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## LOUIS FAVORITE IN TITLE BOUT TONIGHT

### Experts Feel First Few Rounds Will Tell Story Of Heavyweight Battle

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CHICAGO, June 21—(AP)—The world heavyweight championship prize fight moved tonight toward a climax for Jimmy Braddock, the under-dog champion, and Joe Louis, the challenging negro favorite. And Chicago's first big title match since the halcyon days of Gene Tunney and Jack Dempsey took shape as the most profitable championship undertaking in seven years.

If the rain clouds hold off tomorrow and the final 24 hours of box-office business develops an impulsive rush, promoter Mike Jacobs expects upwards of 60,000 to pay nearly \$800,000 to see whether Braddock's first title defence can stand off the challenging power of Louis for 15 rounds.

### IN THIS CORNER

Again on the short end of the bet, Jim Braddock, "Cinderella" champion of the boxing world, is far from the set-up he was considered when he upset Max Baer for the title, a feat that was only overshadowed by Max Schmeling's knockout of Louis.

There has been a lot of nice things written about Braddock during his training here. Despite a two-year layoff he is reported to be in perfect physical condition and ready for the defence of his title; and although the experts think he will win, they also think he is given better than an even chance to win if he is able to survive the dynamite in the Bronx Bombers' fists during the early rounds.

According to these same experts Louis' displays in training haven't been anything to write home about. Ever since Schmeling showed what a sucker Louis was for a right hand punch Joe has been attempting to build a suitable defence for this blow but his attempts have been feeble for the most part.

But all this will mean little to Braddock if Louis lands early. The power in the negro's left hand is unquestioned and his ability to land it hinges the outcome of the fight, and the reason he has been installed as the favorite. If Braddock outsmarts his slow-thinking opponent and prevents him from landing on a vital spot in the opening rounds he is quite likely to go on and win and thus destroy forever the clock of invincibility that was being built around tonight's challenger for the title.

But Louis will need more than a shade to win over Braddock. Unless the New Jersey Irishman goes down for the count of ten or is rendered helpless before the fists of the challenger, he will leave the ring at Chicago still wearing the crown of champion.

Braddock's rise from the relief ranks, his story-book manner of capturing the title and the sincere, modest manner he possesses has made him a popular champion and it is likely that the majority of the 70,000 crowd at Chicago tonight will be pulling for James J. to come through against the challenge that Louis will throw at him.

Looming over the fight tonight will be the shadow of Max Schmeling, the man who was shunted aside. The Teuton will be far from the scene of the conflict and although this is not as it should be it will be little satisfaction for the German to know that until he has met the winner, there can be no real champion.

Opponents are coming tougher and tougher for Leo Kelly on every appearance and Monday night at the Forum he will face by far his stiffest test when he trades punches with Bobby Orr of Jozzins Mines, Nova Scotia, in a ten-round bout. Arrangements for the fight were completed yesterday and the scrap promises to be the most thrilling staged here this season.

There is no need of talking about Orr. Orr has made a reputation for himself in Maritime circles as a two-fisted, battling type of fighter and is none other than the boy who furnished stout opposition for Bobby Allan, now considered the peer of Maritime fighters on more than one occasion. He will test Kelly's ability to the utmost and if Kelly can come through he will have proven himself beyond the shadow of a doubt.

Great interest is being taken in the Midget Softball League these days. Comprised of four teams of youngsters up to 15 years old the boys play every afternoon of the week and their games are rapidly

### Three Teams Tied For Leadership

Holding tenaciously to a 4-1 lead entering the ninth and then coming through with a seven-inning run scoring spurge in their last turn at the plate, the McNeill's Rovers last night advanced into a three way tie with Superiors and Esquires for leadership in the league by winning their game at the Park diamond by an 11-1 count.

Not nearly as one-sided as the score indicates Rovers took the lead early through the result of damaging errors by their opponents and then playing heads-up ball behind the seven hit pitching of Dick Curley coasted to victory with their last ditch uprising. The only run the losers could push across came in the fifth when Gordon Stewart asked out a homer to left centre, the blow robbing the Rovers' hurler of a shutout.

