

Willard and Dempsey Are Accused of Training in Secret for Championship Contest

Judges to Name Winner If Bout Lasts 12 Rounds; Two Blows To Be Barred

Kidney and Occipital Punches Not Likely to Be Permitted; The Champion Tells McGeehan the Real Story of His Life and Battles

By W. O. McGeehan

TOLEDO, June 28.—At this palpitating stage of the Willard-Dempsey bout the experts are still frothing at the mouth and wearing gaudy and haggard expressions.

Critics of Willard's condition are making counter charges. Jack Curley, formerly one of Willard's many managers, and now suspected of "owning a piece of Dempsey," declared that Willard was under-nourished, having systematically starved himself to reach his present condition.

And there you are. The Dempsey supporters know that there is something the matter with Willard, but cannot agree just where the fault lies.

In the mean time the status of the referee in the bout is somewhat in the air. Ollie Peacor, it seems, will be in the ring simply to say "Brook!" in the event of the two gladiators falling into a prolonged embrace.

The two judges are to decide on the matter of a foul; also they are to render the decision in the event that the fight lasts the full twelve rounds.

Major Drexel Biddle and Tex Rickard will be camped on opposite sides of the ring. They will be the ones to give the final verdict. The referee will not be called into the conference unless the judges fail to agree. In that case the pride of Toledo will have a voice.

Break Punches Prohibited Before the fight, the judges will confer with the two fighters as to what rules or variations of rules will prevail. It is understood that the kidney punch will be barred, also the "rabbit" or occipital punch which Willard has been trying out on his sparring partners.

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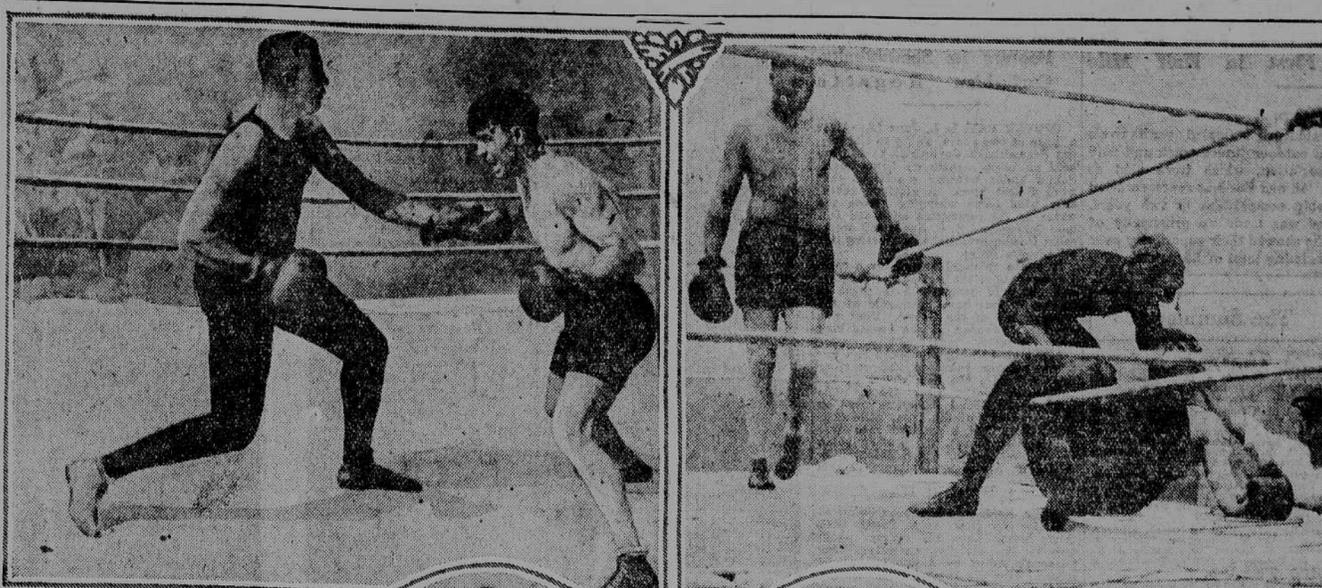
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Jack Dempsey and Jess Willard Preparing for Coming Battle

In the upper left hand corner the challenger is seen endeavoring to get into close quarters with Bill Tate, who is jabbing the body to hold Jack off. The picture on the bottom to the left shows Dempsey in the act of stopping the Jamaica Kid's swift left. In the upper right hand corner Willard has knocked out Jack Heinen, while on the bottom at the right Walter Monahan is jumping to land on the champion's jaw.



