

# Promoters Seeking Postponement of Heavyweight Title Bout Until July 1

## CONSENT OF PRINCIPALS NECESSARY, HOWEVER, AND THEY MAY BALK ON IT

Mayor Johnson Again in Charge and Declares He'll Give All to Save Scrap Regardless of Impending Financial Smash.

By HENRY FARRELL,  
United Press Sports Editor.

SHELBY, Mont., June 28.—Promoters of the Dempsey-Gibbons fight will ask the boxers and their managers to consent to postponement from July 4 to July 14, it was learned from a reliable source of information today. Confronted with the problem of raising \$273,000 to pay Dempsey the \$110,000 still owing on his guarantee, and meet other indebtedness, the promoters seek more time in which to dig up the money.

Given a ten-day stay, they believe they can scrape together enough cash for Dempsey by July 2, and in the remaining extra time can boom the ticket sale to raise the rest of the sum.

Managers Remain Silent

Consent of Jack Kearns and Eddie Kane, managers of the champion and the challenger, will be necessary before there can be a postponement of the contract calls for the bout on July 4. Neither Kearns nor Kane was ready to discuss the postponement until the subject had been officially presented.

Following resignation of Dan Tracy, Great Falls man who was named as the representative of several creditors,

**RAILROAD NOT TO AID**

By United Press

ST. PAUL, June 28.—The Great Northern Railroad will not come to the financial rescue of the Dempsey-Gibbons fight at Shelby, Ralph Budd, president of the road, declared today.

Budd issued a statement saying the "Great Northern has no thought of doing anything out of the province of railroad operation."

Mayor Jim Johnson was back in the saddle today as the big boss of the fight.

"I have \$300,000 worth of unencumbered property and with this back of me, I'll say the fight is on. We have put too much in this not to go through with it," Johnson said.

**Fighters Are Ready**

Experts who have been watching both Gibbons and Dempsey in training have expressed the opinion that both the champion and the challenger are in fine shape. Many of them say Gibbons appears to be lighter and less strong than the champion, and many critics of Gibbons for not having heavier sparring partners.

Others give Gibbons a fine chance on the ground that Dempsey, for natural reasons, cannot be as good as he was four years ago or two years ago.

Shelby was deep in mud again today, after a heavy rain, and the promoters of two rival rodeos in town were lending a voice to the dirge of the fight promoters.

## BASEBALL STANDING CALENDAR

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION			
	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
St. Paul	40	19	.678
Kansas City	37	22	.625
Louisville	34	25	.575
Columbus	29	30	.492
INDIANAPOLIS	26	34	.433
Milwaukee	25	35	.417
Minneapolis	24	34	.414
Toledo	21	39	.350

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct.
N. Y.	39	22	.639
Phil.	34	27	.558
Cle.	33	29	.532
St. L.	29	31	.483

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct.
N. Y.	43	20	.683
Pitt.	37	26	.587
Chi.	35	28	.556
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Games Today			
AMERICAN ASSN.—Tot. at Indpls. (two games); K. C. at St. P. (two games); Mil. at Minn. (two games); Col. at Lou.			

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Yesterday's Results			
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION (First Game)			
Kansas City	10	10	011—1 15 0
St. Paul	10	000	000—1 7 3
Zinn, Scott; Sheehan, Holtzhauser, Allen.			
(Second Game)			
Columbus	000	310	001—5 1 0
Louisville	112	200	039—0 14 3
Sanders, Weaver, Gleason, Elliott, Knob, Meyer.			
Milwaukee-Minneapolis, rain.			
Toledo-Indianapolis, rain.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE (No games scheduled.)			
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NATIONAL LEAGUE			
New York	000	200	400 07—15 21 0
Boston	000	300	300 8 13 5
Scott, Ryan, McGuffin, Snyder, Gaston; Marquard, Benton, Genewich, Smith.			
Brooklyn	423	400	020—15 21 0
Philadelphia	012	010	001—5 11 0
Reuther, Taylor, Hargrave, Weimert, Head, Mitchell, Wilson.			
Pittsburgh	011	001	013—8 14 0
St. Louis	000	000	000—4 5 0
Cooper, Schmidt, Sherdel, Pfeffer, Alsmith.			

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## HENS AND TRIBE FRET AND AWAIT WEATHER VERDICT

Two Games This Afternoon if It's Possible to Play—Blues Stop Sheehan.

Hens and Indians this morning were awaiting the verdict of the weather man regarding the playing of their scheduled double-header here this afternoon. The outlook early today was discouraging, but nevertheless the teams held out hope for some action.

On the previous visit of the Hens here the weather was bad and the club managers don't like to have so many postponements piling up.

Players of both teams rested Wednesday because of wet grounds and then spent much of the time watching the tickers click off the innings of the battle between the Blues and Saints in St. Paul.

The two top clubs of the A. A. are having a merry argument over the question of who's who. The Blues won Wednesday and crept within five points of first place. A twin bill was carded in the Saintly city this afternoon and the Kellyettes were in danger of being ousted from the lead.

Pitcher Tom Sheehan's long winning streak was shattered by the K. C. sluggers Wednesday. He had won twelve straight before taking the fall. Zinn hurled him down and contributed a lengthy home run.

Blues and Saints had a double play turnover of nine two-play killings being recorded.

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## Like Hopeless Flat Tire

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GREAT FALLS, Mont., June 28.—The Dempsey-Gibbons July 4 fight looks like a "hopeless flat tire," John O'Neill, one of the most liberal of Great Falls contributors to Dempsey's purse, declared today.

He predicted the promotion would go down as the greatest fiasco of the kind that ever occurred.

O'Neill made these statements after conferring with Dan Tracy, who Wednesday resigned the directorate of the show following a conference in Shelby.

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## MRS. STEVENSON PLAYING SPLENDID GOLF IN TOURNEY

Champion Favorite to Retain Title—Third Round of Competition Staged.

By Times Special

FT. WAYNE, Ind., June 28.—With the field rapidly narrowing in the women's State golf tourney it begins to look as though the present champion, Mrs. Stevenson of Indianapolis, may win the title again. However, nothing is very certain in the game of golf and any one of the contestants left in the running has a chance.

Mrs. Gibbons, also of Indianapolis, looks like one of the most dangerous contenders. Competition is getting keen and in the third round of match play today many sensational matches were promised.

In Wednesday's play the most sensational match was between Miss Drayer of Ft. Wayne and Miss Dechou of Crawfordsville. The match went twenty-six holes before Miss Drayer finally won by one stroke on the putting green.

Of the Indianapolis entries, Mrs. Stevenson won from Miss Hull of Kendallville, 7 to 5; Mrs. Fred Holmes of Lafayette defeated Mrs. Menasco of Indianapolis, 5 and 4; Miss Blanche Morgan of Indianapolis defeated Miss Hutchinson of Indianapolis, 1 up; Mrs. Jaqua of Indianapolis won over Mrs. Alkire of Ft. Wayne, 5 and 4; Miss Shroyck of Ft. Wayne won over Mrs. Tyler of Indianapolis, 3 and 2; and Miss Sharp of Indianapolis won over Mrs. Rank of Ft. Wayne, 7 and 5.

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