

# Walker Has Small Chance Against Burly Sharkey Tonight

## GOBB MUST WIN TO HOLD RANK WITH HEAVIES

### Good Little Man Will Meet Big Man, Also Good—Fans Will Turn Out On Chance of 'Dope' Upset

## Walker, Sharkey Bout To Cast Light On Importance Of Bulk To Fighters

By Edward J. Neil  
(Associated Press Sports Writer)

NEW YORK—(AP)—The old story of the good little man and the good big one is being dusted off again for argument and profound consideration as Mickey Walker, the over-stuffed middleweight, prepares to joust fifteen rounds with big Jack Sharkey in Ebbets Field July 22.

It doesn't seem possible that a chunky sward-off little man of Walker's style can whip a 200-pounder with the ability, the looking skills, and the punch the bell-crowded middleweight possesses but many of the experts are wondering seriously.

Mickey, twice the conqueror of Johnny Risio, the fellow who punched Sharkey out of a title shot with Gene Tunney, has been committing mayhem on the burly sparring partners Jack Kearns lined up for him at his Orangeburg training camp. Sharkey hasn't taken the match any too seriously.

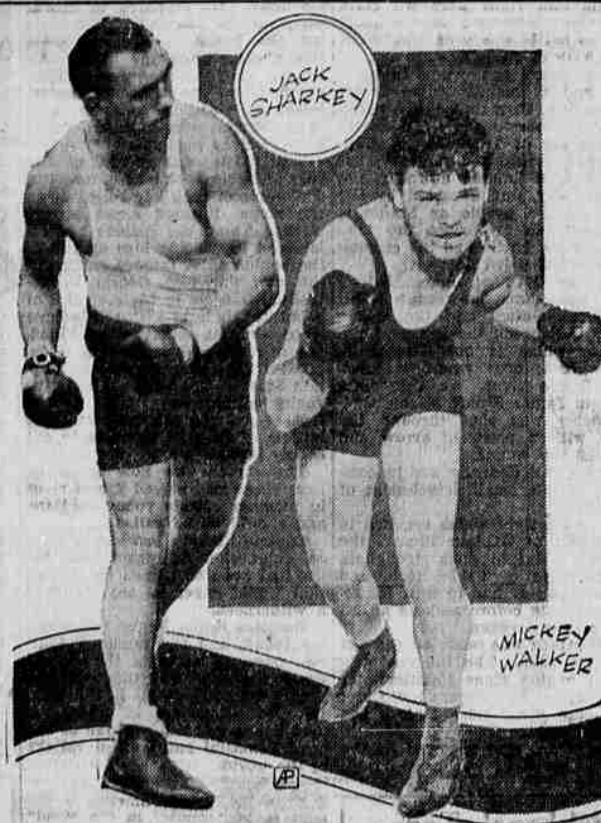
Walker has a left hook, one of the finest in the business, that will whip the Boston sailor if anything can. He has the courage of the bulldog whose fighting style he copies. He can take tremendous punishment and keep coming on for more until his rival's arms are weary from punching and if there is any "kick" in the fellow who tackles the Runson Mick it has to come out sooner or later.

A fine left hook to the body has beaten Sharkey in the past, but it seems improbable that a warrior weighing only 170 pounds can swing leather enough to halt a Sharkey.

Walker will be hard to stop in close but at long range the sailor's cutting left hand, his bolting rights to the head and body, his great advantage in height, weight and reach, should baffle the former welterweight and middleweight champion.

But the old timers say the same line of reasoning was dragged out when little Joe Walcott was getting ready to plaster heavyweights when Harry Greb was chasing the big fellows out of the ring, when any number of great little fellows of the past were conceding tens of pounds and walloping burly fellows way above their classes.

As a fighting machine Mickey, for his pounds and inches, is no great anything warring today, but Sharkey is pretty good, too.



Can a good big man lick a good little man? Jack Sharkey (left) and Mickey Walker will help settle that old question in their 15-round battle July 22 at New York. Sharkey, termed American heavyweight champion, outweighs Walker, who is little more than an over-stuffed middleweight, by 30 pounds, and has a five inch advantage in height.

NEW YORK, July 22—(AP)—The weather bureau today predicted "fair and warm" weather for the heavyweight fight at Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, tonight between Jack Sharkey and Mickey Walker.

The forecast, in full, said:  
Fair tonight and Thursday, moderately warm; moderate westerly winds.  
The sky was overcast at day-break but had cleared by 10 a. m.

