

SEA AND AIR SHAM BATTLE

SOMETHING LIKE WHAT IT WILL BE WHEN DONE IN EARNEST.

Aviators Will Try to Drop Bomb Bombs on Warship's Deck and Ship's Guns Will Bark at the Aerial Enemy While Cameras Keep Record of the Fight.

Atlantic City, June 20.—The Jersey coast is all prepared to outdo the entire universe in up to date matters by holding a sham battle of airships and navy in the ocean aviation week, which will happen there from July 4 to July 11 inclusive.

The Atlantic City Aero Club yesterday sent an application to the powers at Washington asking for a warship to shoot up an airship fleet which will be directed by Aviators Curtiss, Hamilton and Brooks, the last named a pupil of the Wrights, who has been doing distinguished stunts with aeroplanes recently in Indianapolis.

Atlantic City wants the Navy Department to put the warship off Young's Pier for the airship week and has made rules whereby each airship pilot will be supplied with three bags of sand stamped with a mark assigned to each aviator.

The attack is to consist of an attempt to drop one of the sandbags, supposing it to be a high power bunch of explosives, upon the warship's deck from an aeroplane. The sandbag of course is supposed to contain enough destructive stuff to transfer the sea fighter from surface service to the fleet of Admiral McFingy.

A prize of \$1,000 will be awarded to the first aviator who succeeds in dropping one of the sandbags on the ship's deck. John J. White of the Hotel Marlborough-Bleehim, who is president of the Atlantic City Aero Club, got up the communication sent to Washington yesterday and therein suggested a method of defence.

Three inch rapid fire guns fitted with telescopic cameras fastened to the barrel of the guns and adjusted so that the firing of the gun will snap the shutters of the cameras and take pictures showing that the exact centre of the picture is the spot where the shells would have struck had not blank cartridges been used on the warship in the club's scheme of counting the score.

Also the Aero Club suggested to the Navy Department that the guns do not begin to fire until the aeroplanes come within half a mile of the ship, because an attack of this unusual kind would be made only in thick, foggy weather, when an aeroplane could not be picked out from a ship's deck until within that distance from the water craft.

The gun, so the aerialist argues, can be trained on each aeroplane taking part in the attack. The cameras are supposed to settle the question whether or not an aeroplane was hit and wrecked before the ship sank the warship.

If the score shows that the ship wrecks the aeroplanes first the \$1,000 prize is to go to the ship's crew, or if the Navy Department doesn't like this idea the money will be devoted to some sort of benefit arrangement for the crew, sea and air alike.

The rules as now outlined permit each aviator to drop a bomb, but not to drop a bomb. The ship's crew will be allowed to fire only if the ship is in danger of sinking.

There are three vice-presidents helping President White with the scheme and they are very much in earnest. The vice-presidents are Lewis G. Brown, Walter J. Dwyer of the Hotel Dennis and Harry B. Lewis of the Hotel Marlborough-Bleehim.

The club is proud of the fact that the three principal aviators who will direct the first day and ocean fight of history are Americans. Curtiss, Hamilton and Brooks, the latter Wright's particular star, a boy of twenty years, who began to take lessons only three months ago and who already holds two world records for an altitude flight of 4,384 feet at Indianapolis and then beating it by reaching a height two days later of 4,521 feet and later adding more glory with the second record of the world's complete circle, which he whirled around last week in Indianapolis in 62-3 seconds.

The novelty of Atlantic City's meet lies mostly in that it is to happen most of the time just over the Atlantic Ocean. The use of the aeroplanes will be from the beach front strand outside the Boardwalk at low water between Young's Green Pier and the Million Dollar Pier.

Westerners being agreeable, the fight will happen every day, and the service will not be above the breakers from the Royal Palace Hotel, on the inlet, to the hotels Chelsea and Oxford, down toward the bridge section of Chelsea. This length of flight will enable the whole Boardwalk and the hotel section to see the air skirmish.

More than \$17,000 has been subscribed for the meet, officers of the club say, and the club now is making progress in raising the amount up to \$25,000. A list of prizes will be announced within a few days. Models of sky craft of many designs will be on exhibition on the pier during the meet. The many yacht clubs at Atlantic City and nearby resorts have been asked to help picket the ocean during the flights and "battles" and lend assistance to air pilots who are unfortunate enough to have a spill into the brine.

