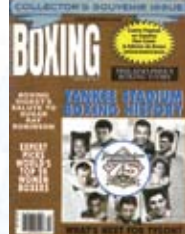




BOXING AT YANKEE STADIUM

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"... So what happens? He gets the title shot outdoors in the ballpark and what do I get? A one-way ticket to Palookaville."

Terry Malloy to Charlie the Gent

—Budd Schulberg, *On The Waterfront*

The ballpark and "Palookaville"—the zenith and nadir of pro boxing. The greatest status symbol for a fighter—outside of a title—was to fight in a ballpark. It was one of boxing's highest honors—like investiture in the Royal Order of the Garter. From the fictional Terry Malloy to the visceral Jack Dempsey, it was a high honor to box in a ballpark.

And the greatest ballpark of them all was Yankee Stadium. Of all the ballparks in all the towns across the length and breadth of the United States, none holds the place in our minds and hearts, in our collective consciousness, as does Yankee Stadium. It was—and remains—sport's Olympus.

This year marks the 75th Anniversary of Yankee Stadium, New York's answer to Vespasian's dream.

This Diamond Jubilee is marked with glory and controversy. It seems only fitting that the finest tribute to the Stadium, arguably the world's most famous sports arena, is the current Yankee team, which has given the venue its 36th American League championship.

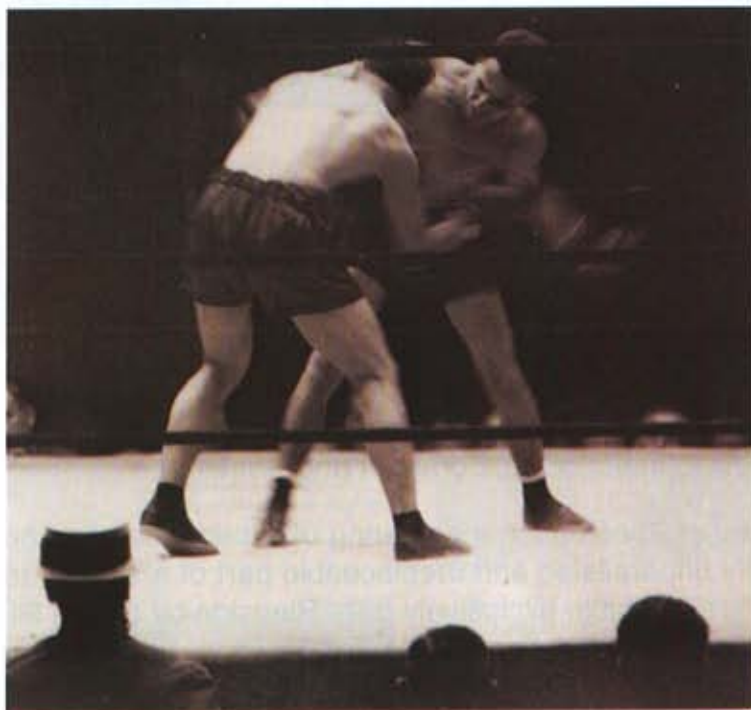
While the names of Ruth, Gehrig, DiMaggio, and Mantle are naturally synonymous with the glories of Yankee Stadium, those of Louis, Leonard, Robinson, Marciano, Dempsey, and Ali have also carved their names on the tablets of Yankee Stadium sporting lore.

Forty-nine professional boxing cards graced the gray lady of the Bronx from 1923 to 1976. Yankee Stadium has been the crown jewel in boxing's diadem. While Madison Square Garden, in its four incarnations, may have hosted more bouts, and the Polo Grounds been home to matches of equally historic nature, no place in history has had as consistent a run of great fights between great fighters than the House that Ruth Built.

Only the biggest of the biggest, featuring the best of the best, have been highlighted at Yankee Stadium. From Dempsey vs. Sharkey through Ali vs. Norton, from Louis vs. Schmeling to Marciano vs. Moore, the most storied faces in ring history have strode this field of dreams.

Opened on April 18, 1923, before a seemingly apocryphal crowd of 74,217, George Herman (Babe) Ruth hit Yankee Stadium's first home run en route to a 4-1 victory over the Boston Red Sox. The Stadium was designed by the Osborn Engineering Company of Cleveland, Ohio.

"The House that Ruth Built" was borne of the desire of the



World lightweight champion Benny Leonard prepares to block a left hand thrown by southpaw Lew Tendler in the first world title bout in Yankee Stadium.

Yankees' landlords, the New York Giants, to evict them from the Polo Grounds. Having obtained the services of Babe Ruth, the Yankees had by now outrivaled their landlords in popularity—drawing 1,000,000 spectators in 1921 against the Giants' 700,000—something their irascible manager, John J. McGraw, could not stand. The Yankees had been tenants of the Giants at the Polo Grounds since 1913, partially as a result of then Yankee owner Frank Farrell's favor in allowing the Giants to play part of the 1911 season at Hilltop Park in Manhattan while fire damage to the Polo Grounds was being repaired. But by 1922, the Yankees had to go; and go they did—from the Polo Grounds at 157th Street and Eighth Avenue across the Harlem River to 161st Street and River Avenue in the Bronx, then a bucolic

suburb of Manhattan.

