

PRESIDENT TO BE PICKED IN PADDY'S PALACE

Chicago Stadium Is Result
of Harmon's Dream of
Success.

By Ray Black
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CHICAGO, May 20.—A dream that came to big, genial, blarney-tongued Paddy Harmon one night, as dancers shuffled on the floor of his "Dreamland" dance hall, is realized in the mammoth Chicago Stadium where the national conventions meet in a few weeks.

Patrick Harmon, as Irish in appearance as his name, was a promoter by trade and a dreamer by nature.

"Boys, I'm going to build the biggest, finest sport emporium in the world right here in Chicago," he used to exclaim in a crowd of sport followers and newspapermen.

"We'll build it on the near west side, over near where my Dreamland stands. It will be a grand thing for Chicago. You'll be seeing fights there, and bike races and big conventions. People will be coming from all over the country to see the events we'll put on there."

Went On Dreaming
"It'll be a palace—a place to knock your eyes out. Elegant as a grand opera house and big as all outdoors."

Paddy would pause for breath. A chorus of good-natured "Oh yeas" and vernacular wisecracks from the crowd didn't phase Paddy. He went right on dreaming out loud.

It was hard to believe that what Paddy Harmon predicted would come true, especially back in those days when he was just another promoter, staging occasional fights or a six-day bicycle race in the Coliseum to add to his income from his dance hall.

But Paddy Harmon's portly figure—he weighed something over 200 pounds—clad in the dark suit he always wore, began to be seen in offices of business leaders and capitalists. Paddy would run his thick fingers through his thinning gray hair and launch into his spiel about "a super-stadium for Chicago."

Soon the men with money began to sign pledges. Enough was pledged to insure the project. Harmon was in his glory.

"Didn't I tell you guys?" was his cheery greeting to every one.

Finest In Country
In 1929, the stadium, a block-square structure of concrete, steel and glass, was completed. It was, as Paddy Harmon had dreamed, the finest and the largest building of its kind in the country.

And it rose only a few blocks from the location of Harmon's old Dreamland dance hall.

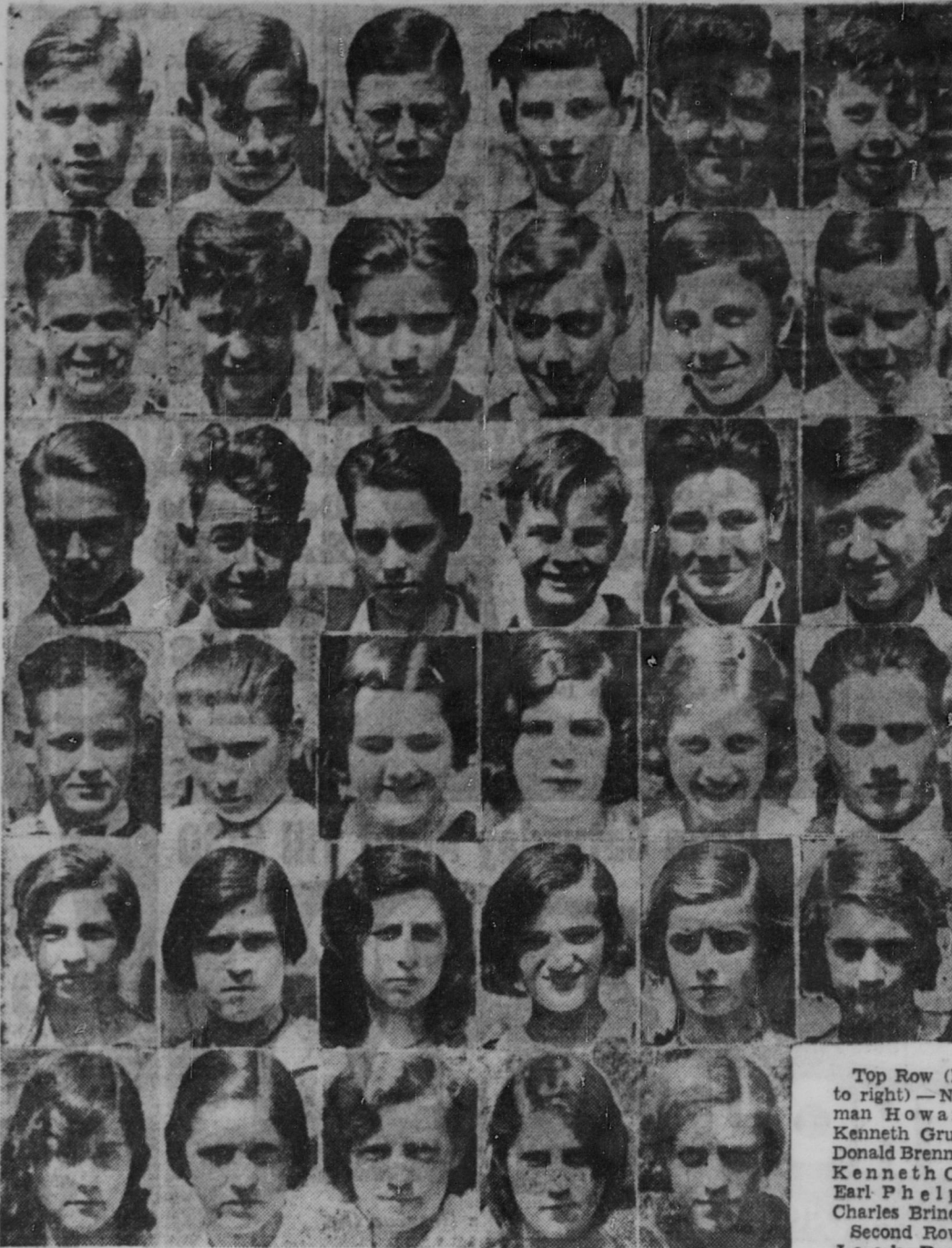
A corporation had been formed to hold title and Harmon was given the post of promoter. The first boxing match he brought to the stadium was the Mickel Walker-Tommy Loughran battle which drew a \$185,000 gate.

