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ROOSEVELT PUTS QUIETUS ON PLAN

Former President Declares He Will Not Be a Candidate for Governor of New York.

WRITES LETTER TO FRED ADAMS

Says that it Would Be Impossible to Accept Nomination.

REPUBLICANS URGE CANDIDACY

Have Hopes that They Bring About Change in Decision.

THREE CALLERS AT OYSTER BAY

Bristow, Madison and Murdock Have a Conference and Talk Over the Political Situation, but Refuse to Divulge.

NEW YORK, July 2.—(Special Telegram.)—For governor—Theodore Roosevelt.

That is the way the republican leaders, or at least some of them, want the ticket to read next fall. They declare that, with Hughes out, Roosevelt is the only man who can make a republican victory sure.

Mr. Roosevelt yesterday put his foot down hard on this project. He wrote Fred B. Adams, secretary of the Republican club of Utica, which has been active in the game, to this effect:

"I ask that the club at once stop any agitation to have me named for governor. It would be an absolute impossibility for me to accept."

Nevertheless, it is pointed out, that men who have as emphatically declined nominations in the past have been brought to see that party duty demands the sacrifice. It is pointed out, in fact, that this was the case when Mr. Roosevelt accepted the vice presidential nomination.

Some of the strongest men in the republican party are back of the movement to get Roosevelt to accept the nomination and they are not without hope that they will succeed.

There were busy times at Oyster Bay today. Among the most important visitors were Senator Bristow and Representatives Madison and Victor Murdock of Kansas, all insurgents. They arrived here for a conference with Mr. Roosevelt, and went to Oyster Bay.

"Senator, shall you have anything to say before your conference?" was asked of Senator Bristow.

"No," he answered. "But we may have before we get back, if the colonel will let us."

"Are you gentlemen insurgents?" asked a representative of the press, who wanted to be double sure of this fact.

The senator grinned. "I suppose we might be taken for such," he acquiesced.

Mr. Madison was a member of the Ballinger-Pinchot investigating committee. They had little to say after the conference.

"Now, boys," admonished Mr. Murdock, "whatever you write, don't say our faces were wreathed with smiles. Here is what we have to say, with the permission of the colonel. This statement will stand for all of us, and there is not a word to add to it."

Mr. Murdock then dictated the following statement:

"All of us were anxious to see Mr. Roosevelt because we don't believe he had three stauncher supporters of his policies throughout his term of office and we believe he knows this better than any one else.

"Bristow was his right-hand man in uncovering and punishing the postal frauds and Madison and I were among the thirty-five who stood up for him when the fight was made to deprive him of the use of the secret service men in uncovering such misdeeds as the postal frauds.

"Naturally we feel much pleased to find him absolutely unchanged." (Mr. Murdock's voice rose a little unconsciously in emphasis as he pronounced the last two words.) "Absolutely unchanged," he repeated, "in his attitude toward public questions and also to find how close he has kept in touch with what has happened in the last year and a quarter.

Congratulations Extended.

"Nothing more pleased us than his at once congratulating us and those associated with us in having succeeded in putting into the railroad rate bill the provisions vitally necessary in order that it should represent progress along the lines of proper control of interstate common carriers."

Mr. Murdock said impressively: "You can quote me for one thing; there was a delicious quality about the—iced tea."

"Yes," added Mr. Madison, with deliberation, "we took that for a compliment to prohibition Kansas. You know we're a mighty moral state. The senator here never says anything stronger than 'by gravy' and when the colonel said 'by George' once or twice he looked almost shocked."

Senator Bristow giggled; they were all immensely pleased.

"My son," broke out the tall senator from Kansas, laying a lean hand on his interlocutor's knee, "I can say one thing to you. Theodore Roosevelt is a bigger and broader man today than before he went away. That man is a marvel. What he says tingles. When he speaks he speaks the truth and the naked truth, whether truth naked is beautiful or ugly. It comes out like a shot, and, like a shot, it goes right to the mark. I never saw him show such incisiveness. His jaw has a new angle of determination. He seems to me not only broader, but more alert."

HOPES JEFF WILL WIN FIGHT

In an Editorial the Brooklyn Eagle Gives Its Reason for Wanting Johnson Whipped.