The Yankees, behind Ruth and Murderers' Row, dominated the American League—and baseball—for decades to come. It has been said that Yankee Stadium was a nightmare—not to the Yankees, but to John McGraw.

Now, seventy-five years later, McGraw's Giants play in San Francisco while the Yankees still prowl their Bronx home. The Giants left because the city's politicians, in their infinite lack of wisdom and hatred for tradition, refused to finance a new stadium for the Giants. Sound familiar?

But in the 1920s, with the city (meaning Manhattan and the Bronx) hosting two great stadiums and the Walker Law having come into existence in 1920, there were enough dates available in

the summer to allow professional boxing in those big ballparks. (Prior to this, Brooklyn's Washington Park, erstwhile home of the Dodgers, had been New York's only major league baseball park to host pro boxing. Ebbets Field, opened in 1913, would go on to hold more pro bouts than any other New York baseball stadium. But big championship fights could only be accommodated at the Polo Grounds and Yankee Stadium.)

Less than a month after its grand opening, Yankee Stadium played host to an all-star heavyweight card for the benefit of the Ann Morgan's Milk Fund. The show, held on May 12, 1923, featured Jess Willard, Luis Angel Firpo, and Fred Fulton in separate bouts and drew a gate of \$390,000 from a crowd estimated at 63,000. The Polo Grounds, forever to be Yankee Stadium's poor relation, got into the act on June 2, 1923, when Tom O'Rourke, backed by Giants owner Charles Stoneham's bankroll, staged the Johnny Kilbane-Eugene Criqui world featherweight title bout and drew an estimated 15,000 with a gate of \$105,000—far below expectations. O'Rourke, undaunted, came back sixteen days later, on June 18, to lose even more of Stoneham's money with the Jimmy Wilde-Pancho Villa world featherweight title bout, which drew 23,000 at the old horseshoe near Coogan's Bluff.

Yankee Stadium and the Polo Grounds would battle it out under the aegis of various promoters for supremacy as boxing's premier showcase over the next forty years. And, while the Polo Grounds came up with some of the most historically important matches in ring history—Dempsey-Firpo, Louis Conn I, Greb-Walker, Robinson-Turpin II, and Patterson-Johansson II—Yankee Stadium always meant the biggest of big fights.

The Stadium is now embroiled in a controversial battle between owner George Steinbrenner and the City Council. The Council wishes to keep Yankee Stadium, now a year older than the Polo Grounds at the time it was demolished in 1964—in the Bronx. Steinbrenner and the mayor prefer a new ballpark on Manhattan's west side, where then Manhattan borough president Hulan Jack proposed the erection of a new Polo Grounds in 1957. Perhaps the demolition of 600 acres around the Stadium—including the tearing down of various housing projects, tenements, "social" clubs, crack dens, and other rat holes—could save the great edifice. Whether Yankee Stadium remains as a viable sports facility or is reduced to a museum—a ruin like the ancient Roman Colosseum—its glory remains.

Madison Square Gardens has been able to preserve and transport its traditions behind a single name, four separate struc-

tures, and three different locations. Why shouldn't Yankee Stadium? Whether it becomes the victim of a class war waged by those who would be governor or is transported to new digs in Manhattan—where the Yankees served their first offerings to Gothamites after moving from Baltimore in 1903—the glory of Yankee Stadium, and all its wonderful 75 years—should be celebrated and revered.

Yankee Stadium's legacy in boxing, often overshadowed by the tremendous accomplishments of its baseball team and players, should be honored as well. Forty-seven of the 49 pro boxing shows at the House that Ruth Built have featured at least one Hall of Famer in its feature bout.

Herewith, a celebration of Yankee Stadium and Boxing in the Stadium's Diamond Jubilee Year,

May 12, 1923

15-Jess Willard, 248, Pottawatomie, Ks. TKO 11 (ret.) Floyd Johnson, 195, Des Moines, Iowa Jack Appel, referee.

15-Luis Angel Firpo, 212, Buenos Aires, Arg. KO 3 (1:02) Jack McAuliffe II, 200, Detroit, Mich. Jack O'Sullivan, referee.

10-Jack Renault, 190½, Chashem, Que. W disq. 4 (2:24) Fred Fulton, 214, Blue Rapids, Ks. Jack O'Sullivan, referee.

8-James (Tiny) Herman, 218½, Omaha, Neb. KO 6 (1:12) Al Reich, 206½, New York, N.Y. Tommy Sheridan, referee.

4-Harry Drake, 185, London, Eng. outpointed Joe McCann, 202, Topeka, Ks. Tommy Sheridan, referee.

Judges—Charles F. Mathison, Patsy Haley (Willard-Johnson, Firpo-McAuliffe, Renault-Fulton); Tommy Shortell, Charles W. Dingee (Herman-Reich, Drake-McCann).

Promoter—George (Tex) Rickard.

Matchmaker—Jess McMahon.

Attendance—63,000 (estimated).

Gross Gate—\$390,000.

Purses—Willard-\$25,000; Johnson-\$25,000; Firpo-\$15,000; McAuliffe-\$7,500; Renault-\$5,000; Fulton-\$5,000.

