

CALIFORNIA TO TRY TO HAMPER DEMPSEY BOUT

Governor Stephens Says He Will Use All His Power to Prevent the Match.

Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 11.—Governor Stephens of California announced today that he would ask the federal government at Washington to impose passport restrictions that would prevent the proposed world's championship bout between Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier at Tia Juana, Lower California, Mexico, just across the border line from California.

Governor Stephens' statement follows: "According to press dispatches, it is proposed that a prize fight between Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier shall be held in Tia Juana, just across the Mexican border. The negotiations and plans are going forward in a large part within the state of California in disregard to the law thereof. It is planned to step across the border and there consummate something that is unlawful within our state and thus circumvent our statutes.

"It is my duty to command respect for the laws of California. I shall therefore, feel obliged, if necessary, to make protest to the federal government and request that it exercise its powers of regulation and control of the international boundary so as to prevent the holding of this contest.

"The people of California have refused to tolerate the evil influences growing out of pugilistic encounters and have declared them to be unlawful. Those intolerable influences would be the same if the contest were held in Tia Juana as if held in San Diego or elsewhere in our state. "Under normal international relations a protest on the part of this country to the Mexican government against anything near the boundary line that would be offensive to the people of California would undoubtedly be effective. Inasmuch as no such diplomatic relations exist, I shall appeal to our federal government to employ its authority at the border line so as to make impossible this defiance of the law of California."

Base Ball Also Affected

By High Cost of Living

The recent sale of "Babe" Ruth to the Yankees recalls the minds of old-time fans big deals that started the base ball world in former years.

The price of ivory is equating the cost of the luxuries, as the following financial side of big base ball sales will show:

- John Clarkson and Mike Kelley, \$10,000 (Chicago to Boston Nationals).
Marty O'Toole and Billy Kelly, \$25,000 (St. Paul to Pittsburgh).
Rube Marquard, \$11,000 (Indianapolis to New York).
Alexander and Killifer, \$55,000 and players (Philadelphia Nationals to Cubs).
Eddie Collins, \$50,000 (Athletics to White Sox).
Lefty Speaker, \$50,000 and players (Boston Americans to Cleveland).
Strunk, Schang and Bush, \$60,000 and players (Athletics to Red Sox).
Frank Baker, \$25,000 (Athletics to Yankees).
Lefty Tyler, \$15,000 and players (Boston Nationals to Cubs).
Benny Kauff, \$22,500 (Federal to Giants).
Joe Jackson, \$31,500 and players (Cleveland to Chicago Americans).
Carl Mays, \$40,000 and players (Boston Americans to Yankees).
Larry Chappell, \$22,500 (Milwaukee to White Sox).
Lena Blackburne, \$15,000 (Providence to White Sox).
Babe Ruth, \$125,000 (Boston Americans to Yankees).

Salary Claims Disallowed

By National Commission

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 11.—The national base ball commission in a finding promulgated Saturday disallowed the salary claim of Chicago Charles Pick against the Chicago National League club for \$600. Pick contended that the sum was due him as additional salary last season by reason of a verbal agreement he stated he had made with Manager Mitchell.

Player Frank Truesdale was declared a free agent, but his claim for two months' salary for the season of 1918 from the Boston Americans was disallowed. Pitcher Wheeler Fuller was declared to be a free agent when he negotiated his services with the Washington Americans during the season of 1919. Secretary Farrell of the National association claimed Fuller was the property of Waterbury and requested the commission to award him to that club.

Norman Ross Wins Two

Swimming Championships

Sydney, N. S. W., Jan. 11.—Norman Ross of San Francisco today won the 100-yard and 800-yard swimming championships.

Missouri Beats Iowa.

Ames, Ia., Jan. 11.—Missouri defeated Iowa state at basket ball 45 to 17.