By Herbert W. Barker  
(Associated Press Sport Writer)

NEW YORK, July 22—(AP)—Mickey Walker, 170 pounds of fighting man, battles Jack Sharkey, burly Boston sailor, in a 15-round bout in Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, tonight, with the Hearst Milk Fund as the principal beneficiary.

Sport writers who abandoned Mickey's nickname "The Toy Bulldog" when the Runson, N. J., battler graduated into the middleweight class, will find it useful again tonight for about a 30-pound weight and a full head taller.

The betting fraternity and the well-known experts concede Walker little chance against a foe to whom he must grant such overwhelming physical advantages. Neither, perhaps, do the fans but they are prepared to come out in large numbers on the chance that Mickey can overturn the dope.

Hope for \$200,000. The crowd probably will reach 25,000. The crowd probably will reach 25,000.

Walker's principal talents lie in his courage, ability to take punishment, endurance and his punching power, especially with left hooks. But expert opinion credits Sharkey, long recognized as the best of the American heavyweights, with a heavier punch and greater all-round strength.

In addition, the Boston sailor is extremely fast for a heavyweight and a clever boxer. Walker's a good little man, the experts admit, but they feel that Sharkey is just as good a big man. They can see only one ending to such a match.

Sharkey must win—and win decisively—if he hopes to hold his front rank position among the heavyweights. A defeat by a foe so small as Mickey would demolish Sharkey's reputation as the best of the American heavyweights and he probably could never again be repaired. A defeat for the sailor almost certainly would cost him a chance at Max Schmeling and the world's heavyweight title.

A victory for Walker, of course, would establish Mickey in the forefront of the heavyweight challengers in addition to causing untold embarrassment to the betting fraternity which has established Sharkey a favorite at 2½ and even 3 to 1.

Allow No Fools  
For the first time in a major heavyweight bout the state commission's "no foul" edict will be in force.

The bout probably will be put on about 9 p. m. (E.S.T.). The first of five preliminaries of five rounds each will start at 7:15. Heavyweights fill all these spots with the following lineup: Al Morris vs. Tommy De Santis; Arthur Dekuh vs. Frankie Casley; Jack McCarthy vs. Pavesi Preadido; Babe Hunt vs. Walter Cobb, and Justin Stratus vs. Chester Malan.

How They Yesterdays Stand—  
(By the Associated Press)

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
San Francisco	10	5	.667
Oakland	10	5	.667
Seattle	9	6	.600
Los Angeles	8	7	.533
Mission	6	9	.400
Hollywood	6	9	.400
Portland	6	9	.400
Sacramento	5	10	.333

## HOW THEY YESTERDAYS STAND—RESULTS

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Hollywood	4	6	.400
Portland	4	6	.400
Yde, Anderson and Sevier; Mails and Woodall.			
Red Sox Win Thriller			
Once more the American league afternoon resulted in an advance for the Philadelphia Athletics, as they defeated the Red Sox who turned the excitement for the program. While the A's were picking up another game by beating Chicago, 10 to 5, Washington lost to Detroit, 4 to 3. The Red Sox took a lulling thriller from Cleveland and Wes Ferrell by a 3-2 count.			
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## With Rod and Gun

With a catch of 12 beautiful Chinook and silverides as well as the limit of bass, Paul Barron, P. W. Green and party returned last night from the Oregon coast, where they fished since Sunday.

The Chinooks average about 25 pounds in weight and the silverides between eight and 18 pounds.

Mr. Barron and party went to Winchester bay, but found the fish had not yet entered the bay, he said this morning, and were forced to continue seven miles out into the ocean for good fishing. Anyone who thinks fish are scarce at Savage Rapids and Gold Ray dams should witness fishing in the ocean, he stated. Thirteen were landed in the party with which he was fishing and 25 lost, the latter will undoubtedly die.

Mr. Barron and Mr. Green also fished at Gold Beach at the mouth of the Rogue but had very poor luck there. They watched 70 anglers devote most of Sunday to fishing and only one Chinook was landed. People living near the mouth of the river realize that net fishing must be stopped in the stream and limited to the ocean alone, he said. Their change of sentiment regarding this issue was very noticeable.

Mr. Barron enjoyed the sea fishing without any pang of seasickness but a member of his party, a well known local fisherman, was not so fortunate.

Upon his return to his home in Arkansas, Mr. Barron will stop in the Umpqua section for some fishing before leaving the state of Oregon. He has become quite disgusted with results obtained in the Rogue, his favorite fishing stream of many years. He formerly lived in Medford and fished the river frequently, always landing good catches. He has devoted much time to angling during his vacation here this summer but reports the Rogue very low in fish life.

