

# GIBBONS-DEMPSEY MATCH IS WANTED

### Winner to Have Fight With Wills, Rickard Announces; Plans Tentative

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—(By The Associated Press.)—The heavyweight ballyhoo for 1925 gathered full steam today when Tex Rickard announced he would match Tom Gibbons and Jack Dempsey for a return title match early in June and then pit the winner against the perennial negro contender, Harry Wills, in September. Both bouts would be staged either in the Yankee stadium or in Rickard's Jersey City pine bowl, Boyle's Thirty Acres.

Rickard made this announcement after an hour's conference with Gibbons and the latter's manager, Eddie Kane, at which the St. Paul boxer came to definite terms with the promoter. Wills already is under contract with Rickard.

No binding agreement has yet been reached with Dempsey, but all doubt that he would be seen in action again seemed removed by a

prompt declaration in Los Angeles by Jack Kearns, Dempsey's manager that the champion would give both Gibbons and Wills a chance to fight for the title. Rickard said he anticipated no difficulty coming to terms with Dempsey. There is no explanation as to what effect Dempsey's fighting plans would have upon the matrimonial venture which he has announced for May. Observers concluded, however, that unless there was some hitch in this plan, the champion's fiancée, Estelle Taylor, motion picture actress, had removed her objection to tuning their wedding bells to the sound of ring song.

Gibbons and Kane informed Rickard they would prefer to box Dempsey in New York where official decisions are rendered rather than under the no-decision law prevailing in New Jersey. The promoter, however, refused to indicate what his choice of an arena would be.

No announcement was made as to financial terms but it was understood that Gibbons will receive at least \$100,000 and probably \$150,000 for a battle with Dempsey. The St. Paul challenger failed to make even his expenses out of the historic encounter with Dempsey that went the limit of 15 rounds in the little boom town of Shelby, Mont. in July 1923.

## WORLD RECORD SET IN DOG TEAM RACE

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Nome. Due to the darkness and the blizzard, Kasson passed Solomon and Safety where Fred Rohn was waiting for the final dash. With grim determination Kasson mushed forward making his 53 miles of the journey in seven hours and one half.

Four of his dogs were badly frozen. Kasson, who fought through the severe blizzard, gave the entire credit to Balto, the leader of his dog team. He said the last leg of the relay would have been unsuccessful if Balto had not been on the team. Balto was named after a well known early character in this section, Lapp Baltow, who is now dead.

The sky was clear today with the thermometer registering 10 below. The barometer read 29.50.

Another case of the disease was reported today among the white population of Nome, making the number of cases definitely diagnosed 28, with 30 persons suspected of having diphtheria and 50 persons that had been in contact with the disease and were under surveillance.

The deaths had been held to five. The new case was a white person. The dead were three whites, two of them infants, and two Eskimos.

Winning a war is almost as bad as losing one.

# BEARCATS TO MEET AGGIES

### Local Team Will Play at Corvallis Tonight; Good Game is Promised

Tonight at Corvallis, the Willamette Bearcats will struggle with the Aggies in a basketball contest, which is to count in the Northwest conference standings. The Aggies are leading in both the Northwest and Pacific Coast tabulation, having lost but one conference contest this year. University of Washington defeated them on the Seattle floor about two weeks ago, but the Farmers retaliated last week-end by evening the count.

The Willamette men are in good condition and are expected to give a good account of themselves in the game tonight. In the Washington game last Thursday the Bearcats demonstrated their ability to fight by outpointing the Huskies in the second period, scoring 15 points to Washington's 10. Although no hope is held out to win, the Aggies will have to earn their victory.

# PARRISH QUINTET TRIMS M'KINLEY

### Basketball Game is Uneven and Final Score Shows 22 to 5 on Book

The J. L. Parrish junior high quintet hung up another lopsided victory Friday when they defeated the McKinley junior high 22 to 5 in a very unevenly played game. McKinley started things by copping the first basket, but the Parrish quintet captured three baskets in succession before the losers were able to change their luck. However, the close checking of the Parrish team kept all breaks from the McKinley players and they were unable to hang up a score no larger than two baskets and a lone foul.

