



DEMPSEY HONORED AGAIN—Middleweight king Carmen Basilio (center) and heavy-weight champ Floyd Patterson (right) congratulate former heavyweight champion Jack Dempsey, who holds the James J. Walker Plaque at the 32nd Annual Dinner of the Boxing Writers' Assn. in New York. He received the award for long and meritorious service to the sport.

Basilio 9-5 Choice Over Sugar Ray

New York — Middleweight champion Carmen Basilio jumped to a 9-5 choice today in the early betting for his big fight with Sugar Ray Robinson at the Chicago Stadium, March 25.

Those odds for their 15-round return title match were surprising because it was by only a split decision that Basilio won the 160-pound crown from Sugar Ray at Yankee stadium last Sept. 23, after a thrilling nip-and-tuck battle.

Shortly after promoter Jim Norris announced Thursday that the return match had been signed, the opening price favored the champion from Chittenango, N.Y., at 7-5. But it rose two points to 9-5 today.

Basilio, 30, was as confident as his supporters. Over the phone from Chittenango, he said today, "I'll beat him again, but I won't predict a knockout. I never felt better or more confident in my life."

Robinson, 37, declared, "I thought I won last time, but I'll make sure of it at Chicago. I wouldn't be fighting him again if I didn't believe I could take him."

Norris said he hoped the gate receipts and theatre-TV receipts for the indoor fight at Chicago would total at least \$825,000 and exceed the similar total of about \$806,000 for the outdoor September thriller at Yankee stadium.

SPORTS

Tennis Group May Consider Open Tussles

St. Petersburg, Fla. — The U. S. Lawn Tennis association, which may discuss the touchy issue of mixing pros and amateurs in the same tournaments Saturday, was scheduled today to review national men's rankings.

The association, holding its annual meeting, also scheduled for today meetings of the international play committee and the junior Davis cup committee.

Victor Denny of Seattle, who becomes president at the general meeting Saturday, said Thursday the often-discussed question of putting pros and amateurs in the same tournaments "is dormant but not dead."

Jessen Paces Tampa Tourney

Tampa, Fla. — The favored veterans today found themselves trailing a 21-year-old sophomore professional as the 72-hole \$7,500 Tampa Women's Golf tournament went into its second round.

Young Ruth Jessen, who turned pro two years ago, finished the first round Thursday with a one-over-par 74 to take a two-stroke lead. The Seattle golfer, the Washington state women's champion, cracked par by one stroke on the first nine holes, carding a 35, and was only two over par on the back nine.

She was two strokes ahead of defending champion Betsy Rawls of Spartanburg, S. C., who is seeking her fourth win in the past five years; Patty Berg, St. Andrews, Ill., who is a one-time winner, and Bev Hansen, Indio, Calif., all three shot 76's.

A metal toothpaste or shaving cream tube can be used as solder in an emergency. In the forest, a heavy piece of copper wire will serve as a soldering iron and pitch from cone-bearing trees can be used as flux for emergency repairs.

Southern Oregonians Face Vikings Tonight

Ashland — Reports out of Portland indicate that the State college Vikings from that city will aim principally at holding down Southern Oregon's high scoring Bill Hollingsworth when they engage the Raiders here tonight and Saturday.

But there's been good evidence so far this season that the Vikings will have to hold down more than one player if they are to knock the Raiders out of unbeaten leadership in the Oregon Collegiate conference. And, PSC is mindful, itself, of the good balance on the Ashland club.

Just the same the duel between Hollingsworth and the man assigned to guard him could prove a feature of the series. It could be that Coach Sharkey Nelson will call on his own scoring ace, Johnny Winters, to guard the Raider marksman. Winters has done some good work against leading lights of several so far this season.

Winters, who put in 30 points against Montana State last Monday, is expected to be in the Viking opening lineup along with Ray DeFant, John Frederick, Stan Weber and Tuffy Scriven.

For Southern Oregon, Coach Ted Schopf may call upon his usual five, Hollingsworth, Norm Olivia, Dave D'Olivo, Jim McAbee and Ron Maurer.

Game time today is 9 p.m. There will be a 7:30 p.m. Southern Oregon-University of Oregon wrestling match. Saturday's fray will be at 8 p.m.

Portland — An eight-man University of Portland basketball team left today for the Midwest. The Pilots meet DePaul at Chicago Saturday night and Bradley at Peoria, Ill., Monday night. Named to the traveling squad were Jim Altenhofen, Jim Armstrong, Elmen Bloedel, Art Chapman, Dick Jolley, Larry Larsen, Frank Rector and Bill Zapp.

Crowd Foreseen At Mt. Shasta

Mount Shasta, Calif. — With both the T-bar and rope tow operating, good crowds were expected this week end on Snowman's hill.

New storms were adding to the 10 inches of packed snow and 18 inches of new snow.

Many of the visitors are high school and college students from throughout northern California and southern Oregon who are just learning to ski. More than 150 turned out last week end despite the heavy snow.

Manager Gordon Hart said night skiing was proving especially popular since this is the only resort in this part of California offering it.

Warming huts and refreshments are provided for skiers.

Company A of the National Guard smothered Standard Stations 105 to 31 in a Wednesday game of the Medford Independent Basketball league. Halftime score was 52 to 11. Jim Higinbotham had 24 points, Ted Yarnell 20 and Fred Hogue 19 for the Guard.



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