

# OMAHA BEE SPORTS ARE BEST

## Luis Firpo and Willard Sign for Big Bout

### Rickard to Match Winner with Dempsey for Labor Day Championship Fight.

**By THOMAS L. CUMMISKEY,**  
Sports Editor.

New York, May 15.—Tex Rickard's face surrendered to an expression of unalloyed pleasure today, as he announced the signing of Jess Willard to fight Luis Firpo, and that Firpo's name would go down tomorrow. The battle will be held on or before July 7.

### Fight on Par Cent.

He said he has the fighters' agreement to fight on a percentage basis. That eliminates one chance. The fight is pretty sure to evoke greater general interest than the world's championship battle between Jack Dempsey and Tom Gibbons at Shelby, Mont., July 4. The assemblage will be only limited, it is a good bet, by the size of the arena.

Where the fight will be held, Rickard declared he was not prepared to say, but the fact he mentioned it would be in New York is taken as a putting it in New York. He has a 90,000 arena at Boyle's Thirty Acres, Jersey City, May 12 and 13, no decision battles are allowed there.

Furthermore, the top price for tickets in Jersey is only \$15, whereas in New York it is \$25. In these days of pugilistic high finance, these facts are of some importance.

### Agrees to Meet Winner.

Jack Kearns, manager of Jack Dempsey, has agreed to a provision in the Willard-Firpo articles that the winner meet the champion. Of course, this is quite natural. Kearns and Dempsey are only too eager to have fights, particularly affairs calling for several hundred thousand for the champion's end. Dempsey is sure to get that meeting the winner. It promises to be his biggest purse.

Willard's attitude of knocking out Firpo was thus expressed:

"I am quite sure, quite, that I can whip him. They tell me he is a rough, tough slugger. I can handle that kind of a guy."

### Busy Weekend for Nebraska Athletics

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Lincoln, May 15.—A track meet and two ball games are on the Cornhusker program for this weekend. The track team goes to Manhattan for a dual meet with the Kansas Aggies Friday. The baseball team plays Ames at Ames, Thursday and Friday. Ames and Nebraska divided a two-game series here last week. Coach Schultz may take his track men to the Sunflower Farmers' home town in a few automobiles if the weather and roads will permit.

### Refuses to Disqualify "Fastest Human" on Earth

Long Beach, Cal., May 15.—Members of the Southern Pacific Association of the A. A. U. at a meeting here refused to sustain the action of the national body in disqualifying Charles W. Paddock, sprinter of the University of Southern California, from amateur competition because he ran in the international meet in Paris it was announced today. The local officials said it is for the registration committee of the Southern Pacific association and not the national body to decide Paddock's amateur standing.

