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DIG FIGHTERS READY

Sharkey and Jeffries Both in Pink of Condition For Tonight's Fight.

The Two Big Pugilists Resting Quietly Today—Both Confident of Winning.

Winner's Share of the Money Will Be About \$30,000—Foot Ball Today.

New York, Nov. 3.—Jeffries went for a brisk walk before breakfast this morning and left at 10 o'clock for Coney Island, where he will remain quiet until he enters the ring tonight. All those connected with his training declare he is fully fit and sure to win, though Billy Delaney strongly depreciates the running and sweating tactics pursued by the champion until a short time ago. Sharkey did not come to the city, but went directly from his training quarters at Newdorp, Staten Island, to Coney Island. He is as fit as a fiddle.

Many sporting men from different parts of the country arrived in the city last night. They all come here to see the big battle. Delegations from Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Minneapolis, Denver, Omaha, Cincinnati, Washington, Baltimore, Boston, Buffalo and Albany registered at the various hotels. Many of the visitors seemed to favor Sharkey, but they asked for odds of 10 to 6, and as a result they made few wagers.

The sale of seats for the contest has been enormous, and the indications point to the largest assemblage ever seen at the ringside in this country. Every box and nearly all of the reserved seats have been sold. As the Coney Island Club is charging \$10 more for box seats than was ever charged before for a championship battle in this vicinity, all concerned will reap a rich harvest.

It was estimated last night that the winner's share would be about \$30,000—quite a snug sum for an evening's work. Special trains for the ringside will be run on the elevated road from the New York side of the bridge beginning at 6:30 o'clock. The trains will run on a ten-minute headway. Trolley cars from the New York side of the bridge to the club house will be run every two minutes. Special provisions for handling the crowd after the fight have been made by the management of the elevated and trolley roads.

Jeffries and Sharkey are scheduled to enter the ring at fifteen minutes to 10 o'clock. Each principal has promised to be in the quarters for the ringside at 9:30 o'clock. Jeffries' dressing room will be on the west side of the building, the same he occupied when he fought Fitzsimmons. Sharkey will use the dressing room on the east side of the building.

Preceding the big event there will be a ten-round bout between "Kid" Goulette of Rochester and "Tommy" Moran of Brooklyn. They will fight at 128 pounds. Time will be called at 8:15 o'clock.

Jeffries Mother Anxious. Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 3.—"Do I want my boy to win? Of course I do," said the mother of James J. Jeffries, champion pugilist of the world. "A good boy—indeed he is. No one could say anything else of my Jim. He never made any profession of religion, it is true, but I have known men who stood high in the church do things worse than James has ever done. Oh, yes, of course I want him to succeed. Any mother would, would she not?"

The pugilist has three sisters, Mrs. Southwick, Mrs. Boyer and one who is single and probably not yet out of her teens. Miss Jeffries is a pretty girl, with a rich complexion and bright brown eyes. There are three boys at home also, and there is no doubt that the entire family, including Rev. Mr. Jeffries himself, wants to see James knock Sharkey out. It is Mrs. Boyer, however, who speaks in the most loving terms of the world's champion prize fighter.

"We have been expecting a letter all day," she said as she glanced eagerly down the winding road over which a postman might be expected to come. "We live so far out that it takes a letter long to reach us, you know. It must be that the letter has only been delayed. I am sure the boys—you know Jack is with Jim—are both well and we must certainly get the letter tonight."

Thus the mother, who is as anxious herself and to allay the fear that something might be wrong and James J. Jeffries after all lose the fight.

Mrs. Boyer does not mind saying that she hopes her brother will come out ahead, and there is little doubt that the entire family, including the preacher father, are praying for that result. She agrees with her mother that the prize fighter is a good boy—better, much better than many young men who would not own that they are interested in a prize fight.

MAHER AND MCGOY MATCHED. Will Contest for a Purse of \$20,000 on the 30th of November.

