

# Jack Renault Is Substituted for McAuliffe as Herman's Opponent September 20

## First Match Not Hard Enough for Omaha Battler

### Renault Considered One of Four Best Heavies in Country Since Brennan's Setback.

Jack Renault, conqueror of Billy Miske, Fred Altom and numerous other heavyweights, will box Tiny Herman in the main event of the American Legion's fistic program, to be given at the Auditorium September 20.

Renault has been substituted for Jack McAuliffe II of Detroit when investigation of the latter's record convinced Legion officials and state boxing officials that the Detroit boxer was not "stiff enough" competition for Herman.

Until Bill Brennan was mowed down by Luis Firpo recently, Renault played "second fiddle" to Brennan in the famous Leo Flynn stable. With Brennan out of the game, Renault was given more and more chance to make good and responded by defeating every opponent set before him. Recently he shattered the hopes of Jack Johnson for a new negro champion by stopping George Godfrey, Johnson's "black hope," in four rounds.

The match between Herman and Renault was one of the elimination contests sought by Tex Rickard in an attempt to determine a new opponent for Jack Dempsey, if the champion defeated Firpo next Friday.

Renault, since Brennan has been pushed to the back number class, is considered by many critics as one of the four best heavies in the game, ranking next to Dempsey, Gibbons and Firpo.

Despite the increased expense of securing Renault as Herman's opponent, the bout will be presented, at popular prices, with tickets going on sale Monday, announced Robert T. Burns, chairman of the Legion finance committee.

## Joie Ray Wins Brilliant Race in Gotham Meet

Yankee Stadium, New York, Sept. 8.—A spectacular mile race by Joie Ray, two flashing sprint victories by Loren Murchison and the establishment of a new American record on the 440-yard "grid" relay, stood out against a background of brilliant performances this afternoon by a galaxy of international track and field stars in the Wilco Athletic Association's preolympic carnival. Finished in a downpour of rain that turned the track into a sea of mud, the meet brought together approximately 150 athletes from many parts of the country, as well as England and Sweden.

Ray, running under the colors of the Illinois A. C. hung up the fastest time for the mile recorded on American tracks in several seasons when he distanced a small field that gave him practically no opposition after the first quarter mile. Having the benefit of the dry track that prevailed early in the afternoon the doughty little Chicago runner was clocked in 4 minutes 14.5 seconds, leading his nearest rival, Walter Maunz, a Buffalo school boy, by 125 yards. The time was only 2.5 seconds slower than the recognized world mark of 4:12.5 held by Norman Taber.

**New Record Established.**  
The only new record of the day went to the credit of the Meadowbrook club's quartet in the 440-yard relay, their time of 52.45 seconds, displacing the former American mark of 52.45 made by the University of Southern California last year. The downpour that set in shortly afterward spoiled all further chances of record-breaking for the afternoon.

Harry F. V. Edward, English sprinting champion, made his American competitive debut in these two events but failed to show his best form. Apparently not yet rid of his "sea legs," Edward, a rangy negro, was eliminated in the first heat of the 110 meter high hurdles which was captured by C. G. Kroeger of San Francisco, former Harvard athlete.

**East Beats West.**  
The east carried off honors in two of the three match relay races with the west, all of which developed keen competition despite the fact that they were run in a steady downpour. The east won the 400 and 1,600 meter races, while the west captured the 5,000 meter event.

Ascher of Chicago, running the first relay for the west in the 400 meter event, slipped on a turn and lost 10 yards that his teammates were unable to make up. The University of Iowa quartet represented the west in the 1,600 meter race and lost by less than 10 yards. J. W. Driscoll of Boston standing off a spirited challenge by Eric Erikson, Iowa, anchor man, in the last relay.

The distance relay, in which the Illinois A. C. carried the west's baton against an all-eastern combination, was marred by the fact that the first three men on each team ran a lap short of the required distance, thus lessening the distance of the race by approximately 1,200 yards.

## Merry-Go-Round of Sport Shorts

Alexander Alekhine, famous Russian chess expert, and winner of many continental tournaments, will visit the United States soon.

