

The Annual Football Alibis Will Be Declared Off January 1

SAYS JESS WILL GRAB AT CHANCE

Fans Believe There Is Some Joker in Move Inaugurated By Friend Monihan.

New York, Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—Jack Dempsey may get a crack at Jess Willard's heavyweight title before the New Year is many months older.

According to Sergeant Walter J. Monihan, former sparring partner of the big Kansan, Willard stands ready today to sign articles for a battle with Dempsey if the public wants the bout and some promoter gets the right inspiration.

The public is greatly interested in Dempsey's announcement made to a friend in Philadelphia, that Willard will really fight. But the boxing fan is already asking himself whether or not there is a joker somewhere in Willard's offer.

Jack Made to Order

Willard says Dempsey is made to order for him and Monihan infers that the big Kansan is not afraid of Dempsey for a minute. He may not be, but consensus of opinion here is that it will take a promoter with extraordinary nerve to get the fight on a pay-off ring, because Willard is expected to make demands that would cause most promoters to turn tail and run.

That a bout between Willard and Dempsey would be popularly received goes without question. The promoter, the place and the purse are now needed to bring them together. Take Monihan's word for it.

BOXING

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—The tall and ferocious Fred Fulton and the fat and collared Thom Langford will battle a four round go here tonight at the municipal auditorium for the benefit of a kiddies' fund.

Baltimore, Dec. 27.—(I. N. S.)—Joe Burman, Chicago bantam, today made a decision over Eddie Winler of Pittsburg as a result of their 12-round bout here last night.

Women Foiled in Dash for Liberty

Seattle, Dec. 27.—(I. N. S.)—Ten women are in jail here today following their desperate attempt to escape from the internment ward of the city hospital. Overpowering the nurse in charge, throwing a blanket over her head and chloroforming her, they obtained her keys. But the plot was frustrated by other inmates of the ward who began to scream and a policeman at the outer door refused to allow the ten to pass out until he had investigated the disturbance.

A. E. F. Grateful to 'Y. M.' Says Pershing

Paris, Dec. 27.—(I. N. S.)—"The American Expeditionary forces are deeply grateful for the enormous contribution of the Y. M. C. A. to their moral and physical welfare." General Pershing states in a telegram made public today by Carter Y. Head, Paris representative of the organization. All ranks join me in sending heartiest Christmas greetings and wishes for a happy New Year."

Flu Cases Declining

New York, Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—Two hundred and fifty new cases of influenza are being reported daily in New York, according to an announcement made at the health commissioner's office today. Health authorities declare the disease has passed the epidemic stage and the number of cases is declining.

Marines Not New To Big Contests At Pasadena Park

It is feared that a touch of influenza has weakened Captain Dick Hanley of the Marine Island Marines so that he will not give the strength he has been showing all winter to the big game against the Great Lakes naval training station at Pasadena next Wednesday.

Coach Bill Dietz of the Marine has won this East vs. West classic before, having taken it with the Washington State college champions of 1915, when they beat Brown, 14 to 6. Dick Hanley, Benton Bangs, Roy Hanley and Clarence Zimmerman, all of W. S. C. played against Brown at Pasadena. Jack Hickey played center when the famous Oregon team beat Penn in 1916, and Bill Steers was on the squad, so that the Marines will not be unfamiliar with the big crowd that gathers there.

SPORT NOTES

THE Pitt football team has refused to schedule a game with Georgia Tech eleven for 1919 until it has been given the assurance that Guyon will be dropped from the Tech lineup.

George Galas, former star outfielder of the University of Illinois football team, has signed with the New York Americans.

John Martin of Memphis has been elected president of the Southern League. The player limit for 1919 was fixed at 14 men with a salary limit of \$2000. Taking players from major league clubs under optional agreements will be done away with during the coming season.

The U. S. Naval Academy football team has left a place on its 1919 schedule for the contest with West Point. Although eight of the regulars of the 1918 squad will be missing next season, Doan is hopeful of turning out another strong team.

There is some chance of the Boston Americans training in California next spring, according to a statement made Thursday by President Frazer.

The Bethlehem Steel company's soccer football team cancelled its trip to the Pacific coast to play California soccer eleven, when the latter failed to put up the guarantees they had agreed to. They were to have played the Union Iron works and other teams.

Thieves Get \$61,000 In Clever Robbery

Greeley, Col., Dec. 27.—(I. N. S.)—Greeley postoffice today is short \$61,000 in War Savings Stamps, Liberty bonds and currency. Thieves late last night got away with that amount from the office safe, while half a dozen clerks were scrambling for the lights in adjoining rooms. The robbers cut the electric light wires into the post-office, and in the confusion that followed, slipped into the building and carried away the contents of an open safe.

