

HEAVIES AWAIT GONG IN MADISON SQUARE

JACK SHARKEY IS IN TRIM FOR HEENEY SHOT

New York, Jan. 13 (AP)—With a chance at Gene Tunney's heavy-weight title awaiting him if he wins, Jack Sharkey of Boston will meet Tom Heenev, a rugged oak from Gishorne, New Zealand, in a scheduled 12 round bout at Madison Square Garden tonight.

Only an unexpected reversal will prevent Sharkey from facing Tunney in the first championship bout of the summer at Yankee Stadium.

The ex-gob is an overwhelming favorite to win. The odds are 2 to 1 on Sharkey.

Sharkey had his big chance once before and failed. The Lithuanian went out to beat Jack Dempsey at Yankee Stadium last summer. Instead of trying to box him as he was told, he was knocked out.

Fair or foul—Sharkey went down in a heap, protesting Dempsey's low punches, but the Bostonian has done nothing since to convince the public that he is a first class fighter.

Sharkey, however, isn't facing any setup tonight.

Heenev was once a blacksmith and he's just as tough as they come. He's never been knocked out and he's only been off his feet a few times. He's not much on skill, boxing, ring craft and that sort of thing, but once in the ring, he'll be swinging two heavily loaded fists every minute.

The tale is whispered around that Sharkey hasn't a fighting heart and will curl up under fire. Certainly, the man who whipped Harry Wills and George Godfrey when no one else was willing to take them on isn't afraid of any fighter.

Nevertheless, it is pointed out that Dempsey's body punches revealed Sharkey's true color and that another such body punishment will just about finish the ring career of one of the leading contenders.

BERCOT FOULS SPOKANE LAD

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 13 (AP)—The main event here last night between Dode Bercot, of Monroe, Wash., and Don Fraser, of Spokane, Welterweights, ended in the second round with Fraser winning on a foul after Bercot had unintentionally landed low with a right uppercut.

Harry Ketchell, Tacoma, 115-pounder, defeated Tony Semmon of Portland in the six-round semi-final. Bruno Bertucci, Tacoma, and Joe Calder, Seattle, drew in four rounds. Billy Lang, Tacoma, beat Spark Plug Boyd and Freddie Steele beat Herm Villa.

CHEMAWA GIRLS LOSE TO SCIO

Chemawa, Jan. 12.—Playing in their first game of the 1928 season the Chemawa girls basketball team was defeated by Scio high school here last night 20 to 19 in the final 15 seconds of play.

The score was tied 10 to 10 at halftime and Chemawa led several times during the game. A. Morgan led with 14 points for Chemawa. Wesley scored 13 points for the winning team.

Lineups and summary.
Scio (20) Pos (19) Chemawa
Wesley (13) LF... (5) Kuehn
Hodge (7) RF... (14) Morgan
Gibbons (5) JC... Packineau
Summers (5) SC... Maupin
Long (5) RC... Pratt
Ransom (5) LG... Strong
Subs—Chemawa, Claimont and Laddrotte.

BLACK CATS PLAY MONMOUTH TONITE

The Salem Black Cats will play Monmouth Normal school at Monmouth tonight. The Black Cats have made a late start in the semi-pro field but Stanley Laitson, manager, is working on a schedule which will be announced soon.

Players asked to be at the Black Cat restaurant for the trip at 6:30 o'clock are Ellis and Nash, forwards; Henderson and Steelhammer, centers; Gill, Ashby and Busck, guards.

LAMBERT WINS MATCH

George Lambert, veteran light-heavyweight wrestler, won in two straight falls from Tom Gallaher, 170, at the Elks club Thursday night. The first fall came in 18:43 with a reverse armlock and body scissors and the second fall in 8:32 with a crab lock. Gallaher weakened rapidly in the second canto. Both men were fast, Lambert jerking out of two successive headlocks before the first fall by clever maneuvering.

Fighting Minnesota Students Earn College Keep With Fists



To finance their studies at the University of Minnesota, these four young men have entered the professional boxing ring. Three are welterweights and Joseph Gordon (center), a student of physical education, is a light heavy. Dick Daniels (left), the youngest of the group, is studying law, while Morris Green (upper right) and the veteran Sammy Leonard (lower right) are taking up medicine.

John McGraw Jinxes All Second-Basemen, Frisch And Hornsby Passed Up

By ALAN J. GOULD

New York, Jan. 13 (AP)—It appears now that if John McGraw has any idea of grooming a successor to himself as manager of the New York Giants he must look for some one besides a second baseman.

The two keystone workers who have been picked in recent years as heirs apparent to the McGraw throne both have gone away from here on short notice, a circumstance that lends color to the expert theory that the money interests behind the Giants desire to keep the "little Napoleon" lashed to the helm.