NEW YORK, July 3.—(Special Telegram.)—In an editorial on the Jeffries-Johnson fight today the Brooklyn Eagle says:

"If the Eagle has a preference or a prejudice in the matter, it hopes that the white man will win and the negro will not. The white race, as a race, will get over the elation of success sooner and better than the black race would get over such an elation on its part. And there are entire states in this country in which such an elation by the black race would be a peril in certain communities. There the whites are in a minority and there the sustained supremacy of the white is essential to government and to civilization.

"For that reason and for others we hope Jeffries will win and Johnson lose. It is better for rightful security in all the circumstances that Jeffries should win and that Johnson should lose."

Preachers File Charge Against Sunday Base Ball

Ministers at Nebraska City First Try to Arrest Players, Then Go to Court.

NEBRASKA CITY, July 3.—(Special.)—Late yesterday afternoon Rev. A. E. Perry, pastor of the Presbyterian church; Rev. J. A. Koser, pastor of the Lutheran church; Rev. J. S. Lyon, pastor of the Baptist church, and G. I. Wright, presiding elder for the Methodist Episcopal church for this district, filed a complaint against the Nebraska City base ball team, which played ball on last Sunday at the new city park.

These ministers tried to force Mayor Jackson to send the police force out there and arerst the players, but he refused. Since then they have been trying to prevail on him and several others to file complaints against the players for violating the Sabbath, but they have failed, and this afternoon filed their own complaints.

During the last week the citizens in general have taken sides in the matter and a petition was circulated pledging the support of the signers to the ball team in their effort to play Sunday ball and this was signed by all of the business men in the city but a few.

This position seemed to irritate the ministers, and they published a notice warning the public that they were going to file the complaints unless they were assured that no Sunday games weer to be played. A number of the leading supporters of the churches have taken sides in the matter and have given notice that they will withdraw from the churches represented by these ministers unless they attend to their church duties and refrain from mixing up in outside affairs.

There is a red hot fight on now that the four preachers have taken this step and Sunday morning the Merchants' band will meet the ball team at the depot on their return home and escort them to their hotel, and money is being raised to defend the ball players. The other ministers of the city have refused to take any part in this matter.

HIGH PRICES ON FOOD STUFF ARE TO CONTINUE FOR TIME

J. Ogden Sees No Relief Until After the New Crop Is Placed Upon the Market.

NEW YORK, July 3.—(Special Telegram.)—There will be no relief from high meat prices for a time at least. This is the dictum of J. Ogden Armour, whose word is law when the price of meat is involved. Mr. Armour came in on the French liner Province from an eight weeks' trip to Europe today. He was greeted with this question:

"Will there be a reduction in the prices of foodstuffs?"

"I don't think there will be a change till the new crop of corn is harvested, and there is a new crop of live stock," he answered. Which means that the high prices of meat will remain till September or October at least.

"This matter is one which is seldom seen in its true light, I fear, by the general public," he added.

"At any rate it has not been given due significance in agitations which have sprung recently in regard to the prices of food supplies."

In regard to reports of large quantities of meat being held in storage, especially these more recently published accounts of such conditions, Mr. Armour said:

"These reports are ridiculous, if true."

Mr. Armour is delighted with the wonderful improvement in his little daughter Lolita, who was treated for hip disease by the Austrian physician, Dr. Lorenz, some years ago. The operation attracted world-wide attention. Mr. Armour says his little daughter's health is now perfect, and while she has a slight limp, it is well nigh imperceptible.

RAILWAY MAIL REPORTS IN

From Information Thus Collected Amount of Compensation Will Be Fixed.

WASHINGTON, July 3.—The work of compiling information received from the railroads of the country concerning the cost of transporting the mails was begun today under the supervision of Joseph Shewart, second assistant postmaster general.

Congress appropriated $10,000 for the purpose of putting this information in such form that it might be used as a basis for fixing the amount of compensation to be allowed the railroads.

DEMOCRATS MEET AT COLFAX

Name Delegates to Convention at Grand Island.