But there arose dissatisfaction within the management and Harmon was crowded out. It was the hardest blow of his life and he fought back desperately. He filed suit to force the management to reinstate him.

Killed In Crash
"I practically built the stadium, boys," he said. "They can't push me out like that."

While his suit was pending in court, Harmon died in an automobile wreck. The crowd that follows the fights and bicycle races believes Paddy Harmon has the finest monument in the country. It is the structure that grew from his dream.

8-A Graduates of School 10



Top Row (left to right)—Norman Howard, Kenneth Grubb, Donald Brennan, Kenneth Orr, Earl Phelps, Charles Briner.
Second Row—Jack Day, Thomas Snyder, William Honan, Carl T. Lipes, Claude Phillips, Sanford Hunter.

Third Row—Ernest Shearer, Frank A. Huber, Lowell Johnson, Glen Shearer, Victor Cox, Raymond King.
Fourth Row—Russell Thomas, Richard Wilson, Alice Kettner, Ann Mae Overman, Joan Worrall, Ralph Owen.

Fifth Row—Ruth Smith, Jessie Phillips, Averil Squier, Dorothy Williams, Bertha Waters, Marjorie Gowan.
Bottom Row—Mercedes Banks, Bylle Payne, Margaret Bailey, Imo Webber, Lillian Phillips.

HOOSIERS HEDGE ON VOTE ON BEER BILL

Representatives Are Chary
of Announcing Stand
on Measure.

By Times Special
WASHINGTON, May 20.—A majority of Indiana's members of the house are looking forward with apprehension to the scheduled vote on the O'Connor beer bill, May 22.

A poll of the Hoosier delegation today revealed four ready to announce they would vote against it. The remaining six were either undecided or noncommittal.

Representatives Boone, Canfield, Larrabee and Pettengill are the four already willing to be counted as voting "aye."

Greenwood and Hogg are set to vote "no."

Ludlow and Griswold said they had decided how they would vote, but refused to announce their decision.

Purnell, Wood and Crowe said they had not decided, but were giving the bill "prayerful study." Gillon could not be reached for a comment.

Boehne and Pettengill have been consistently wet.

Larrabee became a convert last week. Canfield's announcement was no surprise, because when the tax bill was under consideration he said

he would vote to legalize 2.75 per cent beer.

At that time he refused to vote for a tax on beer, saying that he opposed taxing an illegal product. He described the effort to insert a beer tax in the revenue bill as an attempt to "bring beer in the back door."

In the past, Ludlow, Purnell and Crowe always have voted as drys. Griswold and Wood both voted to discharge the judiciary committee from further consideration of the Beck-Linthicum repeal resolution, but Wood immediately thereafter trimmed by announcing that his vote meant only that he wanted to bring the resolution to the floor.

He said that had the resolution been up for final passage he would have voted against it.

QUITS VETERAN POST

Man Who Drew \$187.50 Disability and Big Salary Out of Federal Job.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, May 20.—William W. Smith, frequently attacked in congress because he draws \$187.50 a month disability pay in addition to his \$9,000 salary as chief counsel for the veterans' bureau, has submitted his resignation.

Gone, but Not Forgotten

Automobiles reported to police as stolen belong to:

Russell Carroll, 1403 Broadway, Ford roadster, 117-770, from 2160 Broadway.
Al Ralph Kyle, 2216 North Illinois street, Buick sedan, 63-983, from 1512 Pleasant street.
William Whaley, 734 Congress avenue, Chevrolet cabriolet, 14-003, from 724 Cross avenue.
James C. Flaherty, 605 Middle drive, Woodruff Place, Buick sedan, 57-794, from 1900 North Meridian street.

