

Dempsey Must Reply Next Week To Harry Wills' Challenge

DEMPSEY MUST TALK COLD TURKEY TO BOXING COMMISSION NEXT WEEK ON QUESTION OF HARRY WILLS BOUT

Champion Will Arrive From Europe Next Week And N. Y. Commission Wants A Show Down On Whether Jack Will Retire Or Meet Challenger Wills

NEW YORK, July 9.—(United News)—Having been made the goat in one of the merriest little games of passing the buck, the boxing game has chuckled over in some time, the New York state boxing commission has decided what to do about arranging a fight with Champion Jack Dempsey for Harry Wills.

Heretofore as fast as the commission would grab Dempsey and demand: "How about it?" Jack would reply blandly that he was a fighting man, and Jack Kearns arranged all the fights.

Then the commission would let go of Dempsey and make a grab for Kearns, who would expostulate: "Lemme go, I'll have to ask Dempsey about it."

Chairman Farley and his associates, while they are convinced that Dempsey doesn't want to fight Wills and probably has decided not to fight any one, are determined to make the champion say so, publicly. Accordingly they have evolved the scheme of getting both eggs in one basket.

When Dempsey returns from Europe next week, the commission will hale him up on the carpet at the same time sending for Kearns and lining him up alongside his charge. Then the question will be put to either or to both—they will have to talk turkey.

This plan was announced at a meeting of the commission today at which arrangements were made also for pinning down another rather unwilling champion to a title bout with his logical challenger.

Mickey Walker was before the solons and agreed to meet Dave Shade in the east some time this summer. Shade has signed to box at the Polo Grounds early in the fall, against Walker, Harry Greb or Paul Berlenbach. Nothing definite was settled, because Walker said rather sheepishly he "had to talk to a party," the same being Jack Kearns, his new manager. The commission doesn't recognize Kearns' claim to handle Mickey's affairs.

Kearns Trying To Match Mickey Walker For Scrap

CHICAGO, July 9.—Jack Kearns, manager of Mickey Walker, will be in Chicago Sunday to see Jim Mulen, local promoter, in reference to a match for his man here the first of August. Jack will linger long enough to sign a contract and then will leave for Los Angeles.

COAST LEAGUE

Score—	R.	H.	E.
San Francisco	6	14	1
Los Angeles	3	8	0
Batteries—Pfeffer, Crockett and Yelle; Payne and Spencer.			

Score—	R.	H.	E.
Sacramento	3	8	4
Seattle	4	7	0
Batteries—Shellenback and Shea; Fussell, Plummer, Dumovich and Baldwin.			

Score—	R.	H.	E.
Vernon	0	3	0
Oakland	4	9	0
Batteries—Barfoot and Schang; Boehler and Read.			

Score—	R.	H.	E.
Salt Lake	2	7	0
Portland	6	10	0
Batteries—McCabe, O'Neill, Stroud and Peters; Burns and Tobin.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Score—	R.	H.	E.
Boston	2	5	1
Detroit	5	8	1
Batteries—Zahniser and Picinich; Leonard and Basler.			

Score—	R.	H.	E.
Washington	8	16	2
Chicago	5	10	2
Batteries—Zachary, Marberry, Russell and Ruel; Thurston, Connelly, Lyons and Schalk.			

Score—	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	5	11	4
Cleveland	13	15	3
Batteries—Harris, Baumgartner, Stokes and Cochran; Perkins; Miller, Uhle, Shaute and Myatt. Six innings.			

Only games scheduled.

full game ahead of the Giants, there was little of interest in today's program. Both Brooklyn and St. Louis, holders of third and fourth place, respectively, increased their percentages with victories over tall ends. The Dodgers defeated the Cubs, 4 to 2, and the Cardinals, behind Bill Haines, held the Braves to one run in a game that ended 5 to 1.

The Reds and the Phils came through a double bill without having changed their standings or relative positions. The Reds took the first game 6 to 3 and the Phils the second 11 to 8.

CHRISTY MATHEWSON IS TAKING A REST

SARANAC LAKE, N. J., July 9.—There is no truth in the rumors that Christy Mathewson, the former pitcher, is in a serious condition, according to Dr. Edward N. Packard, who is attending Mathewson.