New York, Nov. 3.—The match between Peter Maher and "Kid" McCoy, scheduled to take place at Coney Island November 30, was matched last night. As a guaranty of good faith Maher and McCoy have each posted \$1,000 with "Jimmy" Wakely to secure their appearance in the ring. According to the articles of the principals they will fight twenty-five rounds at catch weights for a purse of \$20,000, the winner to receive \$17,000.

DIXON GETS DECISION. Boxes Twenty-five Rounds With Curley and Clearly Beats Him.

New York, Nov. 3.—George Dixon was last night given the decision over Will Curley, of England, at the end of the twenty-five rounds of the international contest for the featherweight championship of the world. The fight

AN OMINOUS SILENCE

Lack of News From Ladysmith Leads to Fears of Another Disaster.

War Office Unadvised as to Whether That City is Completely Invested.

Profess, However, to Belief That White and His Army Are Safe.

London, Nov. 3.—The war office this afternoon announced that no information had been received of fresh Boer movements at Colenso or elsewhere and it was added that the officials are not aware if the railroad to Ladysmith is intact or not.

While the wires to Ladysmith are out the optimism of the war office officials yesterday evening in refusing to believe that Ladysmith was completely invested or Colenso captured appears justified, as this morning it is asserted that the railroad is still open, though traffic is conducted with the greatest caution. What, however, was only a rumor yesterday evening may, it is claimed, be a reality at any moment, as Joubert, with a large and wonderfully mobile force, is expected to detach several thousand men and make a dash at the railroad. Rumors of all kinds are springing up here. It is even asserted that White has been compelled to fall back upon Pietermaritzburg, leaving his wounded behind. Probably such rumors have their origin in the recollection of the ominous silence which preceded the evacuation of Dundee. On the other hand it is asserted that the conditions are altered and the British guns now seem more than equal to the artillery of the Boers, thus enhancing the difficulty of any assault on the British lines. A Cape Town dispatch reports the repulse of the Boers by the British yesterday.

Related dispatches from the British camp at Ladysmith, Natal add little information regarding Monday's fight, except the estimates of the Boer losses, which are now said to be ninety-five killed and 200 wounded, mostly victims of artillery shells, which wrought such great havoc that is said Joubert, Boer commander-in-chief, has written a letter to White, British commander, protesting against the use of lyddite. According to all accounts, the presence at Ladysmith of long range naval guns and the splendid shooting of the blue jackets materially improved the position of the British. A temporary armistice was declared Monday evening to allow collection of the dead and wounded.

A dispatch from Kimberley, dated Oct. 29, said all the wounded were doing well. Bodies of Boers 400 strong were then frequently seen. They apparently came from Mafeking, for the purpose of assisting in the attack on Kimberley or to resist the advance of reinforcements. Absence of water causes the Boers to continually move their camp.

Monday's Casualties. London, Nov. 3.—The list of casualties among the non-commissioned officers and men at Farquhar's farm shows the Gloucesters lost thirty killed and fifty wounded. The Buffs lost killed and forty-one wounded; Tenth Mountain Battery, two wounded. Captured, given under the head of missing: Gloucesters, nineteen officers and 330 men; Tenth Mountain Battery, five officers and eighty-four men; Fusiliers, not reported.

To Mobilize Militia. London, Nov. 3.—An order was issued this afternoon for the mobilization of thirty-five battalions of militia at their respective headquarters at various dates after Nov. 20.

CAN WHITE HOLD OUT? Views of Military Expert on Staff of London Times.

London, Nov. 3.—The military expert of the London Times in his editorial summary of the "Transvaal yesterday morning" draws the following deductions: "The announcement that telegraphic communication with Ladysmith has ceased comes as no surprise, in view of the disaster which befell the detached column on Monday. If the results of the fighting on that day had been entirely satisfactory, and the Boers had been pressed back with heavy loss on their lagers without securing any compensatory advantages they might well have hesitated to risk the flank movement necessary to enable them to cut the telegraph wire south of Ladysmith. But, flushed with the success of capturing Col. Carleton's column, they would naturally be emboldened to attempt the severance of telegraphic communication, knowing, moreover, that Gen. White would probably take less active measures to prevent them than he had won all along the line on Monday.

