N.Y. Club Charged With Monopolizing U.S. Boxing Bouts

NEW YORK — (AP) — The International Boxing Clubs of New York and Illinois were charged Monday with conspiring to monopolize the professional championship boxing business in the United States.

The Department of Justice complaint was made in a civil action in federal court.

Owners of the clubs, James D. Norris of New York and Arthur M. Wirtz of Chicago, and the Madison Square Boxing Corporation, of New York, also were named defendants.

The charges were announced by Melville C. Williams, chief of the Department of Justice's anti- trust division.

The defendants are accused of conspiring to restrain and monopolize championship boxing bouts.

The clubs, of which Norris is president, are the chief promoters of professional championships boxing matches in the country.

Williams said they promoted or participated in the presentation of about 90 per cent of all championship contests since 1949.

NORRIS AND WIRTZ, together with the Madison Square Garden Corporation, are principal stockholders of the New York-Illinois International Boxing Clubs.

The complaint says the defendants obtained contracts from champions and leading contenders in all major weight divisions requiring, as a condition of participating in title bouts, to box exclusively for the IBC.

Through this means, the charges said, the IBC had excluded others from the promotion of such fights, and controlled the sale of radio, television and motion picture rights at the contests.

The defendents also were accused of obtaining exclusive use of all principal arenas in New York, Chicago and other large cities suitable for staging championship bouts.

THROUGH THE conspiracy, the charges said, the defendants had succeeded in 1949 in eliminating the Tournament of Champions, Inc., the leading competing promoter of championship matches.

In Washington, Attorney General J. Howard McGrath said the suit was aimed at "removing the monopolistic control of professional championship boxing imposed by these defendants."

He said the public, as well as contestants, promoters, radio and TV broadcasters and others are "entitled to a free, competitive market in a business which commands such wide public interest."

Harry Markson, managing director of the New York International Boxing Club, declined comment on the action.

FILM BIGWIG WEDS

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, Calif.—(AP)—Herbert J. Yates, 72-year-old head of Republic Pictures, Inc., was married Saturday night to the star of his studio, Vera Hruba Ralston, 31.

Sullen Citizens Await Eviction

TIGNES, France—(AP)—A strong contingent of militarized police entered the doomed village of Tignes Monday and removed official papers from the City Hall. Stubborn villagers, still not reconciled to the flooding of their homes to make a huge lake for a new hydro-electric power dam, watched sullenly.

A delegation of citizens made formal protest to the prefect of the region when some of the papers were seen to fly off the trucks and land in the snow at the roadside. The prefect, a little out of patience with the reluctance of the residents to leave, merely said the work would go on. He said he had brought in the police to avoid any bloodshed and any interference with the workers assigned to handle the evacuation.

The government has appropriated about two million dollars to buy the properties and move the villagers to a new town. Out of 480 property owners in Tignes, it was reported all but 60 had accepted the offered compensation.

A bulldozer, pushing through the snow-blocked road to the village cemetery, Monday was within about 50 yards of its objective of digging up the bodies.

When the lake is full, Tignes will be buried under 600 feet of water. The lake and dam will provide Southeastern France with 138 million kilowatt hours of electricity.

Tax Collectors' Hands Itchy Surveying Loot

SANTA FE, N. M.—(U.P.)—A 23-year-old dime store clerk reported for work Monday some $16,000 richer than when she left for the weekend, and already she was worrying about next year's income taxes.

Annie Baca won $16,000 worth of prizes, plus an expense-paid trip to Paris Sunday night by correctly identifying the mystery melody on the ABC radio show "Stop the Music."

Miss Baca, who took the phone from her excited mother and gave the song title, "We All Have Troubles of Our Own," said she never had heard the song until it was played on the program. She learned the title from a New York newscast Saturday night, Miss Baca said.

Tax collector Presente A. Baca, no relation to the lucky girl, said Miss Baca probably will have some trouble over the prizes.

It was the income tax man's estimate that Uncle Sam will want more than $4,000 out of the loot.

2,125,000 Hours Free

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Red Cross said Sunday that 1,650,000 volunteers contributed 2,125,000 forty-hour weeks, for free, to it last year.

E. Roland Harriman, Red Cross president and a volunteer himself, said without these volunteers the Red Cross would need many times the 85 million dollar budget it has set for 1952.

Of the time put in last year by the volunteers, Harriman said:

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SUSPECT BOOKED—Louis Gazzigli, 44, ex-boxer and gambling club bouncer stares angrily as he is booked at the county jail in Reno after his arrest by FBI agents in connection with the $1,500,000 burglary at the home of Reno millionaire L. V. Redfield. Gazzigli, known as "Young Firpo" is charged with aiding an ex-convict already in custody at Milwaukee with moving some of the burglary loot out of the state.

California Storm Moves Eastward

DENVER — (U.P.) — A late winter storm that hit southern California with rain, snow and a baby tornado rolled east toward the Rockies Monday on a long north-south front.

The storm, which produced a weekend of bitter weather in the Los Angeles area, was lashing portions of Arizona, Nevada, Wyoming, Utah and western New Mexico with rain and snow.

In southern California, where four persons lost their lives as a result of the combination of blizzards, rain and windstorms, skies were generally clearing.