Jauss's Crew Wins Metropolitan Club Race on Hudson

Members of the Metropolitan Rowing Club made merry at the thirty-ninth annual regatta of the organization which was held on the Harlem River yesterday. Four rowing events and a swimming contest were on the programme and close finishes furnished much excitement for the crowded balcony.

The eight-oared shell race, the feature of the day's sport, went to the crew captained by Louis A. Jauss. Other combinations that started were crews captained by Joseph Ryan and John Schultz, which finished second and third in the order named. Jauss's crew took the lead at the quarter-mile point and won by a half boat's length.

The city of Toledo is cluttering up. There will be enough "celebrities" to occupy all the morning and early afternoon with intruders. If the plan is to have them all introduced.

There should be no need of the fifty-four-odd rounds of preliminaries in this event. Every train brings a dozen or more who feel that they ought to be presented to the 80,000 who will be held into the arena on the Fourth.

Tex Rickard declared to-day that the sale of seats was well up to all of his anticipations. He is not ready to give out the exact figures, because advance stories as to the rapid sale of tickets had frightened away prospective buyers.

Threats to Quit Jack They charged the multitude four bits apiece at the Dempsey camp to-day, but the price of admission did not frighten many of them away.

Priscilla Takes Lead in Stamford Series STAMFORD, Conn., June 28.—The Priscilla won to-day's race for the Spring Cup among the Stamford Yacht Club one-design boats. She covered the six and a half mile course with a strong breeze from the east by south in 1 hour 10 minutes 46 seconds.

Priscilla now leads in the cup series, with 19 points, Littie, Hope and Polly being tied for second with 18 points.

The summary: Elapsed time Boat and owner. Priscilla, W. F. Gillespie, 1:10:46. Hope, E. F. Draper, 1:12:02. Littie, F. C. Haverhill, 1:14:19. Polly, H. C. Pomeroy, 1:14:22. Hope, J. E. Raymond, 1:14:23. Priscilla, H. C. Pomeroy, 1:17:44. Littie, A. W. Bell, 1:17:55.

Eastern League Providence, 4; Pittsfield, 8. Bridgeport, 3; Springfield, 1 (1st game). Hartford, 1; Springfield, 2 (2d game). Hartford, 2; Waterbury, 2 (1st game). Hartford, 2; Waterbury, 3 (2d game).

Southern Association Mobile, 1; Nashville, 1. Birmingham, 2; Memphis, 1. Atlanta, 7; Little Rock, 1 (1st game). Atlanta, 2; Little Rock, 1 (2d game). Louisville, 4; Louisville, 2 (1st game). Portland, 1; Lawrence, 5 (2d game). Lawrence, 2; Portland, 0 (2d game).

Walker, Columbia Golfer, Annexes Collegiate Crown

PHILADELPHIA, June 28.—A. L. Walker, of Columbia, won the inter-collegiate golf championship by defeating J. S. Dean, of Princeton, in the final round at the Merion Cricket Club to-day, 4 and 2 to play.

Dean was first up on Walker at the end of the first eighteen holes of the 36-hole match. The Columbia player came back strong in the second half, squared the match at the tenth hole, took the lead on the eleventh, and was never headed after that.

Smith and Moffatt Win On Glen Ridge Links The final rounds of the competition for the June Cup in Classes A and B were decided yesterday in a play-off at a tie over the links of the Glen Ridge Country Club. The former class victor was H. D. Smith, who easily beat J. E. Hale by the score of 3 up and 5 to play.