July 23, 1923

5-Benny Leonard, 134, New York, N.Y. unan. decision Lew Tendler, 133¾, Philadelphia, Pa. Andy Griffin, referee.
(Retained World Lightweight Title)

10-Jack Zivic, 135, Pittsburgh, Pa. outpointed Johnny Darcey, 134, Jersey City, N.J. Johnny Gallagher, referee.

8-Babe Herman, 128, San Francisco, Calif. unan. decision Joey Fox, 126, London, Eng.

6-Tony Lyons, 150, Murray Hill, N.Y. outpointed Freddie Lux, 145, McKeesport, Pa.

4-Mike Cancro, 136, Staten Island, N.Y., outpointed Jimmy Stewart, 132½, Brooklyn, N.Y. Johnny Gallagher, referee.

Judges—Charles F. Mathison, Wm. (Kid) McPartland.

Promoter—Cromwell A.C. (Edward Staats Luther, president).

Matchmaker—James J. Johnston.

Paid Attendance—58,522.

Gross Gate—\$452,648.

Purses—Leonard-\$132,602 (35% net); Tendler-\$54,712 (15%)

June 26, 1924

15-Harry Greb, 159½, Pittsburgh, Pa. unan. decision Ted Moore, 160, London, Eng. Ed Purdy, referee.
(Retained World Middleweight Title)

12-Gene Tunney, 183, New York, N.Y. TKO 7 (1:55) Erminio Spalla, 191, Rome, Italy.

10-Larry Estridge, 157, Harlem, N.Y. unan. decision Panama Joe Gans, 150½.
(Won Black Middleweight Title)

6-Young Stribling, 169½, Macon, Ga. outpointed Tommy Loughran, 168, Philadelphia, Pa. Jack O'Sullivan, referee.

4-Clarence Seifert, 180, Pittsburgh, Pa. outpointed Dan Leiber, 183½, New York, N.Y. Tommy Sheridan, referee.

Judges—Tommy Shortell, George Kelly.

Promoter—Cromwell A.C. (Edward Staats Luther, president).

Matchmaker—James J. Johnston.

Attendance—50,000 (estimated).

Gross Gate—\$204,000.

Purses—Greb-\$75,000; Moore-\$15,000.

May 30, 1925

15-Paul Berlenbach, 170½, Astoria, Queens, N.Y. unan. decision Mike McTigue, 170½, New York, N.Y. Ed Purdy, referee.
(Won World Light Heavyweight Title)

10-Jack Delaney, 168, Bridgeport, Conn. unan. decision Tony Marullo, 169¼, New Orleans, La. Jack O'Sullivan, referee.

6-Jimmy Slattery, 161, Buffalo TKO 2 (2:19) Jack Burke, 175½, Pittsburgh, Pa. Ed Purdy, referee.

6-George Smith, 166, Brooklyn, N.Y. outpointed Billy Conley, 163, San Francisco, Calif. Jack Gorman, referee.

4-Lew Chester, 166½, Brooklyn, N.Y. outpointed Jay Lanahan, 164, Staten Island, N.Y. Ike Morrison, referee.

Judges—Jimmy Collins, Charles F. Mathison.

Promoter—George (Tex) Rickard.

Matchmaker—Jess McMahon.

Paid Attendance—39,368.

Gross Gate—\$172,655. **Net**—\$164,022.25

Sept. 11, 1925

15-Paul Berlenbach, 172, Astoria, Queens, N.Y. TKO 11 (1:28) Jimmy Slattery, 161½, Buffalo, N.Y. Patsy Haley, referee.
(Retained World Light Heavyweight Title)

12-Frankie Schoell, 149, Buffalo, N.Y. unan. decision Harry Galfund, 152½, Brooklyn, N.Y. Jack Dorman, referee.

8-Tommy Loughran, 169½, Philadelphia, Pa. unan. decision Tony Marullo, 170½, New Orleans, La. Patsy Haley.

6-Meyer Cohen, 149, Holyoke, Mass. outpointed Barney Shaw, 147, New York, N.Y. Ike Morrison, referee.

Judges—Charles F. Mathison, George J. Partrick (George Doherty and Partrick for Schoell-Galfund).

Promoter—George (Tex) Rickard.

Matchmaker—Jess McMahon.

Attendance—19,687 (estimated).

Gross Gate—\$104,000.

Purses—Berlenbach-\$32,000;

Slattery-\$11,000.

Sept. 21, 1925

15-Mickey Walker, 144½, Elizabeth, N.J. split decision Dave Shade, 147, Vallejo, Calif. Patsy Haley, referee.
(Retained World Welterweight Title)

12-Jack Zivic, 144, Pittsburgh, Pa. outpointed Willie Harmon, 144, New York, N.Y. Dick Nugent, referee.

8-Frank Moody, 166, Pontypridd, Wales KO 4 (1:05) Kid Norfolk, 183, Baltimore, Md.

6-Johnny Gross, 184½, Mt. Vernon, N.Y. outpointed Joe Silvani, 178, Bronx, N.Y.

Main Event Judges—Dick Nugent, George Kelly.

Promoter—George (Tex) Rickard.

Matchmaker—Jess McMahon.

Paid Attendance—32,106.

Gross Gate—\$185,154.40.