Rovers raily was one of the most damaging ever seen on a local diamond. 11 players paraded to the plate during the opening seven of the nine innings for safe blows and runs while one batter was passed and one thrown out at third. Previous to this the losers had accounted for seven hits while Rovers were being held to six by the hard-striving Earl Goss serving them up for the losers.

There's small prospect that Comiskey Park, sealed to handle 73,000 fans and a \$1,000,000 "house", will be sold out. If Jacobs' forecast is fulfilled, however, the fight will top any heavyweight show of the post-depression period except the non-title bout in which Louis knocked out Max Baer two years ago in Yankee Stadium.

The Baer-Louis fight touched the magic \$1,000,000 mark.

If the wary betting men and the warring majority of experts has figured things out correctly, Louis will win, probably by a knockout.

Until his knockout by Schmeling just a year ago in New York, the youthful, hard-hitting Louis was considered a "sure thing" to become champion, any time he could get Braddock into the ring. He's still a hot choice but he's no longer invincible.

An Associated Press checkup today in some of the country's main centres of wagering activity indicated Louis will be no better than a two to one favorite by the time he climbs into the ring at the White Sox ball park tomorrow night.

**BOX SCORE**

ROVERS	AB	R	H	PO	EA
Gairns, ss	5	1	2	2	0
Jay, 3b	5	2	2	2	0
McNeill, cf	4	1	2	1	0
Whitlock, 2b	2	1	1	4	0
McKinnon, c	5	1	2	5	0
McNeill, 1b	5	2	3	11	0
McLennan, rf	4	2	1	0	0
Blacquire, lf	4	1	1	0	0
Curley, p	3	0	0	1	0
Tetta, s	37	11	13	26	8

**SARS**

Squarebros, 2b	AB	R	H	PO	EA
Rockwell, c	4	0	0	3	1
McKenzie, 1b	4	0	1	10	0
Whalen, 3b	4	0	1	4	2
Carmichael, cf	3	0	0	1	0
Acorn, ss	4	0	0	4	2
Stewart, lf	4	1	1	1	1
McLellan, rf	4	0	2	0	0
Goss, p	4	0	1	2	1
Tetta, s	35	2	7	27	12

**SUMMARY**

Earned runs, SARS 1, Rovers 7; two base hit, McNeill; three base hit, Whalen; McLennan; home run, Stewart; sacrifice hit, Whitlock; his, off Curley 7; off Goss 13; base on balls, off Goss 4; off Curley 1; struck out by Curley 4; by Goss 3; wild pitch, Goss 2; left on bases, Rovers 2; SARS 8.

Umpires: At the plate, Nels Whitlock; on the bases, Bill Lawlor; and Bill Ennis.

**BY INNINGS**

Rovers	120	001	007	—11	13	2
SARS	000	010	000	—1	7	4

### Down The Alleys

**HOLY NAME BOWLING**

Mixed Doubles Finals

The bowling team of P. McQuaid and C. Mathieson took a lead of 66 pins over their opponents Dr. L. Duffy and G. Keenan in the opening match of the finals of the mixed tournament rolled last night.

Although the scores did not run so high as on previous nights of the elimination series competition was keen with the outcome in doubt until the final frame. The final game will be rolled tonight at 7:15 with the winners being announced.

Last night's scores follow:

P. McQuaid 201 273 163  
C. Mathieson 180 109 185—1111  
Dr. L. Duffy 186 181 217  
G. Keenan 175 122 164—1045

### Giants Beat Out Cubs In Ninth

Building up a 9-3 lead in the first two innings only to have their opponents deaden the game at 14-all in the last of the eighth, Giants pushed across a brace of tallies in the ninth yesterday afternoon in a Midget Softball League encounter at the Park diamond. The Cubs, the latter team being halted with but one run in the last half of the same frame.

It was the second game of the recently organized league and the game was a thriller all the way through. Heavy batting and smart fielding were in evidence at times during the contest and a large crowd of fans watched the kids perform with considerable interest.

Lineups:

Giants: B. Gallant, F. Howatt, S. McCormack, J. Purcell, F. Doyle, E. Head, J. Murnaghan, J. Richard, T. Wilson.

Cubs: Hooper, Curley, N. Pineau, P. Doyle, J. Hennessy, E. Blar, J. LeClair, E. Brown, C. Howatt.

