic club of Portland, pole vaulter.

2—Martin Hawkins, Multnomah Amateur Athletic club of Portland, who ran third in the 110 metre hurdles.

3—American and Swedish Olympic committees aboard the Finland.

4—Alvah T. Meyer, Irish-American Athletic club of New York, who ran second in 100 metre dash.

5—Walter McClure, Multnomah Amateur Athletic club of Portland, distance runner.

6—C. D. Redpath of Syracuse university, winner of the 400 metre run.

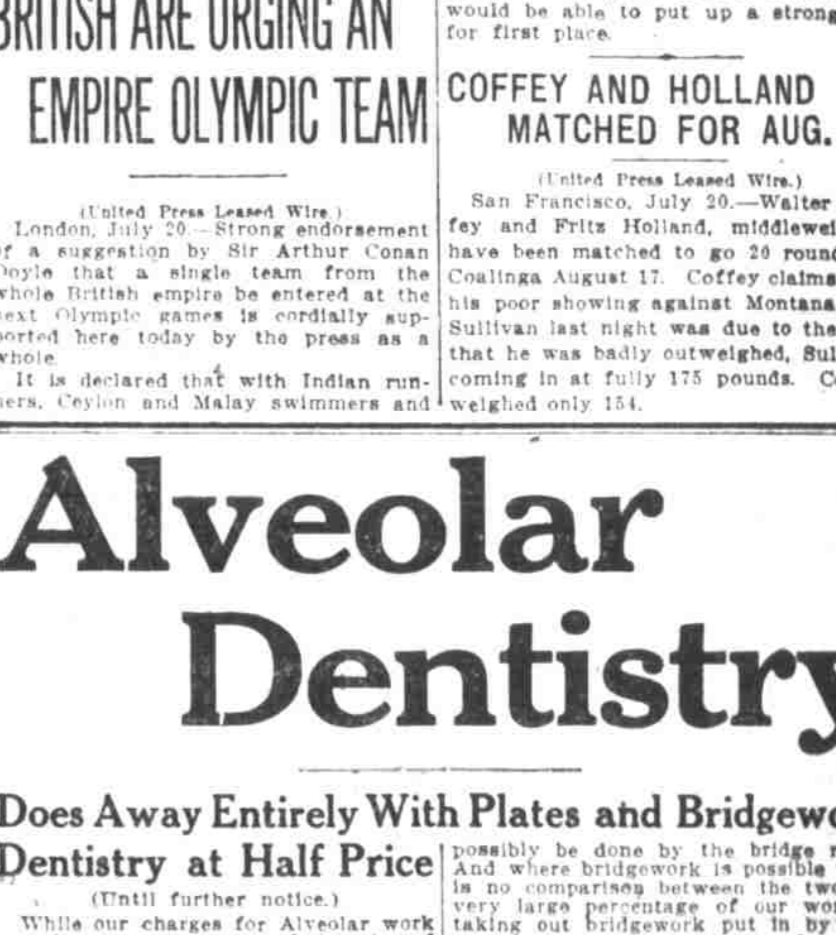
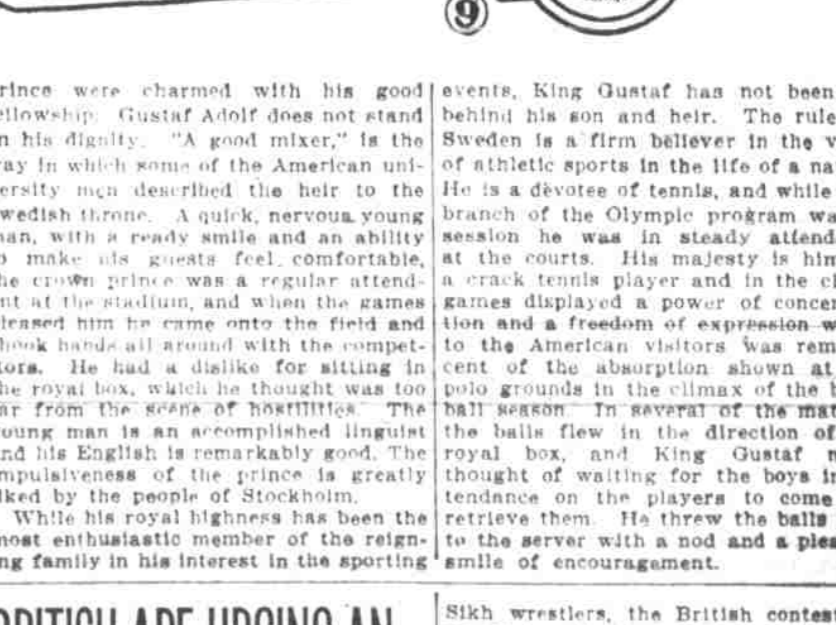
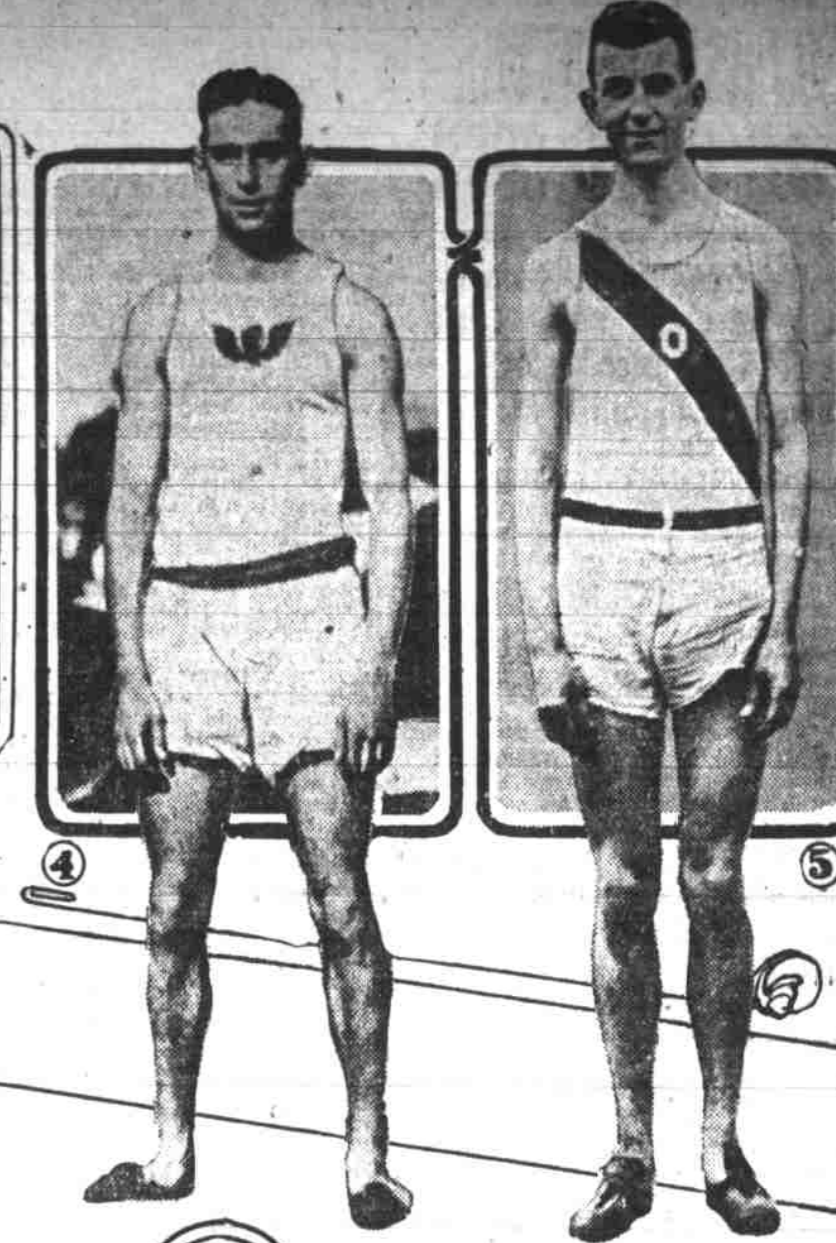
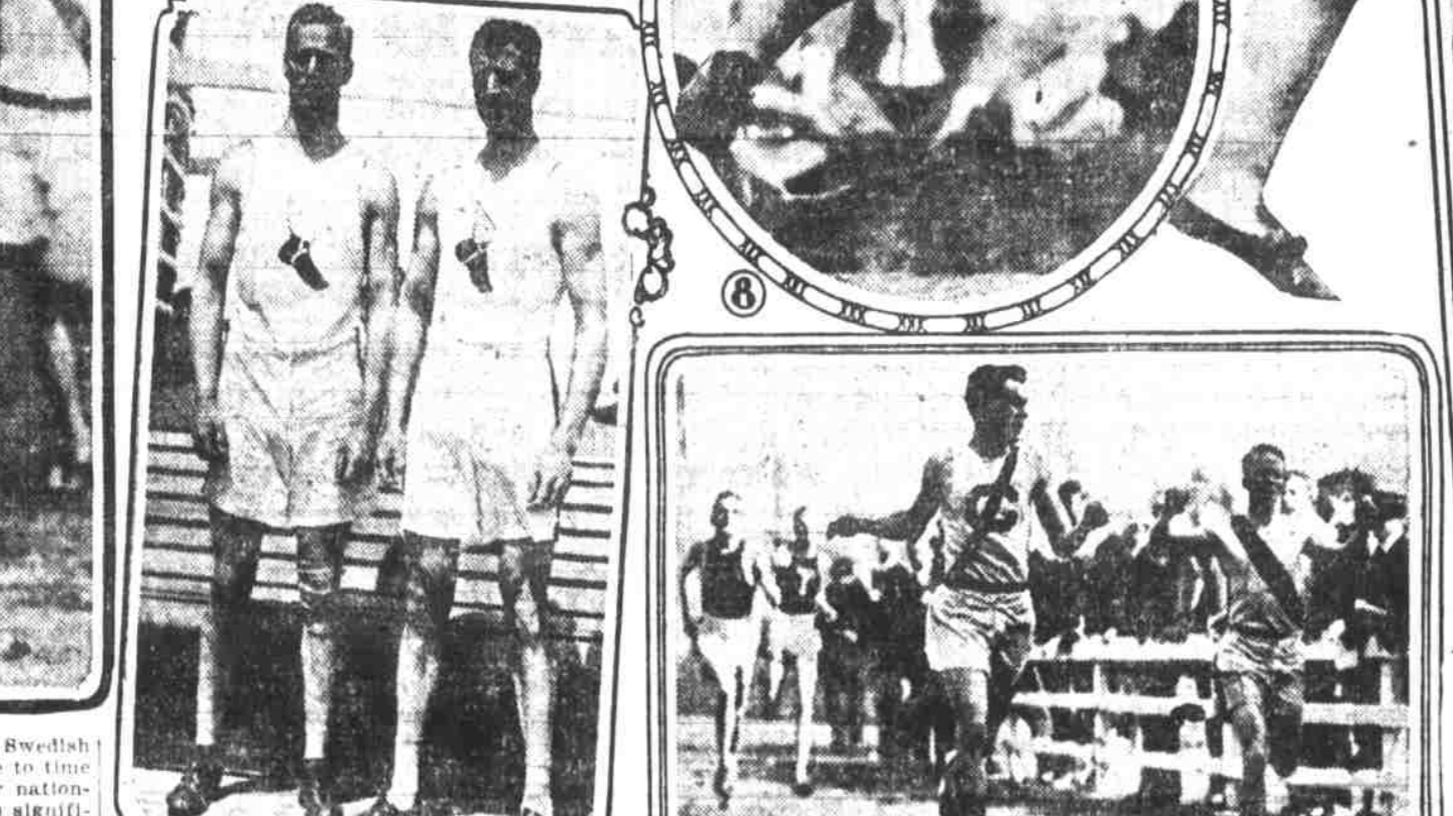
