PREDICTIONS FOR 1921 ARE THAT CY PERKINS WILL WIN THE AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

37-YEAR-OLD MENUS BEDELL AND OUTSIDER KAISER RIDE TO WINS IN POINT BREEZE BIKE CLASSICS

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL
Sports Editor of the Evening Public Ledger

TWENTY years in the game and a champion at thirty-seven. That is the record of Menus Bedell, the grand old man of the bicycle.

An outsider in every race in which he has competed this year and a winner of the largest purse grind offered this season—that is the record of Harry Kaiser, the New York speed boy.

A cold wind cut across the field at the Point Breeze Velodrome last night and some ten thousand odd spectators cuddled in the stands as Bedell, the dark horse, rode himself and his trusty bike to the highest notch in American pedaling, and Kaiser, an odds-against sprinter, sped to victory over a field of the greatest short-distance performers in the world.

The speed displayed by the veteran Bedell belied his thirty-seven years. His sturdy legs pedaled so fast that they tested the power of the motor controlled by his pace-setter, Norman Anderson, and shattered his own record for an hour's race. The Long Island grinder not only copped the American fifty-mile motor-paced championship, but in so doing set up a new mark of forty-four miles and five and three-quarter laps for sixty minutes of riding. But that's not the half of it. There'll be more later.

Kaiser, rated by his competitors as a sprinter scarcely worthy of serious attention, slipped by the fastest turned out by the bike game and won the $1000-sprint match race with a perfect score. One couldn't say it was the speed of his legs or his bike that carried him to victory. True enough, the strength of his trim legs had considerable to do with his triumph, but it was the gray matter above the shoulders that mainly was responsible for his win and enlarged bank-roll.

But to get back to Bedell. The Long Islander not only broke the hour record, but probably would have cracked the fifty-hour figures had it not been for a puncture on the last mile. Just as Referee Jack Roden pulled his gun for the last six laps, Bedell's front wheel wobbled, his tire hissed—it was the only hiss of the evening—and went flat. He took a chance on doing a hop, step and jump on his neck as he slowed down to leap off his wheel, grab another and get away on the restart. He lost nothing in the way of distance, for every rider was allowed four laps to change bikes for a puncture, but he lost enough in time to prevent him from getting a new mark for the half-century. However, that meant nothing. He got one record and a championship. That was enough. The stop watch showed he did the fifty miles in 1 hour, 7 minutes 41 2-5 seconds.

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BEDELL was not the only record performer. Pete Moeskops, the champion of Holland, who was listed as one of Kaiser's—Harry's, not Wilhelm's—victims, rode one lap in 16 2-5 seconds, which is one-fifth of a second under the mark set by Kaiser a week ago.

Champion Carman Dethroned

BEDELL copped the American title with the old champion, Clarence Carman, in the grind. Carman was forced to quit, but it wasn't his fault. He drew Johnny Schlee at a pacemaker and did well until Schlee's motor went bad. George Chapman also had trouble. He had first choice of all the wind-shielders and picked Norman Anderson. There was nothing wrong with Anderson's motor, for he later led Bedell to victory, but his chain broke on the fifteenth mile and the seat on his second bike insisted on rising to a point. He withdrew after the seventeenth mile.

The race was scarcely under way before Carman shot out to the lead and it looked like a repeater for the 1919 champion. Carman turned in 13 minutes 35 2-5 seconds for the first ten miles. Then Schlee's engine started to give an exhibition of miss and out and Carman was forced to the rear. George Wiley, with the peerless Jimmy Hunter shielding him from the wind, shot to the front. Bedell in the meantime found himself pacing Eddie Stein instead of being paced by the Bostonian star. As soon as Anderson was relieved of dragging "Hard-luck" Chapman over the boards, Stein slipped out and Anderson picked up the ultimate winner.

