

# Bayes and Gordon Complete Training in Preparation for Big Mix

## SAILOR AND BAYES READY FOR BATTLE

By "Nick" Zylstra  
Perusal of fight records indicate that tomorrow night's fight will be one of the best. If not the best, fights ever put on in the local armory, when Salem's most popular boxer, Phil Bayes, will enter the ring to exchange hard rights and lefts with the popular Seattle leather pusher, Sailor Willie Gordon. Both fighters are in the best of condition, working out in their respective gymnasiums each day. Bayes reports that he never felt better in his life, and is very confident that he will defeat the visiting Gob in tomorrow night's slugfest match.

Gordon has been training in the Shamrock gymnasium, Portland, for the past two weeks. Word has been received by Matchmaker Harry Plant of the Salem boxing commission, from Joe Waterman, Gordon's manager, that his boy is getting into very good condition, and will be in much better shape tomorrow night than in his former fight with Bayes which resulted in a referee's decision favoring the sailor. Gordon expects to shout "Ship a boy! Ship a boy! Man over board via a kayo!" in the early part of the fight. In their former match both fighters were injured, Gordon breaking his thumb in the second round and Bayes entering the ring with an injury to the eye, which he received in another mix. Tomorrow night both will enter the ring in the best of condition, which can result in nothing less than a fight from start to finish. Neither one will take the count until he has put everything he has in the fight.

Both are real crowd pleasers. Not a person went home from their last clash but what they declared it to be one of the best bouts in this city to date, and demanded a math.

Both will weigh in a 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at 126 pounds. Bayes now weighs 128 pounds and will stay at that weight until tomorrow morning when he will reduce to 126. In his last fight with Gordon he weighed in at 124 pounds with Gordon going at 125 and 3-4 pounds.

Everything is now in readiness for the bout at the armory declares Matchmaker Plant. The dizzy lighting system used at the late Bayes vs. Gordon fight has been scrapped, and one of the best lighting systems that can be had for a bout will be used. Due to the filming of the last bout it was necessary to use the dull blue light, but it proved to be very hard on the eyes.

Matchmaker Plant reports that ticket sales are going very good. Calls come in daily from every part of the state making reservations. Bad weather conditions will be the one and only thing which will limit the crowd. In the parlance of the ring, the match looks like a "natural" and a near-capacity house is expected tomorrow night.

Now as to the preliminaries. On the list we see Pete Willert, of Salem, matched with Buzz Runley of Eugene for a four three minute round special event. Both these men have been seen in action here before and that's "nuff sed." They are both big eggs and can bang on the bacon. Willert has been showing up exceptionally well in his last bouts, and reports that he is all ready for the battling Buzz.

Then there is Ray Jacobs, who fought Pete Willert to a draw in a special event at the Cleghorn va. Hobbs bout, will step into the ring to exchange blows with Young Waterburger of Independence. Waterburger has also been seen in action here in former bouts and has always proven to be a real fighter and crowd pleaser. Harry Savave of Albany will again meet Young Guy Hickman in the curtain raiser. These two lads have never failed to put up a real battle.

## TUNNEY ACCEPTS HEENEY FOR FIGHT

NEW YORK, April 2.—(AP)—The U. S. mail will deposit with the New York state athletic commission tomorrow Gene Tunney's formal acceptance of Tom Heeneey as challenger for the heavyweight title. Tex Rickard told his associates at Madison Square Garden today over the telephone from Miami, Fla.

The match, which already has the personal sanction of James A. Farley, chairman of the commission, was announced by the promoter Saturday. The probable date was set for July "either in London or somewhere in the United States."

At the last meeting of the commission, the boxing fathers notified Tunney that his original answer to their "request" that he name a specific challenger for a bout this summer was inadequate. The champion was given until tomorrow to name his man on pain of indefinite suspension.

## DAZZY AND BOSS TALK THINGS OVER



Dazzy Vance, ace of Brooklyn pitchers, talks over the coming season with his boss, Manager Wilbert Robinson, below. Above, Vance, Outfielder Max Carey and Catcher Charley Hargreaves chuckle over a joke at the Dodgers' training camp in Clearwater, Fla.

## RIKARD'S ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT

Joe Jacobs, manager of Jack Delaney, declared today he would not sign for a match with Jack Sharkey here on April 30 until assurance was given both fighters that the winner would meet Tunney in September. There appears little chance of the bout being staged.

## RACING WORMS USED TO ENLIVEN MEETING

LONDON, Eng., April 2.—(AP)—Eight racing worms were used by Professor Julian Huxley to enliven a meeting of members of the Royal Institution. The scientists were invited to place their bets beforehand, but as the judges had difficulty in telling one worm from another after the start, the bets were declared off.