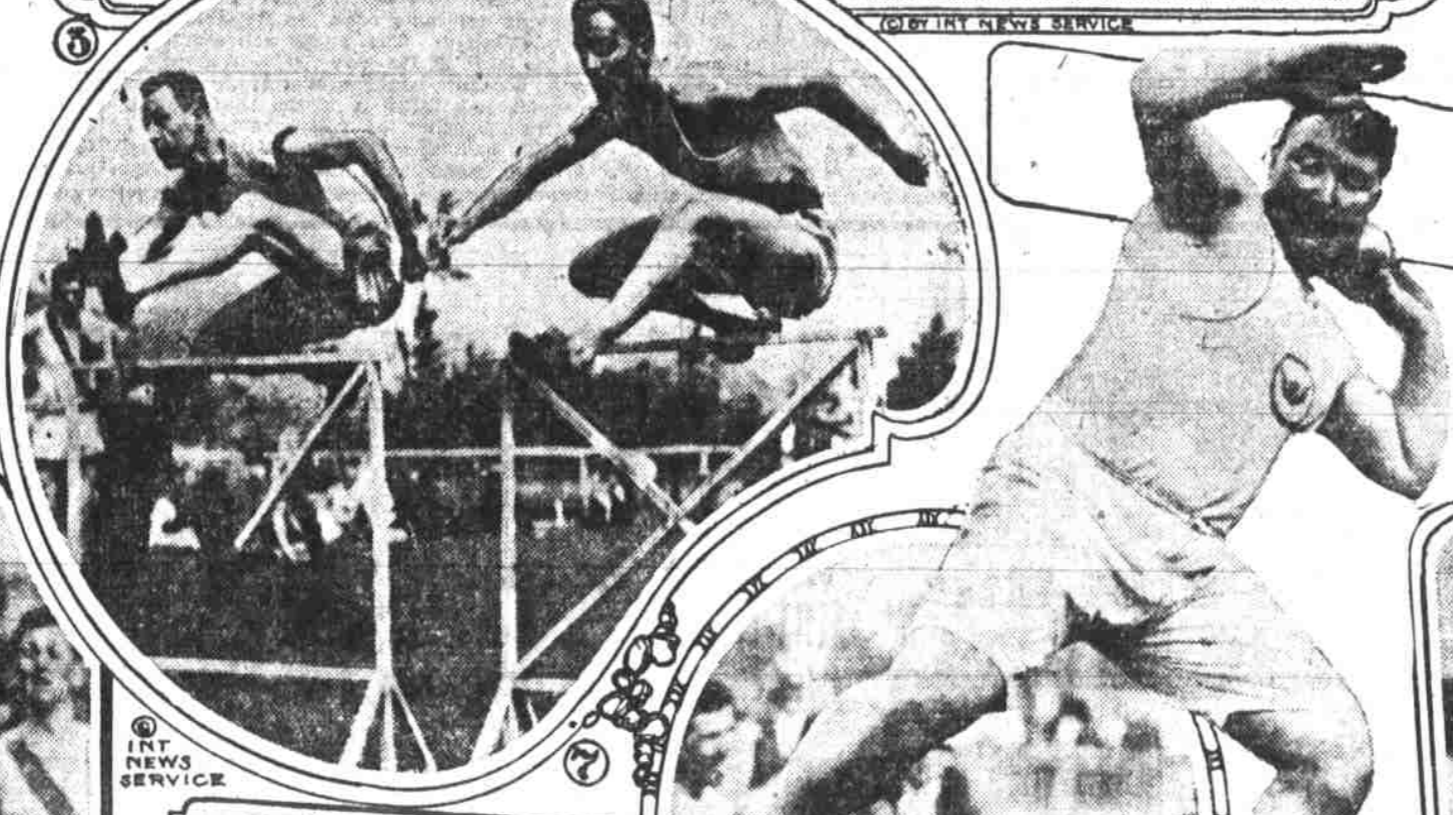
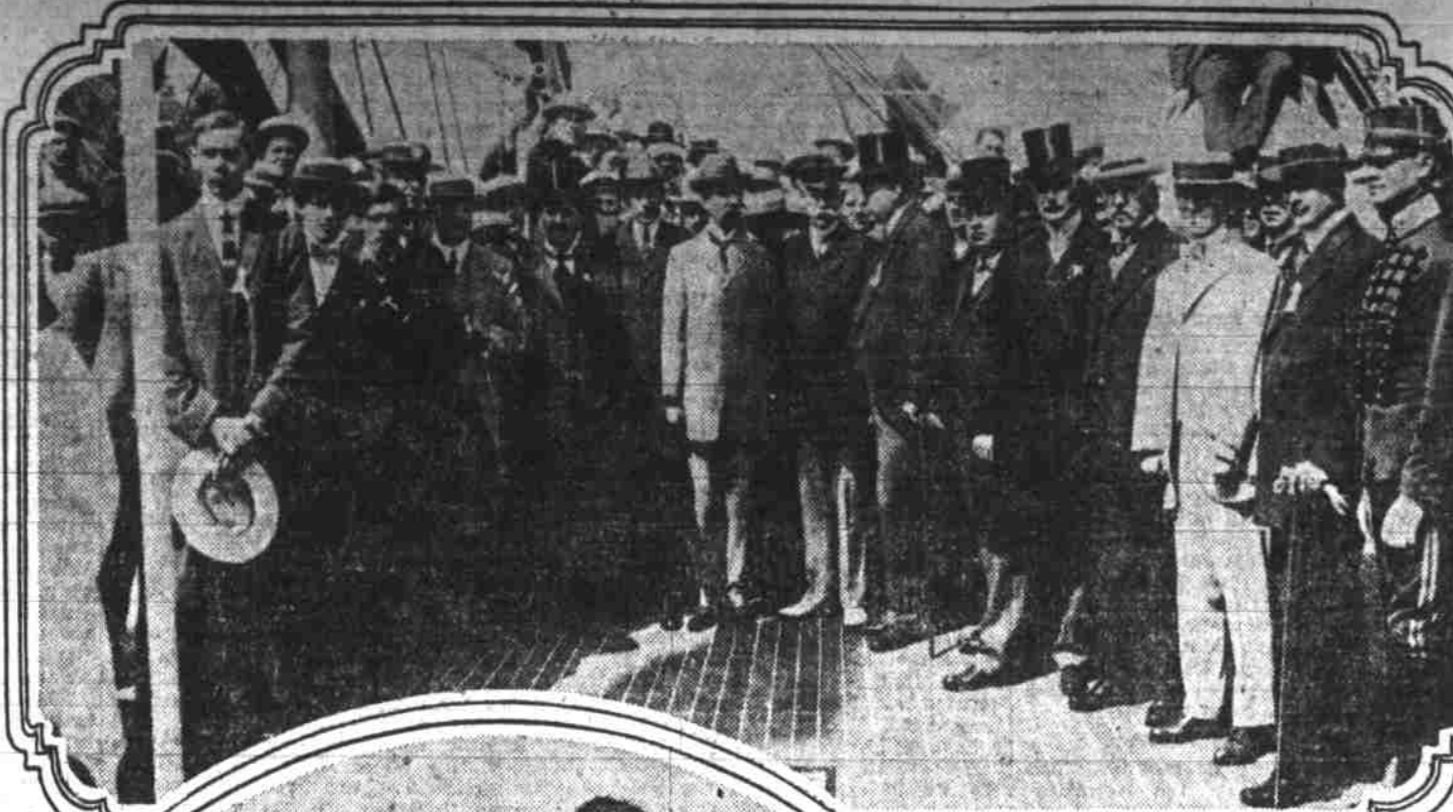
7—American hurdlers, Chisholm on left and Case, working out on Swedish soil.