"Doubtless the railway line from Ladysmith as far as Colenso, fifteen miles south, has been patrolled with an armored train, but this alone would not be a security against the cutting of the wire. The latter may have been accomplished by a small party, such as would prefer to keep well out of the armored train's range of observation. It does not therefore follow, in spite of the circumstantial French rumor in last night's Liberte, in which the hand of Leyds is discernible, that any considerable force of Boers is at present south of Ladysmith, or that Gen. White has been effectually isolated. It will be seen by the telegram from the Times correspondent at Cape Town and the official dispatch from Ladysmith this morning that the Boers have been further advanced in one of which a naval officer was badly wounded. But neither of these rather fragmentary items of

A TIMELY WARNING

Chairman Weaver Puts Great Stress on Necessity of Getting Out the Vote.

Republicans Will Be Greatly Disappointed in Election Results Unless Work is Done.

Speaking Campaign Has Not Been So Extensive as Usual—Capital Comment.

Des Moines, Nov. 3.—"I want to say frankly, and have every republican in the state understand it now," said Chairman H. O. Weaver, of the republican state central committee, "that there will be thousands of disappointed republicans in the state next Wednesday unless they get up and hustle right lively between now and then to get every republican vote polled. This is no idle fear, nor is it said simply for effect. It is the truth, and I wish every republican in Iowa realized it as fully as I do. There is no danger if we will but reach out and do what we have the power to do easily, make our strength felt; but if we—and now I am talking about the republicans in counties where they have it all their own way—get the idea that we can spare thousands of republican votes, as we did in 1897, and that it doesn't matter whether we vote or not, we will spend a good deal more time in vain regrets than it would have cost us to vote and set all the republicans in the state against us. A better organized opposition than we have had for several years before, and the full democratic vote will be polled. We have a first class organization, too, and are prepared to do business in the good old way, but it must be understood all along the line that every man must be at his post."

Speakers have been hard to get this year for several reasons. The campaign in Ohio has so absorbed the energies of republican speakers that it has been almost impossible for the state committee to secure any outside speakers, however, and hardly a dozen speeches have been delivered in the state by outsiders aside from those made by A. C. Rankin, the "moulder orator" who has been in Iowa a good share of the campaign. Fewer speeches have been made under the auspices of the republican state committee than for several years, though when meetings are arranged the speakers have large and attentive audiences and the crowds always respond to the appeals of the speakers to stand by the flag and the government at Washington. The speakers most actively in the field are Governor Shaw, Senator Allison, Congressman Cousins, Dooliver, Henderson, Hull, Lane, Hedge, Thomas, Haugen, Lacey, McPherson and probably Heuburn, though he is not working under the direction of the state committee.

Local committees are doing their best, but they would have been better when it is possible for the state committee to send speakers, but local arrangements often conflict and a speaker either loses a date or is unable to make the town when he is wanted. This is the most common means of a town missing good meetings—the failure of the state and local committees to agree upon dates. Some counties that have fights on hand and have held less meetings than they think themselves entitled to, have suffered in this way, but they are all doing the best they can.

Governor Shaw is having meetings that are not only well attended, but produce the best results. On a rather disagreeable night he had a crowd of about 800 at Toledo and they listened with keen interest for about two hours and thirty minutes. The farmers came in, some of them in twenty miles. Just as they had been coming to the governor's meetings for three years. The spirit of the meeting left no room to doubt the sentiments of the people on the question of sustaining the government. The governor's story about the old man at one of the earliest Fourth of July celebrations was fully appreciated. The old man showed emotion when the orator was glorifying over a certain victory of the patriots, and not with the feeling of the old man turned to him and said: "And you, my venerable friend, I suppose you must have been there?" "Yes," replied the old man, "but mine God, I was not de Hessian!"

There are not many in these Iowa audiences who a quarter of a century from now will have to admit that they were "with the Hessians" in this fight.