Purses—Walker-\$100,000; Shade-\$25,000.

June 10, 1926

15-Paul Berlenbach, 174½, Astoria, Queens, N.Y. unan. decision Young Stribling, 171, Macon, Ga. Jim Crowley, referee.
(Retained World Light Heavyweight Title)

10-Jack McVey, 145½, Harlem, N.Y. unan. decision Sailor Friedman, 145½, Philadelphia, Pa.

10-Sgt. Sammy Baker, 145, Huntsville, Ala. outpointed James (Red) Herring, 145½, Gulfport, Miss.

4-Monte Munn, 205, Lincoln, Neb. KO 1 (1:21) Joe Boynkin, 210, Dallas, Texas

Judges—Harold Barnes, Thomas Flynn.

Promoter—George (Tex) Rickard.

Matchmaker—Jess McMahon.

Attendance—50,000 (estimated).

Gross Gate—\$213,387.

Purses—Berlenbach-\$78,520; Stribling-\$26,537.

May 20, 1927

15-Jack Sharkey, 192, Boston, Mass. KO 5 (0:52) Jimmy Maloney, 202½, Boston, Mass. Lou Magnolia, referee.

6-James J. Braddock, 165, North Berge, N.J. and George LaRocco, 178, New Rochelle, N.Y., drew.

6-Ernie Schaaf, 187, Elizabeth, N.J. outpointed Murray Giltitz, 178, New Haven, Conn.

6-Tom Kirby, 173, Boston, Mass. outpointed Lou Bogash, 173½, Bridgeport, Conn.

6-Johnny Grosso, 193½, Mt. Vernon, N.Y. TKO 6 (2:11) Jim Savage, 199½, Chicago, Ill.

4-Wyoming Warner, 177, Cheyenne, Wyo. KO 1 (0:25) George Gerger, 175½, Bayonne, N.J.

Judges—Tom Flynn, Charles F. Mathison.

Promoter—George (Tex) Rickard.

Paid Attendance—24,058.

Gross Gate—\$232,199.

Purses—Sharkey-\$49,228; Maloney-\$49,228.

July 21, 1927

15-Jack Dempsey, 194½, Los Angeles, Calif. KO 7 (0:45) Jack Sharkey, 196, Boston, Mass. Jack O'Sullivan, referee.

6-Martin Burke, 178½, New Orleans, La. unan. decision Ray Neumann, 198, Paterson, N.J. Lou Magnolia, referee.

6-James J. Braddock, 165½, North Bergen, N.J. unan. decision George LaRocco, 179, Bronx, N.Y.

6-Joe Monte, 174, Brockton, Mass. KO 2 (2:37) Frank Muskie, 173, St. Paul, Minn.

6-Jimmy Byrne, 184, Louisville, Ky. (south-paw) unan. decision Tom Sayers, 195, Detroit, Mich. William (Kid) McPartland, referee.

6-Sandy Seifert, 183, Pittsburgh, Pa. outpointed Warner Wyoming, 172½, Cheyenne, Wyo. Jack O'Sullivan, referee.

Judges—Tom Flynn, Charles F. Mathison.

Promoter—George (Tex) Rickard.

Paid Attendance—77,283.

Gross Gate—\$1,083,530.

Purses—Dempsey-\$352,000;

Sharkey-\$211,000.

August 11, 1927

15-Jack Delaney, 177½, Bridgeport, Conn. WF 7 (1:57) Paolino Uzcudun, 193½, Spain. Jim Crowley, referee.

10-Dave Shade, 157½, Vallejo, Calif. outpointed Joe Anderson, 159½, Covington, Ky. Eddie Forbes, referee.

10-Hilario Martinez, 140, Spain outpointed Sammy Vogel, 141, Harlem, N.Y.

4-Dick Fullam, 159½, Yorkville, N.Y. and Felix Sportiello, 160, Italy, drew.

Judges—George J. Partrick, Harold Barnes.

Promoter—George (Tex) Rickard.

Matchmaker—Jess McMahon.

Attendance—30,000 (estimated).

Gross Gate—\$125,400.

July 26, 1928

15-Gene Tunney, 192, New York, N.Y. TKO 11 (2:52) Tom Heeney, 203½, Gisborne, N.Z. Eddie Forbes, referee.

(Retained World Heavyweight Title)

6-George LaRocco, 181½, Bronx, N.Y. outpointed Herman Heller, 188½, Germany

6-Big Boy Peterson, 198, Minneapolis, Minn. and Jimmy Byrne, 183, Louisville, Ky., drew.

6-Ad Warren, 185, Charlotte, N.C. outpointed George Hoffman, 187, New York, N.Y.

4-Bill Daring, 189, Southampton, N.Y. KO 2 (1:53) Frank Lang, 191, South Bend, Ind.

4-Jack Saunders, 191, Long Island City, N.Y. outpointed Bing Conley, 190, Portland, Me.

Judges—Charles F. Mathison, Tom Flynn.

Promoter—George (Tex) Rickard.

Matchmaker—Jess McMahon.

Paid Attendance—43,191.

Gross Gate—691,014.

Purses—Tunney-\$525,000; Heeney \$100,000.