Kelley, of the Parrish team was high point man and won credit by his work at left guard. He made six points, which gave him the lead over all others. Shepherd and Phillips came next with five points apiece in their favor. Viesku hung up the five point score for the McKinley quintet. The lineup follows:

- J. L. PARRISH 22
- McKINLEY 5
- Shepherd 5
- Viesku 5
- Ecker 2
- Cummin
- Bisco 3
- Lynr
- Phillips 5
- Walker
- Kelley 5
- Walker
- Nash 2
- Kafoury

# COL. MOSHBERGER IN AUTO ACCIDENT

### His Car Went Into a Ditch Near McMinnville Last Night; Face Badly Cut

The car of Col. Eugene Moshberger of Woodburn went into a ditch near McMinnville last night, resulting in the face of Col. Moshberger being badly cut.

He was accompanied by Capt. L. A. Milner and Lieut. Carl Glos of Portland, and they were on their way to the military tournament at McMinnville last night.

# SALEM CENSUS IS NEAR COMPLETION

### Willamette University Undertaking Work for Statistical Purposes

The survey of the city undertaken by the Phi Gamma Mu, Willamette honorary sociology fraternity, is well under way. The survey started Sunday morning and at a late hour last night about one fifth of the city had been covered.

The survey is in the form of a house-to-house canvass under the direction of Professor S. B. Laughlin, head of the Sociological department of the university. It is the aim of the fraternity to gain useful statistics by presenting at each house a questionnaire containing questions regarding occupation, nationality, date of birth, and amount of education.

The survey is expected to continue till the end of the week after which a compiled report of the statistics gathered will be given out.

# END OF PROBE IS SLATED FOR TODAY

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telephone when Mrs. Washburne discussed ways and means to "get Cleaver". The department did not get one-half the cases claimed and in many instances county officers were domineered, he said. Mr. Kletzing went into detail later at the executive session.

### Kletzing Hits Herwig

"I can get rid of Cleaver in 12 hours if I could find a man to take his place," Mr. Kletzing testified he was told by Mr. Herwig. The main trouble was that when Mr. Herwig found a man suitable to the Anti-Saloon league he was refused by the governor, who found him unsuited politically. Mr. Herwig had a list of 30 possible candidates for the office, but none were satisfactory all the way round. Continuing his attack against Mr. Cleaver, Mr. Kletzing said that Cleaver had ordered S. R. Sandifer, special agent at Medford, to turn in his star. Sandifer came to Portland, saw Mr. Herwig, and retained office until the first of the year. This was admitted by Cleaver, as was a statement made by Kletzing that Cleaver had paid his chamber of commerce dues from the prohibition fund.

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## Surprises Are Sprung

Several new things were sprung on the committee by Mr. Kletzing, including the statement that a citizens committee had called upon the governor on July 23, demanding the removal of Mr. Cleaver and submitting affidavits from four of his agents who offered to enter any county in which state agents had worked in the preceding 15 months and in 30 days produce more fines than were collected in the 15 months. Abe Weinberg, of whom much has been said, offered \$1000 in cash and \$5 a case for all liquor delivered in Lane county, but the offer was passed up by District Attorney Clyde N. Johnston. Leaks from Cleaver's office were reported to Herwig by Cleaver agents and the league knew whenever a man was sent to any county, it was stated, McMillis, one of the agents, had gone to a bootlegger and "borrowed" \$100, telling that he was going to Klamath county, on one occasion.

## Matter Not Personal

Upon being questioned as to his interest in the activities of the state department, Mr. Kletzing replied that it was to better the enforcement law, that records and movements were checked at no expense and because he believed in prohibition. All information received was volunteered and not a cent was paid to receive it, he said. For some time he was a deputy sheriff and for years has been a member of the Methodist church board at Astoria. Mr. Kletzing told Cleaver personally that he had deliberately spread the word that the league was a Klan outfit and obtained convictions by taking cases before Klan judges. The league is an independent organization and in no manner connected with the Klan, he said.

## Many Witnesses Called

"Take the prohibition enforcement law out of politics," he said in closing. "At present the commissioner cannot deputize his own men and must be bossed by the governor, Herwig or someone. The governor hands out special agent badges to anyone who pats him on the back and special agents and state prohibition agents are working under the same badge of authority, bringing much confusion."

## DEBTS OF EIGHT WITNESSES APPEARED

Before the committee before it adjourned at midnight, R. A. Keator, former district attorney at Pendleton, gave testimony that tended to refute Mr. Linville's remarks as to the excellent character of the federal agents. He always found it easy to cooperate with tax agents, and Priestly field agent for the Burns detective agency, formerly with the Canadian northwest police and with the intelligence service during the war, told of cooperation with state agents in making several hundred arrests and that their character was a fair average.

