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Rumors Current in Reno That Fight May Not Be Allowed

Governor Nickers is Expected at that City but the Object of His Visit is not Known—Meanwhile Preparations are Going on Apace for the Big Event, and Lots of Money is Being Laid Out in Wagers.

New York, N. Y., June 28.—Big Tim Sullivan, stakeholder for the Jeffries-Johnson fight, is on his way to Reno today. He is due here Saturday morning. With Mr. Sullivan, who started last night, was George MacDonald, of London, England, as the sole representative of a party of two hundred headed by Lord Lonsdale, which had expected to take in the great battle. Lord Lonsdale cancelled his arrangements for a special steamer and train service.

It is not believed that more than two hundred New Yorkers will see the fight, although more than 700 reservations were made before Governor Gillett of California, refused to allow the contest in his State. Of all the special trains arranged for, including one to be known as the "Wall Street Special," the one which left last night with Big Tim Sullivan and his party is the only direct one from New York to Reno.

Nat Goodwin, George Considine, Tom Sharkey, Phil H. Adams, Jack Skelly and Gus. Fohl, were among the better known men who went with Sullivan.

Reno, June 28.—Reno today is waiting the arrival of Governor Nickerson who, it is understood, is returning to Carson City from Ely and intends to make a brief stop here. Just what would be the Governor's purpose in coming to this city has not been stated, but in view of his numerous denials that he would interfere in any way with the fight, no one admits the belief that it would be connected with the Jeffries-Johnson fight.

The news received here, however, of the circulation in Chicago of another rumor that the fight would be called off lends added interest to the expected visit of the chief executive of the State.

Rickard is keenly anxious to see him and is preparing to meet him at the train. Rickard and Dickerson are said to be old friends and, though the promoter received a telegram directly from the Governor, from Ely, giving positive assurance that he would not try to prevent the fight, Rickard wants to hear from the Governor's own lips that the constantly revived reports of intervention are without foundation.

"I can't imagine who is doing all this no fight talk," Rickard said to a group of newspaper correspondents, during a general discussion of the Chicago rumor. "If there was the least truth in it, I think it would be reasonable to suppose that Nevada people would hear the news before it leaked out at San Francisco or Chicago. I am in close touch with every part of the State and if any action against us was taken, I certainly would be one of the first to know it. Of course all of these rumors are nothing but wild conversation but they do us harm because they lead people in the east to believe that

they will have their trip for nothing. That is what hurts and that is why I am anxious to have the Governor come here and tell you newspaper men what he has told me in his telegram that there is absolutely no intention on his part to attempt to call off the fight."

Rapid headway is being made on the arena. A force of 175 men are working ten hours a day to have it completed by next Friday and so marked was the progress yesterday that the contractor says it will be possible to finish the job Thursday night. The plans call for a seating capacity of about 17,000, but, according to Rickard, heavy orders for tickets from the east yesterday point to the possibility of a much larger attendance than was at first anticipated, and it may be necessary to enlarge the structure. To prepare for such an emergency, lumber will be hauled and held in readiness. If necessary, another platform will be placed beside the rear top seats, providing standing room for about 4,000, this bringing the complete capacity for the arena up to 20,000. It is expected that more than 400,000 feet of lumber and five tons of nails must be put into the building before it is ready to use. The Washoe County Grand Jury, which is superintending the work, is overlooking no precaution for the safety of spectators. One of the biggest single orders for tickets yet received, was from representatives of three towns in the north-western part of the State, whose combined population figures only 2,000, and who want 1,708 seats. This far the greatest demand has been for higher priced reservations. Many well known ring followers continued to pour in yesterday. One of the latest arrivals is Eddie McKeown, of Winnipeg, who claims to have held the heavyweight championship of Canada from 1881 to 1885. It was stated by McKeown that he had been commissioned by friends in Canada to bet \$25,000 on the approaching fight.

Jake Kilrain will arrive here from Boston on Friday.