Bedell was leading at the end of forty miles, which were covered in 53:21 1-5, and the timers and judges kept their eyes glued on the riders as they hoped and watched for a new record. The hour mark was passed as Bedell was within a quarter of a lap of forty-five miles. This surpassed the veteran's old record of forty-four and a half miles, made at Point Breeze earlier in the season.

The crowd moaned as Bedell was seen to wobble at the start of the last long mile because of his puncture, but it was only a matter of minutes before he was mounted on another bike and away to complete the six laps. The veteran was given a great hand as the time and record was announced.

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HUNTER brought Wiley into second place, five laps behind Bedell and Eddie Root paced Percy Lawrence into third money, ten laps behind the winner.

Kaiser's Perfect Average

THE sprint match race was run in four heats and with three riders in each heat. Every competitor was in three heats and the winner was decided on points, first place counting five, second three and third two. Kaiser landed the honors in every race in which he performed, thus gaining a perfect average.

Moeskops, with one first, one second and a third, took second money with ten points and Willie Spencer, the Canadian champion, who won the $1000 race last year, was third with two seconds and a third. Alfred Coulett was fourth.

It was a revenge race for Kaiser, who earlier in the season was trimmed by Spencer. The Canadian has asked for a return match with the New Yorker and has been placed in a match with his rival for tomorrow night. In addition there will be a team match race of thirty-five miles between Clarence Carman and George Colombatto and Frank Corry and George Chapman.

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THE Drome won many new friends last night, for among the spectators were several who never before had seen the riders on the new track. Among these were George F. Pawling, Herman Meyer and Charles Meehls, Jr., who were under the guidance of Jimmy Carolan and Bob Moore. Bob Rhoad and Frank Webster, who traveled from Chestnut Hill to view the proceedings. Rhoad is the father of Rodney Rhoad, the former Central Park oarsman and football player, who now is a member of the Lehigh gridiron squad.

George Morgan, the South Philadelphia fan, took particular interest in the amateur handicap. His excitement was so marked as Jake Ozlek pedaled to a win in the simon-pure event that his blond mustache started to sag in the middle and droop at the ends until aid was administered in the form of wax support.

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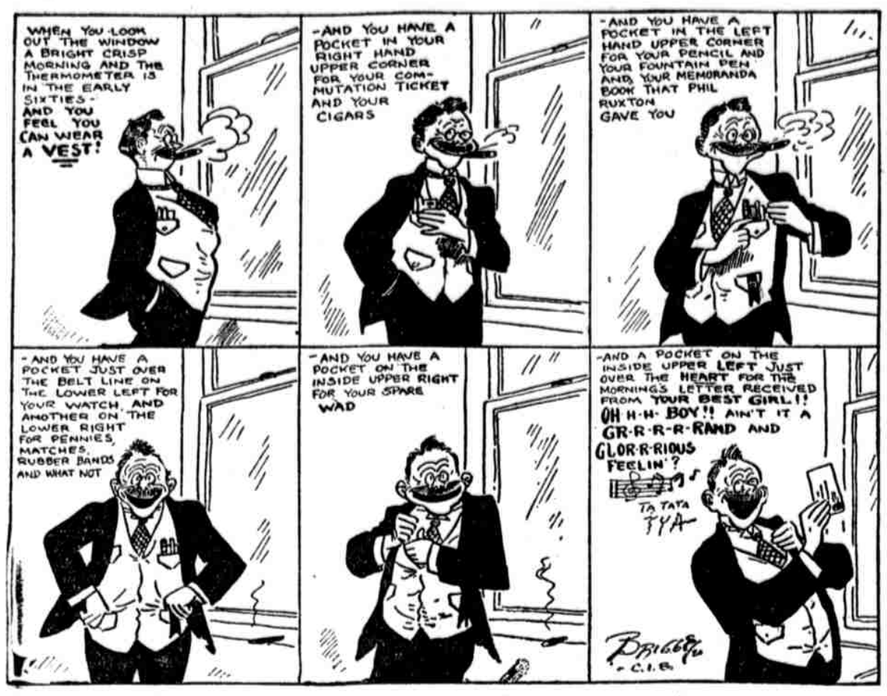
AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?



