

CLIFFORD CONFIDENT HE CAN WIN WITH EASE

JACK CLIFFORD,



Who Holds the Lightweight Championship of the Northwest.

Jack Wade and Jack Clifford will clash in a 20-round boxing contest at the Grand theater tonight, and on the result of the contest hangs the lightweight championship of the Northwest.

Both men are in splendid form and both are confident of success. Clifford is anxious to duplicate the victory he gained over Wade in Salt Lake and Wade is even more anxious to regain his lost laurels. The men are to weigh in at 133 pounds, the lightweight limit, this afternoon at 5 o'clock. They will then retire to their rooms to rest and will only appear at the opera house in time for the fight.

"I want to show my friends that I am just as good as I used to be," said Wade this afternoon. "There are many here in Butte who think I have gone back. I was sick both before and after my fight with Clifford last spring in Utah, and this led some to the belief that I was 'all in.' But, believe me, when I say I have my good right hand punch with me yet and if I can land it on Clifford in the right place it will be all off but the shouting."

Clifford is a modest boy and does not have much to say concerning his chances. "I will go in to win, if I can," he remarked, "and I believe I will stop Wade in short order. I am stronger than Wade ever was. They talk about his punch, but perhaps they will be surprised when they see me land mine. I am not underestimating Wade, for I know he is a good man, but I think I am a shade the better."

Duncan McDonald has been chosen to ready been sold and it is probable there

officially as referee tonight. A better selection for this difficult position could not have been made. McDonald, whose home is in Helena, enjoys the reputation of being not only a thoroughly honest man, but one who is well versed in the fine points of the game.

The contest is scheduled to take place at 9:30 o'clock. Many seats have al-

JACK WADE,



Who Meets the Champion in a Twenty Round Go Tonight.

will not be a reserved seat left in the house by 8 o'clock.

SPORTS

MURPHY-DUNN FIGHT FASTEST OF YEARS



INCIDENTS OF LAST NIGHT'S FIGHT.

Before 800 worshippers at the shrine of Pistiana, James Murphy and Frank Dunn fought fast and hard at the Family theater last night, and up to the time of the unfortunate ending of the contest in the sixth round, it was as good a bout as has ever been seen in Butte.

After one minute and 20 seconds of fighting in the sixth round, Referee Jack Clifford awarded the decision to Murphy on the grounds that he had been fouled by Dunn. As to the justice of the decision the audience seemed about evenly divided, the friends of Dunn claiming he had been robbed of the fight and Murphy's admirers insisting the referee's decision was a fair one.

It is unfortunate, to say the least, that the contest should have had its ending in this manner. The men had put forth every effort to win. Murphy expended much of his strength early in the fight and when it closed, he seemed well exhausted, while Dunn was comparatively fresh. It was evident to all that had the contest progressed a few more rounds Murphy could not have stood the fast pace at which he was going.

Dunn Fouls.

After an exchange of swings in the sixth round Dunn rushed Murphy to the ropes. The latter was half knocked and half pushed under the top rope and with his body on the outside of the top rope and his feet inside the ring, Dunn dealt him a terrific uppercut.

Instantly there were cries of "foul." The referee hesitated as to what course to take. Then parting the struggling fighters he beckoned Dunn to his corner and at the same time held up Murphy's arm as a token of his victory. Some hissed; others cheered.

After the contest both Murphy and Dunn made statements.

"I was robbed of the decision," said Dunn. "I shall never put on a glove in the West again, but shall go East where I can get fair decisions. I was given the decision over Hayes, but was robbed of my share of the money. In my fight with Murphy I was given my share of the money—the loser's end—but was robbed of the decision.

"Murphy's feet were both in the ring

when I struck him the alleged foul blow and he was standing. According to ring rules I had a perfect right to hit him. The referee was evidently influenced by the cries of 'foul' from Murphy's friends."

Murphy Makes Statement.