Brooks has already signed a contract to take part in the tournament. The Aero Club expects a big entry list before the week is out. A feature of the program will be the fifty mile speed contest along the coast. The Parman biplane, the Marquette biplane, the Rocky biplane and the planes of the Wright brothers and Curtiss will probably be the biggest contenders in the speed and altitude events. Aerodromes will be constructed on the various piers, where the machines will be on exhibition when not in action.

HARVARD FLIER SMASHED. Breaks Work Contrarily in a Test Seat on Soldiers Field.

FAILS TO WIN LAHM CUP.

St. Louis, June 20.—Lieut. H. Eugene Honeywell, pilot of the 70,000 cubic foot balloon Centennial, and William F. Anman, his aide, who called from here at 5:30 P. M. Saturday to lift the Lahm cup by covering 60 miles in an air line, telegraphed to-night from Winchester, Ky., that a storm in the Kentucky mountains forced them to land last night when they had covered 50 miles. Their telegram says:

We landed at 6:30 Sunday night in the mountains of Kentucky, six miles south of Bowen. Five minutes before a severe storm of hail and lightning and severe wind which uprooted trees broke upon us. Our intention was to run all night, and, but for the storm, would have reached the Atlantic coast by Monday noon.

Our course was north of east and our speed was thirty miles an hour. It took all of to-day with a four horse team to get the balloon out of the mountains. Otherwise our trip was uneventful except for the slight storms. The distance we traversed was 457 miles.

VANDERBILT'S AERO PROJECT. Would Make the Motor Parkway the Aviation Field.

GARDEN CITY, L. I., June 20.—W. N. Vanderbilt, Jr., visited the aviation field this afternoon and held a conference with several aviators in regard to removing the flying operations to the Motor Parkway.

It was said that a proposition was made by Mr. Vanderbilt to add \$20,000 worth of improvements to the present accommodations and fence in the course for exhibition purposes. He proposed to give the aviators 50 per cent. of the profits. The improvements were to include a clubhouse and the grand stand accommodations were to be enlarged.

Clifford B. Harmon and Capt. Thomas M. Baldwin were among the aviators consulted by Mr. Vanderbilt. Mr. Harmon, accompanied by Mr. Vanderbilt, inspected the course, but would not make a statement as to any agreement. Mr. Vanderbilt said that nothing definite had taken place and that the conference was merely a preliminary one to talk over the situation. He said that he was greatly interested in aeroplanes and he thought the arrangement would prove helpful as the aviators would be benefited. He said he had not yet conferred with the Motor Parkway committee and he didn't know yet whether the grounds could be obtained.

Several of the aviators favored the proposition and thought the 50 per cent. basis a fair one. They said that under this arrangement it would be made a fashionable sport and the profits would be double what they would be under other conditions.

Joseph Seymour was the only aviator to take his machine out to-day and he made only a few short trials. His motor wasn't working well and he struck gusty currents that rocked his machine about in rough fashion. Several times he was forced to come down and in making a landing he broke some wires. His machine will be shipped to Providence to-morrow for an exhibition on Saturday.

A biplane in crates arrived from Tampa, Fla., this afternoon. It belongs to James Macgregor of Newark, N. J., who said it has done considerable flying in the South. Capt. Baldwin has received his new eight cylinder engine and will begin installing it to-morrow.

ANNEX WESTCHESTER?

Mayor suggests that as a Lease-to-New York It Could Get Plenty of Water.

Mayor Gaynor suggested yesterday that Westchester could solve its water supply problem by getting itself annexed to Greater New York. The Mayor presided at a hearing on two bills, one of which creates a board of water supply for Mount Vernon and gives the board the right to condemn land for water supply purposes. Senator J. M. Winwright of Westchester opposed the bill on the ground that Mount Vernon might condemn Westchester city, land in close proximity to the Croton watershed.

"I think I had better hold this bill," said the Mayor. "It's a pretty wide bill. They might get the water out of things we had our eyes on, but they can't take what we already have. I'll consider it for a day or two. The bill may be a little too broad."

The other bill interested Westchester created a water commission for Westchester county. Commissioner Thompson objected to the bill on the ground that it would give the Westchester commission power to provide for the city's water supply. Senator Winwright said that Westchester was face to face with a serious problem in providing water.

CUSTOMS LEMON INQUIRY.

Rebates for Spoiled Sicilian Fruit Becomes Very Heavy.

