

Firpo-Willard Winner to Get Chance With Victor of Today's Shelby Affair

WIDE INTEREST SURE IN NEXT HEAVY FEATURE

International Aspect to Bout July 12, When Kansas Giant Meets Big Luis From South America.

By Times Special
NEW YORK, July 4.—With the Gibbons-Dempsey heavyweight title match on in Shelby, Mont., today, boxing fans of New York and New Jersey spent the Fourth reading the returns in sports extras and figuring ahead to the Luis Firpo-Jess Willard match in Jersey City July 12. King fans of the Metropolitan district predict the Firpo-Willard affair will outdo the Montana venture in international interest.

The winner, no doubt, will be sent against the victor of today's affair early in the fall or next July.

Firpo and Willard are busily engaged in hard training for the July 12 scrap and bets are beginning to be made on the outcome of the battle between the huge Kansan and also huge South American.

At first the odds favored Firpo by a good margin, but Tuesday bets began to show more of a tendency toward Willard, although his backers are still asking short odds.

Tex Rickard is promoting the bout and it will be held at Boyle's Thirty Acres, where Dempsey cooled off Georges Carpenter in 1921. With the well-known Rickard punch behind it, the scrap is expected to draw a huge gate.

Jim Jeffries, former heavyweight champion of the world, has consented to referee the Willard-Firpo fight, Tex Rickard announced Tuesday.

SHELBY VILLAGE PROUD DESPITE MANY SETBACKS

Made Good on Fight Regardless of Discouragements and Losses to Boosters.

By United Press

SHELBY, Mont., July 4.—Game little Shelby, just a cow town in the far Northwest, where "men are men" and there is not much else beside great open spaces, woke up this morning with a headache, a vacant feeling in the pocketbook and a bosom full of strangers and told the world that the hard had made good.

After weeks of anxiety and fast operation in finance, after watching its greatest ambition to become more than a water stop and flag station on the Great Northern, blossom and fade and then bloom out into a crop, little old Shelby stepped out this morning and proudly boasted:

"Jack Dempsey and Tommy Gibbons are going to fight this afternoon for the heavyweight championship."

Cow punchers, oil drillers, miners from Butte, where the streets are built with copper; tenderfeet from Chicago and the "far east" milled around and shouted in voices tuned up by near-beer and more beverages, "the fight is on and we got a seat."

The dance halls were crowded Tuesday night. The tables where the chips were stacked and where the "honey" were parked for the gamblers were going strong. The town was filled with "them agents," as the cow-puncher called the dry men.

Shelby rejoiced all night and came out this morning with a perfect jubilant "hang-over."



Cobb Sends Outfielder to Boston After Promising Him to Speaker.

By NEA Service
CLEVELAND, July 4.—Years ago the late president of the National League, in discussing a diamond dispute, coined an expression that will live in the world of sport forever, "Take nothing for granted in baseball."

Every year countless things come up in the baseball world to verify Pulliam's sizeup of the situation. In other words, in baseball you can't figure on anything until it is all over and settled.

Flagstead Deal

It is said that a bit of ill-feeling now exists between the Cleveland and Detroit clubs as the outcome of the deal that sent Flagstead from Detroit to Boston.

Cleveland wanted Flagstead, and to increase its chances of getting him had gone out of its way in favor of Detroit on several player deals, so as not to clash with the Tiger management. It is reported that the Cleveland club had been assured that it could have Flagstead for the waiver price when the proper time arrived.

Cleveland Lost Out

So it happened that the Indians got away to a flying start in the pennant race. The Tigers didn't do so well. Ty Cobb naturally didn't relish the success of his greatest rival, Tris Speaker. Cobb had no desire to further help the Indians. Flagstead might go big for Speaker and that would hurt still more.

So instead of Cleveland getting Flagstead, he was traded to Boston for Outfielder Goebel, who was immediately sent to the minors, which merely proved the player was sent to a tailender rather than a club up in the race.

"Take nothing for granted in baseball," was sure a wise remark.

VOSS WILL CASE FINALLY SETTLED

Tuesday at Louisville
Litigation Ends Over \$300,000 Estate.

After three years of litigation, settlement of the Jay G. Voss will case, involving \$300,000, has been reached.

By terms of settlement, as announced by Mahon E. Bash, judge of Probate Court, Sidney Hawkins of New York and Gray Hawkins, John Carey and Vesta Evans, all of Noblesville, cousins of Voss, each will receive \$15,700. The remainder of the estate will revert to Tarquinia Voss and the children of Theresa Voss Smith, who died last year. The estate consists largely of Indianapolis business property.

As a special attraction for the boys and juniors a luncheon will be held next Tuesday noon at Woodstock. Tilden, world's champion, whose hobby is the development of young players, will talk.

FINAL TOURNEY PLANS THURSDAY

Indianapolis Boys' Entry to Be Exceptionally Strong.

Final plans for the national clay court tourney to be held at the Woodstock courts, starting July 9, will be made at a luncheon Thursday noon at the Woodstock clubhouse. Twelve committee chairmen will report at that time.

It is not alone in the men's events that Indianapolis steps out in the tennis world. The Juniors and boys of this city are really an extraordinary crop of young tennis sharks, and who knows but that some of these days a champion will be hatched around the world—from Indianapolis. Christina Markey, Von Burg and Retnir are a quartet that bears watching.

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CLUB DISPUTE SLACKENS

Settlement of Memorial Plaza Controversy in Sight.

Agreement in the dispute between the Indiana Democratic Club, 22 E. Vermont St., and county officials as to the amount to be paid for club property for the war memorial plaza, was in sight today.

The club has been demanding \$105,000. The county appraisal board set the value at \$99,000.

The club may be permitted to occupy the building without rental until it is razed and to remove its howling alleys if it agrees to the appraisal board figures, it was said.

Tuesday summaries:

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