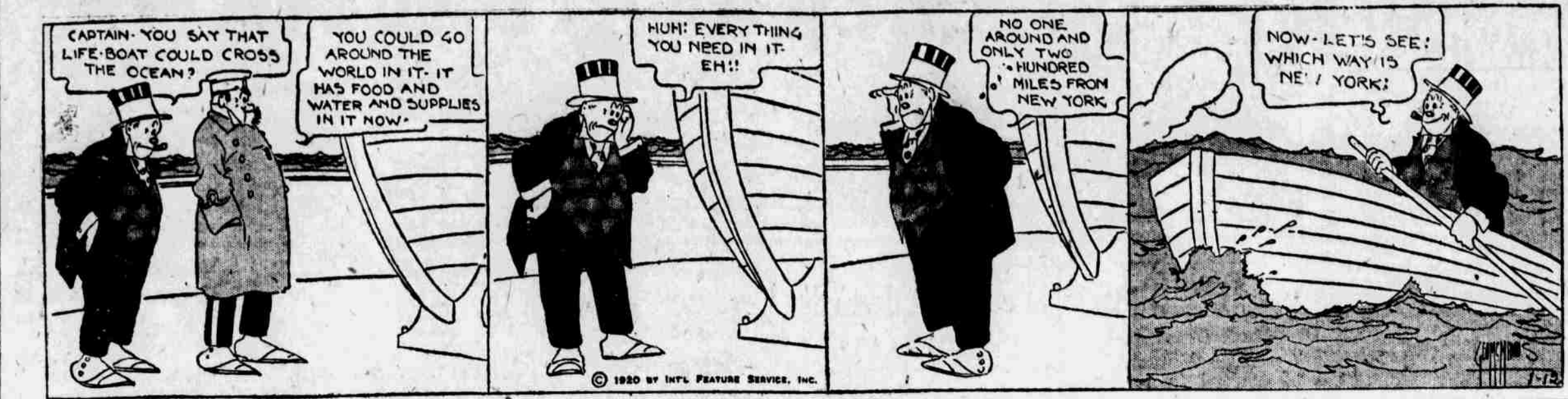
Today's Calendar of Sports.

Boxing: Winter meeting of Cuba-American Jockey club, at Havana. Winter meeting of Boston Athletic Association at New Orleans.
Trotting: Annual meeting of Grand Circuit at Syracuse.
Golf: Opening of New Year's tournament at Bellport.
Winter League of Advertising Interests, at Philadelphia.
Billiards: Illinois amateur three-cushion championship tournament opens at Chicago.
Baseball: Frank Moran against Fred Fulton, eight rounds, at Newark. Willie Jackson against Pete Harkey, six rounds, at Philadelphia.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

WANTED—Two energetic single young men, 21 to 25 years, to travel with manager and qualify as salesman; must be thoroughly alive and leave city at once. Apply Room 125, Boston Hotel, between 10 and 12 a. m., 9 to 4 p. m.

BRINGING UP FATHER—



"TWO AND THREE" "PUTTING THE NEXT ONE OVER" WITH "DUGS" BAIR

PAPA got some beautiful presents. Santa sent him a nice blizzard to shovel snow off the sidewalk. Guy next door returned the umbrella he borrowed last June. Mother gave him a corkscrew and a non-refillable wallet.

Looks like Mexico left Jenkins out for the Xmas holidays.

By the time the shipping board gets through selling United States boats, the American flag will be flying on every lake in Central park.

Al Jolson ran two points at three-cush billiards and then staggered around the table. He was drunk with power.

Happy New Year. Reserve your jumping-off place on the dock now.

Nothing to do, but sit around and eat the New Year in.

Fred Fulton wants to fight Dempsey again. Thought all the nuts had fallen off the trees long ago.

Leonard and Dundee will fight again. One of the toughest things to break is a habit.

John D. discards a hundred million like another guy discards a deuce, trey and six in three different suits.

Babe Ruth ought to speak in whispers. A squawk for 20,000 smackers a season is an alarm clock that wakes up the income tax man.

Wrestlers have each other by the toes and New York by the ears. And they don't even have to go to Barnum's expense of building a tent. Barnum was a wise cracker. He got it from the public and the elephants at it up on him. You never piped a wrestler paying big feed bills for anybody but himself. A wrestler will grab himself fifty thousand a year and then walk around with an expression on his face like a deserted village. They're wise books with dumb covers.