SCHYPLER, Neb., July 3.—(Special.)—The democrats of Colfax county held their convention July 2, at which time they elected the following delegates to represent them at the democratic convention, which is to be held in Grand Island, Neb., on July 26. Frank Henry, J. B. Sindelar, F. R. Schultz, J. B. McKinley, John Foley, F. J. Vogeltance, Mr. Dowell and W. I. Allen. Also the following were elected to act as democratic committee of Colfax county: Fred Kluck, Con Scanlon, Frank Richtig, F. J. McKinley, B. F. Farrell, J. H. O'Callaghan, George Busch, M. J. Higgins, J. W. Dobry, F. B. Schultz, Frank Henry, J. H. Costello and J. Sindelar.

OMAHA TO HAVE RESTFUL FOURTH

Social Pleasures and the Outdoor Sports Numerously Featured on Program.

FIGHT BULLETINS IN AFTERNOON

The Bee Will Post News Hot from Ringside at Reno.

MOTORCYCLE RACES BEGIN EARLY

Durbar, Children's Matinee, Dancing and Fireworks at Clubs.

AK-SAR-BEN KNIGHTS AT PICNIC

Will Leave for Tekamah at 9:30 Over Northwestern—Maennerchor Rehearsal at German Home This Morning.

Events of the day—

Jeffries-Johnson fight returns—Bee bulletin board.

Vinton park: Base ball, Lincoln vs. Omaha, 3:45.

Motorcycle races at Fifty-ninth and Dodge streets, 9 a. m.

Ak-Sar-Ben basket picnic to Tekamah. McKeen motors leave Webstret street station at 9:30.

Manawa, Pain's fireworks for special attraction.

Courtland beach, bathing fireworks and other attractions.

Seymour lake, regular attractions and fireworks.

Air Dome, Hillman's Stock company, afternon and evening.

"Durbar," at Country club; sports, dancing and fireworks.

Metz hall, St. Aloysius cadets drill, afternoon and evening.

German Home, Mannerchor rehearsal, at 10 a. m.; sports and fireworks in the evening.

Field club, sports, children's matinee and fireworks.

Happy Hollow club, sports, dancing and fireworks.

Rod and Gun club, water carnical, sports and dancing.

Nielsen's park, West Leavenworth: Danish brotherhood picnic.

Syndicate park, A. O. H. auxiliary picnic.

Prairie park, anniversary day celebration.

City of Peoria, excursions afternoon and evening.

Miller park, cricket and golf.

Today promises to be fairly tame in Omaha, so far as celebrating within the city is concerned. No official function of any kind is on the card, by way of recognition of the eral significance of Independence Day. Chief Donahue has instructed his officers to see to it that as tight a bridle as possible is put on the youngsters and oldsters who may be inclined to get up too much steam in the way of indiscriminate and dangerous noise making. Already the pulling has begun, and the officers will stand no nonsense, but will stick close to the letter of Mayor Dahlman's proclamation touching the use of fireworks.

A very considerable number of individuals and families have gone to other parts of Nebraska to spend the Fourth, while others will hike to the nearby country, to the lakes and to the clubs which have golf, tennis and other attractive attachments.

Family picnics will be popular in the parks and several associations also have picnics on the card. The street cars will be the automobiles for the populace to hurry them to the various places of amusement in and about Omaha, always excepting the large percentage of the male population that will stick around to take part in the prize fight gossip and receive the news bulletins as they are put out by The Bee. These bulletins will begin shortly after noon, probably, and will take on real interest with the entry of the fighters in the ring at Reno.

Races, Picnics and Parties.

Motorcycle devotees will foregather at 9 this morning in the vicinity of Fifty-ninth and Dodge streets for a series of races, and at 9:30 McKeen motors will take the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben and their friends from the Webster street depot for the trip to Tekamah. The Burt county metropolis will be the scene of a picnic for the knights and their friends. The occasion is to serve the double purpose of a day's pleasure away from the city streets and of fraternizing with good friends of Omaha.

Herman B. Peters was appointed pathfinder for the Ak-Sar-Benites who will make the trip today to the basket picnic and races at Tekamah in automobiles. He went as far as Blair Sunday afternoon and reports the roads in splendid condition, so no one need fear to start out in their autos.

At the Country club a "durbar" will be the feature, and the Field club managers will stage an interesting matinee of joyful makeups for the children. At both these social pleasure centers dancing and fireworks will be favored, and the Happy Hollow club will follow suit.

The golf links, private and public, will be trod by arger squads than usual, and at Miller park a cricket game will offer a chance for those who love the English game to see the wickets fall.