### Artillery Team Seeking Two Straight

1st Medium Brigade clash with the Superiors tonight in a softball league encounter at the Park diamond. Still seeking to chalk up two victories in a row the Artillery will be out in full force tonight to see if they can't advance in the standing at a team's expense that apparently have had their number during the past two seasons.

A Superiors' victory would again put them at the top of the standing by breaking the three way tie that now exists.

### BOXING

**SOURIS RINK, JULY 1st.**

**MAIN BOUT**  
GEORGE LESLIE vs. BILLY HOLM  
P.E.I. Champ, 198 lbs.; Springhill, N.S., 170 lbs.

**SEMI-FINAL**  
DANNY McCORMAC vs. SAMMY MARTIN  
Souris, 150 lbs. Springhill, N.S., 147 lbs.

WITH OTHER PRELIMINARIES

BOUTS START AT 8:30

RINGSIDE, 75c; RUSH, 50c.

### Pre-battle Statements Of Champion And Contender

CHICAGO, June 21—(AP)—Here is what Heavyweight Champion James J. Braddock and Challenger Joe Louis had to say in pre-battle statements:

**THE CHAMPION:** "I will retain my title by a knockout within eight rounds. Joe Louis is a great fighter and I expect the hardest fight of my career, but I am confident I will still be Heavyweight Champion after tomorrow night."

"I am in the greatest condition of my career. My legs are strong, and, as for my ability to punch, I'll let my performance against Joe Louis speak for itself."

"There are some who say I may be rusty because I haven't fought officially since winning the title. As a matter of fact, I've boxed considerably in regulation length bouts,

with purses up, in gymnasiums against good, tough fighters. I am ready for the best Joe Louis can offer."

**THE CHALLENGER:** "I am fit, ready and confident for Braddock and will win the Heavyweight Championship of the world. I intend to fight as I always have, moving in and taking charge of the battle."

"Many experts say I haven't looked so good during my training, but I am satisfied that my style and drilling has conditioned me perfectly to meet a fighter of Braddock's style."

"This time I do not care to name the round. It may be anywhere from the first to the 15th, and I hope it's the first. After the fight I am going to take a brief rest and then go to Pompton Lakes to get ready for a return bout against Max Schmeling."

### Fight Facts And Figures

(By The Associated Press)

Principals—James J. Braddock, world's heavyweight champion, and Joe Louis, negro challenger.

Place—White Sox baseball park, Chicago.

Time—Tuesday night, June 22, between 11:30 and 12 midnight ADT unless weather conditions prompt a change; preliminaries begin at 7:30; if a postponement is necessary, the bout will be held Wednesday night.

Conditions—15 rounds to a decision by referee and two judges with "no foul" rule in force; referee to be named at moment principals enter ring.

Weather Forecast—Partly cloudy with not much change in temperature which ranged low 70's today.

Estimated attendance and receipts—60,000 to 65,000 and \$750,000 to \$800,000 at prices ranging from \$3 to \$27.50; seating capacity of park, 75,000.

Fighters' shares—Braddock to receive 50 per cent of receipts, Louis 17 1/2 per cent, including radio and picture rights after deduction of federal and state taxes.

Radio—Rineside broadcast on national (NBC) hookup.

### Jack Crawford Impressive At Wimbledon

WIMBLEDON, June 21—(CP)—Hero of today's opening in the All-England Tennis Championships here was 29-year-old John Herbert (Jack) Crawford, veteran Australian campaigner.

While such favorites as H. W. (Bunny) Austin, tall Don Budge and Baron Von Gottfried advanced as expected, Crawford supplied practically all the excitement afforded by the opening round of men's singles as he defeated Roderich Menzel, towering Czech who was seeded sixth, 6-4, 7-9, 4-6, 6-4.

The Australian, winner of the title in 1933, was not seeded this year. The decision to leave him off the list was severely criticized by some tennis experts and Crawford proved to an excited centre court audience he still possesses one of the world's soundest games when he is right.

A burst of sustained applause greeted the two men as they left the court after a two-hour battle. At that time Menzel looked as if he had been through a wringer. He almost pulled the battle out of the fire when he came within one point of drawing even in the final set after Crawford gained a 5-1 lead. The Australian had enough left to survive.