BRITISH HAVE GOLFED 1.000 IN INTERNATIONAL TOURNEYS

But Our Amateur Line-Up Looks Too Strong for Invading Youngsters in Fifth Great Links Event of Season

By SANDY McNIBLICK

ON FOUR international golf championships already decided this season the British have scored the round average of 1.000. No slide-rule is necessary to figure that this is a convincing, not to say impressive, percentage.

Golf apparently remains the one international sport where America trails Great Britain. Invading Britons have been consistently successful in our championships. They have won the women's, the open and the amateur over here. Only once has an American been successful abroad, that being when Walter Travis won the British amateur.

In our amateur commencing Monday, the British entry is the strongest it ever was, both in numbers and talent, according to the statistics at hand.

Besides their champion, Cyril Tolley, they have entered two players, both of whom abroad are considered better than Tolley.

Roger H. Wethered, of Christ Church, Oxford, played No. 1 on the champion Oxford team, ahead of Tolley at No. 2, and Wethered was considered an even better golfer than Tolley.

Armour Tops

Better than either was ranked Tom Armour, who was the real favorite abroad to win the British championship, and who did beat Tolley in the French championship.

Lord Charles Hope, the fourth member of the British delegation here, is another top-notch amateur abroad, and the question arises whether one of these four sterling players will not wade through the American field again.

Somehow, in the dazzling list of our own talent this year, the Britons' entry has not excited all the interest and anxiety it apparently deserves. They are only a sidelight in the brilliant field.

With not a single important absentee throughout the amateur talent of all countries, the American championship will have all the ear-marks of, and should actually carry the amateur championship of the world.

Wethered Good Prospect

If Armour can beat Tolley, we would personally like to see Wethered in action before making any prediction on the chances of the Britons.

Bob Gardner was said, by all who saw the British finals at Muirfield, to have "thrown away" his chance of beating Tolley there and winning the British title by his putting. In America we have about five players who could beat Gardner fairly consistently.

Tolley is of the Herron type, a great, plump young giant of the links, hitting a powerful ball and playing a masterful game throughout, but not by any means unbeatable.

Tom Armour is one of the best-dressed players we have seen and as handsome as they come. At Toledo in the national championship, he was a symphony. Light blue outing shirt with a dark blue tie and vivid blue stockings made a neat combination for his athletic form, jet black hair and well-tanned, fine features.

But his game lacks a punch and decisiveness which finished him far down and did not furnish much of a comparison with Bobby Jones or Chick Evans who were both up among the prize winners of the fastest field that ever competed in our open.

Young Players

The four British players are youngsters, fresh to their honors, and with the exception of Armour, will have had little chance to get acclimated before the classic starts Monday.

The chances, by and large, we should say are that it will take superhuman golf gifts for them to lay low the superb field against which they will tee off on Monday.

All praise to these young British cousins if they succeed.

"The handwriting" was, perhaps, written on the eighteenth green at Roslyn, after Francis Ouimet's first round, when he took four putts there. It is estimated that putts will cut up 60 per cent of the strokes to qualify. Suppose you come to the eighteenth with a four to qualify and make the green in two. You still have to putt, and many say the putting par at the Engineers is four, bogey six.

Dave Herron's third try at Roslyn resulted in an 80, and Grantland Rice, his partner, said Herron played exceptionally steady golf.

WESTVILLE READY FOR HOLIDAY MEET

Labor Day Track Events Will Include Big Baseball Game

Virtually every track and field athlete of note has entered the big holiday meet which will be held under the auspices of the Victory Athletic Club, of Westville, N. J., at that place on the morning of Labor Day. About $500 in prizes, consisting of silver loving cups, gold, silver and bronze medals and gold bar pins, will be distributed among the winners.