Maennerchor rehearsals will be on at the German home on South Thirteenth street at 10 o'clock this morning, and the musical treat will be taken full advantage of by Germans generally. In the afternoon and evening the cadets of Aloysius school will give exhibition drills at Metz hall on South Thirteenth street.

The Danish Brotherhood of Omaha will have a social gathering at Nielsen's park, Forty-ninth and Leavenworth, this afternoon, and the A. O. H. auxiliary of South Omaha will hold a picnic in Syndicate park. At Prairie park a celebration will also be held by residents of that vicinity.

Gould-Drexel Bridesmaid to Have Notable Wedding

NEW YORK, July 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Miss Dorothy Randolph, a bridesmaid at the Gould-Drexel wedding, who made her debut in Philadelphia two years ago at the most spectacular and expensive social function ever given for a debutante, will be married Monday to John R. Fell of Philadelphia. The wedding will take place at Narragansett Pier and will be the most notable country wedding of the country. The ceremony will take place at Wildfield Farm, the summer home of the bride's father, Philip S. P. Randolph.

Miss Randolph's debut was made at the famous "Songbird Gambol," in Philadelphia Horticultural hall, which was transformed into a veritable bower. The interior of the hall was converted into a woodland scene with fountains and brooks, growing plants, ferns, palms and trees. Bridges spanned the streams and rustic benches were scattered in the leafy nooks. Hundreds of beautiful song birds of brilliant plumage flew about the room and sang from the branches of the trees. The entertainment is said to have cost the fair young debutante's father nearly $250,000. Special trains took the elite of Baltimore, Washington and New York to the function.

Mr. Fell is a son of Mrs. Alexander H. Van Rennsaeller, by her first husband. Mrs. Van Rennsaeller was a Miss Drexel before her marriage to the late John R. Fell.

Cupid was at his busiest in New York during June. A new record was established for the number of marriage licenses issued. Couples to the number of 2,671 took out licenses to wed, an average of 141 per day. The total was 473 in excess of June of last year. The most noted couple to take out a license were Theodore Roosevelt, jr., and Miss Eleanor Alexander.

FLY (AWAY) TIME.

From The Cleveland Leader.

ARMY ENGINEERS LOSE FAVOR

Military Directors of Reclamation Projects Opposed by Senate.

BILL FOR INCREASE DEFEATED

Measures Providing for Enlargement of Signal Corps, Dental Surgeons' Staff and Other Departments Suffer Same Fate.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, July 3.—(Special Telegram.)—The proposition to increase the corps of engineers of the army was defeated in the senate by Senator Bailey. The announcement by the Texan that he would filibuster against the passage of the bill and would hold the senate in session all summer if necessary to encompass the defeat or withdrawal of the bill caused a hasty abandonment of the measure by its friends.

It was proposed to increase the corps by the addition of sixty engineers and at an additional salary expense to the government of $300,000 a year. In time this salary increase would amount to $400,000 a year, with the certainty of a heavy increase in the "retired" pay charge. The chief engineer of the corps and the secretary of war recommended the increase in the membership of the corps because of the great amount of work placed on the corps by the river and harbors improvement bill passed at the session just ended.

But it was asserted at the capitol during consideration of the bill that the real reason for its introduction and for the influence brought to bear to secure its passage was a desire to put army engineers in charge of the reclamation work, thereby displacing Frederick H. Newell, director of the reclamation service, and Arthur P. Davis, the chief engineer. Behind this move, it was asserted, is Secretary of the Interior Ballinger, who would get rid of these two men on the ground they are too friendly with Gifford Pinchot; therefore unfriendly to him. The reclamation service is a bureau under the Department of the Interior.

While Secretary Ballinger's friends made emphatic denials to this charge, the suspicion held fast that there existed elements of truth in it. The statement was made that if Mr. Ballinger desired to get rid of the directing heads of the reclamation work he could do so openly and need not have recourse to artifice or subterfuge. This may or may not be correct. Public sentiment plays an important part in the game of politics, as evidenced in the removal and appointment of public officials, and the public is not disposed to look with favor on the removal of competent and valuable officials simply to satisfy the personal grudge or dislike of some other official. It is the opinion of those competent to judge that the heads of the reclamation service have made good.

Editorial Comment.