According to advices received by John L. Sullivan, who is impatiently awaiting the coming of the man who gave the ex-champion one of the hardest battles in the history of the fighting game. There probably will be no marked increase in Reno until the arrival of Tom Corbett from San Francisco. James Coffroth is understood to be here to secure convenient location for the official betting commissioner.

Chicago, June 28.—Two sets of betting orders on the Jeffries-Johnson fight are named by a prominent stock book-maker. In one Jeffries is quoted 3 to 1. In the other Johnson is the choice, 3 to 5. The heavyweights will probably enter the arena evenly backed by Chicago fight followers. From the south side, especially in the negro colony, Johnson will draw tremendous support.

St. John, N. B., June 28.—(Special)—Mr. John P. Griffith, of the C. P. R. Telegraph staff here, and Miss Mary B. McCormick were married this morning with Nuptial Mass in St. Peter's Church, by Rev. M. J. Maloney. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Charles G. McCormick, and was attended by her cousin, Miss Lena Brennan, of Norfolk, Va. The groom was supported by his brother, Wm. Griffith. The bride and groom left for a honeymoon trip to Upper Canada.

In Hampton, this afternoon, at six o'clock, Rev. I. B. Colwell will unite his daughter, Miss Cora D. Colwell, in marriage to Harold K. Olmstead, both now residents of this city. Tomorrow they will leave for Jemseg, to visit Mr. Olmstead's people.

Mr. and Mrs. Loring Bailey and family leave this week for their beautiful summer home at Tadousac on the lower St. Lawrence.

HALF MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF PROPERTY GO UP IN SMOKE

Serious Fire Causes Heavy Loss, and Occasions Injury to Four Men, Who Were Crushed Under Falling Wall.

Patterson, N. J., June 28.—Five hundred thousand dollars worth of property in the business section of Patterson was destroyed in an early morning fire here today. No lives were lost, but four firemen had narrow escapes from death when a heavy wall toppled over close by the spot where they were stationed. All of them were injured, but at the hospital it was said they would recover.

The fire started a few minutes after midnight in the show window of a furniture store. By the time it had been put under control, three hours later, it had swept one side of Main street for an entire block forward to Market street. The apparatus from six suburban towns helped the local fire department in subduing the blaze. For a while it was feared that the flames might cross the streets and result in a repetition of the "Great Fire" of 1902, when a large section of the city was destroyed.

Toronto, June 28.—The Montreal correspondent of The Globe wires as follows:—An unconfirmed rumor has been floating around Montreal during the past day or two to the effect that all the textile companies were to be merged. The textile companies would be only following the fashions of the day, were they to pool their interests and form a huge merger. The history of the textile industry in Canada has not been as successful as some of the other industrial concerns throughout the country. However, in recent years the industry has been on a better footing, and indications are that the worst is now over. For some time

BRITISH ADMIRAL THINKS AMERICANS MORE WELCOME HERE

Montreal, June 28.—That Americans were being welcomed into Canada to the exclusion of British subjects was the opinion expressed by Admiral Sir Archibald Douglas who sailed on Saturday on board of the White Star S.S. Megantic after a trip through the Dominion. It was in the West that the Admiral believed he particularly noted an invasion of people from the United States, while it seemed that in the East and elsewhere through Canada there was a growing prejudice against immigrants from England. There was no longer any open talk of annexation but the Admiral thought that a feeling in favor of it was deep-set in the hearts of many people even among those who held high public positions in the Dominion.

But notwithstanding these tendencies, Admiral Douglas believed that a federation of British colonies would in time, be accomplished, and that the grand Imperialistic ideals of today would be attained.

Regarding a Canadian navy he thought all navies had to be established gradually, but even if their nucleus navy had to be left behind, he

N. B. TEACHERS ASSOCIATIONS GETS DOWN TO BUSINESS

Superintendent Carter Scores Teachers Pension Bill—No Disability Clause

SUGGEST RAISING FUNDS TO MEET THE OMISSION

McLaughlin the Child Beaten Not Dealt with at Circuit Court—Will Await Return of Judge Foster

St. John, June 28.—(Special).—Some 400 or 500 teachers are here for the annual meeting of the educational institute. In a strong address, Chief Superintendent Carter spoke on the subject of pensions, regretting that no disability provision was contained in the act and suggesting a fund to meet the requirements. He said holidays were long enough.