BACK HOME AGAIN

Stolen automobiles recovered by police belong to:

William B. Beeson, 54 North Kemura avenue, Nash coupe, found in rear of 1620 Spann avenue.
Paul Bennett, 910 South East street, Oakland roadster, found at 300 Sanders street.
Chrysler coupe, 47-886, found in front of 11 West Georgia street.
Martin Morgan, 843 Burdett parkway, Ford coupe, found at Fifty-eighth street and Keller boulevard.
Earl Foxworthy, 21 North Berwick avenue, Dodge coupe, found at 605 South Laclede avenue.

LIGHT BEAMS CARRY VOICES FROM AIRSHIP

Mirror Picks Up Sounds for
Rebroadcasting Over
Chain.

By United Press
CHENECTADY, N. Y., May 20.—Three men on the dirigible Los Angeles transmitted their voices to the General Electric Company laboratory half a mile distance on a tiny beam of light Thursday night.

The voices then were transmitted to the General Electric long wave station WGY, and its short wave station W2XAF, and broadcast over a nation-wide hookup.

The men on the dirigible, John B. Taylor, research engineer; Charles H. Lang and Commander F. T. Berry of the Los Angeles, spoke into the microphone.

In the rear of the microphone was a high wattage light bulb, about three times larger than a Christmas tree bulb. On the roof of a plant building was a movable 24-inch mirror, behind which was set a photo-electric cell.

The voices were carried on the beam of light, which was focused on the mirror. From the photo-electric cell the voice impulses were sent to a thyratron tube amplifier. It reproduced the voices and rebroadcast them.

SHIP DEATH TOLL IS 49

Recount of Survivors After Fire
Cuts Missing List.

By United Press
PARIS, May 20.—Forty-nine persons were listed as missing and believed dead as the result of the fire aboard the Georges Philippar, in the Gulf of Aden, the owners of the vessel said today. The previous figure was seventy-eight, but officials said a recount had accounted for 718 of the 767 passengers and crew.

CADET'S BODY FOUND FLOATING IN HUDSON

West Point Man and Pal Have Been
Missing Since April 30.

By United Press
WEST POINT, May 20.—The body of Cadet Leo Adolph Skelm was discovered floating in the Hudson yesterday afternoon off Cornwall landing.

Cadets Skelm and Allen Jackson Light, both qualified swimmers, had obtained permission on April 30 to go canoeing. When they failed to return, a search was started.

On Sunday, May 1, the canoe used by the cadets was found by a track walker of the West Shore railroad, floating in the Hudson, but filled with water.

Cadet Skelm's mother, Mrs. Russell Needham, Cass Lake, Minn., was notified last night of the recovery of her son's body.

The search for the body of Cadet Light will be intensified.

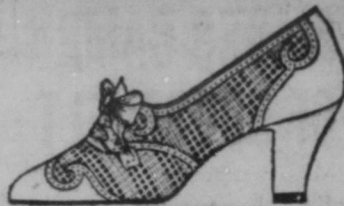
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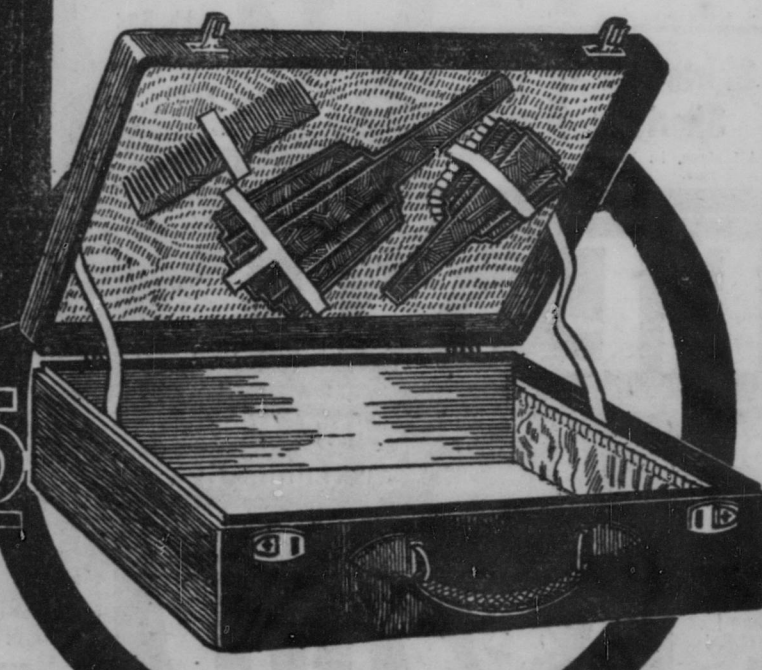
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