The meet is an open one, with the exception of several events for members of the Victory club. The entry list is still open, and applications will be received by the secretary. The program will begin at 12:15 p. m., and among the numbers are fifty and 100-yard races for girls, and also a one-mile relay between members of the Victory A. C. and members of Elwood P. Tice Post No. 98, American Legion, of Westville.

There will also be running and standing high jump, 100 and 220-yard dash, open and closed; shot-put, running and standing broad jump, tug-of-war, sack race, slow bicycle race, fat men's race, human wheelbarrow race, shoe race for boys under 16 years, and three-legged race. In the morning Victory A. C. and the O. U. A. M., of Gloucester, will play a game of baseball.

BURMAN SCORES A K. O.

Despite Handicap in Weight, Bobby Stows Away Mendaleer at Shore

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 3.—Eddie "Nig" Hayes coached Bobby Burman, of Philadelphia, to a four-round knockout over Marty Mendaleer, of Newark, N. J., here last night. Burman weighted 123 pounds while his opponent tipped the beam at 134½. Despite the disadvantage in weight the Philadelphian showed to advantage throughout and finished the bout with a right hook to the jaw, laying out the Newark boxer for the full count.

Rock Ford, of Philadelphia, and Johnny Ray, of Atlantic City, staged a sensational eight-round bout with the former a winner. They were rematched to meet in two weeks.

Charley Reed knocked out Johnny Kid Emerick in the third, and Johnny Vale won from Sammy Robinson.

You Auto Know

A fairly stiff spray of water from the garden hose serves well to wash the wheels, runninggear and mudguards, but will drive sand and dirt into the varnish of the body, ruining its lustrous finish so that no amount of polishing and rubbing will restore it.

If you would really appreciate the strain on the motor that is taken up by leaving the clutch in neutral instead of set in gear just try cranking the car with the clutch set in gear and then try the clutch in neutral.

More fan-belt trouble results from belts being too tight rather than too loose. A belt that is too tight has a tendency to draw one of the pulleys out of line, causing the belt to run against the flange of the pulleys, fraying the edges, and at high speeds climbing the flange and destroying itself. With the proper tension in the belt there should be no appreciable wear in either belt or pulleys.

Owners of cars containing small-bore six-cylinder engines sometimes complain of the difficulty of obtaining proper idling. The owner usually assumes that the carburetor is at fault. As a matter of fact the trouble is usually caused by the spark-plug gaps being set too close. This causes the motor to roll when idling with all the symptoms of loading. By increasing the spark gaps and cleaning the plugs the trouble can be remedied.

A motorist will always find in the roadside emergency that his tubes are in the same serviceable condition as when he placed them in the car if he will carefully wrap them in soft cloth or paper so that they cannot slide around in the wrapping. Better even than this, however, is the purchase of a tube bag. It is not only excellent but cheap insurance against tube cutting and chaffing.

CURTIS TO MEET BUDD

Dual Athletic Meet Will Be Held Labor Day

Another of the dual athletic meets which have proven so popular this season at the Curtis Country Club has been arranged for Labor Day, when employes of the Curtis Publishing Co. will encounter members of the E. G. Budd organization in friendly rivalry.

The track and field games should be especially interesting. Curtis has been going like a house afire, winning seven victories without a defeat. Budd is making every preparation to stop the Curtis streak. Morris, Budd's most reliable point snarer, has been entered in no less than four events—the sprints, the quarter and the broad jump.

Fine relay competition is expected. The Curtis four—Greenberg, Baron, Piana and Brueker—will oppose Mikresky, Fine, Greenwood and Morris. There also will be events and prizes for the girls.

