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# Odds on Tonight's Title Scrap Compliment Armstrong

## Profuse Praise for Garcia Fails to Shake Fans' Faith In Welterweight Champion

**Fistic Public Installs Tireless Colored Battler as Favorite to Win Match at Madison Square Garden, Despite Filipino's Weight Advantage and Vaunted Punch.**

Henry Armstrong has been paid some nice compliments in the course of his many career, but the bookmakers and bettors have handed him the greatest pat-on-the-back yet by installing him a firm 2-to-1 favorite over Ceferino Garcia in their 15-round welterweight title bout tonight at Madison Square Garden.

The thousands of words written and said about Garcia's murderous punches have done nothing to shake the public's confidence in the little Negro wonder. The fact that the husky Filipino will outweigh Henry by a dozen pounds when they enter the ring is well absorbed "So what?" from Henry's loyal rooters.

Few fighters ever have gained such a hold on the customers. Promoter Mike Jacobs says indications are that the big "ball" will be packed, with close to $115,000 in the till. Only four reserved tickets were turned back when the bout was postponed from its original date, Nov. 2.

Through Garcia has a record nearly as striking as Armstrong's over the last two years, and has been belting out welterweights and middleweights while Henry was rolling up 39 consecutive victories over the little fellows, Armstrong is the drawing card tonight.

Some 20,000 hearts will hit a faster beat when the little dark man goes chugging out on his spindly legs, stone in on Garcia and begins his tireless tattoo. Every instant there will be the threat of Garcia's deadly punches, the long, vicious uppercuts that floored Barney Ross twice.

There are plenty, of course, who think the thing is a set-up for Garcia. Armstrong, they admit, is one of the greatest lightweight champions, a terrific fighter at 135 pounds. But, they point out, he won his welterweight crown from a set-up, Fred Apostoli, who had been grabbing the slippery Boston Irishman. Then, once he has Murphy in his grasp, his next task will be to keep him there, provided of course that he does get the little speed demon in his bear-like clutches.

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## Snyder Swim Team On Top

**Tigers Open Season With Verdict Over Bayonne as Montprode Stars.**

Snyder High School's swimming team opened its 1938-39 campaign with a 37 to 31 verdict over Bayonne High in the latter's 20-yard pool.

Frank Montprode set the pace for Snyder's mermen by capturing the 50-yard free style and back stroke events. Bayonne kept abreast of the Tigers by winning the breast stroke with Ligs, the 220-yard free style with Carlafian and the 100-yard free style with McCarthy. But Snyder closed fast with decisive victories in the medley relay and free style relays to gain its 16-point edge in the final summation.

Montprode's time of 24 seconds in the free style event over the 50-yard route and his time of one minute, five seconds, in the back stroke were remarkably fast, but the times in dual meets are unofficial and only those in championship competition are recognized.

The summaries:

50-yard free style—Won by Montprode, Snyder; second, Kinsella, Bayonne; third, Carlafian, Snyder. Time, 24 seconds.

100-yard breaststroke—Won by Ligs, Bayonne; second, Hyslop, Snyder; third, Mangel, Bayonne. Time, 1:20.

50-yard back stroke—Won by Montprode, Snyder; second, Snyder; third, Mangel, Bayonne. Time, 2:05.

100-yard free style—Won by Carlafian, Bayonne; second, Lazzara, Snyder; third, Dillon, Snyder. Time, 1:08.

100-yard free style relay—Won by McCarthy, Bayonne; second, Duran, Snyder; third, Blackburn, Snyder. Time, 2:8 seconds.

Medley relay—Won by Snyder (Montprode, Hyslop, Dillon); second, Bayonne (Ligs, Lapolsk, Dorsey, Carafian). Time, 1:58.

Point total—Snyder 37, Bayonne 31.

## West N. Y. Youth R.P.I. Candidate

Alfred L. Messano, of West New York, a student in the aeronautical engineering course at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y., is among those reporting for the "frosh" basketball squad this season.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Messano, 36 Highland Place, West New York, and a graduate of Memorial High School.

## Weather Fails to Dampen Jersey Giants' Enthusiasm

### How Matmen Fared in Out-of-Town Bouts

BOSTON—Danno O'Mahoney, 230, Ireland, and Ray Shadow, 228, both counted out during third fall.