June 27, 1929

15-Max Schmeling, 187, Brandenburg, Germany unan. decision Paolino Uzcudun, 192 ½, Regil, Spain. Arthur Donovan, referee.

10-Otto Von Porat, 196, Chicago, Ill. TKO 9 (2:39) Meyer (K.O.) Christner, 197½, Akron, Ohio. Lou Magnolia, referee.

10-Angus Snyder, 188½, Dodge City, Ks. KO 5 (0:30) Johnny Grosso, 196, Mt. Vernon, N.Y.

6-Roy Wallace, 165½, Indianapolis, Ind. KO 3 (2:57) Primo Uvaldo, 171½, Italy

4-Johnny Pavelec, 212, Brooklyn, N.Y. unan. decision Jackie Saunders, 199, Long Island City, N.Y.

Main Event Judges—Lou Magnolia, Charles F. Mathison.

Promoter—M.S.G. Corp. (Wm. F. Carey, pres.).

Matchmaker—Tom McArdle.

Paid Attendance—38,390.

Gross Gate—\$381,280.

Purses—Schmeling-\$36,250 (10% net);

Uzcudun-\$36,250 (10% net).

July 18, 1929

15-Tommy Loughran, 174, Philadelphia, Pa. unan. decision James J. Braddock, 170, North Bergen, N.J. Eddie Forbes, referee.

(Retained World Light Heavyweight Title)
10-Dave Shade, 159½, Vallejo, Calif. outpointed Rene De Vos, 159½, Belgium

10-Izzy Grove, 153½, Bronx, N.Y. outpointed Harry Ebbets, 159, Freeport, N.Y.

6-Buddy Howard, 177½, New Haven, Conn. KO 2 (1:10) Charles (Red) Boyette, 174, Miami, Fla. Mike Hylis, referee.

4-Joe Barlow, 178¼, Boston, Mass. outpointed Frankie Cawley, 180¼, Pittston, Pa.

Judges—George Kelly, George J. Partrick.
Promoter—M.S.G. Corp. (Wm. F. Carey, pres.).

Matchmaker—Tom McArdle.

Paid Attendance—19,658.

Gross Gate—\$147,096. **Net**—\$110,726.

Purses—Loughran-\$41,360.50 (37½ net); Braddock-\$13,631 (12½ net).

September 26, 1929

15-Jack Sharkey, 196, Boston, Mass. KO 3 (0:27) Tommy Loughran, 186½, Philadelphia, Pa. Lou Magnolia, referee.

10-Jack Gagnon, 190 ½, New Bedford, Mass. WF 7 (0:54) Jimmy Maloney, 204, Boston, Mass. Lou Magnolia, referee.

10-Tom Heeney, 207, Gisborne, N.Z. outpointed George Hoffman, 193, Yorkville, N.Y. Eddie Forbes, referee.

6-Joe Banovic, 178½, Binghamton, N.Y. outpointed Lou Barba, 187, New York, N.Y. Jack Dorman, referee.

4-Bill Daring, 181, Southampton, N.Y. unan. decision Bob Carvill, 183, London, Eng. Jack Dorman, referee.

Judges—Billy Joh, Charles F. Mathison.

Promoter—M.S.G. Corp. (Wm. F. Carey, pres.).

Matchmaker—Tom McArdle.

Paid Attendance—43,879.

Gross Gate—\$254,621.

Purses—Sharkey-\$100,000; Loughran-\$50,000.

June 12, 1930

15-Max Schmeling, 188, Brandenburg, Germany WF 4 (2:55) Jack Sharkey, 197, Boston, Mass. Jim Crowley, referee. (Won Vacant World Heavyweight Title)

10-Al Fay, 192½, Charleroi, Pa. outpointed George Hoffman, 192, Yorkville, N.Y.

8-Henry LaMar, 186, Washington, D.C. unan. decision Mateo Osa, 185, Spain

6-Stanley Poreda, 196, Jersey City, N.J. outpointed Raul Bianchi, 212½, Argentina

6-Ralph Ficucello, 186, Brooklyn, N.Y. TKO 3 (1:39) Piet Brandt, 169, Netherlands. Jack Denning, referee.

Judges—Harold Barnes, Charles F. Mathison.

Promoter—M.S.G. Corp. (Wm. F. Carey, pres.).

Matchmaker—James J. Johnston.

Paid Attendance—\$79,222.

Gross Gate—\$749,935. **Net**—\$711,884.

Purses—Schmeling-\$177,971 (25% net); Sharkey-\$177,971 (25% net).

July 17, 1930

15-Al Singer, 133½, Bronx, N.Y. KO 1 (1:46) Sammy Mandell, 134½, Chicago, Ill. Arthur Donovan, referee.

(Won World Lightweight Title)

10-Justo Suarez, 138, Santiago, Chile outpointed Joe Glick, 138½, Brooklyn, N.Y.

8-Midget Wolgast, 112½, Philadelphia, Pa. outpointed Ernie Peters, 116½, Philadelphia, Pa.

6-Sammy Binder, 129, New York, N.Y. outpointed Vic Morosco, 127¾, New York, N.Y.

4-Petey Hayes, 117½, New York, N.Y. outpointed Danny London, 113¼, New York, N.Y. Jed Gahan, referee.

Judges—William P. Donnano, Hugh Riley.