"Mathewson is merely in bed for a few days' rest, because of a slight fever," Dr. Packard said today. "There is nothing alarming or startling in his condition. He is simply following the usual routine for tuberculosis patients under like conditions."

Woman Golfer Joins The Hole in 1 Club

BENTON HARBOR, Mich., July 9.—Mrs. R. C. Sullivan of Benton Harbor joined the hole-in-one club when she negotiated the sixteenth hole in one stroke during the ladies' day play at Berrien Hills Country club. The hole is 130 yards.

Wally Pipp Recovering From Serious Injuries

NEW YORK, July 9.—Wally Pipp, veteran Yankee infielder, is steadily improving from the slight brain concussion caused when he was hit behind the ear with a pitched ball more than a week ago. Authorities at the hospital today said Pipp probably would be able to leave the institution within a week.

Pelican Baseball Team Gets a Shock

(Unusual But True)
Local baseball circles were seething with excitement yesterday when a report, which was later confirmed by eye witnesses, proved that "French" Baynes, and "Mickey" Demitt of the Pelican ball team had gone to work. The two ambitious players are working for the Lorenz brothers. Rumer has it that two truck horses died earlier in the week making an opening for the hard working ball players.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

First game—	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	12	16	1
New York	3	8	0
Batteries—Yde and Gooch; Scott, McQuillan, Bentley, Wisner and Snyder, Hartley.			

Second game—	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	5	10	3
New York	7	16	0
Batteries—Morrison, Adams and Smith; Dean and Gowdy, Snyder.			

Score—	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	2	6	3
Brooklyn	4	11	0
Batteries—Alexander, Keen and Hartnett; Vance and Deberry.			

Score—	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	5	7	1
Boston	1	8	2
Batteries—Haines and O'Farrell; Cooney and Gibson.			

First game—	R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	6	12	0
Philadelphia	3	11	2
Batteries—Benton, Jake May, Brady and Wingo; Carlsen and Wilson.			

Second game—	R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	8	17	2
Philadelphia	11	16	2
Batteries—J. May, Blumiller and Kreuger; Pearce, Knight and Henline.			

FRANKIE MURPHY AND RITCHIE TO MEET IN AUGUST

Frankie Murphy and Earl Ritchie will meet in a return match here in the first week of August, according to a tentative agreement reached last night.

While Frankie and Earl, with their noses thumbed, have been sitting in opposite corners, figuratively speaking, waiting for the going to call them to the high court of fistiana, to settle the fracas which started last Saturday night at Scandinavian hall, the cash customers have been arguing the pros and cons of the slashing battle staged by the two men Saturday night. Sentiment now is just about unanimous that the fight was a wonderful exhibition, and a return match the only feasible solution. Partisan supporters of both men are "chewing the fat" about the relative "biffs" and "bangs" of their favorite, and both sides are making claims and predictions.

The proposed card is not completed, and it is thought that new faces may appear in the semi-final and special events. A man may be imported to meet Abie Gordon, who is being considered in the semi event. Gunboat Smith is a possibility as a curtain raiser in reward for his victory Saturday night.

Earle Sand To Ride In \$20,000 Handicap

HAWTHORN, Ill., July 9.—Earle Sande, America's premier rider and Oregon's pride, will ride Arbitration Saturday in the \$20,000 Chicago derby at the Hawthorne track. Arbitration is the property of A. C. Bostwick.

SPORTS DONE BY

Paul Wanninger, the youngster who fell into the shoes vacated by the veteran Everett Scott, is glad now that he failed to heed the call of Shufflin' Phil Douglas, pitcher extraordinary and letter writer of parts, when that ambitious gent tried to induce Paul to play with a semi-pro outfit during the season of 1923.

For, had Paul taken that week-end job, he probably wouldn't have had the chance to join the former world's champions and eventually land a regular berth on a big league ball club.

Wanninger, in 1922, landed a job with the Selma, Ala., semi-pro team, due primarily to his showing while playing holiday games with the Bell Telephone team in Birmingham.

