

Dempsey to Battle for Title on Labor Day With Miske

CROWDS FLOCK TO BENTON HARBOR TO VIEW BATTLE

Dempsey's Title Reasonably Safe—Both Boxers Confident—No Decision in Ten Rounds.

Dope In Figures

DEMPSEY.	MISKE.	
25	Age	26
190	Weight	193 1/2
6 ft. 1 1/4 in.	Height	6 ft. 1 in.
78	Reach	77
39	Chest (normal)	39
44	Chest (expanded)	44
17	Neck	17 1/4
20 1/2	Shoulders	20 1/2
32	Waist	33
15	Biceps	15 1/2
14 1/4	Forearm	13 1/2
8	Wrist	7 3/4
21	Thigh	22 1/2
14 1/2	Calf	15 1/2
8 1/2	Ankle	9

By RAY PEARSON.
Benton Harbor, Mich., Sept. 4.—(Special)—Thousands of fans who dote on glove wielding are cluttering up the twin cities of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph, on the eastern shore of Lake Michigan. They are thronging here because tomorrow afternoon Champion Jack Dempsey tosses off the bath robe, hears the gong, and battles Billy Miske, his St. Paul challenger, in his first bout since he took the title away from Jess Willard at Toledo, July 4, 1919.

If all these people—and, of course, the great majority of them hail from Chicago—were forced to remain here over night, they would have to take their sleep on the hoof. Chicago isn't the whole works, however, by any means; Minneapolis and St. Paul, Miske's home, and Milwaukee, Indianapolis, Detroit, and even New York, are sending the gents who can't see anything but boxing.

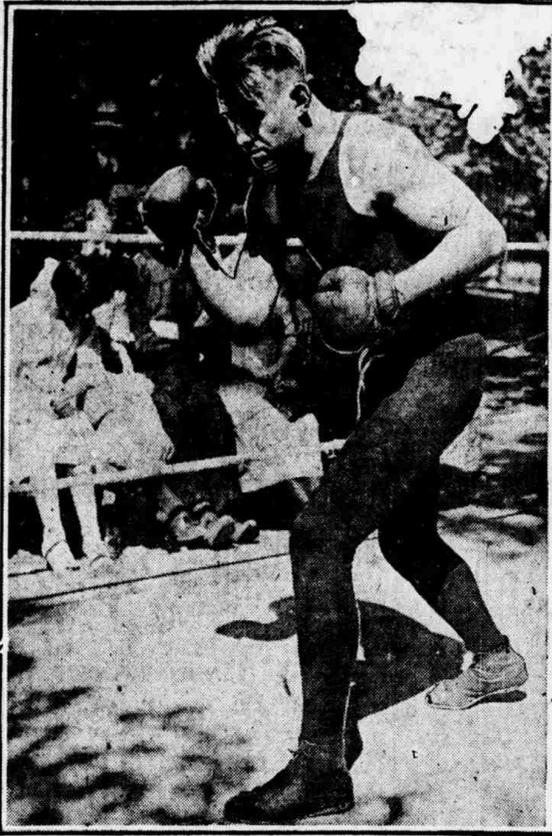
Capacity of Arena 18,000.
If we can guess correctly, it will be a huge crowd that wends its way through the turnstiles at Floyd Fitzsimmons' ball park. Capacity will mean that a few more than 18,000 fans will sit down and watch a card of four ten-round heavyweight bouts run off, with Dempsey and Miske shining in the feature number.

The arena is set, the advance sale of tickets has been large, and part of the gang is here, with the rest to follow. The double holiday, Sunday and Monday, gave many the opportunity to come early.
Just what the gate will run can't be estimated with any degree of accuracy. A full house would mean nearly \$200,000. The optimistic fellows look for it to run that big. There are those who believe a conservative guess would be between \$125,000 and \$150,000.

Both Boxers in Shape.
These two men whose powers of attraction are making this pot of gold show possible are waiting for just one thing now, and that is for the gong to sound. No one need be fooled into believing that Dempsey and Miske aren't in fighting condition. They were in that kind of shape several days ago, and both would have preferred to get it over then, instead of waiting for tomorrow.

Are they confident? Well, listen and find if it rings in the proper tone:
Jack Dempsey: "I'm ready. Let's go."
Billy Miske: "I never was better in my life. Let's go."
These two fellows who uncork the chin popping stuff tomorrow aren't of the type that finds it worrisome business to wait for the gong. Dempsey, of the two, is perhaps the more eager to get the business of tomorrow finished, but

Billy Miske in His Benton Harbor Training Quarters



IN RING WITH SPARRING PARTNER.



