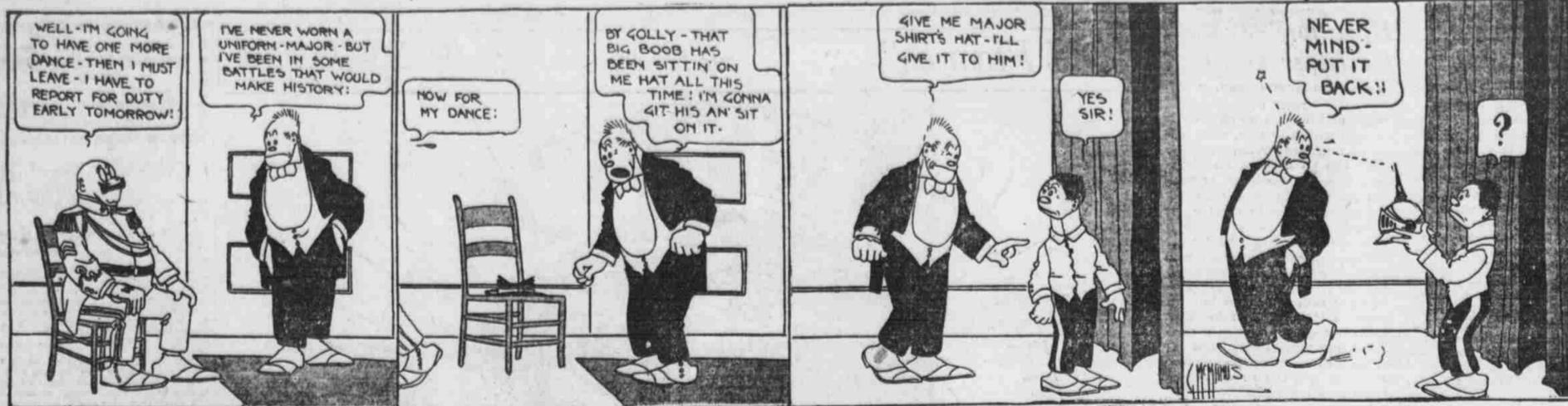


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WILLARD TOO BUSY TO FACE CAMERAS

Postpones His Engagement with Movie Men in Order to Do Some Hard Work.

BOTH CAMPS ARE CONFIDENT

NEW YORK, March 23.—Jess Willard made up his mind to work hard today, although he was to have done only light work in front of a motion picture camera. He postponed his engagement with the movie men and put in a busy forenoon with his trainers in the club house gymnasium.

He went much faster than when he took his so-called workout yesterday. He put in a full session with the pulleys and repeated his shadow boxing. Then he took on Hemple, Rodol and Walter Monahan for two rounds each. There was no playful tapping in any of the rounds, and all three of his sparring partners felt the stings of Willard's jabs, jolts and hooks. The champion appeared in excellent condition.

Moran Takes it Easy.

Trainer Willie Lewis allowed Moran to go along in a leisurely way today. In the morning Moran took a short walk and then ate a hearty breakfast. He spent the greater part of the forenoon reading his mail, the size of which made the dining room look like a branch postoffice. He has not developed a "grouch," as pugilists frequently do when on edge, but he did not seem to be much interested when he went through some light work before the movie cameras in the gymnasium.

Moran's training partners are well pleased with the challenger's condition. Willie Lewis, who has had charge of Moran in his training for his fights on both sides of the Atlantic, said today: "I never saw Frank look as well or in such splendid condition before any of his previous battles. He is stronger, more vigorous and vastly more confident than when he trained for his last two bouts with Coffey, and his hands are in fine shape, which was not the case when he met Coffey last January."

Tickets Go Fast.

In less than a half hour after the gallery tickets were put on sale at the Madison Square Garden today every one was disposed of and hundreds of would-be purchasers were turned away. There were many disappointed men in line who could not reach the window before the sale was over, and some of them complained that the speculators had been favored. The show corporation which is conducting the bout announced that the management had made every effort to prevent speculators from obtaining a large number of tickets by refusing to sell more than two to any one person.

Some doubt appears to exist in the camps of both Willard and Moran regarding the rules under which the bout will be fought. There has been considerable talk about hitting in the clinches and in the breakaway. A study of the contracts that the principals signed with promoter Rickard shows clearly, however, that the bout is to be conducted under the rules and regulations of the New York State Athletic commission.

Codes Are Different.

