

## WITH BATTLE ONLY A WEEK DISTANT BOTH FIGHTERS ARE CONFIDENT

### JEFF SAYS HE NEVER FELT BETTER IN ALL HIS LIFE

Undeclared Champion Says High Altitude Has Not Affected His Wind, and That He Will Enter Ring in Very Best of Condition on July 4—Pleased by Arrival of His Car Overland From San Francisco—Corbett Pleased With Big Fellow's Shape.

BY JAMES J. JEFFRIES.  
I am in as good or better condition than I ever was in my life. There has been some talk about the high altitude affecting me. I am not worrying about that. I have always been able to stand the altitude wherever I have been.  
I am confident that on July 4 I will do all that my friends over the country are expecting me to do. I am ready for the contest of a lifetime.

(BY MAX BALTHASAR.)  
MOANA SPRINGS TRAINING CAMP, Reno, Nev., June 25.—The outdoor ring back of Jeffries' cottage was fitted with its pad and ring paraphernalia today, ready for the undefeated champion to do a little real work with his sparring partners. The pad arrived via automobile from Rowardennan early today. The trip was made in Jeffries' new car. The drivers had a rough trip over the mountains. Part of the run was made with a broken steering gear and Ted Boyer and Chauffeur Murray had several narrow escapes from serious accidents.

Jeffries was pleased when the car arrived. He was glad to get the pad for the ring and he was still more glad to see that the big machine successfully stood the rough mountain climbing test to which it had been subjected.

Jeffries changed his usual program today and boxed early. He planned to go on the road this afternoon. It has been his custom to do the road work in the morning and box after lunch.

"How does he look to you?" is the question now in Reno. Of course, opinions conflicted, but there was one point on which the verdict was practically unanimous. They had expected to see a fat man with wrinkles on his face and a fold of flesh overlapping his collar. These things were missing. Jeffries looks

as lean and as brown as a man can possibly be, and if outward appearances are any indication he might fight tomorrow.

"Jeffries is as fresh as green paint," said Jim Corbett, the official interviewee. "Coming up on the train we were all in the same car and the big fellow joked and kidded with us all the time. You would not think by his actions that he was going to fight the most important battle of the age. This morning he was up before any of us, going around and hauling us out of our berths. Oh, he's not worrying any."

The fishing hereabouts is very good, but the chances are that in the few days remaining the fish will be safe from Jeffries' lures.

"Jeffries needs to do a lot of road work up here," said Corbett, "and along with that a lot of fast work of all sorts. He must do the best he can to get used to this altitude, and I know by my own experience that a man's wind is not as good up here a mile in the air as it is lower down. I felt a shortness of breath when I first began training at Carson City, and perhaps the altitude had something to do with my difficulty in breathing after I got that poke in the solar plexus. The time is short, in my opinion, almost too short, for a man to acustom himself to a change of this sort, but it will be as fair for one man as another, and we do not seek any advantage."

### Jeffries and Johnson In Great Condition For Battle of July 4.



Johnson chopping wood as a muscle builder ready to do "shadow" boxing; Choynski, Jeffries and Jim Corbett; Jeffries expanding his chest and Johnson with bass fiddle.

#### JEFF AND SULLIVAN MAKE UP; CORBETT SORE

RENO, June 25.—The breach between James J. Jeffries and John L. Sullivan, resulting from Sullivan's alleged criticisms of Jeffries' training methods, terminating in a tiff between Jim Corbett and Sullivan when Sullivan tried to see Jeffries, was healed today. Corbett may leave the Jeffries camp as a result of the reconciliation.

#### BILLY MULDOON NEEDED AS MEDIUM

Billy Muldoon acted as the medium and accompanied Sullivan to the Jeffries camp today. Muldoon and Sullivan went to Jeffries' camp in an automobile from Johnson's quarters. When Sullivan arrived in Reno two days ago he went to Jeffries' camp to see the big fellow. He was met by Corbett and told he could not see Jeffries. Corbett accused the veteran of "knocking" the Jeffries-Johnson fight and of criticizing Jeffries maliciously.

#### RICKARD AND HESTER PATCH UP TROUBLES

RENO, Nev., June 25.—Promoters Tex Rickard and Sid Hester are friends today, following several days of enmity which resulted from Rickard's refusal to permit Hester to use the Jeffries-Johnson arena for a match between Stanley Ketchel and Sam Langford on the morning of July 4. Billy McCorney was the peacemaker.

### JOHNSON CONFIDENT THAT HE WILL WIN BIG MILL

Probably Will Weigh Less Than Two Hundred Pounds When He Enters Ring—Training Camp Is One of Hottest Places in Reno, and This Is Found to Have Its Effect on Him—Will Devote Much of His Time to Boxing With Trainers.

(BY JACK JOHNSON.)  
When I go into the ring on July 4 I will be in the best condition in my life. I am confident that I shall win this battle from Jeffries and I am sure I shall pick up a lot of that 10 to 6 money I hear so much about.  
It has been said that I am afraid of Jeffries. This is a great mistake. I have never been afraid of an opponent yet and while I do not look for an easy victory, I feel certain as to the ultimate outcome.