As to the course of study it might be that the school day would have to be lengthened an hour or studies curtailed, and he was against the latter. He was also against lessening the study of Latin and Greek.

Chas. T. McLaughlin, the boy accused of beating children, was not dealt with in the Circuit Court today. The return of Judge Forbes is awaited so that McLaughlin can decide for speedy trials or not.

Gritty soaps must never be used for washing paints.

MARYSVILLE COTTON MILL IN TEXTILE MERGER?

The larger of the textile companies have been quietly buying up the stock of the smaller ones. It is probable if all the companies were to merge, Mr. C. B. Gordon, President of the Dominion Textile Company, and Mr. David Morrice, President of the Canadian Colored Cotton Company, would be at the head of the new concern. The Canadian Colored Cotton Company has recently secured options on the Gibson mill at Marysville, New Brunswick, on the Mount Royal Spinning Company's stock, and have also an arrangement by which they control the output of the Hamilton Cotton Company and of the Cornwall and York Cotton Company.

AUTO ACCIDENT KILL'S ONE AND BADLY INJURES FIVE OTHERS

Chicago, June 28.—One man was found under an automobile drowned, and five others and a young woman were seriously injured early today a few miles from Hammond Inn when the car plunged into a creek. Peter Rappley, of Hammond was killed.

Half way between Retbie and Hammond when at a turn in the road, the chauffeur lost control of the car, the big machine plunged from the road, crashed through a fence, struck a telegraph pole and turned turtle in a creek containing five feet of water. Rappley was pinned under the machine and drowned but the others managed to release themselves.

PICNIC

The annual parish church (Church of England) picnic will be held at Douglas, Tuesday, July 5th. Parish band in attendance, sports, games and a general good time assured. Trains leave C.P.R. station, Fredericton at 7.55 a.m. and 4.45 p.m.

believed that loyal Canadians would answer England's call in any time of peril.

Sad Tragedy Brings Much Misery to Two Families

CAMP SUSSEX PRESENTED DREARY OUTLOOK FOR SOLDIERS

Heavy Rain made Matters Unpleasant this Morning when Soldiers were Arriving, but Men Very Orderly Under Circumstances.

Sussex, N.B., June 28.—(Special).—It was somewhat disheartening to the hundreds of soldiers arriving in Sussex today to have to march to the grounds in a drizzling rain. Already the camp is fairly well prepared for the reception of the men but the heavy rain which has been falling since early this morning will retard progress considerably. Every incoming train brings with it large numbers to take their annual training at camp Sussex. Three regiments of infantry the army medical corps and No. 8 signalling service arrived in camp today in some cases tents had already been pitched to receive them but for the most part they were compelled to raise them and amid a down pour of rain which however did not seem to dampen their spirits the tents in the staff lines have almost all been set up and most of their occupants are expected today. Col. Wm. M. Humphrey is actively engaged in superintending the final arrangements for the camp. So far there has been no disorderly conduct among the men the officers seemingly having them well under control the town is thronged with military men and the station and siding are scenes of great activity. It is thought that it will be nearly midnight before all the troops are under canvas but by tomorrow the camp is expected to be in full swing.

CHICAGO BALL PLAYER GETS INTO TROUBLE

Pittsburg, Pa., June 28.—The Pittsburg National League baseball Club has preferred charges against second baseman John Evers of the Chicago Club. The complaint, which was sent to president Lynch of the National League, is that Evers conduct in Saturday's game with Pittsburg was unbecoming a player. It is charged that Evers "made faces" at spectators in the grand stand when they rooted in ridicule of Chicago's playing.