Bolshevism Declared Destructive Element

Boston, Dec. 27.—(I. N. S.)—"Bolshevism is a destructive element and will only retard civilization. What is needed now is construction and not destruction." Cardinal O'Connell declared in a letter to Rev. Dr. Samuel Buchler of New York, chairman of the executive committee of the Jewish Ministers' association of America. In the letter, made public today, Cardinal O'Connell expressed sympathy with the efforts of the association to eradicate Bolshevism from all the nations struggling toward the right and regretted his inability to address the association's convention.

REPORTED KILLED IN ACTION



Club Juniors Have A Christmas Party That Crowds 'Gym'

The annual Christmas party of the junior class of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club held Thursday night in the club house was a huge success, one of the largest crowds that ever attended a function of this kind being present.

The athletic program, staged under the supervision of Professor O. C. Mauche, was well received. The leaders of the various classes were presented with emblems following completion of the exhibitions.

An informal dance was held after a short address by President W. W. Banks.

FOOTBALL

GEORGIA TECH team was organized by General Leonard Wood in 1892 when the Georgia school was only two years old and college football was a stranger to the south. General Wood was founder, coach and player, and many are the tales of his gridiron powers. For nine years before Helmsman's advent Georgia Tech had won just one game in more than 60 combats. But in Helmsman's first year Georgia Tech played nine games and won eight of them. In 1905, Helmsman's second year, Georgia Tech won all of its nine games to the amazement of the southern football world.

And then began the "golden football era" for Georgia Tech. Year after year Tech scheduled games with tougher and tougher foes. Soon it became looked upon as a college that turned out the greatest football teams in the south. Its fame soon spread beyond the Mason and Dixon line, but it was not until 1915 that Tech began to attract national attention and took a ranking with the greatest football teams in America.

The Tech teams of 1915, 1916 and 1917, although pitted against the most powerful foes that it could schedule, did not suffer defeat in 26 clashes. In those 25 combats it scored 1123 points, against 61 by its opponents.

Japanese Discuss Question of U. S. Letting Down Bars

By Ernest W. Clement
Special Cable to The Journal and Chicago Daily News.

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Tokio, Japan, Dec. 27.—The Yoroau Choho professes ignorance as to whether the Japanese delegates will raise the livid problem of immigration.

The paper says that America should come out squarely and make her position clear. It affirms that unless America exhibits a sense of right and justice in her own country, her position with regard to humanity, justice, the league of nations and the permanent peace of the world would be inconsistent.

Report Babe Reames As 'Killed in Action'

"Babe" Reames, former Portland Northwestern league baseball player, said to be among American casualties in France.

"Babe" Reames, former University of California football and baseball star, has been reported killed in action. After his graduation, Reames became connected with teams in the Pacific Coast and Northwest baseball circuits, but tired of professional baseball and entered business for himself. Efforts to get him to return failed, although he used to knock around the sand lots of Sacramento a great deal.

AMERICAN SOLDIERS TURN MAXIM'S INTO BROADWAY, N. Y., CAFE

Drinks Come High, With Martinis at \$1 Per; French Girls Learn New Steps.

By Henry G. Wales
Paris, Dec. 10.—(By Mail)—(I. N. S.)—Maxim's the first place in Paris re-introducing dancing since the signing of the armistice, resembles a Broadway cafe more than it does the Maxim's of ante-war days. American members of a jazz band from a nearby music hall provide the music, strumming out made-in-America tunes.

The dancing begins at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and ends at 7 in the evening. Only habitués of the restaurant known to the management are permitted to participate.

American army officers predominate among the male dancers and have introduced the latest New York steps to the French girls, whose terrestrial education terminated in August, 1914. Cocktails, champagne and tea are served during the dancing. Martinis and Bronxes concocted from French (very bad) gin, cost five francs each. Sweet Tizane champagne costs 45 francs a bottle, and tea without cream, milk or sugar, costs five francs per person.

Spanish Influenza Spreads at Toronto

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 27.—(I. N. S.)—The influenza epidemic in Toronto continues to spread, according to reports made public today by health officials. More than 100 new cases developed over the holiday at the Sacred Heart orphanage alone.

Family Burns to Death

Oleag, N. Y., Dec. 27.—(I. N. S.)—Six persons were lost in a fire which destroyed the home of James Dempsey, an oil driller of Prentissville, 14 miles from Oleag, this morning. Mrs. Dempsey, 40, and five little children were burned to death while the father and two older sons were away drilling a well. Extra gas pressure, it is thought, was the cause of the fire.

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Marines on Job; Great Lakers at Secret Practice

Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—The marine corps football team arrived here this morning ready for the New Year's day classic with the Great Lakes sailor eleven.

Owing to the illness of Dick Hanley, quarterback, and the injuries of Roy Hanley and the general condition of the team as a result of their crowded schedule during the last two weeks, Coach Dietz was not optimistic today.

The Great Lakes sailors are undergoing daily practice, specializing in secret signal work.

STATE PHYSICAL DIRECTORS HOLD TWO DAY SESSION

Athletics Will Be Theme at Auditorium at Lincoln High School.