#### (BY TIP WRIGHT.)

RICK'S TRAINING CAMP, RENO, Nev., June 25.—If he follows his announced program of road work in the morning and boxing in the afternoon, Jack Johnson will probably enter the ring for the big battle July 4 weighing between 195 and 200 pounds. It is hardly possible that the colored champion can hold himself up to 210 pounds, as he has announced he will do.  
His new training camp and the shift to Nevada are going to make a big difference in him and it is not going to be possible for him to keep up his weight and train hard at the same time.  
Rick's resort, where the training camp is located, is situated at the foot of a hill. The cool breezes are shut off and the hot desert sun makes the place as hot as an oven during the hours when the negro will train.

Johnson expects to devote much of his time to boxing. He said today his program would be much like that at the Seal Rock camp, although he will spend more time mauling his sparring partners.  
Much of the time the champion spends in the outdoor boxing pavilion will be devoted to clinching and breaking away. The negro realizes, probably better than any of his critics, that Jeffries will make a

#### ROUGH, CLOSE-QUARTERS FIGHT, AND HE IS

going to be ready for that sort of a battle. Accordingly, probably the greater part of his work will be devoted to perfecting himself in fighting. He is devoting a lot of time to his famous uppercut and to perfecting his defense.  
Johnson covered ten miles on the road early today and then boxed a few rounds with a Kufman.

Three full-time rounds were undertaken. Kaufman astonished the onlookers by going after Johnson from the start, and the big blacksmith showed more speed than in any of the previous bouts between the two at the ocean training quarters. Whether Kaufman was afraid of hurting his hands while he was preparing for the Langford battle and did not let himself out, or whether he put on an extra burst of speed for the benefit of a bunch of friends who occupied seats on the platform is uncertain, but he gave Johnson the best workout of the season in the first two rounds of the sparring.  
Johnson had every chance to show his wonderful defense, as Kaufman led with straight lefts and swung over his right for the head and body and the champion blocked and parried with the skill which has earned him the title of the greatest defensive fighter in the world.

## IN MEDFORD'S SOCIAL REALM

The annual reunion of the alumni of the Medford high school was held Thursday night at Smith's hall, which was prettily decorated for the occasion with pennants and Japanese lanterns, red and white, which are the colors of the alumni, being used. The class of 1910 was initiated into the alumni, after which the election of officers was held. Mr. Treve Lumsden was elected president, Mrs. Ida Weaver Davis vice-president, Mrs. May Merriman Telfer secretary and treasurer. An impromptu musical program was rendered by Miss Grace Brown, Miss Florence Gray and Miss Ruth Merrick, and Professor Narregan gave a talk. Professor Narregan is known as the father of the alumni, as he was instrumental in the starting of it. After some time spent in dancing the party adjourned to the bride's, where a banquet was served. Those in charge of the entertainment were: Mesdames Fielder, Goble, Telfer, Platt, Phipps, Davis, Gaddis, Woodford, Flagel, Misses Blanche Wood, Gray and Currey, Messrs. Ed Van Dyke, Treve Lumsden Woodford and Fred Kontner.

The last social event of the season, as far as the order of Eastern Stars is concerned, was most successfully carried out last Wednesday evening. The committee in charge decided to decorate with the national colors and the combination of flags, red, white and blue paper streamers, etc., made a most pleasing and patriotic effect. Each light was covered with a red, white and blue Japanese

lantern. Torpedoes in the form of lemon drops, wrapped to resemble torpedoes, were served to the members and guests. The lights were turned out and a display of fireless fireworks was given. Cards and finery were indulged in by most of those present. The table decorations were in national colors and red, white and blue ice cream was served, with coffee and assorted novelty cakes. The committee consisted of Mrs. Claud Miles, Hazel Envert, Miss Gnyvaw, Mr. and Mrs. White, Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Goble, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gore, Jr., Judge Crowell, West Lawton and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hutchason.

The B. G.'s were entertained last week by Miss Nell Treffler. The first part of the afternoon was spent in scriving, after which contests were played, at which Miss Mildred Gorig won the prize, a prettily framed picture. Later in the afternoon dainty refreshments were served. The dining-room was artistically decorated in yellow, with a huge bowl of nasturtiums for a centerpiece and yellow crepe paper festooned from the dome over the table to each place, at which were pretty place-cards. The next meeting of the club will be held at the residence of Miss Mildred Gorig this week.

The wedding of Miss Grace Reeves and Mr. J. W. Lawlor will be solemnized this morning at the residence of the bride's mother on Mistletoe street. Mrs. Horace Pelton will act as matron of honor and the groom

will be attended by Mr. Horace Pelton. Little Gladys Pelton will act as flower girl. The bride will be gowned in a dainty blue and white chiffon made over white satin, and the matron of honor will wear a hand-embroidered white lingerie gown. During the service Mr. Henri Ganson will sing and Miss Durman will play. The Rev. Shields will officiate.