There was an editorial in a recent issue of the Outlook—Colonel Roosevelt's official mouthpiece—dealing with this subject that caused comment and is considered significant. "We see no reason," says the Outlook, "for subjecting the reclamation service to the burden of instructing military engineers in the subject of hydraulic engineering when the government not only can get hydraulic engineers from civil ranks, but has already created an organization particularly adapted to the business of irrigation. We hope that the provision to enable the president to designate a military engineer for the reclamation service will not become a law. If it does, we hope that the president will not avail himself of the authority therein granted, but will rather give to the present director of the service the support to which the work he has so well done has entitled him."

This phase of the question did not provoke Senator Bailey's hostility to the proposition to increase the membership of the corps of engineers. His was a personal fight. He objects to the military engineers passing on the commercial value of a waterways improvement. He recommended the improvement of a river in Texas. The military engineers prevented the appropriation and authorization for the improvement by reporting that the improvement was not justified from a commercial point of view. Senator Bailey contends that it should be the duty of the military engineers to pass only on the engineering problems of a proposed waterways improvement, leaving to others the right to pass on the commercial worth or necessity of the project. Restricting the activities of the military engineers to purely engineering problems, Senator Bailey holds that the engineers' corps is sufficiently large for all practical purposes. There are now in the engineer corps 188 officers. In addition to these military officers, there are employed on the 791 rivers and harbors projects 202 civilian engineers, who work under the military engineers. It was stated by the chief

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Hot Weather Leaves Many Dead in Wake

Torrid Heat Wave Causes Intense Suffering in Crowded Districts of Large Cities.

CHICAGO, July 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Driven insane by the heat, Malvin McCartney, a noted academy athlete, son of J. C. McCartney, a wealthy Chicago real estate man, shot himself while on his farm near Waukegan, and today was dying at the McAllister hospital of the Lake county town. His mother, searching for him, stumbled over his body.

This was only one of many tragedies attending the terrible hot wave, for seven died of the heat. The thermometer threatened today to reach yesterday's record of 92, and the intense humidity and lack of a breeze made the suffering unbearable throughout the city.

Little children, especially the babies in the Ghetto and other tenement districts, suffered the most, and physicians were nearly spent with the hurried calls they were forced to make to attend the bedsides of the infant sufferers. The lack of ice among the poor families was responsible for many a baby's death.

While scores of persons were being prostrated, the heat played havoc among animals. Many dogs became vicious and attacked persons who tried to catch a breath of air outside, and horses fell under their heavy loads all over the city. Tomorrow will be cooler, according to the forecast.

NEW YORK, July 3.—The hot wave claimed three more victims in New York Saturday, not counting two suicides partly ascribed to the weather. The maximum temperature for the day was 88 degrees.

PHILADELPHIA, July 3.—Heat was responsible for five deaths in this city today.

GIRLS' KIMONAS STOLEN, COLLEGE YOUTHS FIRED

Garments Taken from Sorority House for Slumber Party Bring Forth Investigation.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., July 2.—Nine young men were suspended from the University of Indiana today because they broke into a sorority house while the girls were away on vacations, donned the co-eds' kimonos and enjoyed a slumber party. The affair caused a court of inquiry by the civil officials, and later the committee on student affairs took up the investigation. The young men then confessed their part in the affair. The committee refused to disclose the names of the men suspended.

NEWTON WOMAN INJURED WHEN AUTO ROLLS OVER

Miss Saylor Suffers Broken Collarbone—Car Dashes from Grade at Curve.

WEBSTER CITY, Ia., July 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Miss Saylor of Newton was seriously injured in an automobile accident south of Randall today. Four other women suffered less severe injuries. The car was being driven by L. C. Parsons of Newton, who was driving from Des Moines to Fort Dodge. The auto, in rounding a curve, left the grade and turned over twice. Miss Saylor suffered a broken collar bone and serious internal injuries.

DOOR IS OPEN FOR POOR BOY

Young Rockefeller Talks of Chances for Young Men.

GRIT AND AMBITION IS NEEDED

Richest Man in the World Abhors Spongers and Has o Time for Club Life.

NEW YORK, July 3.—(Special Telegram.)—John D. Rockefeller, jr., son of the world's richest man, declared in an interview that the chances for the poor boy who starts in life without an education are just as good as they were ten or twenty years ago. Mr. Rockefeller says any poor boy of today with the proper grit and ambition can forge to the front as a man of wealth and influence.