The contrast between this meeting and the attempts of the democrats and fusionists, in the same county, and a close one at that, is very marked. When White spoke in Tama he did not have to exceed 200 at any time, and at other places he was almost without hearers. At Gladbrook Henry Vollmer was booked to speak and the meeting was assembled, ninety-five in number, before it was known that Vollmer had failed to keep his appointment. The night before Bob Cousins had a meeting of 1,000 there. Ex-Congressman Walt H. Butler, better known as "Foxy," spoke in Toledo the other night to an audience of sixty-three. Some of White's meetings have been cancelled for want of a crowd. The

ARE STILL ANXIOUS.

English Worried Over the Absence of News from Ladysmith.

London, Nov. 3.—The brevity of the news from Ladysmith since Tuesday night has not relieved the anxiety prevailing regarding the position of the British there. The war office has no information of Gen. Buller having left the city.

Colenso, in the rear of Gen. White's forces, is believed to be well defended by a composite naval and military corps, and it is understood two naval 12-pounders are mounted near the bridge over the Tugela, one of the most valuable positions along the railroad from Ladysmith to Pietermaritzburg, which ought to be able to defend it and prevent its destruction. If the Boers succeeded in destroying this bridge it would mean the interruption of railroad communication with Ladysmith for an indefinite period. While the alleged Boer success in this direction is not confirmed, it is claimed that they may be expected momentarily, and the reported steady shelling of Ladysmith, it is added, points to the intention of the Boer commanders to keep Gen. White occupied while their strategy was carried out.

An official telegram reporting the condition of the wounded at Kimberley adds that Col. Kekewich, British commander there, has learned from various sources that the Boer losses on the occasion of the late sortie of the British troops from Kimberley were very heavy.

The newspapers here continue to express great pleasure at the sympathy of the United States. The St. James Gazette says: "Few more graceful examples could be imagined of the courteous spirit of American sympathy with this country, provided by a nation which is not of late, than the project of an American ladies' hospital ship, which will probably be fitted out with many of those American nurses whose services were so highly valued during the Cuban war. This is the first example of a hospital ship provided by a nation which is at peace for another during the stress of war, and the widespread and generous responses to its appeals from both sides of the Atlantic show how warmly the merciful idea is accepted by the citizens of both countries."

REPORTS DISCREDITED. Stories of Boer Victories Denied by British War Office.

London, Nov. 3.—In the present state of popular opinion in England and just at this juncture of the campaign, it seems particularly unfortunate that reliable communication with South Africa should be so disorganized. It appears also that there is trouble on the telegraph line from Durban to Ladysmith, communication with the besieged town having been interrupted since 2:30 yesterday afternoon.

The Havas agency declares that its correspondent at Brussels has received news that the Durban railway and telegraph line is in the hands of the Boers; that Gen. White was defeated in the second engagement at Ladysmith, losing 250 men, killed, wounded and prisoners; that Gen. Lucas Meyer, commanding the Orange Free Staters, has seized Colenso and is master of the capital of Natal, Pietermaritzburg, thus cutting off the line of retreat of Gen. Buller, who is wounded.

The same alleged dispatch declares that the Boers have seized Colburg, just south of Orange river, on the Pretoria-Cape Town railway; that they closely invest Mafeking, have repelled all Col. Baden-Powell's sorties and momentarily expect the surrender of the town.

All this the war office categorically denies, pointing out that Brussels, whence the story comes, is Dr. Leyds' headquarters, and suggesting that the report may be an exaggerated Boer version of the recent events. The war office was inclined to consider this an admission that the Transvaalers are in communication with their European agents; but when one considers the fact that the east coast cable is not working that the British censor at Aden would not permit the news to be published, this Havas report must be received with incredulity.

The government goes further than merely to deny the Havas report. It makes public a dispatch which reached the war office yesterday morning telling of the winding up of the late expedition of H. M. S. Powerful, whose left keel and right foot were shattered by a shell. The implication is that the bombardment is still progressing. While a later dispatch is still unpublished, it is understood to convey the news that the Cape Town censors are holding the position in good shape.

It is not to be forgotten that the absence of dispatches from correspondents is far from implying British disaster. With only one cable working, the government may very properly refuse to have the wires cumbered with newspaper matter, in view of the fact that it is giving out just as full news of military movements as the necessities of war permit. The government would far rather make public news of actions past, though they may have resulted in reverse or defeat, than to permit the throwing of any light on its strategic plans.