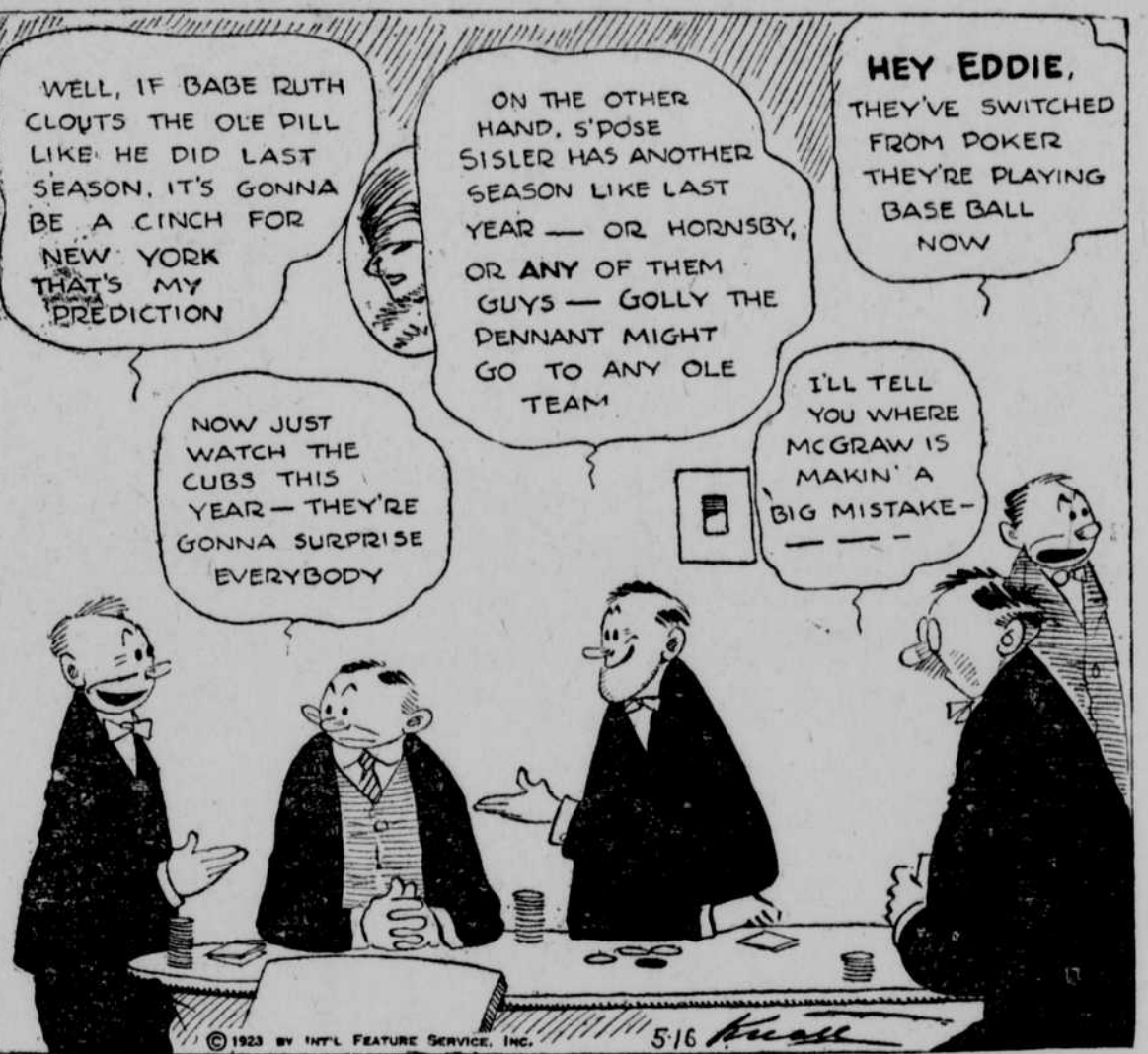
### Women Swimmers Defy A. A. U. Ruling and Sail for England

New York, May 15.—In open defiance of the amateur athletic union's ruling prohibiting American athletes from engaging in athletic events abroad this year, three of America's foremost women swimmers sailed for England today. They are to tour the British Isles for five weeks and appear in a series of exhibitions, ending at London June 30.

The swimmers, Gertrude Ederle, Helen Walwright and Aileen Rigin, were accompanied by Charlotte Epstein of the Women's Swimming Association. Miss Ederle, when questioned regarding the A. A. U. ruling, said she thought it was an arbitrary measure, wholly uncalculated for, in that she believed amateur athletes were at liberty to appear when and where they pleased, as long as they did nothing to destroy their amateur standing.

## EDDIE'S FRIENDS

A Bunch of Fans Get Together.



## BASEBALL

### National League

St. Louis	20
Philadelphia	18
Boston	17
Cincinnati	16
Washington	15
Chicago	14
Pittsburgh	13
Brooklyn	12
Cleveland	11
New York	10
Detroit	9

### American League

St. Louis	20
Philadelphia	18
Boston	17
Cincinnati	16
Washington	15
Chicago	14
Pittsburgh	13
Brooklyn	12
Cleveland	11
New York	10
Detroit	9

### Western League

St. Louis	20
Philadelphia	18
Boston	17
Cincinnati	16
Washington	15
Chicago	14
Pittsburgh	13
Brooklyn	12
Cleveland	11
New York	10
Detroit	9

## BASEBALL RESULTS and STANDINGS

### WESTERN LEAGUE

City	W	L	Pct.	Win Loss
Wichita	18	10	.643	337 321
Oklahoma City	17	11	.607	322 316
Omaha	16	12	.571	306 322
St. Paul	15	13	.536	317 332
St. Joseph	12	16	.429	448 414
St. Louis	10	18	.357	357 406
St. Paul	10	18	.357	407 370
Denver	10	18	.357	407 370