The happy couple leave on the morning train for the south, and after a stop at Shasta Springs will go to San Francisco for a week. Mr. Lawlor is secretary and acting auditor of the Pacific & Eastern railway and Miss Reeves, who is a striking brunette, is very popular among her many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Gore were hosts at a dinner and reception Monday night, given in honor of the 86th birthday of Mr. Elijah Emerson Gore. Mr. Gore is one of the pioneers of Southern Oregon, having come here in 1852, and since that time he has lived on his homestead, two and one-half miles south of Medford, on the Ashland road. Among the guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gore, Mr. and Mrs. Will Gore and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gore and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. Wortman, Mrs. Wortman and family, Mrs. L. D. Warner, Mr. Ed Warner and daughter Ruth, Misses Benlah Warner, Flo Gray; Messrs. W. S. Campbell, Louis Warner.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Foster were hosts Thursday evening at their at-

tractive bungalow on Siskiyou Heights. The decorations were carnations and sweet peas, which were effectively used. Five hundred were played and the prizes were carried off by Mrs. Henry and Mr. Martin. A dainty supper was served after prizes were awarded. The guest of honor was Miss Foster of Baker City, who is the guest of her brother, Mr. Harry Foster. The invited guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Heard, Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Henry; Misses Heard, Foster, Folger, Putnam; Messrs. Sheldon, Tou Velle, Biddle, Putnam Martin and Dr. Conroy.

A reception was given Wednesday night at the Methodist church to the new church members and their friends, so that the new and old members might become acquainted. About 200 people were present. An informal musical program was rendered by Mrs. Van Scoyoc and Messrs. Edmeades and Whetsel, Mrs. George Ulrich accompanying. The Rev. Belknap made a few remarks. Light refreshments were served and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

Mr. John Carkins left Wednesday for Reynolds, N. D., where his marriage to Miss Vida Turner will take place. After an extended eastern trip Mr. and Mrs. Carkins will return to Medford, where they will make their future home.

Mr. Ben Sheldon was host at a most enjoyable dinner party given at the Nash grill Friday evening. The table was lighted with red-shaded candles and red roses were used as

favors. The dinner was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Tomlin, who are recent arrivals in Medford. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Dunlop, Dr. and Mrs. Stokes, Mrs. Hafer, Misses Riddell and Fortescue, Messrs. Howard Dudley and Walter Dudley.

A reception was given Wednesday at the Athlon Stock company gave another of their delightful "pink teas" Saturday afternoon, which was very well attended. These teas will be given from time to time during the summer, and will give the people of Medford a chance to become better acquainted with the members of the company.

A four days' convention of the Baptist association of the Rogue River valley was held last week, beginning Tuesday, at which about 50 delegates and their friends were present. The out-of-town visitors were taken care of by the church members at their homes, and the dinners and suppers were served each day in the basement of the Methodist church.

Miss Gertrude Weeks and Mrs. W. H. McGowan returned Friday from Portland, where they have been attending the annual meeting of the grand lodge of the Eastern Star. Mrs. McGowan was elected treasurer.

Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Pickel and nephew and Mrs. W. L. Vawter and son, William, returned Friday from a trip through Yosemite valley. The

party made the trip to Stockton and return by auto, leaving the car there while they went through the valley.

Mr. W. Griffiths returned to Portland Friday evening, after a two days' visit in Medford. Mr. Griffiths is very much interested in the Rogue River valley and it is his intention to return here later on to invest in aranch.

The young ladies of St. Agnes' Guild will give a supper Wednesday evening, June 29, from 6 to 7:30 o'clock. The supper will be served cafeteria style and will be followed by a dance. All are cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunlop entertained at dinner last Sunday at their home on Siskiyou Heights. Their guests were: Dr. and Mrs. Stokes, Mrs. Hafer and Messrs. Walter and Howard Dudley.

The lawn social of the W. C. T. U., which was to have been held June 23, has been postponed until June 30, at which date it will be held at the residence of Mrs. W. S. Jones, East Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brown and family of Des Moines, Ia., who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Brown, returned to their home last week.

Mrs. Edgar Hafer leaves this morning for San Francisco, where she will meet Mr. Hafer on his re-

turn from the east. They will return to Medford early in July.

Mr. Sam Glasco, who has been ill for some time, has recovered and left Thursday to join his party on the Pacific & Eastern survey.

Mrs. E. B. Davis entertained most delightfully last week with a series of bridge parties Thursday and Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Briggs, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. T. McCray, left for their home in Hollister, Cal., Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Beekman returned Friday from Portland, where Mr. Beekman has been attending the grand lodge of Masons.

Mrs. Harold D. Foster entertained at dinner Friday evening in honor of the birthday anniversary of her sister, Miss Marian Foster.

Mrs. R. P. Turney of Kentucky is the guest of her daughter, Miss Clara Hume, on West Eleventh street.

A party was given at the Lawrence home Wednesday in honor of Miss Elsie Lawrence's birthday.

Mrs. Etta Stevenson and daughter returned Tuesday from a visit in Woodville.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Newburg leave today for a trip to Shasta Springs.