Murphy said: "I am very sorry the fight had such an unfortunate conclusion. I expected to defeat Dunn in short order, but am frank to admit he is one of the best men I ever fought. My fighting days are over now. I am not as strong nor as fast as I was 10 years ago."

"As to the referee's decision I will state it was perfectly just. He could have done nothing else under the circumstances. I had been pushed through the ropes and was still out of the ring when Dunn struck me. It was a foul."

It was 10:20 o'clock when Murphy made his appearance in the ring. He looked soft. Dunn followed five minutes later and bowed to the audience. From all appearances he was in fine fettle and his muscles showed plainly. Each of the men weighed 160 pounds.

In the first two rounds Dunn fought cautiously, crouching low. Murphy did most of the leading, swinging viciously at his opponent. As the fight progressed Dunn gained confidence and assumed the aggressive. Murphy's blows were at long distance and were clean cut. Dunn roughed it and pushed the fighting at close range.

Had Weakened Perceptibly.

At first Murphy's uppercuts and swings shot out with terrific force. Towards the last of the fight he weakened perceptibly and his blows lacked steam. Some of his uppercuts he landed, but Dunn was a glutton for punishment and came back for more. Dunn ducked many a blow. In fact he crouched almost to the floor to avoid some of the swings that were intended to finish him.

The first two rounds were in Murphy's favor. In the third Dunn forced the fighting. At the close of the fourth Dunn looked ready to quit, so badly was he beaten, but in the fifth and sixth he evened things up and Murphy was badly jaded.

Taken on the whole the fight was the most exciting, the fastest and the fiercest for the length of time it lasted ever witnessed by an audience of Butte.

YESTERDAY'S RACE RESULTS

How the Horses Finished in the Six Events at Butte's Track.

Butte races yesterday were all well played and the attendance was average; weather clear; track fast. The summary is as follows:

First race, selling, one mile, purse \$250—Joseph McDowell's b. g. The Buffoon, by Fordham-Georgia Kinney, 111 (Porter), 8 to 1; first; M. A. Stephenson's ch. g. Frank Pearce, 111 (Lampard), 6 to 1; second; Wheeler & Co.'s b. g. Almoner, 111 (McCarthy), 10 to 1; third.

Burdock, 20 to 1; Atelag, 6 to 1; Major King, 12 to 1; William F., 30 to 1; Romney, 25 to 1; Ace, 40 to 1; Mistletoe 4 to 1; La Borgia, 4 to 1; Montague, 30 to 1; George Palmer, 4 to 1; Bernota, 4 to 1; also ran. Haralamb, Lilly Pantland, scratched.

Fair start. Almoner led into the stretch and The Buffoon came from the rear bunch and won by two lengths, four between second and third. Time, 1:43.

Second race, selling, one and one-sixteenth miles, purse \$250—George Webb's ch. m. Ulloa, by imp. Chesterfield-imp. Zara, 109 (Howson), 5 to 2; first; C. P. Fink's b. g. El Fosse, 109 (Sheehan), 2 to 1; second; John Kane's b. m. Sylvan Lass, 109 (Rowan), 2 to 1; third.

Nellie Forest, 5 to 1; July Gyp, 8 to 1; Graylette, 100 to 1; The Gaffir, 40 to 1; also ran. Duke of York II, 15 to 1, left at the post.

Good start. Nellie Forest led into the backstretch. El Fosse led around the last turn. Ulloa made a good race and came from fourth and won handsily by a length, neck between second and third. Time, 1:48 1/2.

Third race, selling, seven furlongs, purse \$250—Joseph McDowell's ch. m. Virgie d'Or, by Inspector B-Minerva, 114 (Porter), 10 to 1; first; Piedmont stables, br. m. Alaria, 107 (Kelley), 5 to 2; second; H. Partington's b. g. Tizona, 109 (Collis), 4 to 1; third.

Katie Walcott, 3 to 2; Our Lizzie, 8 to 1; Billy Moore, 8 to 1; Goldene, 5 to 1; Ting-a-Ling, 15 to 1; also ran. Ragnarock II fell at three-fourths, jockey uninjured. Courier scratched.