VICTIM OF TRAGEDY IS GROWING WEAKER

St. John June 28.—Diego Siracusano, the Italian shot Sunday is alive in the hospital but weaker today than yesterday. He was conscious for a minute this morning and asked for a drink of beer then lapsed again. Detective Killer is with him in case he should revive sufficiently to make a statement and to have Andy Rose before him for identification as the man who shot him.

Wm. Joyce aged about 60 was found drowned in a Carleton slip this morning. He and another man lived in the old schooner and it is thought that Joyce in getting aboard he have fallen over. An inquest will be held by coroner Kenney.

A YANKEE MONOPOLY IN NEW ZEALAND

Wellington N.S.W. June 28.—Sir Joseph G. Ward, the premier in a speech today foreshadowing the government's anti-trust legislation says that it possessed clear evidence that a powerful American Company was exercising a restrictive and prejudicial influence in New Zealand. He added that it had created a monopoly of the worst kind, which must be stopped. The premier did not name the company.

Young Clubman and Prominent Young Society Matron Finding Their Love Matters Hopeless, Mutually Agreed to Suicide—Man Makes Frantic Effort to Absolve His Partner from Her Contract but Finds He is Just Too Late.

Birmingham, Ala., June 27.—Mrs. W. P. G. Harding, the young society matron who shot herself in a suicide pact with Guy Johnson, a prominent young clubman, was buried today, and after the funeral there came to light details of the double tragedy that make it appear most romantic and dramatic.

The couple died, it developed, because they loved each other and each was married, and because the tongue of slander, mistaking honest affection for a vulgar entanglement, had begun to assail them.

It became known, too, that after the most careful planning the double shooting was nearly prevented—that Johnson at the appointed hour faltered or saw some way out of their difficulties and delayed his shot, not firing until he had made a frantic but unsuccessful effort to save Mrs. Harding.

The woman's husband, who is the leading banker of Birmingham, was on the ocean, sailing home from New York on Wednesday. That morning the wife and Johnson had a long interview. Johnson said at its conclusion: "This afternoon I will send you a pistol. I will have one like it. At exactly 4.15 o'clock we will shoot through our hearts. It is the only way."

HIS EFFORTS TOO LATE

Early in the afternoon Johnson's chauffeur delivered to the Harding home a package, which, it is now known, contained the weapon.

Just at 4.15, in her boudoir, Mrs. Harding carried out the pact. Her old negro "mammy," running to the room, found her dead. The phone rang just then. Johnson's voice sounded over it. "Let me talk to Mrs. Harding, quickly!" he demanded. "You can't," he was told, "she is dead."

"My heavens, she has done it!" he

was heard to say. Then the receiver fell.

A moment later he fired through his heart. His wife ran into the room, and found him dying. He lived long enough to whisper to his brother the tragic story of his devotion to Mrs. Harding and to ask the brother to tell the world that she was a good, pure woman and that her relations with him were blameless.

Before firing the fatal shot, Mrs. Harding had motored around, visiting all her nearest friends, presenting each a flower. When she got home she dressed her three young daughters the eldest thirteen, and kissed them and sent them out for a walk. Then she wrote five notes—two to her husband, one to each of her parents and one to a woman friend. Their contents have not been revealed. She was only thirty-three years old.

CLOSED UP BUSINESS AFFAIRS.

Johnson had been just as deliberate. He had paid all his bills, settled up his business affairs and had requested to be left alone for the hour preceding 4.15 o'clock.

He was a frequent visitor to the Harding home when Mr. Harding was there, and was regarded as a friend of both husband and wife. He was a native of Pennsylvania and since he came here, three years ago, won a high social place and a fortune through his profession of consulting engineer. Later he was placed at the head of a big coal company.

Mr. Harding, who did not learn of his wife's death until his vessel reached Savannah Friday, did not then display much emotion, nor has he shown much since. He and the members of his own and the Johnson family deny that the two deaths had any connection.

This week there will be a coroner's inquest, which is expected to bring out the whole story of the tragedy.

