

League Baseball Scores and News, Gossip of the Ring, Amateurs and Other Sports

FAIR FIE DIDN'T AFFECT SNOOZES

Georges Passed Restful Night on Eve of Greatest of Fights.

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MANHASSET, N. Y., July 2.—Georges Carpenter, eager for his fight for the world's boxing championship, was up at 3:30 a. m. today, full of pep and in high spirits.

He plunged into a cold shower, donned an old brown shirt, gray trousers, and white chukka socks and heavy walking shoes and was at the breakfast table at 7 o'clock.

After that hour the front door of the farm house where Georges lives flew open and a young man leaped down the steps and cavorted to the barbed wire fence.

He looked like a carefree farmer boy, but at all like a contender for the world's championship, a few hours before the biggest fight of his life. Carpenter appeared bubbling over with good humor.

"Good morning," he yelled in French to a reporter clustered on the other side of the fence.

"Mon dieu, didn't you boys sleep last night at all?"

His old gray pants to his knees, excitedly he pulled down the shirt, and, revealing a broad, double-shielded chest, while his dog Flap barked and leaped around him.

A minute later Carpenter darted out through the gate and ran down the road.

"I never felt better in my life," said Carpenter when he returned to the house. "This cool air is invigorating. I had eight hours of sleep last night—never even turned over."

Carpenter lounged around the parlor during the morning looking over the night news in the papers. He dressed for the trip to Jersey City, donning a navy blue suit, white shirt, tie, white shoes and a yachting cap worn in a jaunty angle.

Snowball Boxing Fan

First in Line Seeking Bleacher Seat for Go

ARENA, JERSEY CITY, July 2.—The fight fan champion of the world goes to Jersey City, N. J., today.

Phelps, a native of New York City, who has been a regular at the bleachers for years, is expected to arrive at 10:15 last night.

The negro is 27 years old. He said he had been in the bleachers for seven years.

A quarter of an hour after Phelps took his seat in the bleachers, the wagon, Jack Walsh, 25, Yorker, N. Y., came along. He thought Dempsey was working in the bleachers. Third line was William H. Green, 24, New York, another negro. He had been in the bleachers for seven years.

Women's fan championship was won by Miss Martha O'Hare, New York City, who has been in the bleachers for five years.

She picked Dempsey in three rounds.

Ban Johnson Gives Billy Evans Vacation

CLEVELAND, July 2.—Billy Evans, umpire, journalist, athlete and man of affairs, has for a number of years been a regular in the bleachers of the district where he lives.

Each summer for five years he has been in the bleachers, but this year he has been in the bleachers for a week or more in the Canadian lake country, but it always happens that Evans is an umpire.

He was surprised and pleased Evans was back by telling him that as he had been a very good boy, he might as well go to work for so long.

Evans will spend a week or more up in Canada and when he comes back he should be a better umpire than ever as a result of his vacation.

Private Yacht Carries Georges to Jersey City

PORT WASHINGTON, July 2.—To the chagrin of a big crowd lining the shore and the tooting of boat whistles, Georges Carpenter sailed down Manhattan Bay today on the private yacht Lone Star, en route to Jersey City for his fight with Jack Dempsey.

There was such an immense throng assembled at Port Washington plans for a parade on the day of the fight were abandoned. Carpenter's car went to a point on the shore a short distance from Port Washington and he boarded the Lone Star there.

Georges Said to Have Bet Heavily on Self

NEW YORK, July 2.—Georges Carpenter and his manager bet \$20,000 on their chances against Dempsey, it developed today.

Georges put \$10,000 in Dan McKelrick's hands to be placed on himself at the best obtainable odds. "It might as well be as to bet on the other side," the promoter said, offering against any chances," he said.

Manager Dempsey put up a similar sum, according to Paris cables.

Jack's Court Troubles

NEW YORK, July 2.—In an attempt to tie up the several New York bank accounts of Jack Dempsey, who was arrested on a charge of larceny, the \$300,000 the champion will receive for his fight with Georges Carpenter is being held by the court.

Attorney J. J. Donnelly, who is representing Dempsey, has filed a writ of habeas corpus to get the money out of the court's hands.

The writ was served on three New York banks in which Dempsey's money is held, and he is expected to carry accounts and on "Tex" Rickard, promoter of today's bout.

Dempsey declined to make any statement concerning the controversy.

From French Cabinet

RINGSIDE, JERSEY CITY, July 2.—The following letter, written to Carpenter by Andre Borel, member of the French cabinet, was delivered to the challenger when he arrived at the arena this afternoon.

"The wishes of all France are formulating today for your victory.

Every one of us has confidence in you. Here in France we are doing anything else but your match—both you know and realize the importance of your fight."

"My dear Georges, I don't tell you 'good courage' as you have courage to 'good luck' as you are not superstitious."

"I will simply finish this letter with the usual formula: 'Be the better man.' I am, being assuredly certain it will be you."

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