Our Lizzie led up the back stretch and he field entered the stretch in a bunch and the last quarter it was an even break for all. Won by a length, neck between second and third. Time, 1:28 1/2.

Fourth race, 3-year-olds, six furlongs,

purse \$300—W. B. Sink Jr.'s ch. g. Glendenning, by St. Carlo-Glenlivet, 114 (See), 6 to 5; first; J. M. Crane's b. c. Porous, 120 (Burke), 5 to 2; second; P. Sheridan's b. f. Annie Max, 113 (Howson), 5 to 1; third.

Halmetta, 7 to 1; Black Cloud, 40 to 1; Yankee Lass, 40 to 1; Parizade, 4 to 1; also ran.

Good start. Glendenning led all the way. Porous going second. Parizade went third to the last turn and finished last. Won handsily by three lengths, five between second and third. Time, 1:16.

Fifth race, handicap, six and one-half furlongs, purse \$300—H. L. Frank's b. g. Hagerdon, by imp. Esher-Lady Richmond, 113 (Snell), 10 to 7; first; W. B. Sink Jr.'s b. g. Wolhurst, 115 (See), 4 to 1; second; G. W. Scott's b. m. Fridolin, 94 (Winslett), 5 to 1; third.

Nanon, 5 to 2, also ran. Kitty Kelly scratched.

Good start. Hagerdon led all the way. Wolhurst going last to the sixteenth pole, where he picked himself up and went under the wire a head short of the winner, second by a nose. Nanon last, a length back. Time, 1:21 1/2.

Sixth race, selling, four furlongs, purse \$250—W. D. Randall's m. Midlove, by imp. Midlothian-Freelove, 117 (See), first; J. H. Brannan's ch. g. Sau Sam, 109 (Collis), 5 to 2; second; B. A. Childen's b. m. Abba L, 117 (Tuberville), 5 to 2; third.

Skip Me, 10 to 1; Mrs. C. 30 to 1; Valenciennes, 10 to 1; Tiny Berry, 60 to 1; Prince Farewell, 100 to 1; Limb of the Law, 60 to 1; Dyke, 60 to 1, also ran. Ellis Glenn, Amasa, Tambourine II, scratched.

Fair start. Abba L led into the turn. Won by a neck, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1:18.

SNELL RIDES HAGERDON TO EXCITING FINISH

Fifth Event Yesterday One of the Races of the Season—Talent Broke Even.

Jockey Snell rode Hagerdon to victory yesterday at the Butte track in one of the most exciting races of the season. It was the fifth event and Nanon was the favorite with the talent. In the last sixteenth Hagerdon seemed to the spectators to be weakening under the terrific pace Snell had cut out for him. Wolhurst pulled up inch by inch in the home stretch, and 50 feet from the tape it was impossible for

PUGS, TOUTS AND MAT MEN

What the Bunch Are Doing in the World of Sport—"Your Uncle Thomas" Lipton Again After America's Cup.

"Your Uncle Thomas" Lipton is about the gamiest sport on the other side of the "pond." The latest news from Merrie England has it that the builder of yachts will again challenge for the America's

A Fight Worth Seeing. Abe Attel and Dave Sullivan have been matched to fight in St. Louis. This should make a contest worth going miles to see. Sullivan is one of the cleverest of the small fellows, and is game, while Attel is the most scientific bantamweight in the world today. He made "Kid" Broad look like 30 cents for 10 rounds, and for the same length of time should hit Sullivan at will. Should the contest go further than 10 rounds, however, the result will be a matter of grave doubt. Sullivan's superior weight should then tell.

Georgia Cracker Wheeling Wonder. Bobby Walthour is working wonders with his wheel these days. Walthour is racing in Atlanta, Ga., and he manages to out-distance all competitors. Harry Elkes is in the Southern metropolis also, and he and Walthour give the people exciting sport.