T.-R. BULLETIN

NOTICEABLE NEWS OF TODAY

Iowa—Fair tonight and Saturday; warmer Saturday afternoon.

Illinois—Saturday, preceded by threatening weather in the east tonight; colder in the extreme northeast.

TELEGRAPH AND GENERAL: England Without South Africa News. Anxiety for White's Army. Aguinaldo's Army Kept Dodging. The Sharkey-Jeffries Fight. Condition of Hobart. Chairman Weaver Warns Republicans.

IOWA AND GENERAL: Philippine Commission's Report Published. Crownshield Makes Complaint. Aguinaldo's Proclamation. News of the Day.

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people simply do not care to hear from them.

If all the counties in the state were organized as well as Tama, and were having as good a campaign, Governor Shaw would have at least 99,999 majority, and of course he may surprise us all and have it anyway. But Tama county, under the direction of County Chairman Dent (Cary), is in as good a way as any county in Iowa to set a model that is often referred to at the state headquarters, and if success does not come out of its efforts it will be strange indeed. No factional troubles vex the party there and all are pulling together. The expansion issue has brought some democrats to the support of the republican ticket there, and so it will be found all over the state when the votes are counted.

Walter Weisman, the greatest newspaper correspondent in America, resumed his work at Washington for the Chicago Times-Herald yesterday and Fred Benzinger, who has been at the Times-Herald's Washington man during Mr. Weisman's arctic exploring expedition, goes to Paris to represent the Times-Herald during the exposition. Mr. Benzinger was formerly an Iowa man and worked in Cedar Rapids.

Richard Mansfield Sued. Author of "Merchants' Prince of Cornwall" Sued for \$8,000.

Chicago, Nov. 3.—Samuel Eberly Gross, author of "The Merchant Prince of Cornwall" sued notice yesterday upon Richard Mansfield of a suit for \$8,000. The new issue grows out of the old charge that Edmond Rostand used the Chicago real estate man's work as his inspiration in writing "Cyrano de Bergerac." The former suit named no amount of damages.

The summons notifies Mr. Mansfield to make answer to the charges on the third Monday in December. The suit is brought in the United States circuit court. It is not known whether the suit is the work of Mr. Gross' attorney, John P. Wilson represents the defendant.

The notice was served on Mr. Mansfield at 7 p. m. as he was leaving the Auditorium Hotel for the Grand Opera House. He had just returned from the matinee and did not learn the amount of damages asked until told in the evening by Treasurer Dillon.

The new suit is directed against Richard Mansfield, Manager A. M. Palmer and every member of the company that appears in "Cyrano." "Cyrano" has been running since he recalls the fact that Mr. Mansfield admitted some time ago that he had ceased to pay royalties to Edmond Rostand. Public attention was attracted to the situation two weeks ago. At that time Mr. Palmer said the actor had taken the step on the advice of his attorneys, who informed him he would be liable to Mr. Gross for all the royalties paid to M. Rostand should the Chicago claimant win his suit. As a matter of plain business, Mr. Palmer said, Mr. Mansfield was withholding payments until the Gross contention should be passed upon by the courts.

The Epworth League. Cedar Rapids, Nov. 3.—The opening of the tenth annual convention of the Iowa Epworth League was held in St. Paul's Methodist church. Addresses of the evening were made by Luther John M. Redmond and Revs. Lockwood and McKim. Following this, the opening sermon was preached by Edwin A. Schell, of Chicago, general secretary of the Epworth League, whose subject was "Vision and Service." Only 200 or 300 were here at the opening, but more than double this number are here today. Many of the leaguers, however, have refused to send delegates to the convention, refusing to sanction it on the ground that it is for the aggrandizement of the few.

Des Moines is here with a delegation of fifty and it is the first for the next annual convention, which they will probably get, as no other city has yet asked for it.

LIVELY WORK IN LUZON

Aguinaldo's Followers Kept Dodging by the Active Movements of the Americans.