Five Leading Batters in Two Major Leagues

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Player Club	G.	AB.	R.	H.	P.C.
Sisler, St. Louis	122	492	102	195	.396
Speaker, Cleveland	121	445	116	174	.391
Jackson, Chicago	121	470	82	177	.377
Ruth, New York	117	374	134	140	.374
E. Collins, Chicago	125	493	95	180	.365

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Player Club	G.	AB.	R.	H.	P.C.
Hornsby, St. Louis	121	460	77	172	.367
Roush, Cincinnati	120	460	60	154	.335
Young, New York	126	486	79	162	.333
J. Smith, St. Louis	85	296	51	97	.328
Stock, St. Louis	127	514	76	168	.327

FABER "COMES BACK," WHILE SALLEE FLIES

White Sox "Red Head," Who Was Failure Last Season, Does Good Work This Year—Reds' Star of 1919 Hits the Skids

By GRANTLAND RICE

Approaching

The melancholy days are near,
When, minus baseball, booze and beer,
The sad-eyed fan can only mope
And grapple with the winter dope.

How long the winter session seems
Without the standing of the teams,
Where box scores no more fill their space
As cobwebs grow on "Babe" Ruth's mace.

A Tale of Two Pitchers

IF THE White Sox win again—and the Reds don't win again—many reasons may be advanced explaining the situation.

But you will likely find the best answer in a tale of two pitchers.

These two pitchers are Slim Sallee and Red Faber.

Last year Faber won something like three or four ball games. He was almost as much help as one of the steel girders supporting a grandstand roof. But early this season, when the Sox were not counted on because their morale was supposed to be badly warped and Cicotte's effectiveness was supposed to be crimped by the removal of the shine ball, Mr. Faber steps in again.

Where he won three or four games in 1919 he has already turned in nineteen victories for the current year

He has won more games than Kerr, as many as Williams and within one of Cicotte's mark.

In the opposite sector consider the case of the Reds. Last year Slim Sallee, the left-handed sheriff, turned in twenty-one victories for the Red cause.

So far this season Sallee has checked in precisely five victories. The big deficit from last year is sufficient in itself to cause a terrific slump.

Moran's Uphill Fight

IN addition to Sallee, both Eller and Fisher skidded from last year's heights, and the wonder is that Sir Patrick has done as well as he has.

When three of your five leading pitchers become ensconced upon the greased chute in one campaign it is no light task to keep your machine properly geared.

Where three Red pitchers headed the parade last year, now Reuther, the best of the Reds, is as far down as eighth among the main winners. Quite a difference. Plus.

The Record Carnival

GOLF'S record carnival gets under way on Saturday at the Engineers' Club with the international match between the United States and Canada.

On Sunday the warfare is continued for the American golfer trophy and on Monday a long parade of champions and ex-champions start from the first tee in the thirty-six-hole qualifying test.

No one can recall in the history of golf as many various champions as this Scotian carnival will offer.

The list includes Herron, champion of the United States; Tolley, British champion; Armour, French champion; Crier, Canadian champion, and at least fifteen others who have collected titles in various sections and districts between San Francisco and New York. It will be the year's leading international exhibit on this side of the Atlantic, second in its broad scope only to the Olympic games.

CHARLEY MORAN is about ready to trade the blue shirt of an umpire for the gray sweater of a college coach. What between ducking bottles one day and building up a football machine the next, life for him is about 98 per cent of a sporting nature. He will have most of his Center College line-up back, which indicates that on or around the afternoon of October 23 Harvard will have a spicy time of it finishing first.

The Three Best

EACH fan has his favorite pitcher, but if one can name a better trio than Alexander, Bagby and Shocker on the 1920 rating he will have to discover a new brand of dope.

These three have done the best pitching of the year. Bagby heads the list, but Shocker is only a half-breadth back, and that working with a ball club out of the race.

Alexander is the only National Leaguer who has turned in more than twenty victories. The Nebraskan had hopes of rounding up thirty conquests this season, but the chances are that he won't.

These three will likely be the only pitchers able to win as many as twenty-five games. Bagby is the only one left with a chance to make it thirty, but he can't afford to do much skidding in the four weeks left.

PITCHING may be 60 per cent of baseball, as many claim, but if a club with Alexander, Young, Hendrix and Tyler can't run one, two, three, and may be four, what is the correct answer?