The race was put on during a lecture on "the behavior of animals." It was easily arranged, for the lecturer, Fullerton professor of physiology brought into use beams of light from which the worms scurried away as fast as they could as soon as the ray shone on them.

"The worms seem to be as afraid of a strong light as we human beings are of the dazzling light of an automobile," Professor Huxley explained as the racers hurried across the lecturer's "field." A feature of the race was the neck and neck finish of runners as they wriggled with all their might and main, each trying to get ahead of the others.

## STANFORD MEETS DEFEAT

EVANSTON, Ill., April 2.—(AP)—Northwestern university's swimming team defeated Leland Stanford of California, 42 to 27 in a dual meet here tonight. Northwestern won six firsts while Stanford took two.

## SHE SEEKS CHANCE IN OLYMPICS



The Olympic games won't be entirely devoid of beauty if pretty Georgia Coleman, of Los Angeles, has her way. Miss Coleman hopes to get a place on the American aquatic squad in the great games. Here she is smiling proudly after winning the national junior 10-foot board diving title at Pasadena, Cal.

## GUNNERS MAKE FINE SCORE, WIN IN FIVE

Although shooting a 72 out of a possible 75 score, the local gun club won five and lost but one of the six matches in Sunday's competition in the Oregonian's state telegraphic trapshoot. Roseburg, who shot a perfect score was the only team to defeat the Salem club. Those who fell before the Cherrians were Portland, 72; Baker, 71; Eugene, 72; Monitor, 69; and Neady, 66. The Salem club shot against Baker, Portland and Eugene as new opponents, and shot off ties with the other clubs. Heppner gun club, who had not as yet met with defeat this season, was handed their first loss by the Arlington gunners, who bettered the leaders' score of 72 by one point, 73.

Archie Long was the only member of the local club to bang out a perfect score in Sunday's shoot. He shot at the Siletz traps and telephoned his score in. The other two names wired into the Oregonian were Carl Bahlborg and Frank Haberman, each breaking 24 out of a possible 25. Kehne Wala, Salem high school student, also shot a 24, but his name was not sent into Portland. Local gunners believe that this young gunner will be one of the main cogs in Salem's scoring machine in the future.

In spite of unfavorable weather conditions over the state Sunday, six of the clubs blasted out perfect scores. These were Coquille, Washington county club, Klamath, Huntington, Roseburg, and Echo, Yamhill County and La Grande missed by one point, scoring 24 each.

Scores of local gunners in Sunday's telegraphic:

Archie Long	25
Frank Haberman	24
Carl Bahlborg	24
Tom Wolganott	24
Kehne Wala	24
Clarence Bowne	23
Tad Shelton	23
George Palmer	23
Lawrence Imiah	22
O. K. DeWitt	22
Morris Race	21
Clarence Townsend	21
Grant Farris	21
Ernest Pearson	21
Cliff Evans	21
Lowell White	21
Fred Bernard	20
Dr. C. A. Eldridge	20
Walter Simon	20
Bud Welch	20
Arthur Frank	19
Clyde Van Patton	19
Jim Lewis	19
George Viesko	19
Clarence George	19
Cliff Parker	18
Romeo Gouley	18
Fred Leise	17
Ben Claggott	17
Tom Curry	16
Ken Brown	15

## BASEBALL SEASON WILL OPEN TODAY

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2.—(AP)—With a \$20,000 bonus posted for the winners and a split season to be tried out for the first time, the eight clubs of the Pacific Coast league begin their 1928 pennant scramble tomorrow in Brooklyn central YMCA star who finished second.

Allen Cross of the Erie, Pa., YMCA was third. It was in the back stroke event that the former Cincinnati high school star won his record victory after Spence had obtained a wide lead in the earlier part of the race. Laufer trailed by almost fifty feet until the last 100 yards when he pulled up even and then plunged ahead to win.

Two new managers and one new set of club owners are listed in this year's league directory. Wade "Red" Killefer, former manager and part owner of the Seattle Indians, will pilot the San Francisco Missions; Jimmy Middleton will attend to the managerial duties for Seattle under William Klepper, president and one of the new owners. Klepper formerly owned the Portland club.

The split season is the big innovation. The first season will end July 1 and the second season October 4, each being of 13 weeks' duration. A cash prize of \$20,000 already has been agreed upon to be paid out of the league's treasury. If one club wins both seasons, it will receive \$15,000 with \$5,000 split up between the club holding second and third place in total percentage. Should different teams win the two seasons and play off in a championship series, they will cut \$15,000 on a 60-40 basis. The other \$5,000 will be divided on the total percentage plan between the third and fourth finishers.