Best way to drink Connecticut liquor is to buy a brush and paint the house with it.

Carranza is a real diplomat. He answers a simple question in a Simon manner.

Looks as if there is no Holland for Ban Johnson.

A dollar bill is still bigger than a 2-cent postage stamp, but that is about all.

A CRATE PARTY.

Bill Halligan and Jay Gould gave a crate party to the Hard Boiled Eggs. They reserve a coop at the Empire, where Ethel Barrymore is playing "Class D" or some other minor league thing. The management had pulled up the Persian rugs and covered the crate with sawdust, but no egg could feel at home in a place where he didn't have to watch his hat or overcoat. Ethel would be a wonderful actress if she ever let out and took a full swing. She is the best female impersonator in the Barrymore family.

She plays the part of a lady who flirts with all her husband's friends and then plays the telephone book for an encore. At the conclusion of the third act she showed the eggs a new stunt in dodging the bar check.

Demon Runyon tried it at Jack's the same night, but took a flopper. He had youth and beauty in her favor. Among the other eggs who rubbed shells in the crate party were Arthur Robinson, Egg MacCullough, Sid Mercer and Tammany Young, who can cut his hair more different ways than any movie actor in the profession.

We hated to pipe Ethel in "Class D." She belongs in the majors.

Two Protests From

Curlers Regarding Championship Cup

To the Sporting Editor of The Bee.—Dear Sir: We noticed with much surprise a recent article in your valued columns that the Tam O'Shanter had been proclaimed the champion curling team for this season and thereby claiming the J. L. Kennedy cup.

We wish to state they have no claim whatever to either cup or championship as they have not yet met and defeated the Balmorals, last year's champions and present holders of the Kennedy cup. The Balmorals were scheduled to play last Sunday at 1:30, the usual time set for playing their game as one of the members is unable to play in the forenoon. To their surprise the Balmorals were told they had lost their game by default as they should have appeared in the morning. (A wonderful display of sportsmanship.) (?)

Now if the Tam O'Shanter desire a clear title to the cup and championship, the Balmorals will play them next Sunday or any other Sunday afternoon they may name. If the Balmorals do not have their full team they will play anyway and allow the others to play all their men.

Trusting you will give this the same publicity accorded the games of last Sunday we are very truly yours, THE BALMORALS. (Signed) Robert S. Melvin, skipper; George Anderson, second skipper; W. Rennie, Robert Malcolm.

Missouri Beats Iowa.

To the Sporting Editor of The Bee.—Dear Sir: In the curling contest for the Malcolm cup to be played Sunday for the finals, R. Tracy is slated to play Watoom. Claiming I have defaulted to him, but I wish to say I have been on hand each Sunday afternoon when called, and stand ready at any time to play Tracy, as he cannot meet for the finals until he has defeated me.

I wish to add that the Omaha Curling club is certainly trying to hand me a raw deal both as regards the play for the Malcolm and also the Kennedy cup.

Trusting you will publish this letter. I am yours very truly, ROBERT MELVIN.

DeWitt Defeats Tobias.

Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 11.—(Special).—The DeWitt basket ball team won from Tobias at DeWitt last evening by the score of 29 to 22. The DeWitt boys played a steady game throughout.

With the Bowlers

Table with columns for League, Team, and Score. Includes HOOPER LEAGUE, GREATER OMAHA LEAGUE, and SWIFT'S BOWLING LEAGUE.

BASEBALL ON THE INSIDE

BEING A SERIES OF STORIES ABOUT PLAYS AND PLAYERS

Trick pitching is all wrong. That is generally admitted. Yet for five or six years pitchers have been getting away with all kinds of "mystery stuff." What a yell would go up, if the batters doctored their bats to increase their chances of not only hitting the ball, but having it go safe.