## PORTLAND DRUBS HOLLYWOOD, 8-4, IN WEEK'S OPENER

(By the Associated Press)

A three cornered tie for first place honors which existed at the end of last week's Coast league play had turned into a two-cornered affair today.

San Francisco and Oakland were still grouped in first place because they won last night but Seattle, the third member of the original trio, lost to the Missions 5 to 1 and slid into second place.

The Seals grabbed another ninth inning decision from Sacramento by a score of 4 to 3. Henry Cana's long double in this frame scored Donovan from second and ended a pitcher's day.

Another ninth inning finish gave Oakland a 3 to 2 win over Los Angeles in a game with tight pitching on both sides.

Portland greeted the Hollywood Stars by handing them an 8 to 4 beating at Portland last night. Mails allowed the Stars but six hits but the Beavers managed to collect a dozen. They drove Yde from the box in the sixth but were held from there on by Anderson, who released him.

## THOROUGHbred FACES PISTOL AFTER INJURY

CHICAGO, July 22—(AP)—The long fight to save Griffith Watkins' great Thoroughbred Thaco, appeared hopeless today.

Dr. Joseph M. Kaiser, veterinarian who has been treating the horse since it was injured at Washington Park a month ago, today said nothing much was left to do but to destroy the son of Sir Gallahad III. It was hoped to save him for the stud.

Three severe fractures were discovered in Thaco's legs but a fight was made to save the horse at the request of Thaco's owner and Lord's of London, which insured him for \$50,000.

## ROBINS CLIMB FAST TO GIVE CARDS WORRY

### Victims of Early Season Now Loom As Chief Aspirants for Cardinal Crown in National League

By Hugh S. Fullerton, Jr.  
(Associated Press Sport Writer)

If Brooklyn fans were used to take anything calmly were baseball was concerned, they would have a good chance now to sit back watching the gyrations of some of their National League rivals and say "I told you so."

Brooklyn's Robins took a lot of punishment early in the season when they were falling to live up to pre-season predictions, but now they look like the one club which may give the St. Louis Cardinals a run for their money.

The Robins have climbed into second place at the expense of two powerful clubs, St. Louis and Chicago, shortly after a triumph over the New York Giants had put them within striking distance of the place.

Win 5 in 8 Starts.

Meeting the same teams, the Giants have lost six out of eight games, while Brooklyn's 4-3 triumph over the Cubs yesterday made it five victories in eight contests. Frank O'Doul's big bat accounted for yesterday's game, driving in three of the four Robins' runscorers with a pair of doubles.

The Giants talked themselves out of a game at St. Louis, leaving the Cards still six games in the van. New York gave Fred Fitzsimmons a three-run lead in three innings. Then Fitz walked Erick and protested violently on Umpire Bigler's decision on the last ball. He finally went back to the mound and gave the Cards a flock of hits that produced five runs and the final count was 8 to 5 for St. Louis.

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Marquette in Tough Spot.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—(AP) Large-ly as a result of ineptitudes, Marquette university will have only five freshmen and one 1930 regular available for its 1931 football campaign.

## GOLF GOSSIP

As the play seems certain to go down in history with a lot of loose conversation attached, it may well be to set down the approximate facts concerning the public pitch played by Gene Sarazen out of a soft drink establishment in the recent Ryder Cup competition.

Sarazen was playing "Ginger" Robson when at the fourth green of the Soto Country club course, he made the shot that takes its place in the conversation of sports followers along with the "hidden ball" trick of the Haskell Indians and Mr. Fred Merkle's omission in regard to second base.

Sarazen, starting 3-4 against Robson's 4-6-5, becoming 3 up, spanked an iron off the fourth tee, aimed at the green, which was 180 yards distant, with a stiff cross-breeze.

That "New Ball."

The Sarazanic stroke imparted sufficient pull in conjunction with the wind to bring out the latent devilry of the larger and lighter ball.

In this case the ball took a large hop to the left, coiled with a stack of pop-bottle cases, and cromed through the door of a small, square structure.

Robson, somewhat revived by this turn of affairs, packed his own iron about on the green and prepared for the unusual pleasure of winning a hole from an American without any really grim struggle.

Sarazen found the ball lying on a concrete floor and not under a refrigerator or on a block of ice, as stated in other and less conscientious reports. It was tough enough, even so.

Gene was better designed for playing out of limited spaces than Archie Compston, of course, or Long Jim Barnes. But a concrete floor is nothing out of which to remove divots with a nibble; and to get the ball up fast enough to go through the window facing the green, some 30 yards away, and then bring it to a stop somewhere on the green, was something of an assignment.

