



TEX RICKARD'S BALLYHOO DRUM BEATS LOUDLY

Statements Made and Denied; Sharkey Will Fight Johnny Risko

NEW YORK, Jan. 25. (AP)—Tex Rickard's massive bass drum is beating a loud ballyhoo for the next world's heavyweight championship.

It boomed up and down the Atlantic coast yesterday from Boston to Miami and back again and the world's premier barker will ponder over the next "battle of the century."

From Boston, Jess McMahon, matchmaker for Madison Square Garden and a Rickard lieutenant, announced Jack Sharkey had signed for a match with Johnny Risko at New York, March 12, the winner to meet Tunney for the title.

McMahon made public in Boston a telegram he said was from Rickard in which the promoter agreed to match Sharkey with Tunney if the hub fighter decisively whipped Risko.

Such news brought a cloud-burst from Joe Jacobs, manager of Jack Delaney, who fights Tom Heeney on March 1. Jacobs asserted Delaney was not to be left out in the cold and was sure of fighting Tunney if he knocked out Heeney.

Then out of Florida came from Rickard a denial of the statements accredited to him in the McMahon telegram. Rickard insisted his elimination tournament and counted off Delaney, Heeney, Sharkey and Risko as the principals.

Meanwhile, Chicago entered the heavyweight argument with an invitation from Governor Len Small of Illinois and the Illinois state athletic commission to Tunney, urging the champion to defend his title again in the windy city.

Chairman Pehn of the Illinois commission said his organization would "cooperate with any Chicago promoter" to hold the bout. Rickard was not mentioned.

But for the present, Rickard's drum beats on.

OREGON SWEEP OVER COUGARS

W. S. C. Completely Outclassed on Basketball Floor Last Night

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 25. (AP)—Completely outclassing the Washington State College basketball team, the University of Oregon last night swept through to a 33 to 15 win at McArthur court.

The game was rough and uninteresting.

Oregon will meet the University of Washington Saturday evening here for the third conference tilt of the season for the Webfoots.

"FURRED" FISH IS ATTRACTION

Connolly Brothers Hardware Store Has Unique Window Feature

A "furred" fish, cleverly mounted over a rainbow trout is attracting the attention of people passing along Connolly Brothers on Main and Tenth.

The skin of a rabbit has been used by Day, the taxidermist in mounting the fish and the fins are of yellow fur. This adds another freak to the Connolly window, where the "Dik Dik" has held the center of attention for several months.

LEGION PLANS LARGE SMOKER

What gives promise of being one of the largest smokers ever held in Klamath Falls is that which the local American Legion post is arranging for Thursday, evening, February second at the Legion hall. Every ex-service man in the county will be a guest. Arrangements for the event are under the direction of John Houston.

The "40 or 8" will assist on the reception committee, and the Spanish War Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and all ex-service men in the county are urged to attend.

Speeches, boxing, vaudeville and an orchestra will be booked as entertainment features of the evening's program.

BUCKY HARRIS IS ONLY MANAGER WHO PLAYS REGULARLY

By Billy Evans

Is the playing manager a more effective leader than the bench pilot, or vice versa?

Taking the records of 1927 as a basis for comparison, the odds would be 3-1 in favor of the bench performers if you consider the eight clubs that finished in the money in the two major leagues.

In the American League the New York Yankees, managed by Miller Huggins, who didn't even



'Bucky' HARRIS

THERE'S ONLY A FEW OF US LEFT!

leave the bench for the coaching lines, won about as they pleased from the rest of the field.

In the National League, the Pittsburgh Pirates, chaperoned by one Owen Bush, who confined his activities to the coaching lines as far as actual participation in the game went, finished in front after a gruelling campaign.

The world series provided a struggle between a retiring leader who literally stuck to the bench throughout the season, Miller Huggins, and a fiery, peppy pilot, Owen Bush, who started chattering in the first inning and never once quit, no matter how badly his club was trailing.

The outcome of the world series, which was won by the Yankees in four straight games, was a signal triumph for the non-talking manager as typified by Miller Huggins. However, that doesn't always hold good.

Of the four clubs that finished inside the money in the American League, these being New York, Philadelphia, Detroit and Washington, only one, the fourth-place club, was led by a playing manager, Stanley Harris being in charge at Washington.

The first four in the National League at the close of the season were Pittsburgh, St. Louis, New York and Chicago. Of these, the only team to have a playing leader was the St. Louis Cardinals, presided over by Catcher Bob O'Farrell, who since the close of the season has been demoted in favor of Bill McKechnie, a bench boss.

Baseball runs in cycles relative to various angles of the game, and the present era appears to be one in which the bench pilots are greatly in the majority.