Promoter—M.S.G. Corp. (Wm. F. Carey, pres.).

Matchmaker—James J. Johnston.

Paid Attendance—29,551.

Gross Gate—\$129,663.

Purses—Mandell-\$45,348 (35% net); Singer-\$19,549 (15% net).

September 11, 1930

10-Jimmy McLarnin, 140, Glendale, Calif. KO 3 (2:21) Al Singer, 135½, New York, N.Y. Johnny McAvoy, referee.

8-Ben Jeby, 150, New York, N.Y. outpointed

Joe Dundee, 151, Baltimore, Md.

8-Lew Paluso, 133½, Bronx, N.Y. unan. decision Armando Aquilar, 139, Chile

8-Nel Tarleton, 125, Liverpool, Eng. and Jimmy Slavin, 126½, New York, N.Y., drew.

6-Tommy Syracuse, 138½, Yorkville, N.Y. outpointed Teddy Martin, 138½, Brooklyn, N.Y.

4-Sammy Delson, 131, New York, N.Y. outpointed Frank McKenna, 136, Glasgow, Scotland

Judges—George Kelly, Harold Barnes.

Promoter—M.S.G. Corp. (Wm. F. Carey, pres.).

Matchmaker—James J. Johnston.

Paid Attendance—28,245.

Gross Gate—167,155.

Purses—McLarnin-\$33,431 (25% net); Singer-\$33,431 (25% net).

June 8, 1933

15-Max Baer, 203, Livermore, Calif. KO 10 (1:51) Max Schmeling, 189¼, Brandenburg, Germany. Arthur Donovan, referee.

8-Tony Galento, 220, Newark, N.J. KO 2 (2:23) Donald (Reds) Barry, 196½, Washington, D.C.

8-Charlie Massera, 178, Pittsburgh, Pa. outpointed Abe Feldman, 178, New York, N.Y.

6-Jack Redman, 178½, South Bend, Ind. outpointed Marty Folx, 190, New York, N.Y.

4-Jack Van Noy, 208, San Francisco, Calif. outpointed Phil Cohen, 187½, New York, N.Y.

4-George Simpson, 165, Oakland, Calif., and



Max Baer vs. Max Schmeling. Baer, a future world heavyweight title holder, rallied to kayo ex-champion Schmeling in the tenth.

Joe Mach, 164½, Bronx, N.Y., drew.

Judges—Charles Lynch, Joe Agnello.

Promoters—Jack Dempsey, Tim Mara.

Attendance—53,000 (estimated).

Gross Gate—\$240,000 (estimated).

Purses—Schmeling—\$78,000 (37½% net);

Baer—\$26,000 (12½% net).

June 25, 1935

15-Joe Louis, 196, Detroit, Mich. TKO 6 (2:32) Primo Carnera, 260½, Sequoia, Italy. Arthur Donovan, referee.

6-Buddy Baer, 239, Livermore, Calif. KO 1 (0:54) Frank Wotanski, 205, Utica, N.Y.

4-Jorge Brescia, 215½, Argentina KO 2 (1:26) Andy Wallace, 196, New York, N.Y.

4-Nathan Mann, 173, New Haven, Conn. KO 3 (0:54) Al Zapala, 167½, Lawrence, Mass.

4-Abe Simon, 254½, Richmond Hill, Queens, N.Y. TKO 1 (2:51) Chris Karchi, 182½, Jersey City, N.J. Jack Denning, referee.

4-Heinz Kohlhaus, 197, Germany KO 2 (2:52) Billy Juliano, 171½, Clifton, N.J.

4-Ralph Vona, 138, Asbury Park, N.J. outpointed Joey Haas, 143, New York, N.Y.

4-Eddie Mader, 184½, New York, N.Y. outpointed Eddie Houghton, 179½, Philadelphia, Pa.

4-Clarence (Red) Burman, 170½, Baltimore, Md. outpointed Joe Kaminski, 168, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Judges—Charles Lynch, Tommy Shortell.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Michael S. Jacobs, pres.)

Attendance—64,000 (estimated).

Gross Gate—\$328,655.

Purses—Carnera—\$86,792 (35% net); Louis—\$44,636 (18% net).

September 24, 1935

15-Joe Louis, 199¼, Detroit, Mich. KO 4 Max Baer, 210½, Livermore, Calif. Arthur Donovan, referee.

6-Fern Smith, 209½, Kalispell, Mont. outpointed Buddy Baer, 238½, Livermore, Calif.

6-Eddie Mader, 186¾, New York, N.Y. outpointed Hank Hankinson, 211½, Los Angeles, Calif.

4-Tony Cancelli, 194½, Tampa, Fla. outpointed Jimmy Merriot, 204, Tulsa, Ok.

4-Jorge Brescia, 211, Argentina TKO 4 (2:22) Paul Pross, 213, New York, N.Y.

4-George Turner, 185, Sallisaw, Ok. outpointed Heinz Kohlhaus, 205, Germany

4-Bob Pastor, 184¾, Rockaway, Queens, N.Y. outpointed Terry Mitchell, 184½, Boston, Mass.

4-Nathan Mann, 177, New Haven, Conn. TKO 3

(2:19) George Chip, 175½, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Judges—George LeCron, Charles Lynch.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Michael S. Jacobs, pres.)