Cavalry Maintains an Aggressive and Constant Warfare—No Rest for Rebels.

Bell, Bateson, Lawton, MacArthur and Other Leaders Striking in Every Direction.

Washington, Nov. 3.—Out cables: "On the 1st inst. Lieut. Slaves and eighteen men reconnoitered MacArthur's front, struck forty or more entrenched insurgents, attacked and dispersed them, killing three and wounding a number. No casualties. Yesterday Lawton's advance at Allaga struck the enemy both west and south of the city. Bateson's Macabebe scouts, reconnoitering to the south, struck the insurgents in ambush. Lieut. Bontelle was killed and one scout wounded. Bateson routed the enemy and left seven dead in the thickets. Yesterday Bell, Thirty-sixth volunteers, with the regiment and a troop of the Fourth cavalry, cleared the country of all armed insurgents from Florida Blanca to a considerable distance beyond Porac, pursuing them into the mountains and capturing nine cavalry horses and several guns and considerable property and killing, wounding and capturing a number of the enemy. The insurgent cavalry in that section is practically destroyed. Bell's casualties were one killed and two wounded.

Particulars From Manila. Manila, Nov. 3.—The insurgents attempted to ambush Capt. Bateson's scouts between Santiago and Saragossa. Bateson charged them and drove them, killing and wounding several. One American officer was killed and one private wounded.

Yung's troops are beginning to live on the country, trying buffalo meat and rice partly in lieu of army rations. Bell's regiment yesterday advanced from Guacaca on Florida Blanca, which was found deserted. Bishop's battalion was stationed there. Bell's made another descent upon Porac, pursuing the Filipinos into the mountains and capturing their horses and baggage. The American loss was one killed and two wounded.

Bell reports that he has entirely destroyed the insurgent cavalry operating in that section.

AMENDS HIS DECISION. Commissioner Wilson Somewhat Modifies Order on Grain Tickets.

Washington, Nov. 3.—Internal Revenue Commissioner Wilson has amended his decision on a week ago relative to the liability to tax on grain tickets when cashed by some person other than an employee of the purchasing company. In that decision he held that storekeepers and bankers could not cash such tickets without making them liable to a tax of 2 cents a bushel. In the decision made public here, on grain tickets may be cashed by a regular employe of the company issuing same and directly to the parties to whom they are issued without liability to the stamp tax, and they may also be cashed by a person not a regular employe of the company issuing same, provided the company deposits money with said person for the specific purpose of cashing these tickets and providing the tickets are cashed out of the buyer's own money and no other.

Under the above ruling a bank would be allowed to cash grain tickets without requiring stamps on said tickets providing the party issuing the tickets deposited funds with the bank for the specific purpose of paying these tickets, which fund the bank must keep separate and distinct from its general deposit funds, and providing the tickets are paid directly to the parties to whom they were originally issued. It must be understood that the funds so deposited are for the specific purpose of cashing grain or cotton tickets and the like, and for no other purpose."

HOBART'S CONDITION. Vice President Passes a Fairly Good Night—Stronger Today.

Patterson, N. J., Nov. 3.—The following bulletin has been issued: The vice president passed a good night until 2 a. m., when he had an attack of weakness, but rallied after the administration of medicine. Since 5 his pulse has been stronger, at 9 he was in fair condition.

Cabinet Meeting. Washington, Nov. 3.—The cabinet held a session for two hours. Most of the time was spent in the discussion of the preliminary report of the Philippine commission. It was fully approved by the cabinet. The subject of civil government for Cuba was also discussed. The necessity for a change from the military system is becoming more apparent, and the president is looking about for a suitable person to inaugurate a civil regime.

Good Day for Kans. Kansas City, Nov. 3.—After yesterday's welcome at Topeka, the members of the Twentieth Kansas began scattering to their homes, which most of them reached by noon. So today, in almost every city and town in the state, celebrations of the home-coming of volunteers are being held, parades and general jubilant times marking the arrival of the men.

Schley Goes South. Washington, Nov. 3.—Admiral Schley and a party of friends left this morning for the south in the private cars.