FIRST call for the pessimistic chorus from nineteen college gridirons where the main slogan is: "Coach Hoozis is confronted by a difficult task this fall."

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Amateur Sports

THE White Oaks claim the championship of South Philadelphia among second class baseball teams and is open to meet any team in this city that disputes the claim. Woul like especially to tackle Wilson, Victory A. C., Merrill, Dunkirk A. C. and Ferko. Address Joseph D. Emehick, 2420 South Third street, or phone Oregon 7638.

The Tinney A. C. is open for games at home on Labor Day, morning and afternoon or any date in September or October. Address G. Trout, 4820 Parrish street.

Auburn A. C. (away) has September 4, 5 and 6 open. Phone A. Londis, Diamond 7340.

Germantown Collegians (away), open for Labor Day (two games). Phone Len Fisher, Wyoming 4258 R.

St. Raphael's Travelers (away) would like to arrange game with teams sixteen-seventeen years old. Address J. J. McDevitt, Jr., 700 Brewster avenue, or phone Woodland 5539 W.

An outfielder would like to connect with a first-class home or traveling team playing for the sport. Address Ball Player, 1117 Filbert street.

West Philadelphia Professionals (away) has September 12 and 19 open. Address Clarence Kahmer, 1548 North Redfield street.

Cameron Professionals (away). Address George Edwards, 3439 North Eighteenth street.

Kensington A. C. (away), has Labor Day open for two games. Phone Joe Hartley, Kensington 2651.

Jasper F. C. (away) has September 4 open. Phone B. H. Sattler, Kensington 4512 after 7:30 p. m.

New York Ship at Pencoyd

"Wid" Conroy and his band of New York Ship baseball players will be the opponents of Pencoyd Iron Works tomorrow afternoon on the latter's ground at Ridge avenue and Park drive. Manager Schofield will pick Pete Liebert, while Devine probably will be the choice of the visitors. Two games are on the calendar at Pencoyd on Labor Day, the home team playing Flat Rock for the neighborhood championship in the morning and Atlantic Refining in the afternoon.

TEACHER AND PUPIL MAY BOX FOR TITLE SOME DAY

Leonard, the Professor, Likely to Meet Benjamin, the Student, for Lightweight Crown if Benny Can Train Down to "133"

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

JUST like in the world of tennisdom, when our own Bill Tilden met his pupil, Vincent Richards, on the courts at Forest Hills yesterday, there may come a time in the field of fisticuffs when a tutor vs. scholar fracas for a world's title will be held. Benny Leonard has had Joe Benjamin, of California, under his tutelage for more than a year. The latter has proved himself a pugilistic possibility of major caliber, and who can tell but a day may come when scholar will up and attempt to sock his teacher on the chin for keeps?

Still there may be a sort of hinge in the clinching of a Leonard-Benjamin match. It is being doubted near and far as to whether Leonard can still make the lightweight limit. According to a New York man interested in the sport, Leonard has admitted that he has outgrown the division of which he is the titleholder. In this event, and if Leonard really is a welterweight, there would be a wild and interesting scramble for that diadem in that class.

However, if Benjamin can go along, improve in his boxing by the teaching of Leonard and prove that he is entitled to recognition, in the case of an elimination tournament it still might result in the Californian stepping in to the shoes of his tutor.

Kid Williams has been training more faithfully than at any time in his career—even while he was the boss of the bantams. It is the former Baltimorean's ambition to regain his lost crown and he is about to make a desperate attempt to prove this fall that he is entitled to a match for the title. His next bout is to be with Sammy Sandow, of Cincinnati, at Baltimore, twelve rounds, September 17.

Willie Britt left for Baltimore this morning with Benny Rothdeal, who is to meet Mickey Dougherty in an eight-round semi-final to the Kid Norfolk-Jamaica Kid twelve-rounder. Britt says that he has matched Dave Astey to meet Tommy Joyce ten rounds at Toronto, Can., September 24. On the 15th Astey boxes Martin Judge at the National here.