Three special officers sent to New York from Washington have been paying visits for several days to the docks in Manhattan and Brooklyn at which Sicilian lemons are unloaded. The purpose of their visit is to investigate reports that lemon importers are not paying the full duties on the fruit which they import.

The duty amounts to one and one half cents a pound of lemons, but the Government gives a rebate for the proportion of the fruit on each shipment that is deemed unfit for consumption and which the importers are supposed to destroy. The investigators have been trying to learn if the amount of decayed fruit is overestimated when the duties are computed.

The proportion of decayed fruit has been unusually large in late according to the customs returns. On many shipments there has been reported an unfit for food and rebates of duties to that extent have been given to the importers. The increase in the amount of the rebates aroused the suspicion of the officials of the Treasury Department.

The importers say that the increase in the proportion of decayed lemons arriving from Sicily is genuine. They say that the unfavorable weather affected the crop in Sicily and that a rule of the steamship companies requiring hatches to be kept closed on boats carrying passengers has spoiled a lot of fruit.

The importers say that the California lemon growers made the complaints which were the immediate cause of the present inquiry. The California growers, it is said, are trying to put an end to the giving of rebates. If this is done, the importers say, the Californians would put up the price of lemons.

AFTER THEOPHIST SECRETS.

Mrs. Tingley's Robber Took Her Papers and She Won't Talk About It.

TEX RICKARD GONE TO RENO

JOHNSON'S GOING THERE THURSDAY, HE HOPES.

News Wants to Have Little Arrested, but Doesn't Have Assurances That Tickets Will Be Good in Nevada or You Get Your Money Back July 5.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—Tex Rickard left for Reno this morning on a special train with Tom Flannigan and a number of special correspondents. Rickard should have reached Reno at 9 o'clock and it may be that he will reach a decision to-night as to the scene of battle. Most of the sports here who have talked with Tex believe he will decide in favor of Reno.

Jack Johnson to-day said he would start for Reno Thursday morning if he received word from Tex Rickard that Gov. DeWolson of Nevada would not stop the fight.

Johnson is afraid of a complaint for \$50,000 damages which his former manager, George Little, has threatened to file to-morrow. The champion wants to have Little arrested for grand larceny for drawing a check on him for \$200, which Johnson had to pay. Little says that if he does he will sue for \$10,000 and tie up Johnson's interest in the moving picture privileges.

To-day Johnson took a nine mile walk. When he returned he weighed 212 pounds. He will go over the same hills to-morrow and also box six rounds. He aims to keep at this weight.

The talk that has been going round in reference to seats already purchased was stopped this afternoon by authoritative statements from the president of the Metropolitan Bank and from Jack O'Hanon. Those fight certificates were purchased with the understanding that the fight would be held either in Emeryville or San Francisco. Now that the fight has been transferred to Nevada holders of certificates can do as they please. If they do not care to make a trip to Nevada their money will be returned. Should they still desire to see the fight their seats will be reserved for them as originally selected.

Alfred L. Meyerstein, president of the Metropolitan Trust and Savings Bank, said to-day: "The fight certificates purchased by people from all over the world with the understanding that the Jeffries-Johnson contest would take place in San Francisco or its vicinity will be redeemable as soon as the promoters have officially announced that the fight will not be held here. The money is in trust and there is no chance but that the money will be returned."

Proprietor Jack Gleason said: "Those who desire to see a fight in Nevada can have the same seats. The others will get their money back on July 5. We request those who do not intend to remain here to notify us immediately so our orders may be cancelled. For this purpose our ticket office at 80 Post street will remain open."

Jeffries and his trainers and followers will take up the march to Reno to-day afternoon and will arrive on the morning of the battleground not later than Wednesday morning. When told of the final transfer from San Francisco Jeffries seemed elated. "It is the best of all worlds for me where we go," said Jeffries. "I will be in condition up there just as well as here."

James J. Corbett left for San Francisco to-night in order to see private business. He will join the Jeffries party at Oakland Monday night. He says that the change will make but little difference to either Jeffries or Johnson.

I have boxed and trained in that part of the country in the last of October. I think a change of climate will interfere materially with either man. With some twelve or fourteen days time in which to get acclimated I think both men will enter the ring in the best of condition. About 10 o'clock in the morning Jeff took his usual run to Boulder Creek and back, a distance of almost eight miles. He did some boxing in the afternoon.