When the spring of 1923 rolled around Douglas offered Wanninger more money to join his industrial outfit. The Augusta club in the Southern league also offered him a job, and while that team didn't offer as great a monetary inducement, Paul decided to string with organized baseball. He had his heart set on reaching the big leagues, and had brains enough to figure it out that a break from the ranks might only handicap him. So he signed with the Augusta outfit.

Having tasted the hospitality of that southern city myself, I can vouch for the fact that Wanninger didn't regret his step.

He starred with the Augusta team in 1923 and the following year was going great guns when he broke his leg. How he was offered a big league contract while lying in the hospital with a broken leg is history. He reported to the Yankees last spring, and was one of the outstanding stars among the rookies.

When the Yanks were in St. Petersburg last spring Everett Scott insisted that he would play through another season at short, despite the fact that the 1200 and some odd consecutive games in which he had played had weakened his legs and sapped some of the pep from his throwing arm.

Wanninger did his best and said nothing. When Scott had played in his 1307th game Huggins benched him. Scott's batting had been poor and his fielding not up to par. Wanninger was then assigned to fill the shoes of ball players. He ball as long as he can and he has an acquiring it. But his occupation. He has a try and will be ready to shingle in that professional league days are. Wanninger, as his is of German parents, was born in Germany, live and run a grocery mingham, Ala.

"Youth," with its dence, its strength, been given credit for victory over Tommy somewhat recent doubt age had some it—much to do with began fighting.

But if we place what Tunney himself ing his battle, the St. was licked before the ring. And it is brains rather than boxing skill that beat ney's brains and GIBB.

Tunney says that he has in previous imphad noticed three this conscious acts on Gibb's before the fight.

Second was Tom's ing and tossing his hat the same time.

Third was Gibbons' ing up his trunks when blows.

Tunney kept these —just part of the me had on Gibbons.

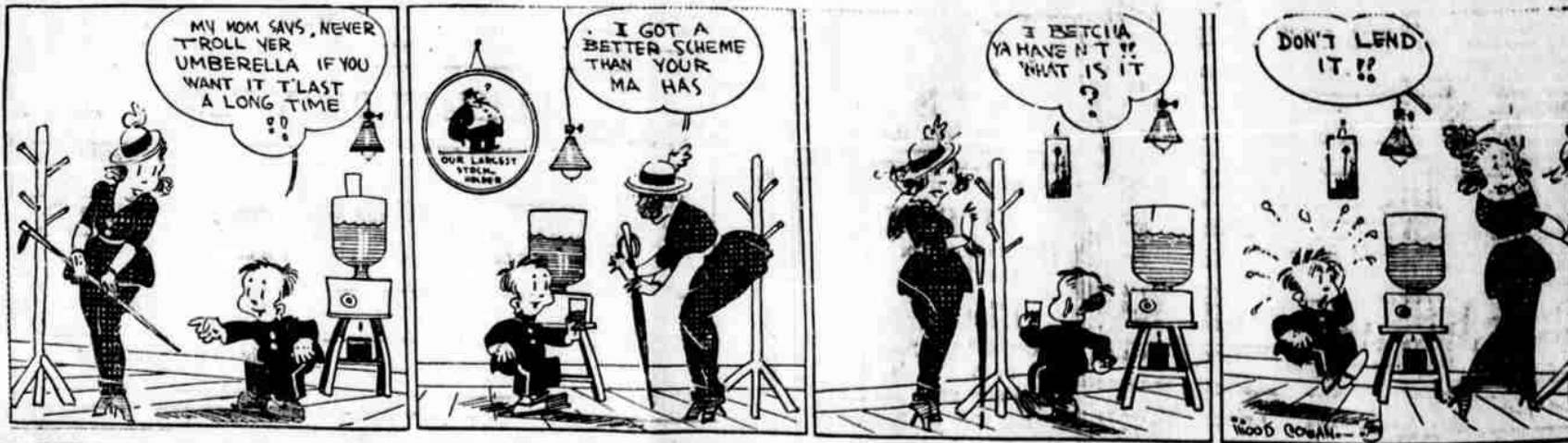
The night the two ring, Tunney says, Gibbons, instead of c his feet in the resin as

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