

"Bear" Story On Dempsey Hits Chicago

CHICAGO, June 24.—(I. N. S.)—"Bear" story upon Jack Dempsey's condition and his prospects of winning the championship fight against Georges Carpentier was furnished the Chicago American today by Ed W. Smith, sporting editor of that paper and recognized boxing authority, who is in the East. He says the champion is heavier than in his go against Willard two years ago, acts wind broken and that the gloom in his camp is evident. Smith: It will be remembered, predicted Jack Johnson would defeat Jim Jeffries, that Willard and that Dempsey would defeat Willard, in each instance days before the fight took place. "YES," MEN BUSY Smith declares Dempsey's camp follows talk bravely but that in their hearts they know the champion is not the man he should be for the coming

fracas. He says the "yes" men at Dempsey's headquarters have been so busy "yeasing" everybody that the true condition of the fighter has been kept under a cloud. "I'm all frankness," Smith says, "Dempsey does not look as fit and perfect, as normal mentally and as generally in as good condition as he did on his birthday two years ago. He's 30 today and added age hasn't improved him down to a fine line in an athletic and especially a fighting sense. "He is heavier, they say only about six pounds—but it is so placed it doesn't improve his appearance to the critical eye. It looks like a vigorous massage might take off this weight. "TIE "BIG PUNCH" Dempsey acts wind-broken. That may be the matter with him. He sports and they say even when the light men of the camp sock him a few times on the bridge of the nostrils that he opens his mouth and yucks in the ocean ozone in vast gobs. "He knocks out a sparring partner in a hurry, hence we hear much of the 'big punch.' Perhaps Dempsey would rather knock them out in a hurry than have the distress of going along with them for three or four rounds—which he should do for the decidedly beneficial effect upon his condition.

"If we were judging on mere surface conditions we wouldn't give Carpentier much more than a fair outside chance of carrying the title back to France. But there is an underlying something that even the 'yes men' cannot obliterate with all their three-cheer stuff."

MINOR BASEBALL

BROWNSVILLE, Or., June 24.—The local baseball tilters thought they had everything their own way against Lebanon here Wednesday, but the result turned out differently. With the score 6 to 0 in favor of Brownsville at the end of the sixth, Pitcher Damon and his support went to pieces in the seventh, Lebanon scoring six times and tying the count. In the next frame the visitors scored the winning run and the final was 7 to 6.

"Suds" Sutherland And Parks to Join Portland Beavers

GRANTS PASS, Or., June 24.—"Hub" Pernoli, ex-big leaguer, will pitch for Grants Pass Sunday in their game with the Medford nine. The Grants Pass team has been practicing consistently this spring and expects to take the Medfordites into camp.

HARVEY G. (SUDS) SUTHERLAND, ace of the Portland Beaver pitching staff, and Vernon Parks, who pitched for Portland last year under the name of Harold Brooks, will join the Mackmen next week at Seattle, according to announcement made Thursday by Manager Walter McCredie. Just why Sutherland, in being returned to the Beavers is a puzzle to some of the local fans, as it was thought that Ty Cobb had made up his mind to retain Sutherland as utility pitcher. With the Tigers this season, Sutherland won five and lost two games. He participated in 11 games. His batting average with the Tigers was .425 for 18 games, being sent in as pinch hitter on four occasions. Sutherland should bolster the pitching staff of the Beavers considerably and his knowledge of pitching will be utilized in giving instructions to some of the youngsters. Art Berg, southpaw of the University of Oregon, has also joined the Mackmen.

PAER eased himself through the door with a deft and experienced key, groped his careful way to a friendly and unobtrusive chair and removed his shoes with fingers that needed no eyes to guide them in the darkness. The other Thomas, faithful guardian of the fleeting hours, from its station on the mantel shelf, twice challenged the noiseless progress of his sock-shrouded feet, filling the night with its accusing voice. "Damn!" T. Paer muttered vindictively, "I never could see no need of clocks that strikes, anyway." Then he waited, poised, until the consistent rhythm of Ma's sleeping gong again reassured him before he resumed his burglarious advance up the stairs. By slow degrees he shed his garments, one by one, easing them gently to the floor about him, until, at last, enfolded in his nightgown, he quietly raised one corner of the bedclothes, sank gingerly upon the rail, slipped first one foot and then the other with infinite care under the covers and sank back with an inaudible sigh of triumph. "Are you home?" Ma murmured drowsily but with a note of trailing sarcasm in her tone. T. Paer sighed and stirred as men do when disturbed in innocent slumber, and then checked the cadence of his breathing with an incipient snore. "What time is it?" Ma asked, not so drowsily. "This is a nice time for you to be sneaking in."

BRINGING UP FATHER



JERRY ON THE JOB



BURGESS' BEDTIME STORIES

Jenny Wren Is Furious. While all the things I have told you about were happening over in the Green Forest things quite as interesting were happening in the Old Orchard. Winsome Bluebird had been the first to arrive in the spring and the Mrs. Bluebird had wasted no time in getting to housekeeping. The year before they had made their home in a hole in a fence post. This year they decided on a certain little house put up in one of the apple trees by Farmer Brown's boy and they moved in. Bully the English Sparrow had already taken possession of the hollow in which Jenny and Mr. Wren had made their home the year before, and their old home had been taken by a pair of their relatives. So it was that when Jenny and Mr. Wren arrived, a little late and rather tired from their long journey up from the South, they found the best home in the Old Orchard already occupied.

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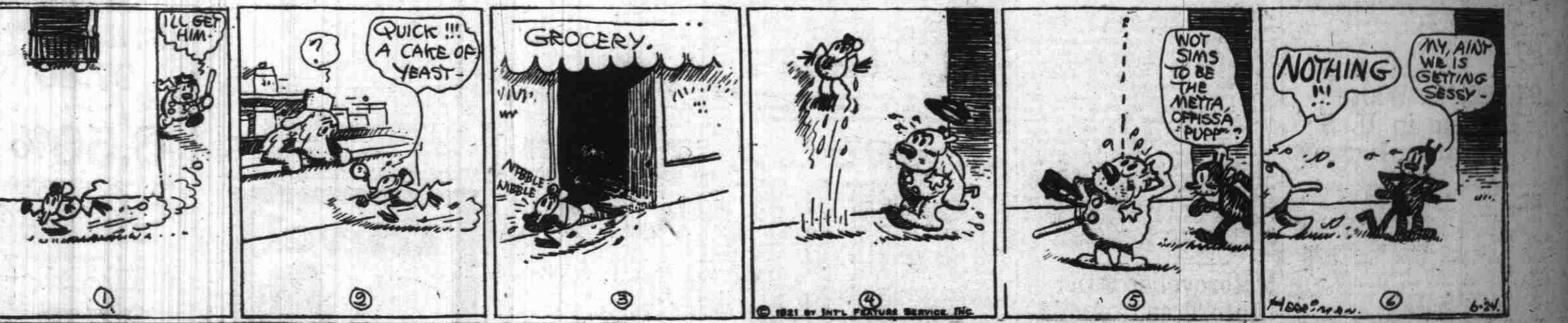
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