Next year there will be only one sure-enough playing manager in the American League, Stanley Harris. Two other clubs, Chicago and Cleveland, will be led by veteran stars, Ray Schalk and Roger Peckinpaugh, who will not appear regularly in the lineup.

The situation in favor of the bench pilots is even more pronounced in the National League. Unless Dave Bancroft is placed in charge of the Dodgers, it will be without a player-manager.

Hooks and Slides

LOOKING FOR OPPONENT

The making of the 1928 schedule—that is, the filling in of the final November Saturday left vacant by the cancellation of the big inter-service classic—places the two academies in another sparring match for a moral victory.

Naturally, the West Point and Annapolis schedule-makers would like to close the season with an outstanding national team so that they could look in each other's direction, make faces and gloat—"You wouldn't play us, eh? Well, look who we got in your place."

The Army already is in a better position to show a schedule with more floss on it than the Navy possibly can arrange on short notice.

The Cadets have booked games with Notre Dame, Yale and Harvard, and if there aren't fancy trimmings in those three, where could you find them?

It is understood that the Cadets would like to book one of the big teams of the Western Conference for a final game, or finally was cancelled, and if any hustling congressmen are to get the issue as far as the White House they probably will have to wait until next year.

Before the football season opens the commanders at West Point and Annapolis will have been succeeded, but the schedule will have been completed before the incumbents are relieved, and it is not military custom to ride over the inherited policies established by predecessors.

THE ARMY REIGNS

There is more color to the Cadets and the Army teams than there is to the midshipmen. Most any neutral young lady would be attracted more by the fancy rigging of the cadet costume than by the formal somber blue attire of the midshipmen, and there certainly is more interest in a bulky, kicking mule than a goat.

West Point managers are particularly eager to get an opponent with a great big name to take the Navy's place—some team with real strict regulations so evidence would be available that the Army eligibility rules were accepted by Scando U and therefore there could be nothing so wrong with them.

Navy has attracted some large crowds away from the Annapolis parade grounds, but it is doubtful if the Navy teams could maintain the average for annual attendance that the Army does in the Yale fixture.

The Army has long established relations with Notre Dame and Yale and it is quiet likely that under the existing circumstances, Harvard will become a fixture on the schedule.

With three such teams on the schedule and the chance to hook up with one big southern, middle-western or California team the Army would be several steps ahead of the Navy and would have a schedule that automatically would make it a candidate for national honors consideration.

Many wealthy men own their success to pluck, finding the right people to pluck.

OPEN FIGHT ON PHONE CONCERN

Wisconsin Congressman Believes Federal Gov. Should Operate Lines

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25. (AP)—Acquisition and operation by the federal government of telephone and telegraph lines is proposed in a bill drafted by Representative Burger of Wisconsin, the only socialist in congress.

He charged in a statement today that the American Telephone and Telegraph company had destroyed practically all competition in the telephone business and is piling up tremendous profits by purchasing its apparatus from its subsidiary company, the Western Electric company.

The American Telephone and Telegraph company does 72 percent of the telephone business in the United States, and dominates the rest," he said, "it is the richest corporation in the world."

Portland Boys Steal Show in Slugging Card

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 25. (A. P.)—The middleweight six-round battle between Maxie Peiz and Russell Wane, both local boys, carried off the honors at last night's boxing show. After going to the canvass in the second round from a right, Wane came back and took the remaining four rounds and a well-earned decision from Peiz. Teddy Fox of Salem took a four-round decision over Harlan McKinley of Spokane.

The first ten-round match between Joe Marcus, Portland, and Jackie Dugan of Louisville, ended in a draw, after ten lively rounds and a well-earned decision from Peiz. Teddy Fox of Salem took a four-round decision over Harlan McKinley of Spokane.

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NEWS ITEM

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WHAT'S THE IDEA OF ALL THE FAT? YOU LOOK LIKE A WRESTLER!

THAT AIN'T FAT! IT'S MUSCLE! I'M GOING AFTER SOME OF THESE TRAMP HEAVIES!

WHEW-W! THERE MUST BE SOMETHING WRONG SOMEWHERE!

HOWEVER, THE LADS WILL HAVE TO BE CAREFUL WITH THIS WEIGHT BUILDING STUFF! THIS GUY ATE 14 CHEESE SANDWICHES BEFORE ENTERING THE RING SO HE WOULDN'T LOSE TOO MUCH WEIGHT WHILE IN ACTION.

WHY DON'T YOU PUT ON SOME MORE WEIGHT, DIZZY?

I'M SMART! THE BIGGER THEY ARE, THE HARDER THEY FALL!

PRETTY SOON ALL THE BOYS WILL BE "BUILDING UP!"

WHAT YOU FOOLING AROUND FOR? YOU BETTER GET IN AND WORK!

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