Jeff made peace with hotel management to-day. The three-story building proceeding to make him live up to his contract to train here has been abandoned.

RENO, Nev., June 20.—The Jeffries-Johnson fight will take place in Reno, Nev., on Thursday, July 5, at the official designation of this fact by Tex Rickard himself. Billy McCarney is already here again, having arrived this morning. Jeffries will leave on the limited to-morrow for Reno. He will establish his headquarters at Mosca Springs, where he will continue his training. McCarney has closed all arrangements with Otto Schuchartz for "Coney Island" at the training quarters of Langford. A crowd of sporting men will arrive on the Orland limited to-night.

The delegation from Goldfield, which arrived in the city last night, is awaiting Rickard's arrival. As soon as Billy McCarney is registered at the hotel he gave out the following statement: "There is absolutely no doubt in my mind that the fight is coming to Reno. Gleason has been working hard for Reno all the time from the moment the proposition appeared in the mind of Rickard and being the deciding feature that of the standpoint of gate receipts which city will pull the greatest amount?"

The newspaper men of San Francisco to a man were waiting for Rickard. He too has been unfeeling in his efforts to get Rickard to decide upon this city. I tried in various ways to get Rickard to show what decision he had reached if any, but never at any time did he intimate any final choice.

He did declare, however, that the proposition from Reno was as good as anybody would want. Rickard looks for gate receipts of \$175,000 to \$200,000 from Reno.

Rickard is bringing his arena architect with him to-day and the last thing Rickard said to me last night as I left for the train was this: "Understand the situation there myself first, and when I get there I will look over the situation and reach my decision mighty quick and announce it without any more delay."

The special citizens committee to further the effort to bring the fight to Reno, held a meeting this afternoon at which Billy McCarney was present, in the Zeller Building. At the conclusion, it was decided that a committee should meet Rickard upon his arrival in the city to-night and secure an audience with him when it would present Reno's proposition with such other adjuncts as deemed fit.

The Goldfield delegation here left on a motor car this afternoon to meet Rickard at Truckee and return with him.

RENO, June 21.—A great crowd met Rickard as the depot and cheered followed him to the hotel, where he made a statement. He said that Reno does not realize what this means to it. He wants to give both committees an equal chance. He and a few newspaper men only were on the train. A big bunch, including Gleason, Hester and Hot, will arrive in the morning. Jeffries leaves to-morrow afternoon and Johnson to-morrow evening.

THE NON-EXPLOSIVE FOURTH.

Mayor Gaynor Contributes \$100—Guardsmen Don't Want to Parade.

Mayor Gaynor has contributed \$100 toward a safe and sane celebration of the Fourth of July. He enclosed his check in a note to President John H. Finley of the City College, who is chairman of the celebration committee.

"Dear President Finley," the Mayor wrote, "I have in mind your request of Saturday that I ask the public to make contributions toward the expense of the Fourth of July celebration. I enclose to you my check for \$100, my contribution according to my means. I am certain that the people of New York will respond quickly enough if you let them know that you want money for the necessary expenses. The best way is to get the newspapers to help you. They will collect the money quick enough. It would be too bad for the celebration to fail in any respect for lack of means. I think, however, that all societies uniting in the celebration should furnish their own music. That is the custom, as I understand it, and the National Guard does the same thing."

News came to the City Hall yesterday that the State guardmen in this city are not enthusiastic about any old fashioned celebration of Independence Day which involves their parading.

"Formerly," an officer of the Guard said yesterday, "the organization did little but parade. Now there are drills two or three nights a week for the enlisted men, days of rifle practice on outdoor ranges, duty at camps of instruction and parades under orders from headquarters. The suggestion for a parade on the Fourth of July is unpopular in the organization. The officers are opposed to it and the men are decidedly averse. The Fourth is the day the guardmen like to have to themselves to spend any way they see fit. Many of them like to escape from the heat of the city with their families. This Fourth, coming on Monday, makes a three day holiday and gives unusual opportunities to workingmen to get a few more hours away from their work. They do not want to get into hot uniforms and walk for miles over hot pavements."

DISTURBED ANTI-NOISE 4TH. Montclair May Have Seen If Neither the Mayor Nor Mr. Cahill Yields.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., June 20.—Mayor Crawford, who is a strong advocate of the noiseless Fourth, has arranged with Recorder Yost to be at police headquarters on July 4 to act on the cases of all persons who may violate the provisions of the ordinance recently adopted here which prohibits the sale or shooting off of fireworks or firecrackers on Independence Day.