CAMDEN, N. J.—Ernie Dusek, 202, Omaha, Neb., defeated Joe Cox, 213, Chicago, two of three falls.

TORONTO—Steve Casey, 225, declared "Dutch" Heffner, 246, Texas, straight falls.

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### Sidelights

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greater fame on the gridiron. And all three have since turned to professional football with American Association teams.

Two Petrean players were hurt and were taken by ambulances to the Medical Center. They are Joseph Walsh, 18, of Clarke Ave., who suffered a fracture of the right arm, and William McKeever, 16, of St. 18th St., Bayonne, who sustained a fracture of the right wrist. Following treatment, they were taken home.

### Union City Reds

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Slater product; and "Red" Wolfe, veteran former St. John's ace.

Bloom, who joined the Spikes at the close of last season after finishing his collegiate career, is considered the most promising centerman in professional basketball now that he has some league action under his belt. He and the lanky, sharp-shooting Goldman give the Spikes two of the best pivotmen in the circuit.

Owen to Drill Squad Indoors in Preparation for Tilt With Paterson Panther Eleven Sunday.

Coach Bill Owens made a hurried trip to Roosevelt Stadium this morning to see if hip boots would be necessary for his Jersey football Giants when they meet the Paterson Panthers on Sunday in a post-season contest to settle the season's supremacy between the rivals in the American Football Association.

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Owen reported the Giants in fine physical condition with the exception of Center Walt Singer, who sustained a toe injury against the Panthers and hobbled through a fine performance against the Union City Reds last week when the Giants clinched the league title. Singer's toe has become infected and it is doubtful if he will start the game. Meanwhile, Al Champa is ready to jump into the breach as the reserve center and play 60 minutes, if necessary.

If Singer is unable to play it will be a blow to the former Syracuse-Union High and Syracuse University pivot, for, like the rest of the squad, he is anxious to take a hand in crashing the T formation offered at Paterson.

Dr. Harry S. Mara, president of the Giants, announced that the Panthers have asked for a block of 6,000 tickets and may be looking for more today. When the Giants upset the Panthers here in a night game on Oct. 12, approximately 2,500 Paterson supporters made the journey in this city to stand behind their athletes.

## Bayonne and St. Michael's Meet Monday

Authorities of Bayonne and St. Michael's High Schools today decided to postpone the football game scheduled for tomorrow afternoon at the Union City Roosevelt Stadium until Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

Billy Lee, Bayonne coach, said he and Father Bertrand McDowell, athletic director at St. Michael's, agreed to postpone the contest for two days because of the bad weather, and to call it off entirely, if the weather remains unchanged by Monday.

The contest originally was scheduled for last Saturday, but was postponed for a week because of heavy rain.

## MURPHY BANKS ON MAT SKILL

**Expects Speed and Tricks to Upset Shalom Tomorrow Night.**

Ben Shalom, one of the most powerful of the heavyweights, and Dr. John "Drop Kick" Murphy, one of the fastest and trickiest of the lighter heavyweights, will meet in a morrow night in the wrestling feature at the Braddock Arena. It remains to be seen what Murphy can do with his speed and science when other matmen have been unable to accomplish with brute force and rough stuff.

Shalom, Jewish giant from Czechoslovakia, who hurriedly pinned King Kong Frankenstein and Frenchy Larue in his two previous local engagements, looked big and strong enough to bend Murphy over his knee, and break him in half. But he is likely to find it's not as easy as all that.

The lanky Hebrew's big job will be grabbing the slippery Boston Irishman. Then, once he has Murphy in his grasp, his next task will be to keep him there, provided of course that he does get the little speed demon in his bear-like clutches.

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## Here and There

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where but California and New York. . . . Now how'll they bill him in Frisco. . . . Credit Maurice "Clipper" Smith with one of the better coaching jobs in the last couple of years. The way his Villagers and teams have been clicking.

Don Hutson, who's been somewhat better than a green hand as an end in college and "pro" football, has a couple of brothers, Bob and Ray, doing neat halfback work for Pine Bluff, Ark., High. . . . Better look 'em over, you coaches.

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## Union City Royals Beat O.L.S. Five

The Union City Royals defeated the Our Lady of Sorrows' basketball team, 39 to 16, at the People's Palace.