Just four years ago, Frank Frisch, a product of McGraw's developing skill, was publicly picked out as the man upon whom the veteran's mantle would fall. But the Fordham flash developed what McGraw regarded as temperamental tendencies.

He was traded to St. Louis in the deal that brought the great Rogers Hornsby to the metropolitan fold as captain and new "logical successor" to McGraw.

Hornsby, in an interview with

Prosperity Seen By English Turf Association Head

Newmarket, England, Jan. 13 (AP)—A new era of prosperity for the turf was predicted by Lord D'Abernon, president of the Thoroughbred breeders' association, at the annual meeting of the organization here.

This was taken as a reply to a recent report that horse racing interests feared a decrease in betting and attendance because of the tremendous popularity of greyhound racing which has swept the country this year.

It was somewhat the fashion today, Lord D'Abernon asserted, to be pessimistic with regard to the future of racing, but he preferred to turn his attention to the achievements of the last 12 months which seems to presage a period of stable prosperity on a foundation more solid and more logical than any which the breeders had hitherto enjoyed.

Lord D'Abernon said the desire of rich and powerful communities to possess the best racing horse was rather than waned, and in this connection he quoted Bismarck as once having said: "So long as racing remains popular among the masses of England, there will be no danger of Communism there."

ST. PAUL VS. FARRISH

St. Paul, Jan. 13.—St. Paul boys will play the Donald town team on the local floor tonight. A game has been scheduled for Wednesday, January 18, with Parrish Junior high at Salem.

Portland, Ore.—In a game featured by rough hockey, the Waterfront team retained its lead in the Oregon Amateur league here last night by defeating West Side, 3 to 2.

SALEM HI HAS WARY EYE ON GAME TONIGHT

Salem high school will enter its second home game of the week not quite so confident of victory as before the University high game Tuesday night which was barely won 26 to 25 in the final seconds of the play.

Washington high school of Portland, the opponents for tonight, have had an up and down record this season, flashing considerable strength at times only to relax into nothing in other games. The O. A. C. Rooks topped over the Colonials with ease but the Willamette Frosh were pinned down Tuesday night 36 to 29 when Vincent Dolp, forward and Lewis, center, ran wild to score 27 points alone.

Coach Anderson has sent his men through two stiff corrective drills since the game earlier in the week emphasizing ball hawk ideas and more careful passing the lack of which were nearly fatal against Okerberg's quintet.

Probable starting lineups are:
Salem Pos. Washington
Schafer F. Dolp
C. Kelly F. Inman
Lyons G. Lewis
R. Kelly G. Heiken
Ecker G. McCartney
Reserves: Salem—Selmund, Perrine, Graber, Kafoury, Washington—Cox, Carlson, Pearson, Earl.

Plot To Kill "Rajah" Said To Be Hokum

St. Louis, Jan. 13 (AP)—A reported plot to kill or cripple Rogers Hornsby, baseball star, for alleged "welching" of betting debts, was characterized by Hornsby as "hokum and propaganda."

"The man whose summary trade from the New York Giants to the Boston Braves rocked sporting circles as no similar event in years, created the distinct impression he believes the report to be an abortive attempt to whip up midwinter interest in a summer sport."

"It is nothing but hokum," he told the United Press.

The "assassination plot," however, was published by the St. Louis Globe-Democrat in the form of a leaked wire dispatch from New York quoting an article attributed to W. S. Farnsworth, in the Evening Journal. A "price" of \$10,000 to \$25,000 was said to have been offered to gangsters to "get" the star.

When Hornsby read the article which intimated that "one of the biggest bookmakers in the country," sought his death in revenge for Hornsby's alleged "welching," the star promptly communicated with his attorney, William Fahey, and ordered Fahey to prepare a formal statement "to tell the whole truth in box car letters."

"So far as 'welching' is concerned," Hornsby said, "if the truth were known, Frank L. Moore, who recently brought suit against me for \$90,000 alleged gambling debts, today owes me plenty of money himself."

Hornsby successfully defended the Moore suit.

He was mildly interested in the suggestion accompanying the "assassination plot" that his trade to Boston may have been effected by owners of the Giants in order to "unload Hornsby" before he was "killed or crippled."

Detroit—The Toronto Maple Leafs defeated the Detroit Cougars 2 to 1 in a national hockey league game.

"Perfect Man" Is Found In South



Tennessee's newest Rhodes Scholar, shown above in two poses, dazzled a committee of judges with his proficiency at about everything from tossing a forward pass to directing a church choir. They threw up their hands and called him the "perfect man."