The Mayor's action is inspired by the report that some of the residents of the town regard the ordinance as ineffective and unconstitutional and that these people propose to celebrate the Fourth in the old fashioned way. Mayor Crawford said to-day:

"I have conferred with the town attorney as to the legality of the anti-noise ordinance, and have been informed that a recent enactment of the State Legislature gives municipalities the authority to prohibit the sale or use of fireworks and firecrackers. The law will be enforced on July 4, and the police will arrest all offenders." The fine for the first offense is \$10 and that for the second offense \$20.

Lawrence F. Cahill, a New York banker, said at the time the ordinance was adopted that he would not be hampered by its provisions in celebrating the national holiday. When he applied for a permit for a private exhibition on the grounds of his home at 129 Washington avenue it was refused. Mr. Cahill says the ordinance is unconstitutional and has implied that he will carry out his original plans. In reference to Mr. Cahill's reported plans Mayor Crawford said to-day:

"I want everybody to know that as chief executive of this town I shall make it my business to see that the ordinances are enforced. If Mr. Cahill exercises his right to firecrackers on his premises on the Fourth of July he will be arrested and arraigned before the Recorder."

Mr. Cahill, who has received several hundred letters from various parts of the country commending him for his stand, has stated that he did not desire to appear in the light of one who would deliberately violate the laws, but the Montclair anti-noise ordinance will continue a violation of the rights of the private citizen.

MAY MEAN A LABOR WAR.

Bricklayers Resist Attempt of Officers to Get Them Into New Jersey Fight.

Labor men fear that serious trouble in the building trades may result from a controversy which started yesterday between the local and national officers of the bricklayers' unions. Charges were made to the national officers that two contracting firms in this city had violated agreements with the unions of bricklayers in New Jersey, whereupon one of the national officers, it was said, directed that strikes be declared on all the contracts of these firms in New York and New Jersey.

The union bricklayers here are against such an order. Agreements between the associations of employers and the unions as to wages and conditions of work are still in force. There is no grievance in New York against the two affected firms. It is declared that a strike would be followed by a lockout of all union bricklayers and that other building mechanics would be affected.

The executive committee of the New York bricklayers' unions referred the matter last night to their trade arbitration board.

A LITTLE RED SPOT.

Novel Experiment by Which It May Be Made to Disappear.

A peculiar feature about no one, the new skin discovery, is that no one is asked to buy it without first sending to the Emergency Laboratories, No. 32 West Twenty-fifth Street, New York City, for an experimental sample and applying same to an affected part of the skin, about the size of a silver dollar. It will clear the spot or treated in twenty-four hours—a remarkable "viva" demonstration of its powers.

While poison has been mentioned principally in connection with the cure of eczema, the most stubborn of skin diseases, it must be remembered that when used for itch, hives, pimples, blotches, acne, itching feet, eczema, eczema of infants and eczema minor skin troubles, its action is all the more pronounced, results being seen after an overnight application. As only a small quantity of poison is necessary to cure such cases, a special fifty-cent package, usually sufficient, has been placed on sale at Juggernaut's, Riker's, Huggins', Ralsh's, Juggernaut's and other leading drug stores in New York and Brooklyn and throughout the country.

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SHIPPING MASTERS SHUT UP.

License Refused After Conviction for Taking Fees From Seamen.

Herman Robinson, Commissioner of Licenses, refused yesterday to renew the license of Weinholt & Horn, shipping masters of 38 Whitehall street. The Commissioner put the firm out of business on the ground that they had been convicted of violating the Federal law which forbids taking fees from seamen for getting them berth.

Thomas A. Weinholt has been in the business for thirty years, and William T. Horn, his partner, has been a shipping master since as long. Without a license their activities are ended.

Attention was directed to their violation of the law by Harvey Wilson, president of the International Sailors and Firemen's Union, on May 11 last. He informed the Legal Aid Society that four seamen who had worked on the British steamship Kirby Bank, had complained that Weinholt & Horn had compelled them to pay money for obtaining employment on the Kirby Bank. Judge Hough in the United States Court after a jury had found Weinholt and Horn guilty on all of the counts of two indictments, fined each man \$250.

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