The score:

| ROYALS | G. | F. | P. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Fitzgerald, f | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Gonnela, f | 3 | 0 | 6 |
| Kreiner, f | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gallo, c | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Gallo, g | 3 | 0 | 6 |
| Quint, g | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| Total | 13 | 3 | 29 |
| Score by periods: | | | |
| Royals | 8 | 14 | 7 |
| Our Lady of Sorrows | 2 | 8 | 6 |

Referee—Lynch. Umpire—Hoffman. Time of period—10 minutes.

## A Puncher— --By Pap

## Dickinson Beats St. Peter's 31-0

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an exchange of punts, Pompliano and his running mates, Joe Matturro and Emile Zurawecki, moved again from the Prep 44, and with the aid of a 30-yard run by Zurawecki to the seven-yard line, scored its second touchdown with Pompliano covering the seven yards on the first play after Zurawecki's dash.

As soon as it got its hands on the ball in the third period after Johnny Cox kicked off for St. Peter's, Dickinson was on the march. Just once this time for 70 yards, rolling up six first downs on the way. First it was Pompliano hitting the Prep's weak left side. Then it was Zurawecki sweeping around his left. In between Joe was Matturro on reverses and plunging through the middle for valuable chunks of three and four yards made possible by the charging Dickinson forwards. Pompliano ate up the final eight yards on three plays scoring his third touchdown. Better look 'em over, you coaches.

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## Play-by-Play of Dickinson-Prep Game

FIRST PERIOD

Cox kicked off for the Prep. Pompliano returned to the Prep 44. Zurawecki and the Hilltop halfback ran back to Dickinson 41.

DICKINSON—Pompliano hit off right tackle for 3 yards. Matturro hit off left tackle for 11 yards and Pompliano hit for 21 yards and a first down on the Prep 21. Pompliano hit over right tackle. Zurawecki hit off left tackle for 3 yards and a first down on the Prep 2. Pompliano hit over right tackle for no gain. Matturro on a reverse for no gain. Zurawecki hit off left tackle for 2 yards. Matturro broke left and circled around for 2 yards to Dunbay for a first down on the Prep 1. Pompliano hit over right tackle for a touchdown. Pompliano hit over right tackle for the extra point. Score: Dickinson 7, St. Peter's 0.

Cox kicked off to Dickinson to the goal on the Prep 15 and the Prep's Lynch downed the ball after gaining 5 yards. Pompliano hit for 4 yards and Zurawecki hit for 3 yards. Pompliano hit for 4 yards and a pass from Frank Laucht to Bill McCarthy gained 10 yards. Cox punted over the goal line and the Prep surge ended.

Dickinson took the ball on its 20 and reached the 45 before Pompliano's 47-yard punt was downed by Micheletti on the Prep three-yard line. Cox went behind his goal line to return the kick but Seitz carried it back to the 19 and in six plays the Hilltop eleven was on the four-yard line. A holding penalty set it back to the 19 but here Pompliano passed diagonally to Dunbar on the right and the Maroon end caught the ball on the eight-yard line and raced over for the final touchdown.

Pompliano's achievements, besides scoring four of his team's five touchdowns and passing for the other, accounted for all of Dickinson's 296 yards by rushing.

St. Peter's gained only 85 yards on the ground and 19 in the air for a combined total of 45 yards as compared to Dickinson's total of 340. Dickinson also made 17 first downs to St. Peter's one, so the difference between the teams on the field yesterday at least is made clear.

The entire Hilltop backfield of Pompliano, Matturro, Zurawecki and Seitz operated as well as any set of backs seen here in the county all season. It's hard to believe that a team possessing the strength that Dickinson displayed lost five games.

Dunbar and Morchauser were fine ends, Micheletti and Vogt strong tackles, Schultz and Burrows exceptional guards, Burrows was especially effective on the offense, joining with Seitz in clearing the way for ball carriers. Bloom at center was outstanding at times.

For St. Peter's Higgins, Bloom and Cox deserve to go down as three brilliant Petrean players in these games. It was the last game for Higgins and Bloom and they went all out in trying to leave with a better memory than what they did. Cox still has two years to play and by 1940 should have better days to talk about.