Mr. Rockefeller started in first to discuss the work of the special grand jury, of which he was foreman, whose task was to investigate the white slave evil in the environs of Greater New York.

"I am glad the work is done, for it is a thankless task," said he. "We did our best and I am confident our work will result in better safeguards being thrown around the young women and men of this city to protect them against the preying vultures of the streets."

From this the interview drifted into other channels. In reply to a question, he said: "You certainly can't expect me to tell you off hand what we proposed to do with the funds at our command. Why, that's a work of a lifetime, and to it I expect to dedicate the greater part of my time."

That settled beyond a doubt the question that has been paramount in many minds for a long time concerning John D. Rockefeller's future and his life work.

Must Not Sit and Wait.

"You see," Mr. Rockefeller went on to say, "we all have our life work cut out for us, and if we are true to ourselves and the trust reposed in us we can only devote our best efforts to carrying through to success that task. We must not sit back and wait for the door of success to open to us. We must find the door when the time is propitious and open it for ourselves. No man should be ashamed of work, no matter how menial it is. If he is ambitious he can always find something better, but let him do well the task he originally sets for himself."

"Your name rarely figures in club news, Mr. Rockefeller?" is was suggested.

"Naturally I have no time for club life," he replied. "In fact, I wasn't reared nor educated with that end in view. As a matter of fact, I belong to very few clubs and rarely visit any. I go to the country clubs and that's about all. I go there for golf, which I am fond of, and then, too, my family can accompany me on my visits."

Money Not Everything.

Mr. Rockefeller abhors that class of men known as sponges. "Nothing is more despicable to my mind," he said, "than the men who cannot afford luxuries or expensive pleasures and yet make a practice of obtaining them at another's expense. No man should be discontented with life because he fails to amass great wealth. There are a great many things much more worth the having—happiness, health and clean conscience. The men who worship the almighty dollar cannot achieve that which we should all strive for—entrance into the kingdom of heaven.

"It is character, not money power or influence that spells happiness in the long run.

Carload of Candy Under Hot Sun Causes Mixup

Either the Dreibus Candy company possesses an ingenious young shipping clerk or a carload of luscious chocolate drops were melted by the sun on the Burlington freight platform yesterday afternoon.

"There's a half dozen dogs out there licking their chops on the candy that was meant for 4,000 human beings," said the shipping clerk to the freight house manager.

"Eh, what's that?" queried the manager, with a lift of the eyebrows.

"I say it would be a nice day only the sun's too hot," continued the shipping clerk. "Why don't you get that shipment of candy inside of a car for a ride? Do you want it sent back over your road in buckets?"

While the freight house manager gathered a high degree of amazement, the shipping clerk proceeded to explain himself. He had called up from his office and learned the shipment, after five hours' wait, was still on the platform. There wasn't any awning over the platform, he pointed out, whereas the cars were remarkably cool as railroad cars go.

The little lecture induced a quantity of energy within the freight house manager, and he immediately set forth that the candy would have its place in a car instanter.

"It's almost a shame to impose on the dogs at this stage of the game," the shipping clerk remarked, "but if you think you can get action, you might put the consignment in an ice cream freezer for awhile and get it in condition again."

"Say, young fellow," the other retorted in sudden rebellion, "I don't believe this situation is as bad as you say. I'm going to step outside and see."

"Now you've grasped my meaning," said the clerk. "I just wanted you to look at a load of the finest candy you ever saw, and figure how awful it would be if the worst did happen to it. You'll have pity on the people that are waiting with watery mouths and pile it on its way in a hurry."

GREAT CROWDS GO TO SEE A BATTLE

Estimated that Twenty Thousand Persons Will Be at Reno Ringside.

NEVADA TOWN FILLED TO LIMITS

Ride in Pullmans, Special Trains and Freight Cars.

LAST DAY OF TRAINING ENDED

Both Jeffries and Johnson Sure of a Victory.

TODAY JIM TAKES TO THE HILLS

Delaney Gives Out an Interview, Predicting that the Colored Man Will Win and Tells Why.