8—Patrick McDonald, Irish-American Athletic club of New York, who tossed the weight 50.32 feet, winning the event and setting a new world's record.

9—Abel Kiviat and George V. Bonhag, Irish-American Athletic club's middle distance runners.

10—Ben Adams and Platt Adams of New York, brothers, who won second and first places respectively in the standing high jump.

11—John Paul Jones of Cornell, mile runner.



were decorated largely with Swedish and American flags. From time to time one saw the colors of the other nationalities on the motors, but it was significant of the attitude which the hosts for the Olympic games were taking toward the Yankee delegation that a cab could speak English was the Stars and Stripes—not the Union Jack—flying from the tonneau.

It was the general opinion among the Yankee athletes that the Swedish people are the most hospitable in the world. The welcome which was extended to the visitors from the Finland impressed even the most callous of the American visitors. The city did everything possible to make the men from the United States feel at home. It was not from the official standpoint alone that they enjoyed hospitality. The people on the streets went out of their way to take care of the young men who wore the

insignia of the American team, and in the cafes and restaurants the same evidence of special hospitality to the Finland's passengers was plainly apparent.

**Stockholm Is Attractive City.**

Stockholm and its environs are now well known to the visitors from America and the verdict of all critics is that the choice of the city for the holding of the present Olympic games was ideal from every point of view. It is an ideal town for a summer sojourn—this city with its green hills and rolling waters. There is life and gaiety on all sides. Under the

strict ruling of the training regime the track and field performers were not allowed to rest the night life of the Swedish capital. Under the handicap of the 10:30 bedtime regulation they did no more than to light the lights of the cafes along the waterfront twinkling in the half daylight. For the thousands of visitors who have been in Stockholm the city has shown a perfect willingness to keep things moving from sunrise to sunset and the fact that the natives of the town show an ability to keep the pace without the brief interval excepted

proves that the gaiety is not merely adopted for the Olympic games.

The stadium, as it is called in Swedish, was the center of the show, and from 9 a. m. until 5 p. m. the great building and its environs were crowded with spectators anxious to see what is generally admitted to have been the greatest athletic show ever staged. It is a beautiful structure, this amphitheatre which has been built on the outskirts of the city.

**Crown Prince Is Popular.**

All the Americans who met the crown

prince were charmed with his good fellowship. Gustaf Adolf does not stand out as his dignity. "A good mixer" is the way in which some of the American university men described the heir to the Swedish throne. A quick, nervous, young man, with a ready smile and an ability to make his guests feel comfortable, the crown prince was a regular attendant at the stadium, and when the games pleased him he came onto the field and shook hands all around with the competitors. He had a dislike for sitting in the royal box, which he thought was too far from the scenes of excitement. The young man is an accomplished linguist and his English is remarkably good. The impulsiveness of the prince is greatly liked by the people of Stockholm.

While his royal highness has been the most enthusiastic member of the returning family in his interest in the sporting

events, King Gustaf has not been far behind his son and heir. The ruler of Sweden is a firm believer in the value of athletic sports in the life of a nation. He is a devotee of tennis, and while this branch of the Olympic program was in session he was in steady attendance at the courts. His majesty is himself a crack tennis player and in the closer games displayed a power of concentration and a freedom of expression which to the American visitors was reminiscent of the absorption shown at the polo grounds in the climax of the baseball season. In several of the matches the balls flew in the direction of the royal box, and King Gustaf never thought of waiting for the boys in attendance on the players to come and retrieve them. He threw the balls back to the server with a nod and a pleasant smile of encouragement.