Jenkins Always on Top. Lewis Jenkins of Cleveland, Ohio, is the greatest of all wrestlers. Jenkins threw Holtgrewe of Cincinnati before an audience of 6,000 people in the latter city, and by so doing cinched his title to catch-as-catch-can champion of the world.

Jenkins is the most formidable wrestler since the days when William Muldoon held forth. Muldoon was head and shoulders above all other men at the wrestling game a generation ago, but wrestling seems to have declined in popularity, and with it the decline of good wrestlers.

Jenkins was examined by a physician of St. Louis, who pronounced him the most magnificent specimen of physical manhood in the world. The great wrestler stands six feet in height and weighs 200 pounds. His frame is encased in long, powerful muscles, and the average man is like putty in his hands.

Gans Has Got 'Em All Beat.

When Joe Gans, the negro lightweight champion of the world, put George Me-Fadden to sleep after three rounds of fighting, he buried the hopes of the last logical candidate for top-running honors in the lightweight class.

Gans is so far superior to other lightweights in the finer points of the game that he stands alone. He is the cleverest of all, the best ring general in the fighting business, and, better yet, he has a punch that can quiet the claims of the huskiest.



CLIFFORD WAS A LITTLE LIGHT.

"YOU CAN'T COME IN HERE," SAYS DUNN.

SECTION OF MURPHY'S UPPERCUT.

cup. This stamps Lipton as well as King Edward, who has taken unusual interest in the international races, the two premier sports of the Old World.

Time and again has the cup defender been successful, but defeat only spurs the challengers on to renewed efforts.

It is said the new challenger will be prepared by Fife, who designed the first Shamrock. Mr. Watson, who designed the last challenger, Shamrock II, is to assist in perfecting the new yacht.

RACE ENTRIES FOR TOMORROW

Weights and Horses for the Events at the Butte Track.

First Race—Purse \$250, of which \$40 to second and \$20 to third. For maiden 3-year-olds and upward. Weight 8 lbs. below the scale. Those placed second at this meeting penalized 6 lbs.; third, 4 lbs. Five furlongs: Margie C, 109; Moruni, 109; The Maniac, 102; Sallie, 100; Belle of Natchez, 100; Democrat, 102; Yankee Lass, 100; Oora I, 109; Nellie Hawthorne, 106; Sally Green, 104; Mox Mox, 111; Jintaka, 102; Dan Collins, 102; Azarine, 106; Jack Richelieu, Jr., 111.

Second Race—Selling, purse \$250, of which \$40 to second and \$20 to third. For 3-year-olds and upward. The winner to be sold for \$400. Five and one-half furlongs: Miss Remsen, 117; Swiftlights, 108; Mac Flecknoe, 119; High Hoe, 117; Midlove, 117; Jennie Hughes, 108; Blanche Shepard, 117; Saul of Tarsus, 109; Madame Bishop, 117; Budd Wade, 110.

Third Race—Purse \$300, of which \$50 to second and \$25 to third. For 4-year-olds and upward. Eight pounds below the scale. Winners in 1902 penalized two pounds for every win of a selling race, four pounds for ever win of a purse or handicap and six pounds for every stake win. One mile and 40 yards: Lena, 113; Lizella, 117; Sylvan Lass, 115; Castine, 114; Rio Shannon, 116.

Fourth Race—The Silver Bow Stakes—\$1,000. For 2-year-olds. Five dollars to accompany the nomination, \$45 additional to start. The Montana Jockey club to add amount sufficient to make the value of the stake \$1,000, of which \$200 to second, \$100 to third and \$50 to fourth; five pounds below the scale. Stake winners or winners of four or more races since March 15, to carry seven pounds extra; of three races of any value since date, five pounds extra. Allowances, maidens, three pounds; beaten maidens, seven pounds. Entries to be made through the entry box the day preceding the race before 11:30 a. m. Four and one-half furlongs: Maud Sherwood, 103; Sultema, 110; Lizzie Rice, 115; The Fog and St. Winifride, Sink entry, 107; Presentation, 103.