HIS FIGHTING FACE.

that is because he is loaded with nervous energy.
Bill from St. Paul hasn't any nerves at all—at least one wouldn't think so, for he travels contentedly along what he seems to think is a path of roses. He's an optimist for fair.

Dempsey Picked to Win.
It is hard to see where Miske has a good chance to score a victory and install himself as new heavyweight champion of the world. This Dempsey person with the knockout wallop in either fist stands as solidly in his way as a skyscraper. Dempsey will fight Bill his one best way, shifting and hooking lefts and rights to the head and body. Of course, anyone knows what is likely to happen if one of those hooks connects.

Without anything from Miske to confirm or throw out the contention, we'll say that Bill's best chances would appear to be in a careful, clever display, which might land him a points winner if the bout went the limit of 10 rounds. No decision, aside from the verdict of the critics, will be given, as the idea of appointing a referee to give a verdict has been passed up.

Champion Excels in K. O.'s.
If there is a knockout it should be put over by the champion, for Dempsey's record bears out this contention. He is going to win by a knockout, he says, and just as quickly as it can be put over. Few look for Miske to send over the wallop that would dethrone a champion. There is one thing that should not be overlooked, and that is that speed is going to count when champion and challenger get together. All the world knows that Dempsey is fast for a heavyweight, but probably some folks don't know that Miske,

too, is a remarkably speedy gent himself for a fellow who weighs 193 pounds.
It is this speed that will be important in case the bout goes the limit and a decision on points is made necessary. Can Bill outspeed Jack? That's a question we can't answer until we get the chance to view the actual demonstration.

Mrs. Miske and Son to Be Spectators at the Fight on Labor Day

Benton Harbor, Mich., Sept. 4.—When Billy Miske, challenger for the crown worn by Jack Dempsey, starts battling in the ring with Utah Jack Monday afternoon, there will be two ringsiders with an uncommon interest and they will be pulling harder than they have ever pulled for Bill of St. Paul to rock Dempsey into the land of dreams. Mrs. Billy Miske and Billy, jr., are coming to Benton Harbor, to occupy ringside seats.

This fellow, who is going to stack his best against the champion, wants his wife to watch him battle Dempsey. Watching her husband in action in the ring is nothing new to Mrs. Miske. She has seen him in other battles against less formidable opponents than Dempsey, and Bill today said her presence gives him a confidence which isn't to be dismissed.
"It's a funny thing, perhaps, but it is true, that I always fight better when my wife is at the ringside," said Miske.
"I can look back on several contests at which Mrs. Miske was a ringsider, but the one which stands out most prominently is the battle

Catholic Young Men To Stage Athletics Monday Afternoon

The Catholic Young Men's association will hold its first annual athletic meet and carnival next Monday afternoon, at Thirty-ninth and Burt streets, starting at 1:30. The first event will be a track meet between 10 different teams, representing as many parishes of the city. Prizes have been donated for the parish winning the most points and also for the individual winners in each event.

Following the track meet a wrestling match between representatives of the North and South Sides will be held. Tommy Vaughn will then box six rounds with another 125-pound man. A base ball game is also on the program between the Fort Omaha team and an "all-star" C. Y. M. A. team. The program will be closed with a street dance. There will be no charge made either for the dance or the afternoon program. Special car service will be provided to the scene of activities.

The C. Y. M. A. will hold a foot ball meeting on Tuesday to make arrangements for their team this fall. The meeting will be held in the club rooms, 3901 Webster, at 8 p. m., and every one interested is requested to attend. Several big games have already been scheduled. Bart Kruger, Walnut 259, is arranging the meeting.
I had with Battling Levinsky in New York. Levinsky was fighting wonderfully when I was matched with him. My wife saw me hand Bat a real trimming, which surprised a lot of people."

Net Stars Compete.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Sept. 1.—Tennis stars from Montana, Idaho, California, Colorado, Wyoming and Utah are expected to participate in the Intermountain Tennis tournament to be held here September 9 to 15, under the auspices of the National Tennis association. Kenneth Simmons, Montana; W. I. Rehr, Wyoming state champion; Willis Davis, California; Lon Harker, Colorado and B. E. Scott, of Colorado are expected to be among the contestants for first honors. T. B. Parker,

former Salt Laker, now residing in New York has written to friends that he probably will participate in the play. Parker was Utah state champion in 1916 and 1917. Another possible entrant is Sam R. Neel, of Salt Lake, member of the doubles team which won the national title many years ago. Entries for the tournament will be accepted until September 7.

