

## WELCOME IS READY FOR GIBBONS HERE

### Northern Pacific Fixes Local Accommodations for Early Arrival Here; Committee Will Show Sites and Give Banquet to Party.

Billings wins the chance to show Kane and Gibbons, to the best advantage, that it is the logical point for the training camp for the championship challenger for the big fight at Shelby July 4. With the co-operation of Northern Pacific officials, all difficulties have been ironed out which stood in the way of getting the Gibbons party here on the Butte stub Thursday afternoon.

Having smoothed out the worst wrinkles, the committees in charge have made arrangements for a most welcome to Tommy Gibbons, his manager and training partners. With the co-operation of everyone in Billings, they expect to have the fighter and his manager waiting to greet in Billings from the time they get off the train and that the city will become more and more interested as the welcome progresses.

Following the mass meeting, Monday night telegrams were sent to Northern Pacific headquarters placing before them the situation. Kane's statement that he considered it absolutely essential for Gibbons to travel by Pullman and the fact that the arrival by a later train than the stub would spoil Billings' chance to show off its good-palms training camps was made the grounds for the request that a Pullman be attached to No. 22 for the trip.

Answer was received at noon Tuesday from St. Paul that standard Pullman equipment would be put on the Butte local according to request for Gibbons and party. Telegrams urging this action were sent by the American Legion, the Billings Commercial club and the local railway officials. Following the receipt of the answer, immediate steps for entertaining the city's guests were taken.

#### Give Big Reception.

Thursday morning a secret committee consisting of Rockwood Brown, Ray Hart and a representative of the American Legion will leave on No. 2 and will meet the Gibbons local at Columbus and accompany the Gibbons party to Billings.

The party will be met at the depot by an American Legion committee and by Joe Hanlon, representing the Commercial club. The Billings municipal band supplemented by the Elk drum corp will see that a rousing reception is given.

From the Northern Hotel, Gibbons and Kane will be taken by auto to the different training sites which the city has to offer. A joint committee of the American Legion and Billings Commercial club consisting of Joe Hanlon, Ray Hart, Rockwood Brown, "Doc" McDaniel and Commander Arthur Thompson will show off the Billings prospect.

#### Banquet at Northern.

A banquet tendered by the men of Billings will be given at the Northern Hotel beginning promptly at 8 o'clock. The Tavern orchestra has volunteered its services for the occasion. Real talks will be made by Tommy Gibbons.

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### BLIND GIRL'S FEEL LED HER TO FORGERIES

Reno, Nev., May 22—A warred charging Margaret Baldwin, blind 20-year-old girl, a student at the University of Nevada, with passing fictitious checks was issued by the district attorney here.

The girl liked to feel pretty alike, she said, although she couldn't see them, and she was said to have been a good patron of local beauty parlors. Her arrest has been put off for months, the district attorney explained, because attendants on whom she passed checks did not like to prosecute a blind girl. A careful investigation convinced officials that she was taking advantage of her affliction and her arrest was ordered.

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### USES HIS LAST BULLET ON SELF

#### Negro Suspected of Bank Raid Ends Life at Bay in Duel.

Chillicothe, Ohio, May 22—A negro, whose officials are convinced, was one of two who robbed the High-Russell branch bank of the Citizens' Trust & Savings company at Columbus, was shot four times by Patrolman Dan Garrett here Tuesday in a running duel. With one bullet left in his revolver, the negro sent it crashing through his heart and toppled over dead.

Garrett was wounded in the left shoulder.

Two thousand dollars in bills were found in the pockets of the negro's clothing, who was identified by marks in his pockets as V. C. Stewart, 114 West Jackson street, Phoenix, Ariz. The two negroes who robbed the citizens bank obtained about \$4,000 and police believe they divided the loot and squandered it.

# Commercial Club Hawks Billings as Training Site Before Heavyweight Fight

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