Fifth Race—Selling; purse, \$250, of which \$40 to second and \$20 to third; for 3-year-olds and upward; \$1,500; weight for age, one pound allowed for every 100 lbs. less \$500; six furlongs: Decoy, 111; Narra G., 100; Sir Dougal, 114; Matt Hogan, 112; Roitair, 111; Ben Ledi, 109.

one in the grand stand to pick the winner. But here Hagerdon's mount showed his superior generalship. The jockey whip lashed furiously, Snell leaned forward until he appeared to be lying flat on Hagerdon's neck and then with every nerve strung to its highest tension, he fairly lifted the horse, by this time nearly all in, under the wire a scant nose ahead of Wolhurst.

The talent broke even yesterday—Nanon at 10 to 1, Virgie d'Or at 10 to 1, and Bernota at 10 to 1—and all of them lost. The other three races lost to the bookmakers, however, and the talent evened up to some extent.

Jockey See was called up by the judges to explain his actions in the first race when he rode Bernota, a strong favorite, absolutely last. See explained that his horse sulked the last half of the race and that he was unable to coax him under the circumstances.

The attendance at the track was not what it should have been considering the races were exceptionally good.

BUTTE BOYS HAVE BIG DAY WITH THE STICK

Marshall's Clean Homer Feature of Game in Which Slashing is Order of Day.

Pacific Northwest League.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	P. Ct.	
Seattle	55	34	21	.618
Butte	53	29	24	.547
Portland	52	27	25	.519
Helena	52	25	27	.482
Spokane	53	25	28	.472
Tacoma	53	21	32	.396

Butte's sluggers got in their work with the willow at Tacoma yesterday and fairly batted out a victory. The Smoke-eaters practically did phenomenal batting.

Marshall's home run was the feature of the game. When he came to the bat in the first inning, McCarthy threw an easy, straight ball which cut the home plate in twain. Marshall made a vicious swipe at the spheroid and sent it over the extreme left corner of the fence. He walked around the bases and reached home with time to spare.

Tacoma lost the game through poor work at the bat. Twice had the Tigers a chance to regain what they lost in the first inning when the visitors made three runs. With the bases full McCarthy and Hutchinson followed each other to the bat, but each fanned the air and the Tigers lost their only chance of winning.

In the last inning the home lads made a desperate effort to finish first. They batted out two good singles and for awhile it really seemed they would score. The rooters howled themselves hoarse to accomplish this feat, but all in vain. McCarthy was the next to the bat, but he struck out and Murdock followed his example.

Ward, McIntyre, Marshall and Zeafloss each put up a good article of ball for the visitors and Letcher and Nagle for the home team.

TACOMA.

AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Letcher, cf	5	1	0	0	0
Nagle, rf	5	0	1	0	0
Murdock, lf	5	0	0	7	1
Hutchinson, 1b	5	0	0	14	0
Andrews, 3b	5	0	1	0	2
J. McCarthy, ss	4	0	1	2	2
Keefe, c	4	0	2	3	0
Fisher, 2b	4	1	1	3	0
D. McCarthy, p	3	0	0	5	0
*Wellington	1	1	1	0	0
Totals	37	3	8	27	13

BUTTE.

AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Ward, 3b	4	0	0	2	0
Kane, ss	4	1	2	5	2
McIntyre, 3b	4	2	3	0	0
Marshall, rf	5	1	2	3	0
Houtz, cf	4	0	2	0	0
Zeafloss, c	4	1	2	7	1
McCloskey, 1b	3	0	1	6	0
McHale, lf	4	0	0	2	0
Roach, p	3	1	0	2	0
Totals	35	6	10	27	5

*Batted for D. McCarthy in the ninth. Score by innings: Butte 3 0 0 0 1 0 0 2—6 Tacoma 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 2—3

SUMMARY: Earned runs—Butte, 3; Tacoma, 3. Sacrifice hits—McIntyre, McCloskey. Stolen bases—Hutchinson. Two-base hits—Letcher, Zeafloss. Home run—Marshall. Bases on balls—Off McCarthy, 2; off Roach, 4. Double play—Murdock to Hutchinson. Struck out—By Roach, 6; by McCarthy, 7. Left on bases—Butte, 8; Tacoma, 11. Time of game—One hour and 55 minutes. Attendance—600. Umpire—Colgan.