Martin Judge is to go on in another fifteen-round tilt. The clever little Manayunker will clash with Marty Kane, John Blake's champion, at West Manayunk on Tuesday night. A big advance sale is reported by Pete Tyrell for this show, which is to include an eight-rounder between Benny Dechelis and Joe Murphy, a six-round mix bringing together Young Jack Dillon and Joe Whitehead, a four rounder and a battle royal.

Charley Williams, trainer for Maxie Williamson says that Jack Perry is due for his first black eye when these bantam bearcats clash in Chick Janetti's special show at the Gray's Ferry A. C. Monday afternoon. This is to be the headliner of a six-bout program, other bouts being as follows: Tommy Murray vs. Tommy Buck, Little Bear vs. Charley Ray, Jack Diamond vs. Bushy Caspar, Kid Beebe vs. Batting Stinger, and Matty Barratt vs. Johnny O'Neil.

Little Bear has been matched by Herman Hindin for a ten-round bout with Indian Russell at Harrisburg September 10. Hindin also is dickering for a match between K. O. Ransom and Bob Mohs of Milwaukee. Hersch turned down a match for Ransom to fight Clay Turner because of a financial difference.

Steve Marcoe has matched two of his wards for bouts at Atlantic City on Monday night. They are Sammy Gold and Johnny Downer, who will meet Johnny Perkins, six rounds, and Johnny Griffin, eight rounds, respectively.

Knockout Sullivan is now making his home in New Brunswick, N. J., but he will come to Philadelphia when the regular season starts. Sullivan is anxious to get on in a match with Knockout Sansom.

Georgie Reynolds is booked for two bouts. He will meet Pete Latzo at Hazleton, September 14, and Johnny Mahoney, at Mt. Carmel, three nights later. Georgie's brother, Al, has been offered a date with Steve Latzo at Wilkes-Barre.

Eddie Mandrews has resumed training. There has been some talk of a twenty-round bout between Eddie and Frank Loughrey and McAndrews says he wants to be on edge if such a contest is to be made. Several weeks ago McAndrews and Loughrey staged a sensational fifteen-round set-to.

Frank Poth has returned from his combined training, hunting and fishing trip through the New England states and Canada. In Poth's party were Jack Hagan, Hughey McGloon and George Bowers.

Jack Smith, middleweight of North Penn, is thinking seriously of making a comeback. He is to be handled by Jack Hagan.

Al Thompson, former marine, has been keeping himself in shape by acting in the capacity of athletic instructor at the Vare School. He will be prepared for top-notch lightweight competition this fall.

Young Lawrence, the Camden southpaw, will step into the limelight as a windup principal at the Cambria tomorrow night. He will meet Preston Brown in an eight-round contest. Other bouts: Walter Rennie vs. Freddy Turner, Frank Yarchan vs. George Ward, Johnny Royce vs. Sammy Gold, and Joe Kelly vs. Jimmy Dolan.

Al Lippe wired from Halifax, N. S., that Jeff Smith, despite a handicap in weight had a cinch against George Robinson, a light heavyweight in fifteen rounds. Smith, according to Lippe, won all the way.

LEONARD SPEEDING UP

Champion Boxes With Benjamin for Bout With Loughlin

There will hardly be a chance of Knockout Loughlin catching Champion Benny Leonard off his guard next Friday night when they clash in their scheduled 12-round bout at the reopening of the Camden Sportsmen Club. Promoter Herman Taylor last night received word from New York that the titleholder was training for speed rather than for hard hitting.

Loughlin is of the one-punch knockout type. If he succeeds in catching Leonard flatfooted for a solitary second a single wallop on the point of the chin by Loughlin would upset Leonard.

In order to work up in his footwork Leonard is sparring every day with Joe Benjamin, the clever California lightweight. Benjamin is to appear on the same program. Benjamin's opponent will be Frankie Conifrey. This bout is to be the semifinal and for ten rounds.