But the effects of the storm were just beginning to be felt in states to the east.

Ely, Nev. reported 20 inches of snow at 5:30 a.m. There were varying degrees of precipitation. Snow fell in western Wyoming and Utah and snow and rain showers in Arizona. Some rain and snowfall was reported in western New Mexico.

The weather bureau said the storm probably would beat itself out on the western slope of the Rockies in Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico, although some of its effects probably would be felt in eastern Wyoming.

The snowfall was mostly light over Utah with roads open and no known casualties or suffering.

The California storm was capped by a freak twister that swept through Santa Monica Sunday. It whirled a half-completed skiff through the air, blew down a tile garage building onto three cars, knocked over a brick chimney and fireplace, shattered windows and collapsed several boats.

Nutcracker Inventor Wins Stalin Award

MOSCOW — (AP) — One of the winners of a Stalin prize last week, it developed Sunday, is a 100-year-old village smith named Mohammed Omar Ogly Andiev.

He got 50,000 rubbles for inventing a new nutcracker. At the official rate the rubble is worth 25 cents.

The device, according to the citation for the award, removes hulls from a particular type of nut peculiar to his section of Azerbaijan. One of his machines replaces 100 of the old type, Pravda said.

Shooting Stars Spray Commies

Ground War Quiet Under Thawing Sun

SEOUL, Korea — (AP) — American Shooting Star jets sprayed frontline Communist troop and artillery positions with rockets, bombs and bullets Monday.

Pilots reported killing more than 75 Red soldiers, destroying 15 guns and 28 troop bunkers and damaging a tank.

Swift F-86 Sabre jets flying cover for the Shooting Stars exchanged shots with 12 Communist MIG-15 jets, but reported no hits. Sunday Sabres destroyed three MIGs, probably shot down two and damaged eight in the first air battle in four days.

THE SHOOTING STAR jets concentrated on Communist positions along the eastern and central fronts.

Ground action was minor Monday under a thawing spring sun. Only light patrol clashes were reported by Eighth Army headquarters.

At noon Monday the U.S. Eighth Army clamped a new blanket censorship on front line troop designations. The Army recently identified several divisions on the battleline.

CARRIER-BASED planes and warships hit Red targets on both the East and West Coasts of Korea Sunday. Valley Forge and Antietam fliers ripped Communist rails in 199 places and attacked supply installations, anti-aircraft batteries, bridges, rolling stock and buildings.

The Battleship Wisconsin hurled 16-inch shells 18 miles inland on the eastern end of the battleline before she was hit.

The Heavy Cruiser U.S.S. St. Paul started fired and set off explosions in the Kojo area.

Russian Engineers Get Prize for Jet Planes

LONDON—(U.P.)-Two of Russia's leading aviation engineers probably have designed an improved version of the MIG-15 jet fighter plane, well informed sources said Saturday.

It was announced in Moscow that a 150,000 ruble nominally $37,500 "Stalin" prize had been awarded to Artem Mikoyan, Mikhail Gurevich and a group of other designers.

Mikoyan and Gurevich designed the MIG-15: They already had been compensated for that accomplishment in 1947.

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Will Reds Gamble on New Offensive?

GIs Ready for Assault

By ELTON C. FAY
Associated Press Staff Writer

WASHINGTON —(AP)— American military officials seem certain the Communists in Korea will invite military disaster if they turn from stalling in the truce negotiations to gamble on a news offensive.

Pentagon observers recently returned from inspection of the battle front hinted Sunday of the powerful defensive preparations made by United Nations forces—of a sharp buildup in firepower of all types, of massed artillery and other weapons, of ample stocks of ammunition and supplies.

THEY COMMENTED in interviews on an air of confidence displayed by both troops and troop commanders, bordering almost on a hope that the enemy would try an offensive and open himself to expected punishment.

This gave emphasis to a statement by Secretary of Defense Lovett over the weekend, made in his semi-annual report to the White House and Congress, that very strong defensive positions have been established in Korea and that "any resumption of the offensive by the enemy will involve him in critical losses of men and materiel."

On the basis of military evidence, the intentions of the Chinese and North Korean Communists are not clear. For months they have been preparing for both offensive and defensive operations, while higher political levels of the Communist world have directed the stalemates in truce talks.

Some Pentagon quarters incline to the belief that too much emphasis has been placed here on the buildup of the Red Air Force in relation to the offensive potentiality of the Communists.

The point made is not that there has been no buildup—estimates of enemy air strength now range from 1400 to 1700 aircraft, with from 700 to 900 of the MIG-15 jet fighter category—but that the Red Air Force is essentially a defensive force.

The MIG-15 is a fighter-interceptor and has been used exclusively for challenging Allied bombers and fighter-bombers.

IT SEEMS entirely possible that the Soviet Union, which already has drawn heavily on its own arsenal of modern jet interptor planes and modern ground weapons to supply the Chinese and Korean partners, is reluctant to provide a ready-made tactical Air Force for them.

Indeed, there is some thought in Washington that for this reason Moscow may be interested in seeing the truce negotiations prolonged. While they continue, the junior Asiatic partners of the Communist world can't try an offensive and therefore can't make demands for a tactical Air Force and increasing amount of other equipment from the Soviet arsenal to replace battle losses.

GIs to Be Released

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