## He Knew "Tilly"

All classes of citizens are prejudiced against state agents, according to Sheriff Ed Ellingsen, of Coos county, who cooperated with Cleaver men. He maintained that it would be impossible to get sufficient officers in Coos county to make it dry. Sheriff John Aschm, of Tillamook county, had no trouble with Cleaver and his men and got along fine with them, he said. Cleaver collected \$500 for the services rendered by his agents, he said. Sheriff Aschm admitted "knowing" the girl supposed to be "Tilly" in Mrs. Washburne's book.

## Gives Cleaver Credit

Ben Fisher, former district attorney, of Marshfield, said that in 200 liquor cases, Cleaver men could be credited with 25 percent, the sheriff's office the same amount, while the remainder 50 percent were effected by cooperation between state agents and the sheriff's office. Objections to the present law were voiced by Attorney Fisher, who held that the county, if it desires, can get more for its money than it can by paying wages to state agents, as there are only a few of these to work in the 36 counties and they can't stay long in any one place; the overhead expenses connected with the depart-

ment, which is allowed \$25,000 a year from state funds, is too great, he said, and that the present law makes a district attorney a peace officer. He recommended monthly reports be made mandatory upon the counties in reporting liquor lines.

## Mary Mako Talks

J. H. Napier, of Reedsport, and Sheriff Cookingham, of Pendleton, both appeared before the committee in behalf of Mr. Cleaver.

Those appearing at the open meeting, each allotted five minutes, were J. J. Ross, S. P. Lockwood, John Pierson and F. G. Leary, all of Portland, representing the law enforcement committee; Rev. C. G. Clark, representing the Portland Ministerial association; Sheriff R. G. Cookingham of Pendleton; Mrs. Mary Mulet, president of the state WCTU; Mrs. Alexander Thompson of Portland, president of the Federated Women's clubs; Mrs. Louisa Palmer Webber, of Portland, and Mrs. Nellis Dodson, of McMinnville, Yamhill county treasurer.

# CRIES FOR HELP HEARD FROM BRIDGE

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Turnidge was rescued from the river during the past 48 hours. Turndige was rescued from the river by W. B. Gerth, well known river man, who saw him clinging to some willows that were just sticking out of the water. He was near exhaustion when his rescuer approached him. If Purcell had made his way to the willows, he would have been saved, but his heavy clothing hampered his movements and he was swept down the river.

The men were traveling down the river from Buena Vista after lark and became lost in the channel by mistake. They were not equipped with lights as they expected to make Salem before dark. Their craft struck a pletform which supported a cable for the Spaulding Logging company used as a crane line. The platform was not large enough to support the two men, and when they clambered on board it sank with their weight. Turnidge plans to remain on the river until the body of Purcell is found, but the opinion of rivermen is that the man's body will not be found until the high waters recede.

## BEER TO BE SOLD

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 2.—Draught and bottle beer with as high as four and one half per cent content and not lower than three and one half per cent is to be sold in British Columbia's new beer halls, Attorney General A. M. Mason announced here today.

## DEBT PAYMENT PRGED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Chairman Borah of the senate foreign relations committee wrote Secretary Mellon, today inquiring whether Italy had proposed any plan looking to settlement of its \$2,000,000,000 war debt to the United States.

# BRIDGE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE NAMED

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W. W. Rosebraugh, City Engineer H. Rogers, Street Commissioner W. S. Lowe.

The citizens of Salem appointed are S. A. Hughes, F. A. Erixon, C. B. McCullough, S. Van Patten and H. Pohler.

The permanent bridge committee is composed of Councilmen L. J. Simeral, S. E. Purvine and W. W. Rosebraugh.

# Silverton High Girls Beat Woodburn Quint

SILVERTON, Feb. 2.—High school girls defeated Woodburn high school girls last Friday night by a score of 39 to 19. Garrison was the highest scorer for Woodburn and B. Alm was a high pointer for Silverton. This is the third game played and won by the Silverton high girls.

## GONGAZA DEFEATS P. U.

SPOKANE, Feb. 2.—Gonzaga University ran up a score of 60 to 28 over the Pacific university basketball team in a Northwest conference game here tonight.