The lineups:

| DICKINSON (31) | | ST. PETER'S (0) |
|---|---|---|
| L. E.—Dunbar | | Keating |
| L. T.—Micheletti | | Curry, M. |
| L. G.—Vogt (co-capt.) | | Kraus |
| C.—Bloom | | Curry, J. |
| R. G.—Schultz | | McMahon |
| R. T.—Morchauser | | Nicolai |
| R. E.—Burrows | | Lynch |
| Q. B.—Pompliano (Co-Capt.) | | Cox |
| L. H.—Seitz | | Higgins |
| R. H.—Zurawecki | | Bloom |

Score by periods:

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dickinson | 7 | 6 | 12 | 6—31 |
| St. Peter's | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0—0 |

Touchdowns—Pompliano 4, Dunbar. Point after touchdown—Micheletti (place-kick).

Substitutions — Dickinson: Schwarz, Pagano, Caruso, Evans, Meyer, Logothetis, Swetlanik, St. Peter's: Cox, Bal, Medford, Antonio, Connelly, Thayer, Fitzgerald, Lynch, Lavelle, Lynch, Hoffman, Laucht, Gallagher, Cassidy.

Referee—Lynch. Umpire—Hoffman. Head linesman—Cunningham.

Time of periods—12 minutes.

## Coates' Thanksgiving Day Complete Success as Seton Hall Team Wins X-Country

**Individual Crown Also Goes to South Orange Institution as Carmen Bova Leads Field to Finish in Branch Brook Park Test—Norristown Wins High School Crown.**

Harry Coates, Seton Hall track coach, had a fine Thanksgiving Day but he was a little sad today because he couldn't let himself take a fling at slipping the high-flying Manhattan College cross country squad that will compete here Sunday in the National A. A. U. meet.

Carmen Bova, two-year-old senior and captain of the Seton Hall Prep team, Francis Leary and a few others made it a great Turkey Day for Coates. Bova galloped the last 300 yards of a two-and a half mile Branch Brook Park course yesterday to win the 13th annual prep school interscholastic cross country meet in 12:55.2, ten yards ahead of Leary. Seton Hall won the prep school trophy with 18 points.

Coates, who coaches at Seton Hall College as well as at the Prep, thinks he has a combination from both schools that can beat Manhattan, principally because his running would be familiar with the course. Manhattan, recent winner of the ICC4-A's and Metropolitan meets, is favored in the A.A.U. run.

Coates feels, however, the A.A.U. run would be too much for his boys. It would mean, first, they would have to give up their Thanksgiving week-end and, second, there's a possibility the grueling A.A.U. race would impair their ability for the indoor season which is not far away.

Maurice Toothaker of Phillips, Me., High School finished third in the run, crossing the line in 12:39, two seconds behind Leary. Toothaker's place, however, made him the winner of the high school competition, since officials broke down the field to prep and high schools after the race was run.

Norristown, Pa., High won the team trophy in its division with 118 points. Thomas Jefferson of Elizabeth, N. J., with 138 and Kearny, N. J., with 142 were second and third.

Christian Brothers Academy of Albany, N. Y., was second in the prep school team competition with 65 points and St. Mary's of Elizabeth, N. J., was third with 109 points.

The first finishers and their times:

Carmen Bova, Seton Hall Prep, 12:55.2.

Frank Leary, Seton Hall Prep, 12:57.

Maurice Toothaker, Phillips, Me., 12:59.

Edward Morgan, Mercersburg, Pa., Academy, 13:00.4.

William Spprigit, Overbrook (Philadelphia) High, 13:02.

Warren Van Ingen, Upper Darby, Pa., High, 13:03.

Norman Holtaway, Union, N. J., High, 13:04.

Robert Chisholm, Kearny, N. J., High, 13:05.

Raymond Clark, Silver Creek, N. Y., High, 13:10.

Henry Hart, Northeast (Philadelphia) High, 13:12.

Louis Callado, Seton Hall Prep, 13:13.

Malcolm Toothaker, Phillips, Me., High 13:15.

Cameron Grubb, Norristown, Pa., High, 13:17.

J. Brown, Bayonne High 13:18.

Harry Leussen, Camden High, 13:19.

William Sexton, Seton Hall Prep, 13:20.

Frank Fletcher, Seton Hall Prep, 13:21.

William Gannon, Seton Hall Prep, 13:22.

Joseph Walsh, Norristown, Pa., High, 13:23.

Rudy Winsch, Barringer High (Newark) 13:24.

John McLaughlin, Kearny 13:25.