### NEBRASKA STATE LEAGUE

City	W	L	Pct.
Fairbury	11	8	.576
Lincoln	9	9	.500
G. Island	9	9	.500

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

City	W	L	Pct.
St. Louis	15	13	.536
Philadelphia	14	14	.500
Boston	13	15	.464
Cincinnati	12	16	.429
Washington	12	16	.429
Chicago	11	17	.393
Pittsburgh	11	17	.393
Brooklyn	10	18	.357
Cleveland	10	18	.357
New York	9	19	.319
Detroit	8	20	.286

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

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### AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

City	W	L	Pct.
Kan. City	14	14	.500
Toledo	13	15	.464
Dayton	12	16	.429
St. Paul	12	16	.429
Indianapolis	11	17	.393
St. Louis	10	18	.357
Columbus	10	18	.357
Milwaukee	9	19	.319
Sioux Falls	8	20	.286

### SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION

City	W	L	Pct.
Kansas City, Mo.	15	13	.536
Toledo	14	14	.500
Kansas City, Mo.	13	15	.464
Indianapolis	12	16	.429
Birmingham	11	17	.393
Louisville	10	18	.357
St. Louis	9	19	.319
Birmingham	8	20	.286

### COAST LEAGUE

City	W	L	Pct.
San Francisco	15	13	.536
Oakland	14	14	.500
Portland	13	15	.464
San Diego	12	16	.429

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### STATE LEAGUE

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### GAMES TODAY

Wichita vs. Oklahoma City	1:30 p. m.
Oklahoma City vs. Omaha	1:30 p. m.
Omaha vs. St. Paul	1:30 p. m.
St. Paul vs. St. Joseph	1:30 p. m.
St. Joseph vs. St. Louis	1:30 p. m.
St. Louis vs. St. Paul	1:30 p. m.
St. Paul vs. St. Joseph	1:30 p. m.
St. Joseph vs. St. Louis	1:30 p. m.
St. Louis vs. St. Paul	1:30 p. m.

### Here's Batting and Pitching Records of Barney Burch's Bufts

Player	W	L	Pct.
O'Connor	15	10	.600
St. Paul	14	11	.561
Bonowitz	13	12	.520
Wilson	12	13	.479
McDonald	11	14	.441
Griffin	10	15	.400
Bradley	9	16	.360
Konechka	8	17	.320
Apperson	7	18	.280
Wilder	6	19	.240
Cullop	5	20	.200
Hale	4	21	.160

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## Ticket Sales for Bout \$280,000

By International News Service.

Shelby, Mont., May 15.—Amples provision for the comfort and transportation of the thousands of fistie fans, who are expected to migrate to Shelby from all corners of the country for the Dempsey-Gibbons championship bout, July 4, will be made by the Great Northern railroad, said today.

"Things look much more favorable than I had expected," Budd declared, "Shelby is going over the top in this big undertaking. The Great Northern is planning to put in 40 miles of sidetrack to handle special trains."

Construction of the huge arena is being rushed with all possible speed and another force of carpenters will be put to work today, it was stated.

Loy J. Melunby and Mike E. Collins, promoters of the fistie extravaganza, stated Tom Gibbons will arrive at Havre, Thursday. The advance ticket sales have reached a total of \$280,000, Melunby stated.

## Leading Batters

### NATIONAL

Player	W	L	Pct.
Wheat, Brooklyn	22	15	.594
Rice, Wash.	19	14	.576
Hornby, St. Louis	21	19	.525
Baltimore, St. Louis	25	26	.489
Frisch, N. Y.	25	26	.489

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## Yank Golfers Arrive in St. Andrews to Prepare for Competition Friday

By Associated Press.

T. ANDREWES, Scotland, May 15.—All the American Walker Cup golfers with the exception of Francis Guimet arrived here today and within an hour were busily practicing over the old course in preparation for the opening of the cup competition Friday.

George V. Robertson, with C. V. L. Hooman of England, defeated Cyril Tolley and Jesse Sweetser five up and four to play. Rotan reached the turn with a medal score of 25 and on the honorward route had eight fours and one five.

Max Marston and Harrison Johnson defeated Captain Robert Gardner and Jack Neville by one hole. Later Hooman and Rotan won from Gardner and S. Davidson Herron by one hole, but the most interesting match was a four-ball game in which Johnson and Marston opposed Sweetser and Neville.

The last named started with a brilliant three and two fours, and reached the turn in 45. Going home, however, he was frequently bunkered and his total for the round was 77. Johnson and Marston were steady; both their cards were 75 and they won the match, three up and two to play.

Dr. O. P. Willing played a single match with Fred Wright. Their scores were approximately 79 and 78, respectively.

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