GEHRIG LEADS IN RUNS BATTED IN

New York, Jan. 13 (AP)—Lou Gehrig, who led all other batsmen of the American League in the total number of bases obtained on safe hits, also was responsible for driving in the most runs, official figures for the 1927 season, released today, show.

Gehrig advanced 175 runs over the plate while his teammate, Babe Ruth, was 11 runs behind with 164.

Harry Heilmann, champion batsman of the American league for the season, tied for third place with Goose Goslin, Washington slinger. Each sent 120 runs toward the home plate.

LONG BEACH GOLF TOURNAMENT OPENS

Long Beach, Calif., Jan. 13 (AP)—With an entry list including star golfers from all sections of the United States, the third annual \$2500 Long Beach open golf championship was to get under way today.

By virtue of his winning of the Los Angeles and Palos Verdes open matches, MacDonald Smith, New York professional was favored to win the meet.

Port Thomas, Ky.—Jimmy Hackley, Los Angeles, defeated Spiker Lewis, Port Thomas, 10.

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CINCY PLACES HOPE ON 1927 SPEEDY VETS

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 13. (AP)—Jack Hendricks is expected to introduce his 1928 Reds to the diamond world in April as the "standpatters of 1927."

Professing faith in his 1927 crew, Hendricks has faced the player snaps intended to strengthen his adversaries apparently with unconcern.

Hendricks has made no trades and at present the surface shows no cripples that would disturb a reconstitution of the line-up which closed last season.

Despite its early season lops the 1927 cast demonstrated championship ability in reeling off .650 per cent baseball in the closing three months of last season.

Luque, Lucas, Kolp and Jablonowsky will constitute the "big four" in the hurling shop. The latter, a Waterville, Conn. recruit, showed prominently in the last of the season.

Pete Donohue is expected to return to form after a bad season due to illness and Jackie May who pitched either "very good" or "very bad" is slated for improvement of his weaker nature.

Eppa Rixey may be all but out of the game. Being a veteran in service puts him near retirement and he was weakened this winter by a long illness. He may see relief duty late in the season. Jim Edwards, a Seattle importation, is said to hold promise.

Hendricks' main concern is now to arrange an already excellent outfield with two as good or better men on the bench. Bressler, left, Allen, center, Walker, right, and Seithman, utility, compose the heavy-hitting regulars.

But Hendricks must also find a place for Purdy, the youngster who came to the Reds from Seattle in the closing game last season, and opened the eyes of the critics with sensational fielding and consistent hitting. Right behind Purdy is Marty Callaghan, a former Cub, but who also comes to the red legs from Seattle.

Sukeforth is slated for the heavy catching role, with Piechick handling relief duty and Hubbs Hargrave being held in a sort of pinch-hitter capacity.

Kelly and Pipp will again alternate on the initial sack, Hughie Critz is on the dotted line for the keystone bat and will have no hold-out act to stage this year. Ford will again be in the short field with Pittiner in reserve and Dresson undisciplinedly corners the third bag. R. Emmett McCann, taken from Columbus, will understudy Critz.

Philadelphia—Jimmy Mendo, 124, of Philadelphia, won the judges' decision over Wilbur Cohen, 126. New York negro, in an eight round bout. Jack Palmer, 159, defeated Charley Miller, 165, in eight rounds.

Philadelphia—Johnny Hayes, 142, won a 10 round decision over Young Ketchel, 145. Johnny Demarco, 135, and Joey Hatfield, fought eight rounds to a draw.

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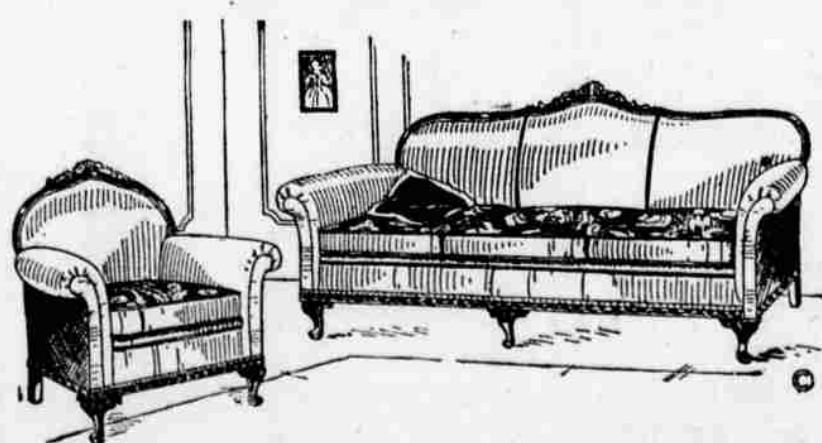
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