RENO, Nev., July 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Twenty thousand persons will be at the ringside Monday afternoon when Jim Jeffries and Jack Johnson begin their glove contest for the heavyweight championship of the world. Ten thousand of them are already in Reno and another 10,000 are coming from the east and west on special trains, regular Pullmans and tourist cars, emigrant trains and freight cars—any way to get out on the ground and have the price of a ticket to the big show.

Yesterday marked the last day of training in both camps.

James J. Jeffries—I'll win in the first round with one punch if possible.

Jack Johnson—I will bring home the bacon; I'll wear him down.

The foregoing are the laconic statements of the two fighters.

This afternoon Jeffries had a final conference with his seconds and tomorrow he and Mrs. Jeffries will avoid the gaze of the curious by hiking off to some secluded spot in the hills for the day.

James J. Jeffries, the undefeated champion and his chief second, James J. Corbett, who lifted the crown from the head of the mighty John L. Sullivan, were culled from the ranks of the "unknowns" by Delaney and made champions.

Delaney, when interviewed just before starting for the fight center, said:

"Goodness! I never thought this fight would take place. I never thought Jeffries would fight Johnson, and even after the match was made in New York I bet hats and boxes of cigars that Jim would find a convenient hole through which he would escape. When Jeffries was fighting and at his best Johnson used to follow him about the country and hurl challenges at him. Jeffries refused to meet him on the ground that his skin was black. The fact that he had already fought colored men, like Bob Armstrong, Peter Jackson and Hank Griffin cut no ice. Jeffries turned Johnson down cold. Why? Because he was afraid of him.

Wants to Be Fair.

"If Jeffries goes through this match without a hitch it will be the first one in my experience that he has not asked a postponement for. At the beginning of this talk I wish to say that my personal feelings toward him will not be allowed to cloud my judgment. Though I will be behind Johnson I want to be fair and give the public my honest opinion and nothing more or less. To return to Johnson, the sporting world does not know how good a fighter he really is. In my mind he has been figating under wraps. The public has not really seen him extended in recent years. Fighters of the type of Ketchel, Burns and Flynn could not push him hard enough to get up a sweat. Great little middleweight that Ketchel is, he was a mere toy in his hands, and, as I say, we don't really know how great a man Jack Johnson is. Of recent times he has done all that's been asked of him, and no competent judge of a pugilist will deny that he is a vastly improved mechanic.

"While I am singing Johnson's praises I will be fair and give Jeffries the credit of being the greatest heavyweight of his time. Despite the fact that Jim was a coward out of the ring and hated to defend his title worse than going on an operating table for an operation, still he was a wonderful fighter. After the gong rang, the seconds left the ring and the gloves were raised to parry and punch, he feared no man born of woman. Before the gong, no fighter suffered more from stage-fright, but I am talking about Jeffries as I knew him six years ago.

"Will Jeffries come back? That is a question we have heard a thousand times. We certainly can't reasonably expect Jeffries to improve any. Six years is a long time to be out of the ring.

Opinion of Jeffries.

"Jeffries likes the good things life affords and has indulged himself to some degree, I would not say that his age is against him. However, Johnson has kept his eye clear, his foot quick and his muscles pliant by frequent appearances in the ring and for six years Jeffries was rusting. It stands to reason that he has slowed up in consequence of his inactivity. Will he regain his speed? I think not. Baseball players, track athletes and other human beings, who indulge in various forms of sport don't come back after long vacations and I don't know as I ever saw a prize fighter. I understand Jeffries has trained conscientiously for the affair. Friends who have visited him were surprised at his condition, which shows that he has worked hard. I would not want him to be in any other, but the pink of condition. It pleases me to know that Jeffries can have no excuses, when he is defeated, which he will be.

"My going with Jack Johnson should make no difference to Jim, except to impel him to fight all the harder. I know he won't want to see me behind the next champion.

"It has been whispered that Jeffries will take an offensive stand and carry the fighting to Johnson. I don't believe it. In all my experience with Jeffries I could not get him to box on the aggressive and it was not his nature. Until he was punched he liked to loaf and take his time. What Johnson will do I am unprepared to say. It will all depend upon what sort of fighting Jeffries maps off. How long the fight will go, whether it will be fast or slow, that is something I never would allow myself to prognosticate. The speed of the battle will depend upon the condition of the men, and this is why we are not going to make any plans until we have gone a few rounds with Mr. Jeffries and see how much he has left in him."