Budge, the Californian who is seeded first and is top-heavy favorite to take the crown that Fred Perry relinquished when he turned professional, won a routine victory over Norman G. Parquharson, South African Davis Cup Player, 6-2, 6-3, 6-1.

The honor of opening the tournament went to Austin, Great Britain's No. one man now that Perry is no longer in the running.

The drop-out of the British Cup squad dropped the first set to G. Lyttleton Rogers, six feet, seven inch Irish Davis Cup Player, but finished strongly for a 3-6, 8-6, 6-1, 6-2 victory.

Von Cramm put out J. F. G. Lysaght of Great Britain 3-6, 6-1, 6-2, 6-0. Seeded second, the German Ace was expected to go far in the tournament that will last two weeks.

The United States Davis Cup Team is all advanced. Ailing Bryan (Bliss) Grant, seeded fifth, defeated J. M. Hunt, England, 6-3, 6-4, 7-5. Wayne Sabin, Frankie Parker and Gene Mako all won, as did Hal Surface.

### Edmonton Hockey Fans In England Have Begun To Take Traditional Attitude Of Canadian Enthusiasts And The Referee's Job Over There No Longer A Bed Of Roses

Edmonton, June 21—Hockey fans in England have begun to take the traditional attitude of Canadian enthusiasts and the referee's job over there no longer a bed of roses, Joe Brown, forward for Earlscourt Rangers, said here.

Referee's rulings were once accepted without dispute by the crowd but now he gets plenty of criticism and advice on his decisions.

### REMEMBER WHEN

(By The Canadian Press)

C. Ross Somerville and Jack Nash, Sandy's London, Ont. clubmate, were eliminated from the British amateur golf championship four years ago today. Last of Canada's seven standard-bearers, Somerville and Nash dropped out in the sixth round. Somerville has held Canadian amateur championship five times and placed first in United States amateur once.

### MOONLIGHT EXCURSION

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### Canadiens Beat Dodgers By 13-2 Score

Junior Canadiens added another game to their lead in the Junior Baseball League last night by defeating Holy Redeemer Dodgers 13-2 in a six inning contest at the Park diamond.

Taking the lead in the very first inning Canadiens bats rang out a victory song from then on. Losers hurriers could do very little about it while on the other hand "Sk nny" McKinnon, sterling little right hander of the winners held the Dodgers pretty well in check throughout the abbreviated contest.

Umpire Bill Ryan handled the game.

### Harness Racing Season Will Open On Wednesday

The first speed display of the harness racing season will be given tomorrow (Wednesday) afternoon at the Charlottetown Driving Park when the Victoria Driving Club will put on a card of five matinee classes ranging from aged fast record horses to three-year-olds.

In the Class A Pace Plucky Scott 2:06 and the new import, Peter Reaper 2:07 1/2, will hook up. While neither horse is up to fast miles yet no doubt, the drivers will turn on the gas the last end and show some two-minute speed. Balbo 2:15 will be in from Marie with driver "Pomp" Bailey ready to show his wares. There is also the possibility of Leta Kalmuck 2:14 coming in.

Following are the probable starters in each class:

**Class A Pace**  
Plucky Scott, 2:06; Peter Reaper, 2:07 1/2.

**Class B Trot and Pace**  
Millie Kalmuck, 2:14 1/2; Balbo, 2:15; Bob O'Boy, 2:14; Holly Britton; Jackie Volo.

**Class C Trot and Pace**  
Reynonette, Queen Helen, Darkey Kalmuck.

**Three-Year-Old Trot and Pace**  
Gay Kalmuck, Fairy Walt Leland.

The officials will be: Starter, E. K. MacLeod; Judges, W. S. Brown, Dr. Heath McIntyre, John MacDonald, Southport; timers, P. McTague, Pope Clark, J. A. MacDonald.

**INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE GAME THIS EVENING**

The All Stars and Bees clash this evening in a regular scheduled Industrial League game at the Park diamond. The game should be a natural as both squads are out for a much needed win. A win for the All Stars would catapult them into second place in the standing, whereas a win for the Bees would result in a four-cornered tie for second place.

Elmer Larier is slated to do mound duty for the Bees, while "Carby" Carbonell will likely handle pitching assignments for the All Stars. Game starts at 6:15.

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