The window was six feet across and a bit over a yard high, opening over the store's counter. Sarazen, laying off the blade of the nibble and cutting the shot smartly, now managed to pop it through the window and onto the green, with back spin enough to pull it up 16 feet past the flag.

Robson Gloomy.

Robson was inclined to regard the ball's appearance as a joke. He fancied, not without reason, that somebody had tossed it out. On being informed that it had been duly played out, Robson made a very gloomy approach putt and nearly missed his par 3 which won the hole, as Sarazen failed to can the 10-footer.

## MIDDLE ATLANTIC BASEBALL LEAGUE SAFELY LAUNCHED

PITTSBURGH—(AP)—Baseball men all over the country shook their heads when Elmer Daily announced last winter that he planned to make the Middle Atlantic League a 12-club circuit.

Today, these same baseball men are calling the Middle Atlantic "A Miracle League."

"This league won't last to the Fourth of July," Daily's friends told him when the season opened in May. July 10th, the second half of the schedule began—and there were 12 clubs still in the race.

Good sportsmanship in the league towns and night baseball have put the league over, Daily says.

The league, the only 12-club circuit in existence, is composed of Cumberland, Md.; Charleston, W. Va.; Beckley, W. Va.; Parkersburg, W. Va.; Seaside, Pa.; Fairmont, W. Va.; Johnstown, Pa.; Clarksburg, W. Va.; Huntington, W. Va.; Wheeling, W. Va.; Charleroi, Pa. and Afton, Pa.

Jeannette, Pa., a town of 15,000 surrendered its franchise soon after the season began and the team was shifted to Altoona. Financial difficulties were encountered in Altoona and the club has been offered for transfer.

Several cities, including Steubenville, O., are understood to be dickering for the berth.

## Driving Grounds Open to Golfers On South Central

The "Bucket of Balls" driving grounds for Medford golfers, located at the juncture of South Central avenue and the Pacific Highway, was inaugurated by local golf enthusiasts today, preparatory to the opening.

Vic Beckman, former proprietor of the South Okadale midget golf course, is operating the Bucket of Balls and plans interesting attractions for local golf fans during the summer months. As soon as lighting arrangements on the grounds are completed there will be an official opening with driving exhibitions, Mr. Beckman said today.

Gift of 12 Married.

CORRYTON, Tenn.—(UP)—Bertha Mae Brooks, 12, married Samuel Bohner, 22, here. Rev. Gus Bohner, father of the bridegroom, officiated.

Sports Payroll Big.

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—(AP)—California spent \$4,127,147 for public playgrounds and recreation the last fiscal year. There were 298 sports leaders employed. Tennis courts employes numbered 563.

## Medford Kids Play Salem Here Sunday

club may be here, but one of the greatest masters of the game, Mag Smith, still clings to the wooden ones.

"I'm quite satisfied with my game, so why change wooden horses in the middle of a creek?" argued Mac at Inverness.

## EUGENE RULED INELIGIBLE FOR LEGION LEAD

Protest On Friday Gave Eugene by Medford Upheld—Sunday Will Play Convention

According to announcement of Legion officials late today, the with Salem Sunday will be the fairgrounds at 1:30 p. m.

SALEM, July 22—(AP)—The Eugene Junior League baseball team has been eliminated from state competition, it was announced by S. Keene, state chairman of the American Legion Junior League following a protest filed by the Medford Legion.

The Medford protest, which upheld by Keene, was based on failure of the Eugene Legion to file with the state championship certificate of eight players, prior to the game at Medford and Eugene last Friday. Eugene won the game and the championship of the Oregon district.

Keene said all Eugene players eligible to play but the certificate had not been filed. He ordered elimination of Eugene.

Through the elimination of the Eugene team the championship of the Oregon district will be contested between Medford and Eugene last Friday noon. The winner will play a state Legion convention at Corvallis.

MRS. HY EVERDING OF PORTLAND SUCCEEDS

PORTLAND, Ore., July 22—Mrs. Elmer Everding, wife of Everding, widely known sports enthusiast, died here. She had been ill less than a week. Mrs. Everding was a sports fan in her own right, her chief being in horses.

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Evans Explains

Billy Evans, general manager of the Cleveland club and himself formerly one of the most popular umpires in the game, believes the hot pennant races, unusually numerous all over the season, has caused the storm on the umpire's doorstep.

"You know that raising the umpire is a big part of the game," Billy says. "I know, as I once got my share. But this year it appears to be worse than ever and the only reason I can advance is that the races everywhere are so close. The imaginations of the managers, owners and fans alike are fired. There have been a few changes in the rules and the fans, not quite accustomed to them, blame disputes on the umpire."

The era of the steel-shafted golf

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