STOCKS STILL DECLINING; C. P. R. DOWN FIVE POINTS

New York, June 28.—Wall Street—First prices of stocks showed fractional concessions from yesterday's closing but the volume of dealings was moderate and there were no violent declines in the leading active stocks and there was a shrinking of gains in stocks of stronger importance.

Quotations from direct private wire of J. M. Robinson & Son, Bankers, St. John, N. B., Members Montreal Stock Exchange)

CLOSE NOON	
Amalgamated...	61 1/2
Atchison...	100 1/2
Smelters...	72
Brooklyn...	75 1/2
Canadian Pacific...	118 1/2
Great Northern Pfd...	127 1/2
Northern Pacific...	122 1/2
Reading...	149 1/2
Sugar...	119
Soo...	135
Southern Pacific...	117 1/2
Union...	165 1/2
U. S. Steel Com...	74 1/2
La Rose b...	4 1/2
Nipissing...	11 1/2
Iron Com...	62 1/2

MONTREAL MORNING SALES	
Quebec—235 @ 40; 25 @ 39 1/2; 25 @ 39 1/2; 100 @ 39 1/2.	
Cement—125 @ 21 1/2; 50 @ 21 1/2.	
Cement pfd—200 @ 83 1/2; 220 @ 84.	
Iron pfd—200 @ 103 1/2; 200 @ 102 1/2; 90 @ 103.	
Montreal Power—22 @ 132 1/2; 155 @ 132.	
Montreal Street—25 @ 241 1/2; 75 @ 241 1/2.	
Penman's—10 @ 53 1/2.	
Toronto Rails—26 @ 118; 25 @ 117.	
Soo—335 @ 135; 50 @ 134 1/2; 50 @ 134 1/2.	
Crown Reserve—1250 @ 295; 3000 @ 295; 4000 @ 294; 100 @ 293.	
Lake of the Woods—1 @ 131.	
Richelleu—30 @ 83.	
Duluth—74 @ 67 1/2; 125 @ 67 1/2.	
C.P.R. 110 @ 189 1/2; 10 @ 190 1/2.	
Iron Corporation—225 @ 62 1/2; 300 @ 62 1/2; 40 @ 62 1/2.	
Mackay Com—50 @ 86.	
Black Lake Common—50 @ 27; 50 @ 26 1/2.	

Car pfd—5 @ 102 1/2.
Twins—25 @ 110; 75 @ 109 1/2.
Detroit—25 @ 53 1/2.
Asbestos Common—25 @ 21 1/2.
Bank of Montreal—7 @ 250.

DETROIT'S BIG GAIN.

Montreal, June 28.—The Detroit United surplus for May was \$167,908, an increase of \$43,843 over the corresponding month of 1909.

For five months the surplus is shown at \$511,911, compared with \$402,610 in 1909, being an increase of \$109,301, which is equal to a gain of 27 per cent.

The gross earnings for the year to date increased by no less than \$572,022, but net earnings showed a much smaller relative gain. This was due to a heavier ratio of operating costs to gross, the proportion for the current period being 64.28 per cent., as contrasted with 62.14 per cent., during the corresponding period of 1909. The difference in the operating expenses for the two periods represents a shrinkage of \$70,240 in net earnings on the gross returns of the past five months.

SOME HOLIDAYS

Montreal, June 28.—The stock market will have an extra long holiday this year in connection with the Dominion Day observance. The regular holiday comes on Friday and Saturday being only half a day for trading the Exchange will include that in the holiday. Monday is a holiday in the United States and there will be no market here on that account. Most of the American markets also close Saturday. Toronto is taking the same holidays.

TO VISIT OLD HOME

Mrs. Walter Murray, wife of President Murray of the University of Saskatchewan, is expected to arrive in the city within a few days. Mrs. Murray was formerly Miss Cameron, sister-in-law of Mr. Samuel Macfarlane. She will return to the West after making a short visit at her old home here.