Major league catchers seldom fail to scan the bats used by dangerous hitters. Time and time again after some good hitter has come through with a cracking hit, I have seen the catcher pick his bat up, look over it carefully and then toss it away. It seems that catchers are always a bit suspicious about the good hitters. Evidently they figure the good hitter is as liable to try to increase his effectiveness with some trickery, as did a lot of pretty good pitchers.

Several years ago George Sisler of the St. Louis Browns was on a wild batting rampage. No pitcher seemed able to stop him. He was leading the league with an average well over .400. Sisler is naturally a great hitter. He is a hard man to fool. Add to this his speed, and he makes it interesting for the pitcher and the fielders any time he comes to the bat.

No catcher in the American league is more observing than Ray Schalk of the Chicago White Sox. In a game after Sisler had made a couple of hits, Schalk walked over to where he had thrown his bat. He picked it up, gave it the once over, and then a knowing smile came over his countenance. Walking over to where I was standing he handed me the bat and remarked: "Perhaps that bat will explain why we can't get Sisler out."

At the part of the bat where contact with the ball is most desired, to get the pill safe, it was studded with perhaps 50 fine steel nails. Over this surface was rubbed something

Sidney Basketball Five

Wallops Red Oak, 63 to 8. Sidney, Ia., Jan. 11.—(Special).—Sidney High school basketball team trimmed Red Oak High here Saturday, 63 to 8. The visitors proved weak in basket-shooting, but displayed remarkable teamwork. Sidney was good at guarding. Bartlett of Red Oak refereed. Battalion of Nebraska umpired. Swanson and Otto led the locals' attack, while Stemen and Wilson starred for Red Oak. Sidney will clash here next Friday night with Shenandoah.

Gladstone Sue Takes First

Money in Montgomery Race. Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 11.—Smith's Gladstone Sue, owned by Colonel Gustav Pabst of Milwaukee and handled by Louie McGrew of Pittsburgh, won the amateur championship of the All-American Field Trials club at Lethatchie this afternoon.

Traffon of Notre Dame Barred from Athletics

Notre Dame, Ind., Jan. 11.—Gridiron prospects at Notre Dame were given a setback when it was announced today that George Traffon, center on the 1919 eleven, had been disqualified from further competition under gold and blue colors because he had failed to discard the moleskins at the prescribed time and entered professional contests on two occasions during the holiday vacation.

David City Victorious.

Fremont, Neb., Jan. 11.—(Special).—The David City high school basketball team defeated the Fremont high school at David City Saturday by the score of 20 to 18. It was the second game of the Fremont five having defeated Schuyler in the opener before the holidays.

Frenchman Is Victor.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 11.—Benny Valera, the French fighter, outpointed Cal Delaney of Cleveland, in a six-round bout tonight.

CAGE FIVES TO START GAMES AT HOME AND AWAY

Central and South Omaha High Booked for Two Contests and Creighton High One.

Five basket ball games are scheduled to be played this week by the local high schools in the city. Four of the games that are to be played will be staged away from the city, while the fifth will be played on the "Y" floor.

Central and South Omaha High are booked to play two games each, while Creighton High is scheduled to play one game. Friday the Purple and White crew will meet the Bluffs five and on Saturday evening will lock horns with the Beatrice High on the local "Y" floor. Friday the Packers will journey to Schuyler, Neb., to meet the local high school in that city and on Saturday will go to Columbus to meet Coach Rich's basket ball quintet. The Catholic quintet will travel to Papillion to meet the high school in that city.

When the Council Bluffs high team mix with the locals a hard contest is expected to be staged, as the Iowans have a wonderful team this year. Although Coach White's quintet lost to Fort Dodge, Ia., high school by a much larger score than the Centralites did, Coach Mulligan expects to have a hard game on the program next Friday.

Beatrice high will bring a strong team to the city Saturday and another hard-fought battle is expected, as the Gage county coach has always brought a winning team to tangle with the Central high five. Friday evening the Packers will make the first trip of the season traveling to Schuyler. Saturday evening they will tangle with the Columbus high quintet at Columbus.

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