Robert Mitchell easily won the ball sweepstakes with a card of 84-17-69. F. C. Thomas, with a card of 90-27-72, and Russell Bickford, with 92-29-72, were in a deadlock for second place. Three players were tied for third position, each having a low net score of 74.

W. E. G. Mitchell accomplished a feat that may never be equalled. On the long seventh hole of 190 yards, which is bounded by a brook on two sides and traps on other sides, Mitchell noled out in 1.

Neither, However, Is Real Fighting Man, in 1914-19 Meaning of the Word BALTIMORE, June 28.—Newark and Baltimore divided to-day's double-header, the visitors, with Rommel on the mound, taking the opener 5 to 0, and the locals the second conflict 7 to 5.

Parnham pitched both games for the leaders. He struck out seven men in the first game and eleven in the second. The big pitcher hit two home runs in the nightcap.

Local fans became enraged at Umpire Wilson and it was necessary for the police to afford him protection after the games.

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Wide Contrast in the Rival Fighters Creates Keen Interest in Title Bout

TOLEDO, June 28.—Strolling along a Toledo byway this morning, we happened to read this announcement, set up in bold, outstanding type: "Willard and Dempsey, the world's two greatest fighting men."

That was as far as we read. It was far enough. For in all the wild and woolly hurly-burly raised over Friday's exciting contest it is just as well not to get too hysterical. For neither Willard nor Dempsey is a fighting man in the 1914-1919 meaning of the phrase.

Two years ago this June America had been at war for over two months. Willard was then a man thirty-five years old, with a wife and five children. There was no particular reason for his going. Nor, with the situation as it was, with him then, was there any particular reason for his being listed Jaeger as a fighting man.

Of his name date two years ago Jack Dempsey was a young man of twenty-two, with no responsibilities attached, to judge from the various biographies built around him. Where thousands of other husky youngsters around twenty-two were tearing into khaki, he should have renounced his title as a fighting man. If he had been of the inherently fighting type nothing could have kept him out, unmarried, at that age.

Didn't Care to Fight He merely didn't care about going to war. A good many others felt the same way about it, but they went, anyway. Dempsey didn't. His conscience may be as clear as a June morning, but that doesn't leave him listed among the fighting men of the age. The announcement referred to above should have been printed as follows: "Willard and Dempsey, the world's two greatest business men."

That would have meant something. For that is what they are, to a certain extent. Not the greatest, but among the greatest. Their business is boxing. Both put together haven't one-fifth of the hero tinge that surrounded a lone buck private slogging

wearily along muddy French roads in the general direction of death and disablement, devastation and devotion to duty. There is no touch of glamour around either man. They are the two greatest pugilists in the world to-day and therefore their championship clash is worth extended mention and is inclined to awaken unusual interest.

Contrasts Create Interest This interest is all the keener in view of the mighty contrast that exists—one, young, keen, fast, impetuous, yearning for adulation and the plaudits of the crowd. The other middle-aged, ponderous, stoical and sick of the spotlight. Yet with all this wide diversity, time and nature have brought them close together.

Time has given Dempsey a margin of thirteen years, thirteen years on the side of youth and all that goes with the golden age of competition. Nature has given Willard a margin of fifty pounds in weight and half a foot in height and reach, a stupendous margin when one considers what bulk means in a battle where the bigger man is also trained and ready.

It is for this reason that two observers of equal intelligence, after watching both men work, will proclaim views as far apart as Argentine and Baffin's Bay, where one arises to shout that Willard is a three-cor-

nered cinch, and the other picks Dempsey to win within five rounds.

But all these things put together haven't made either a fighting man. In the meanwhile both have now come to the crest of their training. From to-morrow on it will be merely a matter of tapping off of both a measure of fitness they have developed. Neither man will have any sign of an alibi if he is knocked out or beaten. Dempsey's condition is superb, and Willard looks better than he did five days before he fought Moran.

The rest of it is in the hands of the gods.

Billiard Star Married Koji Yamada, professional billiard player, was married recently in San Francisco to Miss Tumika Matsumoto by Justice of the Peace A. T. Barnett. The childhood sweethearts in Tokyo. For a honeymoon trip they will come to this city, where Yamada will meet Willie Hoppe in championship billiard contests.