T. Ansgrt, Overbrook 13:26.

C. Mundy, Kearny 13:27.

Frank Buttlicki, Thomas Jefferson of Elizabeth 13:28.

Raymond Saundershon, Thomas Jefferson 13:29.

High—Norristown, Pa., 118; Thomas Jefferson, Elizabeth, N. J., 138; Kearny, N. J., 142; Barringer, Newark, N. J., 231; Paterson, N. J., 241; Phillips, Me., 242; Bayonne, N. J., 326; Asbury Park, 328; Passaic, 329.

Prep Schools—Seton Hall, 18; Christian Brothers, Albany, N. Y., 65; St. Mary's, Elizabeth, N. J., 109; St. Aloysius of Jersey City, 112.

## Londos Pleases Mat Fans With Victory Over Kashey

**Title-Claimant Shows Old Skill and Showmanship as He Returns to Columbia Park.**

Whether he wears a wrestling crown or not, Jim Londos, the Greek, will be a welcome visitor to Columbia Park in North Bergen. At least that was the impression he left last night, when he made his first Hudson County appearance in some time, tossed Abe Kashey, of Clifton, and wowed the fans.

Londos, who regained a claim to the world's heavyweight championship by pinning Bronko Nagurski at Philadelphia just a week ago in a match which the Pennsylvania State Athletic Commission sanctioned as a titular affair, was the speediest, crowd-pleasing, majestic figure of old. He had the customers agog as he showed them how he treats and mistreats wrestlers who are naughty.

The unruly, hairy Kashey used the Londos grain for a loss rest in the early minutes, and then switched to some scientific tactics. After which, the Gorgeous Greek knocked off a few grimaces on the Syrian Assassin.

The Londos onslaught drew Kashey to the apron of the ring for safety on three occasions. On his last venture, Referee Sam Abe ran into whirlwind. Jim never let up until, as a customary climax to his spectacular wrestling debut, he gave Kashey a whirl in his airplane spin, and put him down with a body slam.

The end came after 23 minutes and 33 seconds. The weights were Londos 205, Kashey 212.

Chief Little Wolf, 218, Navajo Indian, three more Freemasons, 205, New York, with a pick-up and body slam in 14:15. Nick Campofreda, 215, Baltimore, and Sammy Menacher, 214, New York, drew in a half hour. The clear, crowd-pleasing, majestic figure of old. He had the customers agog as he showed them how he treats and mistreats wrestlers who are naughty.

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## Crack Colored Court Crew Sees Action Here Tonight

**Renaissance Will Meet Jersey Giants in Xmas Basket Fund Game at Columbia Hall.**

One of the best attractions professional basketball has had to offer in the past dozen years, the Renaissance Big Five, will make their first visit to Jersey City in several seasons tonight, when it invades Columbia Hall, Ocean and Cator Aves., to encounter the Jersey Giants. The game is being sponsored by the Christmas basket committee of the Powell K. Martin Lodge, I. B. P. O. E. of W.

The Rens, who have been recognized as the colored champions of the court sport since their organization 15 years ago, have won more than 1,400 contests against less than 200 losses during their many seasons of basketballing. Their present squad is their youngest in history, but it is living up to the reputation the Rens always enjoyed under the guidance of their veteran manager, Bob Douglas.

An old-timer, "Fat" Jenkins, still is one of the team's mainstays. This finely conditioned athlete and Eyre "Pinkey" Saitch are the only veterans of the squad. Next in length of service is Tarzan Cooper, one of the greatest shotmen in basketball—a giant with the skill, cunning and speed usually associated with little players.

Five youngsters are flashing the skill long attributed to the Rens. They are "Wee Willie" Smith, six-foot-five product of Cleveland who joined the team three years ago; Johnny Isaacs, "Pop" Gates, Zack Clayton and "Puggy" Bell. All of whom became members of the squad during the past two seasons. Gates, just out of Franklin High School in New York, is said to be one of basketball's greatest players.

The Jersey Giants' starting lineup will include Al Mino, Charley and Johnny Mickey Michaels and Bill Walters.

### Hoboken "Y" Five To Invade Newark

Seeking its first victory of the season, the Hoboken Y. M. C. A. basketball team will invade Essex County tonight for a game with the Newark Colored Y. M. C. A. set to Prospect Park, Brooklyn in its opening game.

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