King Alfonso, under the name of the Duke of Toledo, has entered four horses in the racing events at the fashionable San Sabastian resort.

H. R. Cole has been named coach of the football team at the Alabama Polytechnic institute. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan.

Coach Zuppke of the University of Illinois football team, plans to discard the ghost ball in football workouts this season.

Opening odds in betting on Dempsey's chances to retain his world's heavyweight title have been quoted at 3 to 1. Dempsey meets Firpo next Friday at the Polo Grounds.

Lewis Young, new football coach at the University of Pennsylvania, believes that a few plays worked well are better than many in which the players are not so well trained.

Reports from Princeton, N. J., indicate that the Notre Dame-Princeton game on October 20 will pack the Princeton stadium. Already large advance orders for tickets have been received.

The women's national golf championship tournament will be held at Westchester-Baltimore club, September 30 to October 6. Glenna Collett will play in defense of her title.

Ritchie and Pinky Mitchell, Milwaukee fighters, may enter the movies to take parts in a boxing picture which is to be produced in California soon.

Ping Bodie, former Washington player, is to try his fortune in the pitcher's box. Ping is now playing with the Vernon club of the Pacific Coast league and has appeared in a few games as relief pitcher.

The Sacramento club has a battery of brothers. Spec Shea is one of the best right handers on the Pacific coast and his brother Marvin is a sub backstop on the same club.

Bad legs may force Walter Johnson, picturesque pitching figure with the Washington club of the American league, to retire from baseball next season. Rumors are that he may take over the management of the Washington club.

Bee Want Ads produce results.

## Polo Grounds Is a Sure Jinx for Some Champions

### Four Champions Have Lost Their Fistic Crowns in Baseball Stadium This Year.

By RALPH WAGNER.

INTERESTED fistic gents who blink their eyes and wrinkle their foreheads when they hear the names of Dempsey and Firpo mentioned, believe William Harrison Dempsey, sometimes called Jack, will be knocked flatter than a restaurant pancake when he mingles with Senior Firpo next Friday night before the fistic populace of one New York City and vicinity.

Throwing "form," on which most folks base their selections, to the seven different winds and breezes, the superstitious insist a Firpo victory is in the cards. Why? Continue, dear reader.

This Dempsey-Firpo affair, which is causing considerable interest among the hard-working men of this country, you know by this time, will be staged in the Polo Grounds in New York City. It will be the fifth leather-slinging affair for a fistic championship held in the baseball stadium this summer, and—a title changed mits in each of the previous four contests. If the jinx which has caused the other champions who have fallen runs true to form Dempsey will, of course, be beaten by the hairy senior from below the equator.

Johnny Kilbane, former boss of the featherweights, was the first title-holder to risk his health and septic in a bout with an ambitious challenger at the Polo Grounds this year. 'Tis history that Jawn neglected to duck Eugene Criqui's so-called right hooks and was knocked into the ranks of the has-beens, of fistiana.

Followed Jimmy Wilde, for many long years the king of the flyweights, of James met brown-skinned, slow-eyed little Pancho Villa. He was chopped into a species of hamburger and bat-

tered to the floor by Villa, who, of course, became the champion. Then strolled along the gallant Criqui to defend his newly won coronet against Johnny Dundee. The poor little Frenchman was slaughtered. Dundee hammered and hacked away at him until Criqui's face became nothing more than a crimson mask, so said the reports.

Last week Johnny Wilson was out-galoped by Harry Greb and the mid-dleweight champion became the challenger again, Greb leaving the ring with the crown on his dome.

If you are superstitious you may be of the opinion that Dempsey will lose his championship next fistic night. The fact that he is defending his laurels in the Polo Grounds where four title holders lost their crowns and on Friday night, hasn't changed our reason for regarding the coming imbroglio between Dempsey and Firpo with any great amount of fear. Dempsey's left hook is a greater asset than any rabbit's foot, and at times it has seemed that he surely must have another good luck omen, a horseshoe concealed in his right glove.