# INCOME TAX ISSUE GIVEN

### Equalization Is Held Need to Take Off Burden From All Real Property

The state of Oregon is tax valued at only a trifle over one billion dollars. It must raise, under the present system, rather more than forty million dollars by direct property levy. This means a property tax levy of rather more than an average of forty mills, with a continued increase, as the needs of the state increase. At the present time the state is in sad need of many millions to cover the urgent needs of all its institutions. It has an indebtedness of over sixty million dollars and pays more than three million dollars interest, annually. More money must be raised by taxation, but property is already carrying a greater load than it can bear.

The burden of taxation falls most heavily on the real property owner under the antiquated system of taxing what you can see. In ancient days in England, the state called on the property owners and took half he produced, the county came in for half the remainder, his feudal lord appropriated half of what was left him and the church came after the balance. We think we have progressed but we are doing exactly as was done when the people forced King John to give them the Magna Charter.

We tax just what we can see and real property is easily seen. A large per cent of Oregon land is taxed today for a sum larger than its actual cash rental value. Neither an individual nor a business can prosper that draws on the capital owned. When expenses are paid from principal, the business must eventually fail. This is likewise true of our tax system.

Let us not delude ourselves with the idea that we can reduce taxes as a whole. In volume they must increase with the needs of the state the same as, with modern comforts and methods of living, the expense of the home has increased.

But we can equalize taxation and there is but one way to do so. No intelligent person will dispute the fact that taxes must be paid from income. They are a part of the cost of living and must be met, not from capital, but from income. The question is, can an equitable income tax be levied in a single State regardless of the taxing system of its sister states and yet make it possible for business in the state levying the income tax to meet competition in neighboring states and at the same time encourage new business to come to the state.

I say most emphatically it can. State taxation must have a threefold object:

- First: To maintain the government.
  - Second: To limit expenditures.
  - Third: To encourage investment in the state.
- The last is by no means the least important. The United States is the world's banker and must restrict immigration. Oregon needs more people and more capital and its taxing laws must be framed to attract both.

If a law is passed embodying the following features, and I will be glad to prepare such a law. Oregon will have taken a step in the right direction. Taxes on property will be decreased, new business will be glad to locate here, and the man who is working to build up community will be encouraged to put forth greater efforts.

As the total net income of Ore-

gon is practically \$160,000,000 and \$40,000,000 must be raised annually in taxes one-fourth of the net income of Oregon must be used to pay such taxes, for if those taxes are paid from principal, our business must fall. Accordingly an income tax must be so framed that it will not add to the burden of the one who is paying his just share, but will tax the one who is not.

The basis of the income tax is the proved theory that expenses must be paid from income only.

Thus we know that the entire tax levy on a paying business must equal about twenty-five per cent of the net income. Example: Investment, \$1,000,000.00 Tax valuation, 60 per cent. \$600,000.00

Taxes at average Oregon rate, 10 mills, \$24,000.00.

Eight per cent net, over all, including proper reserves of every nature, is better than the general business investment averages.

Net income on the above investment on one million then should be, \$82,000.00 after paying every expense of every character including all taxes before further tax is levied on that business or its income. But if the tax levied takes off only on the person who does not pay a tax based on the just value of his property, and his percentage of income, then that tax is a just tax, it should be levied, and the person not paying his share, should do so.

An income tax, then, must first have an allowance for all proper business expenses, except property taxes assessed by the state of Oregon, and all such taxes should be an offset or credit against the income tax levied.

Accordingly the tax rates on the business producing \$82,000 net income would be a graduated tax, ten per cent on the first five thousand or fraction thereof, fifteen per cent on the second five thousand or fraction thereof, twenty per cent on the third five thousand or fraction thereof, twenty five per cent on the fourth five thousand or fraction thereof, thirty per cent on the fifth thousand or fraction thereof, and thirty per cent on all incomes in excess of \$25,000, at which rates the income tax on \$82,000 net income, less \$2000 exemption, would be \$21,500, the property tax offset would be \$24,000 and he would have no income tax to pay.

But if his business was more prosperous and cleared over ten per cent and his net income was \$102,000, his income tax would

be \$27,500, his property tax offset \$24,000 and he would justly pay \$3,500 income tax which he could well afford, as he made \$20,000 more profit on his investment than did the first example. There would be no double taxation in this system.

The \$100,000 example is given only for comparison, Oregon has no 100,000 taxable income.

The tax would be imposed upon all resident and non-resident individuals, including trusts to persons unknown, with respect to the entire net income accruing to them from every source within the state of Oregon including all

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