Physical education in the public schools will be the theme of state instructors and coaches at the two day meeting to be held today and Saturday at the Lincoln high school auditorium.

Saturday at 12:30 p. m. a luncheon will be given athletic directors and coaches at the Multnomah club.

The program follows:

9 a. m.—For high schools.

9:30 a. m.—For grade schools.

10 a. m.—For playgrounds.

10:30 a. m.—Practical Conduct of Play Activities for Public Schools. Miss Mabel Lee, Oregon Agricultural college.

11:15 a. m.—Report of committee on the proposed legislative bill for required physical training in Oregon public schools.

12:30 p. m.—Business meeting. Meeting for discussion of high school athletic problems.

12:30 p. m.—Multnomah Athletic club luncheon. H. W. Hargiss, chairman, Oregon Agricultural college.

Round-table discussion—Methods of organizing and intramural athletics.

U. S. Must Help to Feed Europe for Six Months --- Hoover

Food for the war stricken countries of Europe will be needed for six months more, according to Herbert Hoover, in a cablegram received by Acting Food Administrator W. K. Newell from Washington Thursday.

"Europe will be another six months in recovering from its main food difficulties and thus some task yet remains before us," read the message in part. Christmas greetings were extended to the staff and to state and county administrators and appreciation expressed of the great contribution to winning the war that the teamwork and devotion of the food administration made possible.

A number of posters have been received by Mr. Newell from Washington, to be hung in railway stations, post-offices and other public places, quoting Wilson and Lincoln. Twenty million tons of food have been promised Europe.

Steamer and Cargo Damaged by Fire

Baltimore, Dec. 27.—(I. N. S.)—Fire early today badly damaged the steamship Florence Luckenbach and the vessel's cargo of foodstuffs and gasoline. The ship was lying at Locust Point and was loaded and ready to sail for France today. Four soldiers stationed along the waterfront were injured in helping to fight the flames. Three city firemen were overcome by gasoline fumes and taken to a hospital. The loss will run into thousands of dollars.

Boy Tries to Save Gifts, Dies in Fire

New York, Dec. 27.—(I. N. S.)—Peter Mirabello, 14, was burned to death early today when he returned to his fire-sgut home to snuff his Christmas presents after escaping with his parents. Several women and children were rescued from the apartment house by soldiers and sailors who were attending a holiday celebration in the neighborhood.

CORNELL IS MISSING AT "RAH" MEET

Recommendations for Several Changes in Sport Rules Apppear to Be in Prospect.

By H. C. Hamilton
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—College athletics went on a hunt here today for the old pep that disappeared almost two years ago when Wilhelm began his long skid down the greased ways.

The annual meeting of the National Collegiate association convened at the Astor. The only college of importance which was not represented was Cornell, which is having some trouble recovering from the inaction forced by war.

Indications were recommendations for changes in sports rules would be many. It is quite probable certain recommendations regarding football will be made that will provide for no change in the position of the ball between halves.

Will Discuss Army Athletics

The effect of the returning army's devotion to athletics will be an important subject for discussion.

Plans were made for opening as early as possible competition in all forms of sports formerly indulged in by the schools. It is possible some action will be taken to insure the annual indoor track meet, abandoned since hostilities began.

Recommendations also are expected to place the dates for boat races under school terms, instead of after the close.

Harold McCormick President

Chicago, Dec. 27.—(U. P.)—Cyrus H. McCormick today was succeeded as president of the International Harvester company by his brother, Harold F. McCormick. The former company head became chairman of the board of directors.

United States Golf association meets in New York city January 24.

Honor Flags for W. S. S.

Chehalis, Wash., Dec. 27.—Figures compiled to date on the war savings records in Lewis county indicate that the Little district and the Women's Relief corps society of Chehalis have won the county honor flags for districts and for societies. Honor flags will be presented to these at the big banquet here Monday evening, unless some other more opportune time is found before that.

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Peterson	172	183	135	490	163
Downes	184	142	162	488	162
Totals	800	821	840	2521	

IMPERIALS

	1st.	2d.	3d.	Tot.	Ave.
Christiamson	191	179	148	518	172
Holmgren	168	143	132	443	148
Asper	147	234	183	564	188
Nugen	160	175	163	508	169
Stryker	182	144	140	466	155
Totals	853	877	770	2500	

Zouaves won the match by 19 pins.

W. MEEHAN TOO LATE AT LONDON BUT FULL OF GO

Frisco Phat Boy Wants Them to Save Fred Fulton for Him.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—(I. N. S.)—"Tell them to hold Fred Fulton on the coast until I get there."

Willie Meehan, the round San Francisco heavyweight, wearing a badly scuffed ear and the uniform of the United States navy, gave off this terse message as he paused here today between trains on his way back to California. Meehan left here at 10:30 o'clock this morning and expects to be in California next Monday.

Meehan was very regretful that he did not arrive in London in time to enter the big army and navy boxing tournament held here early in the month. He declared his confidence that he could have beaten any heavyweights in the London show.

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