Paid Attendance—83,462.

Gross Gate—\$948,352.

Purses—Louis—\$217,337 (30% net);

Baer—\$181,114 (25% net).

June 19, 1936

15-Max Schmeling, 192, Germany KO 12 (2:29) Joe Louis, 198, Detroit, Mich. Arthur Donovan, referee.

6-Al Gainer, 168½, New Haven, Conn. TKO 4 (1:04) Tony Galento, 220, Newark, N.J.

6-Bob Pastor, 186, Washington Heights, N.Y. outpointed Steve Dudas, 190½, Edgewater, N.J.

6-Steve Carr, 174, Meriden, Conn. and Dave Clark, 170¾, Detroit, Mich., drew.

6-Sandy McDonald, 198½, Dallas, Texas, outpointed Jack McCarthy, 187, Boston, Mass.

4-Jorge Brescia, 208, Argentina, outpointed Abe Feldman, 181½, New York, N.Y.

4-Wallace (Bud) Mignault, 171½, Brockton, Mass. outpointed Mickey Patrick, 171, Chicago.

Judges—George LeCron, Charles Lynch.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Michael S. Jacobs, pres.)

Matchmaker—Tom McArdle.

Paid Attendance—42,088.

Gross Gate—547,531.

Purses—Schmeling—\$63,198.50 (12½% net); Louis—\$63,198.50 (12½% net).

August 16, 1936

10-Joe Louis, 199¾, Detroit, Mich. KO 3 (1:02) Jack Sharkey, 197¼, Boston, Mass. Arthur Donovan, referee.

6-Francis Connolly, 236, Boston, Mass. outpointed Sandy McDonald, 200½, Fort Worth, Texas

6-Eddie Mader, 180½, New York, N.Y. and Nathan Mann, 181¼, New Haven, Conn., drew.

6-Dave Clark, 175¼, Detroit, Mich. outpointed Wallace (Bud) Mignault, 169 ¼, Brockton, Mass.

6-Eddie Blunt, 218¾, Corona, Queens, N.Y. outpointed Terry Mitchell, 189 ½, Brooklyn, N.Y.

4-Lou Nova, 193¾, Oakland, Calif. outpointed Tom Ponte, 193, Roseland, N.J.

4-Stanley Hasrato, 163½, Yonkers, N.Y. and Joe (Butch) Lynch, 158¾, Philadelphia, Pa., drew.

Judges—Charles Lynch, Eddie Forbes.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Michael S. Jacobs, pres.)

Matchmaker—Tom McArdle.

Paid Attendance—29,372.

Gross Gate—\$159,916.

Purses—Louis—\$42,746 (30% net); Sharkey—\$35,621 (25% net).

August 30, 1937

15-Joe Louis, 197, Detroit, Mich. unan. decision Tommy Farr, 204½, Tonyandy, Wales. Arthur Donovan, referee. (Retained World Heavyweight Title)

8-Buddy Baer, 243¾, Livermore, Calif. TKO 3 (2:38) Abe Simon, 250, Richmond Hill, Queens, N.Y.

6-Charlie Massera, 186½, Pittsburgh, Pa. outpointed Dave Clark, 174½, Detroit, Mich.

6-Tiger Jack Fox, 184½, Indianapolis, Ind. outpointed Steve Dudas, 188, Edgewater, N.J.

6-Harry Balsamo, 165, New York, N.Y. KO 1 (2:32) Chris DeRossa, 156½, Boston, Mass.

4-Joe Pavlovich, 161½, Brooklyn, N.Y. outpointed Maxie Long, 150½, Dallas, Texas

4-Phil Sommese, 189½, Brooklyn, N.Y. and Joe Wagner, 174½, Newark, N.J., drew.

4-Solly Pace, 180½, New York, N.Y. outpointed George Cresi, 193¼, New York, N.Y.

Judges—Charles Lynch, William (Kid) McPartland.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Michael S. Jacobs, pres.)

Matchmaker—Tom McArdle.

Paid Attendance—33,469.

Gross Gate—\$265,753.

Purses—Louis—\$104,087 (40% net); Farr—\$50,000 (guarantee).

June 22, 1938

15-Joe Louis, 198¾, Detroit, Mich. KO 1 (2:04) Max Schmeling, 193, Brandenburg, Germany. Arthur Donovan, referee. (Retained World Heavyweight Title)

6-Jorge Brescia, 211½, Argentina outpointed Al Kettles, 205, South Bend, Ind.

6-Dave Clark, 175, Detroit, Mich. outpointed Wallace (Bud) Mignault, 175¼, Brockton, Mass.

6-Carmen Barth, 163, Cleveland, Ohio outpointed Al Coccozza, 165, Harlem, N.Y.

4-Bill Poland, 185, Bronx, N.Y. outpointed Gene Bonin, 194, Willimantic, Conn.

4-Joe Lubin, 193, Brooklyn, N.Y. outpointed Bill Comiskey, 176, Paterson, N.J.

Judges—George LeCron, Charles Lynch.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Michael S. Jacobs, pres.)

Matchmaker—Tom McArdle.

Total Attendance—70,025.