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80,000 to See Gladiators in Toledo Arena

Mammoth Bowl to Cost \$150,000; Four Times Size Jeff-Johnson Plant

TOLEDO, June 28.—Thrusting its raw, yellow skeleton skyward, the huge bowl-shaped arena, costing \$150,000 and originally planned to seat 60,000 persons, is rapidly nearing completion for the contest between Willard and Dempsey.

The arena is located in Bay View Park, a municipally owned plot of ground sixty acres in extent and directly north four miles from the heart of the city. Before being turned over to Tex Rickard, promoter of the championship contest, the park had been used as a recreation centre, and the arena rests on the site of two baseball diamonds.

On the north side of the park is Maumee Bay, and to the east is the Maumee River. Encircling the plot is a road of crushed stone. The park is of artificial construction, most of it being filled-in land, but it is ideally situated in every respect. It is perfectly flat and treeless, making the work of the engineers constructing the arena easier than it otherwise would have been.

Some idea of the immensity of the arena may be obtained from the fact that it is four times as large as the arena in which Jack Johnson battered Jim Jeffries to defeat in Reno, Nev., and capable of seating four times as many persons.

1,750,000 Feet of Lumber Approximately 1,750,000 feet of lumber has been used in the structure. Not a bolt has been used, the entire building being held together by nails, of which two carloads, or 30,000 pounds, have been driven. A new lumber yard has entered into the construction, and this will be sold after the contest.

Precautions for safety have been taken in the construction. Careful tests were made of the ground to find out whether it could carry the great human weight which would rest upon it, and the carrying capacity of the lumber and the tensile strength of the nails were determined, and a margin was allowed for safety.

Although the structure was originally planned for 60,000 persons, a load of 80,000 persons was taken as the basis of the estimate, and instead of allowing 175 pounds per person, as is done in ordinary construction for "live loads," an average of 200 pounds was taken. This gave a total "live load" of 8,000 tons, but to allow even a further amount of safety margin construction was based on 10,000 tons.

As an insurance against any settling should rainy weather on the day of the fight, or even a few days before, cause the arena to settle slightly, heavy footings were used. This meant an additional expense of about \$3,500, but Promoter Rickard decided it would be cheap for the greater safety afforded.

Four Grand Entrances Nor is the actual safety of the spectators the only thing which has been considered. Every effort has been made to make it certain every ticket holder will get the seat to which his ticket entitles him. To the care of the big crowd of seats will be four grand entrances, one each at the north, south, east and west side of the arena.

At each of these will be four runways, one to settle slightly, heavy footings were used. This meant an additional expense of about \$3,500, but Promoter Rickard decided it would be cheap for the greater safety afforded.

Several hundred discharged soldiers, all having seen service in France, will act as ushers and guards at the arena. They will be armed. Bank clerks have been engaged by Promoter Rickard in handling the ticket sales at the arena and at the downtown headquarters on the day of the contest.

Precautions against "rushing" at the arena also have been taken. Outside the arena, which is 200 feet across, a barbed wire fence, or entanglement eight feet high and a half mile long, to keep the crowd away from the entrances. Closer to the arena will be a board fence twelve feet high, surmounted by barbed wire, which at the top of the arena itself will be a five-foot fence of barbed wire, with armed guards stationed every twenty-five feet.

The \$10, \$15, \$25, and \$50 seats also will be separated from each other by barbed wire to prevent occupants of one section moving into better seats.

How Seats Are Arranged There will not be a stairway in the entire arena, which is 200 feet across. Entrance to the various sections will be along inclined runways, with a grade of one foot to every six feet, making the climb scarcely noticeable. The runways to the \$10 seats, which will be thirty feet from the ground, will be 180 feet in length.

An allowance of eighteen inches seat-way has been made for each ticket-holder. The rows will be two feet apart for all seats cheaper than \$50 and eight inches more for the \$50 and \$60 seats. The seats themselves will be ten inches in width, giving four seats to a row, except between rows. The only difference between the cheapest seat and the top-priced row is that the latter allow slightly more leg room.

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