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WHITE SOX TEAM IS 7 MEN UNDER LEAGUE'S LIMIT

Kid Gleason Shows a Manager Doesn't Need a Small Army of Players to Win Games.

By I. E. SANBORN.
William Gleason, nee Kid, is proving that a base ball manager doesn't need a small army of players to make a winning team. The White Sox pilot started on his last eastern invasion of the season with only 18 men besides himself, and the limit is 25 players. To be sure, the Sox picked up several men on the trip, but they were tryouts for next season and were not included in Gleason's calculations for winning the pennant of 1920.

Five pitchers were all the White Sox started out of Chicago with. There were the four regulars, Cicotte, Faber, Williams and Kerr, on whom Gleason counted to do all the heavy work in turn, with Wilkinson as a relief slaban in case one was needed. The youngsters annexed on the trip were able to help by doing the flinging in batting practice, thereby saving the arms of the regulars.

Two catchers, Schalk and Lynn, were one more than the Sox really needed unless a serious accident happened to Schalk, for it takes a bad one to keep Ray out of the game.

Few, But O My!
Seven infielders and six outfielders made up the Sox roster for the most important trip of the season, since it marked the beginning of the home stretch in the pennant race.

No team ever was better protected than the White Sox, in spite of the small number of players, for that number includes several bench warmers who would be regulars on almost any other team in the league. Five chance Gleason would have if he tried to obtain waivers on McMullin or McClellan or Murphy, for instance, and it would take some engineering to get Jourdan or Strunk out of the majors, even if the Kid wanted to.

Murphy Great Pinch Hitter.
Murphy probably is the world's greatest pinch hitter. The records of last season and of this year up to date prove it. The reason why Murphy is so valuable is not hard to find. He was one of the best leadoff men on Connie Mack's team for several years, and would be in the game every day if Leibold were not a better fielder than he and also a good leadoff batsman as well.

There are two other good reasons why Murphy is not used in the Gleason outfield. They are Jackson and Felsch. And the fact that Murphy is on the bench ready to step into the batsman's box at any time is not his only value to the team. There is no keener man in the game than "Mique" in the matter of sizing up pitchers, and a slaban must be letter perfect in his delivery if the eagle eyes of Gleason and Murphy cannot detect a difference in his style of handing up fast balls and curves.

Bunch of Hardy Veterans.
It requires a severe accident to put Eddie Collins, Weaver, Risberg or John Collins out of commission. They are the kind of folks who would rather play ball than eat, and Gleason says the reason Weaver shows up every spring as lean as an alley cat is because he would starve to death if he did not play base ball six months of the twelve.

But an accident to any of the Kid's infielders would not cripple the White Sox, because the two Macs, big and little, are ready to jump in without a minute's preparation. Either McMullin or McClellan can play third base ahead of many of the guardians of that corner in the American league, and Weaver is as good at shortstop as he is at third, which is saying a large mouthful.

Second Base Protected.
Either of the Macs can cover second capably, too, although not as brilliantly as Eddie Collins, because they lack his experience. And if John Collins breaks any bones there are worse first basemen in the majors than Ted Jourdan, his inability to hit as well as Shauno being the reason he is on the bench.

The one blow that would hurt the White Sox worst would be an accident to Ray Schalk, for he has hogged the catching job so long and so steadily that the relief catchers on the Gleason staff have had small chance to work, and without steady work a catcher is handicapped more than any other player.

Tunney at Camp Lewis.
Tacoma, Wash., Sept. 4.—Gene Tunney, considered by many critics as one of the leading heavyweight prospects, is now at Camp Lewis, Wash., near here, a member of the Fifty-fifth artillery. Recently he knocked out Ole Anderson, Tacoma, heavyweight.

Hanley to Coach.
Pendleton, Ore., Sept. 4.—Richard E. ("Dick") Hanley, captain of the cted Mare Island Marines football team of 1918 and former Washington State College star quarter back, is to coach the Pendleton High School football team this year. Hanley will teach chemistry at the school.

Multnomah Gets Mat Coach.
Portland, Ore., Sept. 1.—Ted Thye, one time claimant of the middleweight wrestling championship, has been named wrestling instructor at the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club here.

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