SPRING GRID WORK ON UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, April 2.—(Special)—Spring football practice at the University of Oregon will be resumed Monday, Captain John J. McEwan, head coach, announced. Team play will feature the drills, which will continue for five weeks.

## JUST A SONG AT TWILIGHT



Latest photo of Gene Tunney, the maestro of maul. The champ seems to be going after that harp in the manner that he went after Dempsey—only his touch is a bit gentler.

## HOCKEY CHAMPIONS TO BATTLE; FINAL

NEW YORK, Apr. 2.—(AP)—Finalists for the world's professional hockey championship will be determined at Montreal and Boston tomorrow night when the second games of the two-game final series for the Canadian and American group championships of the national hockey league will be fought to a finish.

The contenders in each group are deadlocked with only one game to decide which will battle for the classic Stanley cup. Montreal Canadians and Montreal Maroons played to a 2-2 tie in the first game at Montreal on Saturday night and the Boston Bruins and New York rangers engaged in a 1-1 draw struggle at New York. If the teams still are tied at the end of the regular 60 minute play tomorrow night, overtime will be played until a team has scored the deciding goal.

## WALES SETS HIGH MARK OF HIS OWN

BROMSGROVE, Worcestershire, England, April 2.—(AP)—Setting a new high record for royalty the world over to shoot at, the Prince of Wales "scored" three falls in the Harkaway club race meeting Saturday but was wildly cheered for his pluck anyway.

The prince participated in two steepchases and each time the fourth fence gave his royal highness trouble. He wrecked two smart riding costumes but neither his athletic body nor elastic spirit seemed to suffer.

In the first race the prince's mount refused the fourth jump and tossed Wales over a stiff high hedge. The heir to the throne however, remounted and spurred his mare at the obstacle again but she tangled her forelegs and the prince hit the dirt for the second time. By this time Wales decided that he couldn't win that race and retired.

He changed mounts for the second race and at the same fence his horse stumbled and the prince suffered a third fall. Undismayed he tried again and this time cleared the obstacle and finished fourth in the midst of deafening applause.

On Thursday the prince was thrown in a race at Frensham, re-

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## HEENEY PROMISES TUNNEY REAL FIGHT

PARIS, April 2.—(AP)—Tom Heeneey, the brawny New Zealander who is to meet Gene Tunney for the heavyweight championship of the world some day, is convinced that his chances are better than even to win. "Sure, I'll fight him," exclaimed Heeneey on being informed he had been picked as Tunney's opponent, "and he and everyone else will know there has been a fight going on."

"I have always given American fight fans the best there's in me," continued Heeneey. "They can't call me a horizontal fighter. I won't be bombastic and say that I will knock Tunney for a goal, but anyone, after 15 Tunney-Heeneey rounds, will be convinced he has seen a real fight."

Heeneey experienced extreme difficulties with the first hard-boiled shirt he ever wore as he was dressing for dinner; it was several sizes too small and he tore it half way down the back.

"This is worse than fighting Tunney," Tom volunteered. "Give me back the old buttoned-up front."

## NOT MUCH CHANCE SEEN IN ENGLAND

LONDON, April 2.—(AP)—The possibility that Gene Tunney might fight Tom Heeneey, the champion of New Zealand and one of British's own sons, in London next summer came as a distinct surprise, not unmixed with skepticism, in England's fight fans.

The prospect of harboring a title affair of such local color and general interest was pleasing but the impression prevailed that not even the mammoth Wembley stadium or any other arena in England, would hold a crowd sufficient to make such a contest remunerative to the fighters and Promoter Tex Rickard.

There are not enough boxing enthusiasts in the country to provide the enormous purses required to meet American demands, according to the general opinion.

The British income tax and entertainment tax would reduce considerably whatever receipts might be obtained.

Fans recalled that the most interesting international affair of this kind ever staged in England was a bout between Tom Gibbons and Jack Bloomfield, British light heavyweight champion, at Wembley stadium in August, 1924.

The match was a financial failure, entailing a loss to the promoters of approximately \$60,000.

## BOWLERS DEFEAT EUGENE IN MEET

The First National bank bowling team defeated the Eugene all-stars in an inter-city meet here Sunday to the tune of 3007 to 2,540. The Salem five started a scoring machine that could not be stopped and as a result copped each of the three games. V. Stollker, Salem, was high point man in the contest with 642 markers. The Salem team will be represented in the northwest bowling tournament which is to be held in Portland April 14 to 21, and it is believed that the local team will be strong contestants for the championship title. They demonstrated real championship form in Sunday's contest and still have two weeks of practice before the meet.

The Salem team was composed of Titus, Stollker, Kantola, Victor and Greenlow while the Eugene All-stars were represented by Hengler, Rutherford, Bonney, Mercer, and Rasmussen.

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