HELENA SHUTS SEATTLE OUT

Pitcher's Battle Between "We Willie" Hogg and "Giant" Wiggs.

Seattle, July 16.—One of the largest crowds of the season witnessed a pitchers' battle yesterday when "Wee Willie" Hogg and "Giant" Wiggs fought it out from the box. That Helena won was not Hogg's fault, and had Seattle won it would not have been the fault of Wiggs, for both men pitched ball of the championship order and both were given admirable support.

Wiggs improved as the game advanced, while Hogg weakened slightly towards the finish. The work of Flannery for the visitors was the feature of the game, and had it not been for his splendid work at the bat the score would have been 0 to 0. Score by innings: Seattle 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 Helena 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 2—3

CLOSE GAME AT SPOKANE

Home Team Made Six in First but Portland Drew Alongside.

Spokane, July 16.—Spokane batted out six runs in the first inning of her game with Portland yesterday and practically cinched a victory. In the eighth inning Portland made four hits. These aided by some inexcusable errors on the part of the home team brought the visitors up to a tie, and but for a timely run in the last inning on Spokane's part, another inning would have been necessary to decide the game.

Score by innings— Spokane 6 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 *7 Portland 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3—6

BASEBALL GAMES TODAY.

Pacific Northwest League. Butte at Tacoma. Helena at Seattle. Portland at Spokane.

RESULTS YESTERDAY.

National League. Philadelphia, 4; St. Louis, 3. Cincinnati, 10; New York, 2. Brooklyn, 8; Chicago, 4. Pittsburgh, 5; Boston, 0.

American League. St. Louis, 13; Baltimore, 6. Cleveland, 2; Boston, 0. Washington, 5; Detroit, 4. Philadelphia, 9; Chicago, 3.

Western League. Denver, 9; Kansas City, 8. Omaha, 19; Peoria, 3.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

National League.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	P. Ct.	
Pittsburg	67	52	15	.776
Boston	63	35	28	.556
Chicago	61	38	33	.535
Brooklyn	73	39	34	.534
Philadelphia	73	34	41	.438
St. Louis	72	31	41	.431
Cincinnati	68	29	39	.427
New York	71	23	48	.324

American League.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	P. Ct.	
Chicago	65	40	25	.616
Philadelphia	66	36	30	.545
Boston	70	38	32	.543
St. Louis	67	36	31	.537
Washington	70	34	36	.486
Detroit	65	30	36	.453
Cleveland	69	31	38	.449
Baltimore	71	31	40	.443

EARLY BETTING IS TEN TO THREE ON JEFFRIES

San Francisco Man Lays \$1,500 to \$5,000 That Cornishman Will Best Boilemaker.

Betting has started up in lively fashion on the coast as to the outcome of the battle between Jeffries and Fitzsimmons July 25 for the heavyweight championship of the world.

The first bet of considerable size was laid yesterday in Harry Corbett's saloon in San Francisco. Henry Bothop, proprietor of a large mercantile establishment, offered to wager \$1,500 on Fitzsimmons's chances, and after some delay Billy Delaney at reasonable odds. There was much discussion as to what reasonable odds would be under the circumstances, and finally both sports agreed on \$5,000 for the Jeffries end.

It is said to say the betting on the fight will be nearer even than this wager before the contest comes off. Some predict it will be 1 1/2 to 1 in favor of the champion, and it will certainly not be far from those figures.

SPORTING GOODS