Joe Burman will meet Joe O'Donnell in an eight-round match. In the opener Tommy Touchey will clash with Johnny Mealy.

WILLS TO CHALLENGE CHAMP

McVey Proves His K. O. Wallop by Stopping Ward

Sam McVey, the hard-hitting colored heavyweight, who scored a two-round knockout over Jack Ward in Atlanta a few nights ago, will be the battler who will oppose Harry Wills, the knockout conqueror of Fred Fulton, in the main eight-round battle at the opening show of the Ice Palace on Wednesday night.

Wills is due to leave tonight for Benton Harbor, Mich., where he officially will challenge Dempsey when the champion steps into the ring against Billy Miske on Labor Day afternoon.

Jimmy Murphy, the West Philadelphia lightweight, will be seen in the eight-round semi-windup against Jack Palmer. Two other good bouts will be on the same card.

George F. Pawling, president of the Ice Palace, will show the best boxing talent in the country before the indoor season is over. Champions and near champions will be on the program.

JACK DEMPSEY
Heavyweight Champion
Will Defend His Title Against
BILLY MISKE
at Benton Harbor, Mich.
LABOR DAY
BOB MAXWELL
(You Know Bob)
Will Be at the Ringside and Will Wire a Real Account of the Fight to the
Evening Public Ledger

RAIN WON'T STOP BIG TITLE FIGHT

Dempsey and Miske Will Meet in Benton Harbor Regardless of Weather

Benton Harbor, Mich., Sept. 3.—Rain will not cause a postponement of the heavyweight championship contest between Jack Dempsey and Billy Miske, set for Monday afternoon, Promoter Fitzsimmons announced today. The ring and a large part of the open-air arena will be covered with a huge canvas early on the day of the fight if the weather is threatening and the heavyweight rivals will go into the ring on schedule time no matter if there is a downpour.

The referee situation is expected to be cleared up today with the arrival of Thomas Bigger, chairman of the state athletic commission. Jack Kearns, manager of the champion, said he would insist upon naming an official of his own selection.

Promoter Fitzsimmons said that the advance sale had reached $50,000, and that indications were favorable for a total sale of $150,000.

The work of raising the ring eighteen inches has been completed and a barbed wire fence has been built around the entire arena.

Promotor Fitzsimmons said that in order to prevent $5 general admission seats from falling into the hands of speculators, it has been decided not to place these seats on sale until the morning of the contest.

Only a few scattering wagers have been made on the outcome of the match. There is plenty of Dempsey money in sight, but the Miske dollars are scarce. One wager of $5000 at even money that Miske would stay the limit was snatched up quickly. One bet of $10,000 to $8000 was recorded that Dempsey would win.

George A. Barton, a sporting editor of Minneapolis, who referred the first fight between Champion Dempsey and Miske at St. Paul in May, 1918, in an interview today, said Miske held Dempsey to a draw in their ten-round encounter.

"Those who gave the fight to Dempsey," Barton said, "based their decision on the seventh round, in which Jack hit Billy on the chin with a terrific right uppercut. If the blow had floored Miske or if he had been forced to run or clinch to save himself the sporting writers might have been justified in awarding the contest to Dempsey.

"Miske was not forced to run or clinch in order to save himself. Instead he came right back with a rush and drove Dempsey all over the ring.

Motorcycle Races
Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 6th at 2 P. M.
At Belmont Driving Park
(Not in Fairmount Park)
6—Thrilling Events—6
A Race of Ladies Only

SHIBE PARK
BASEBALL TODAY, 3:30 P. M.
ATHLETICS vs. WASHINGTON
Reserved Seats at Gimbels and Spaldings

The Big Battles Are On
Indoor Boxing Season Opens at ICE PALACE
45th and Market Sts.
WED. NIGHT, SEPT. 8
Harry Wills vs. Sam McVey
Jimmy Murphy vs. Jack Palmer
(Two Other Good Bouts)
All Eight-Round Battles
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