## VETERAN FIGHT CRITIC REITERATES STATEMENT JOHNSON GOING BACK

**NEGRO DOESN'T POSSESS OLD TIME PUNCH ONCE HAD**

By W. W. Naughton.

San Francisco, July 20.—It is very evident that sporting critics, unlike doctors, do not hold consultations in reference to the "cases" that come under their observation. If they did, no doubt there would be more unanimity of opinion in respect to the merits of contests and competitions of various characters.

That sporting writers should view boxing matches and other events from different standpoints, is as it should be. A wise head once said, "It's difference of opinion that makes horse races," and what is true of the sport of the turf is true of everything else in the sporting line. Without difference of opinion there would be no occasion to arrange tests of skill, speed or endurance. There would be a total lack of interest in everything relating to competition. There would be no "sporting situation," in fact.

**Not Only Possible View.**

There is one thing, however, that a sports critic should beware of, and that is insisting his view of a contest is the only possible and correct one. He should qualify whatever opinions he writes with the remark, "This may not be the right analysis, but it's the way it looked to me." For no matter what respect his opinion commands, he is only exercising individual judgment.

It is doubtful if there were ever a brace of pugilistic happenings that caused more difference of opinion among the workmen of the press than the two world's championships on the Fourth of July. Those who held that Jack Johnson had showed no decline in fighting ability were fairly well paired with the critics who noted—or thought they noted—a vast difference in the Johnson of Reno and the Johnson of Las Vegas.

**Bill Takes Jack Tires.**

The writer takes his stand with those who believe that Johnson tires more readily and is a less formidable puncher than he used to be. I have seen Johnson in every contest of note he has figured in, in this country since he defeated Frank Childs at Los Angeles, nearly 11 years ago, and am therefore in a fairly good position to judge of his present fighting prowess.

Incidentally, Johnson is one of the hardest men in the fighting world to get a line on. He is such a consummate ring general and everything he does within the ropes is done so artistically, that it is anything but easy to tell when he is in trouble.

In the affair with Flynn he held on and stalled around with a grin on his face and with no particular appearance of being flustered, but he was an exceedingly tired champion of the world, just the same. If he had been the Johnson of other fights, instead of looking hungry-eyed at Referee Smith when Flynn began butting, he would have broken his hold and punched Flynn clear across the ropes.

The different views held in regard to the Johnson-Flynn match were not a

## YAWL WAUNA TO GO DOWN RIVER

**Captain Dodge May Cruise to Astoria; No Yacht Races Today.**

Part Captain Nelson Dodge of the Oregon Yacht club and a party of four left yesterday in Dodge's yawl Wauna on a 10 days' cruise down the Columbia river.

The other members of the party are ex-commanders Todd, Louis Head, Mr. Davis and Ira Hill, former commanders. All of the party are prominent members of the yacht club.

The party will stop at all the prominent fishing stations along the Columbia river, and may go as far as Astoria. There will be no yacht races this afternoon. Most of the owners of yachts left early this morning on a cruise down the Willamette river. They will likely go as far as the Columbia, when they will turn and start for home.

It's about an even break in baseball between New York and Boston. The Giants have won 13 of the 14 games played with the Boston Braves, and the Red Sox have copped 14 of the 15 games against the Highlanders.

Evidently George Mullin doesn't intend to quit the big show this season. Detroit asked wakers on him, when he jumped in and pitched a five-hit game against the Cleveland team.

## BRITISH ARE URGING AN EMPIRE OLYMPIC TEAM

**COFFEY AND HOLLAND MATCHED FOR AUG. 17**

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, July 20.—Walter Coffey and Fritz Holland, middleweights, have been matched to go 20 rounds at Coalinga August 17. Coffey claims that his poor showing against Montana Dan Sullivan last night was due to the fact that he was badly outweighted, Sullivan coming in at fully 175 pounds. Coffey weighed only 154.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

London, July 20.—Strong endorsement of a suggestion by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle that a single team from the whole British empire be entered at the next Olympic games is cordially supported here today by the press as a whole.

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