This code differs widely from the Marquis of Queensberry rules, which are the standard of both boxing and prize fighting the world around. The Queensberry rules do not restrain a boxer from punching an opponent at any time during a clinch, and it is understood that the principals must protect themselves at all times, both in the clinches and in the breakaways.

The rules of the New York State Athletic commission on the other hand, distinctly provide that there shall be no hitting in the breaks. The regulations covering these points are as follows:

"The kidney punch or blow shall be forbidden in all contests. The backhand punch or blow is also forbidden. The contestants shall break clean and shall not strike a blow while breaking from clinches. Contestants must not hold and hit. Butting with the head or shoulders, wrestling or clinching or illegal use of elbows shall not be allowed. There shall be no unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of the contestants. This shall include the use of abusive or insulting language.

Rules Must Be Observed.

The commission has announced that these rules must be strictly observed and that the referee, Charley White, will be instructed to see that they are obeyed. White has not as yet conferred with either of the principals and is not likely to see them until he enters the ring to officiate. There is considerable difference of opinion as to which of the two heavyweights will be the more handicapped by the observance of these rules. Each can hit hard and quickly if given an opening, either in a clinch or on the breakaway.

Another edict that has caused a flurry in the camp of the promoter, is the one promulgated by the commission that there must be at least three four-round, one six-round and one ten-round preliminary bouts put on before the big fellows enter the ring. It was stated here tonight that if this order was complied with it is likely that the first of the preliminaries will be put on as early as 4:30 p. m. This will clear the way for the semifinal between Battling Levinsky and Jim Savage at 5:30, and Willard and Moran will enter the ring one hour later, in accordance with the original schedule.

Under this plan there will be almost continuous boxing from early in the

SOUTHPAW POSSESSES BEST OF ALL SLOW BALLS.



NAP RUCKER.

Nap Rucker, who has been said by some diamond critics to have been the greatest of all southpaws, is working hard at the spring training stunt this year in order to attempt a successful come-back. Rucker, once possessed of wonderful speed, has the most wonderful slowball of any pitcher in the game, and if he can control this slowball the way he wants to, he'll unquestionably have another good year with Brooklyn.

evening until the finish of the bout between the two big contestants. Many of the spectators are expected to reach their seats very early, so the idea is prevalent that there will be such a great crowd around Madison Square garden that it will be difficult for ticket holders to reach the entrances. Elaborate arrangements are being made by the police and fire departments to handle the throngs both inside and outside the big building.

Outside the garden there will be 300 uniformed patrolmen, under an inspector, directing street and sidewalk traffic from Broadway, the subway, surface lines and other arteries of travel. Inside the garden will be stationed the detectives in civilian dress under Second Deputy Police Commissioner Frank A. Wood. This is the largest number of men assigned to handle a fight in this city since the days of the old Horton boxing law, when it was not unusual for 75 uniformed patrolmen to crowd into the garden to witness bouts. Under the present statutes, policemen in uniform are not permitted inside unless called upon for aid by the management.

Will Be No Smoking.

The fire department announced it will have on hand seventeen men in uniform who will be prepared to back up the management in a plan to keep the spectators from smoking.

The department expects 15,000 persons in the garden and will limit the number of persons standing to about 1,000 all over the main floor. Aisles, main entrances and exits will be closely watched. It is stated, and at the first sign of congestion the doors will be closed and will not be re-opened until the confusion is over. Before the main battle begins, the doors will be closed and will remain shut until the bout ends.

Bowling is World's Oldest Sport, Says Secretary Langtry

TOLEDO, O., March 23.—Some form of bowling was man's first sport, according to A. A. ("Abe") Langtry, secretary of the American Bowling congress, which is holding its annual tournament here.

Mr. Langtry is authority for the statement that, in all probability, a game where human skulls were used for balls and human bones for pins was played by the cave dwellers, and that from this prehistoric beginning the game has followed mankind down to the present. Mr. Langtry is considered an authority on bowling.

Nine pins was a great game in England in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. However, this game was changed to ten pins because of laws invoked against gambling with nine pins. By adding the one pin the sport was changed and the law regarding gambling did not apply.

Abraham Lincoln, according to Secretary Langtry, was a devotee of bowling, and some of the old game scores he rolled, as early as 1825, still are preserved. Even since the growth of base ball bowling has held its own, Secretary Langtry said. He estimated that more than \$20,000,000 now is invested in equipment in the alleys of America alone.

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