No, gents, all the champions in the world with the exception of Dempsey can lose their titles in New York City if they so desire, but as far as Jack dropping his crown to dear little Luis next Friday night, well, we should say not. Nothing but a Dempsey victory looms up on the horizon for yours truly.

## Iowa City to Have a Strong Eleven

Iowa City, Ia., Sept. 8.—Iowa City's high school football team this year will include almost an entirely new lineup, only four veterans remaining on the roster with which Coach H. C. Soucek will start the training season in a few weeks. Twelve promising recruits, however, encourage followers of the squad in the belief the team will make a commendable showing.

### Two Are Tied for Lead in Chicago Bike Races

Chicago, Sept. 8.—Edward Walsh of Chicago and Charles Winters of Jersey City, N. J., were tied for lead with eight points each at the close of the first day's racing for the national road championships of the Amateur Bicycle League of America. Charles Barclay of San Jose, Cal., with 7 points was third; John Swoloffs, of New York City with 2 was fourth, and J. Boucicault of Missouri, with one counter was fifth.

## Dempsey Takes Enforced Rest as Rain Falls

### Kearns Orders Him to Stay Out of Water Soaked Ring for Fear of Cold.

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Sept. 8.—Jack Dempsey paced the floor of his training quarters today like a caged tiger. A heavy rainstorm kept the champion from going through his daily workout in preparation for his championship bout with Luis Angel Firpo next Friday, and despite Dempsey's pleadings Jack Kearns, manager, refused to permit any athletics in the watersoaked ring adjoining the camp.

Dempsey was disappointed even more than 650 picnickers who had come from Schenectady to see the champion in action. They had gathered around the cottage on the bank of Saratoga lake and were all prepared to watch a few rounds with the sparring partners.

Dempsey has just recovered from a severe cold which forced him to lay off work for a few days and his manager felt that working in the rain on water-soaked canvas would produce no beneficial effects.

### Plays Game of Cards.

Consequently, Dempsey settled down to a game of cards and later had a talk with Jimmy DeForest, who trained Firpo for his match with Jess Willard. Dempsey didn't say what he learned about the husky Argentinian, but there were few things he didn't ask about.

Some disappointment was expressed in camp today when it was learned that the Jamaica Kid and Jimmy Delaney, St. Paul light heavyweight, who had been expected to arrive as sparring mates would be unable to show up. The Jamaica Kid notified Kearns that he was suffering from sore ribs as the result of a recent bout, while Delaney has an injured hand. Kearns said however, they were not badly needed as Dempsey was in prime condition.

Jack Deyer, a former boxer and now a chiropractor of Canton, Ohio, has been added to the staff. He will direct the massage artists as they rub down the champion after his workouts.

Firpo's success in the boxing world has stimulated athletic interest in Argentina so much that it is likely that the South American republic will enter a team in the next Olympic games.

## Papyrus Coming to U. S. in Regal Style for Race

### Epsom Downs Derby Winner Will Meet Best Yankee 3-Year-Old.

By Associated Press.

ONDON, Sept. 8.—Papyrus will embark on the Aquitania September 22 with a retinue befitting a derby winner seeking conquests in the new world.

Ear Gold, his playmate and solitary stablemate, is going along to keep the colt company, and so is the little black cat whose favorite pastime is rubbing his head against the legs of Ben Irish's famous horse. Trainer Jarvis will, of course, go along, as also will the stable boy who massages Papyrus several hours every day and another lad whose job is to exercise the thoroughbred.

Mr. Irish, who today reached a final agreement with C. J. Fitzgerald for the colt to engage in an international race against the best 3-year-old in the United States at Belmont park, will go along if he can induce his physician to accompany him. Mr. Irish has been in poor health.

### Takes Own Food.

Papyrus will take his own food and water along with him. As food was the question on which the success of the negotiations had hung, word was awaited from Washington as to whether the horse would be permitted to bring his own corn to the United States in contravention of the laws. August Belmont cabled today that the difficulty was not insurmountable and the agreement was signed.

Papyrus will have three weeks in which to become acclimated and regain his land legs before the race, point today.

Steve Donoghue, who has been the

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