Paid Attendance—66,227.

Gross Gate—\$940,096. **Net**—\$803,113.

Radio and Motion Picture Rights—\$75,000.

Total Gross Revenue—\$1,015,096.

Purses—Louis-\$349,228 (40% net); Schmeling-\$174,644 (20% net).

June 1, 1939

15-Lou Nova, 202, Oakland, Calif. TKO 11 (1:21) Max Baer, 210½, Livermore, Calif. Frank Fullam, referee.

6-Wally Sears, 175¾, Minersville, Pa. outpointed Max Marek, 191, Chicago, Ill.

6-Elza Thompson, 231¾, Indianapolis, Ind. KO 3 (2:04) Jorge Brescia, 210½, Argentina

6-Pat Comiskey, 200, Paterson, N.J. KO 2 (0:39) Jim Quigley, 178½, Secaucus, N.J.

4-Jack Wofford, 196, Arlington, Texas TKO 3 (1:06) Julio Ortenzio, 192, Bronx, N.Y. Frank Fullam, referee.

4-Ralph Ivins, 187¾, Jamesburg, N.J. outpointed Harry Weber, 192, Estonia

4-Jimmy Smith, 182, Bronx, N.Y. TKO 2 (2:47) George Alex Youssef, 192, Paris, France. Frank Fullam, referee.

Judges—Joe Lynch, Bill Healey.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Michael S. Jacobs, pres.)

Matchmaker—Johnny Attell.

Paid Attendance—\$16,738.

Gross Gate—\$82,364.63

Purses—Nova-\$22,517 (30% net); Baer-\$22,517 (30% net).

June 28, 1939

15-Joe Louis, 200 ¾, Detroit, Mich. TKO 4 (2:29) Tony Galento, 233 ¾, Newark, N.J. (Retained World Heavyweight Title)

4-Elza Thompson, 225 ½, Indianapolis, Ind. and Eddie Blunt, 216 ½, Corona, Queens, N.Y., drew.

4-Tommy Tucker, 174 ½, East Rockaway, Queens, N.Y. and Gus Dorazio, 187 ¾, Philadelphia, Pa., drew.

4-Abe Feldman, 186 ¾, Schenectady, N.Y., and George Nicholson, 202¼, Yonkers, N.Y., drew.

4-Jim Howell, 233½, Harlem, N.Y., outpointed Phil Johnson, 182¼, Bayonne, N.J.

4-Monte Marks, 190½, Troy, N.Y. outpointed Ralph Ivins, 188, Jamesburg, N.J.

4-Willie Pavlovich, 174½, Brooklyn, N.Y. outpointed Danny Temple, 175½, Brooklyn, N.Y.

4-Jimmy Smith, 181½, Bronx, N.Y. outpointed Johnny Sionas, 179, Fairview, N.J.

Judges—George LeCron, William Healy.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Michael S. Jacobs, pres.)

Paid Attendance—34,852.

Gross Gate—\$283,303.68.

Purses—Louis-\$96,323.12 (40% net); Galento-\$42,141.37 (17½% net).

August 22, 1939

15-Lou Ambers, 134½, Herkimer, N.Y. unan. decision Henry Armstrong, 135, St. Louis, Mo. Arthur Donovan, referee. (Regained World Lightweight Title)

6-Eddie Colan, 141½, Waterbury, Conn. outpointed Milo Theodorescu, 146 ¾, Roumania



Max Schmeling is down in one of the most famous fights in history. Joe Louis retained his world heavyweight title in 2:04 of the first round.

6-Mike Kaplan, 141½, Boston, Mass. TKO 6 (0:34) Frank Cavanna, 141½, New York, N.Y.

6-Al Netlow, 140½, Detroit, Mich. outpointed Jimmy Vaughn, 135, Cleveland, Ohio

4-Bernie Miller, 136, New York, N.Y. outpointed Pete Mascia, 141, Brooklyn, N.Y.

4-Steve Paddon, 140, New York, N.Y. and Angelo Lato, 145, Brooklyn, N.Y., drew.

Judges—Frank Fullam, William Healy.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Michael S. Jacobs, pres.)

Matchmaker—Johnny Attell.

Paid Attendance—29,088.

Gross Gate—\$137,025.

Purses—Armstrong-\$40,498 (30% net); Ambers-\$23,399 (17½% net)

June 20, 1940

15-Joe Louis, 199, Detroit, Mich. TKO 8 (1:24) Arturo Godoy, 201½, Santiago, Chile. Billy Cavanagh, referee. (Retained World Featherweight Title)

8-Bill Poland, 187, Bronx, N.Y. KO 5 (0:23) Jack Marshall, 192½, Dallas, Texas

8-Steve Belloise, 151, Bronx, N.Y. KO 1 (2:46) Wicky Harkins, 148½, Philadelphia, Pa.

6-Holman Williams, 147½, Chicago, Ill. outpointed Joe Legon, 145, Havana, Cuba

4-Johnny Shkor, 203, Baltimore, Md. TKO 1 (2:26) Don Morrow, 192½, Buffalo, N.Y.

4-Neville Beech, 188, Picayune, Miss. outpointed Max Minnich, 181, New York, N.Y.

Judges—Marty Monroe, William Healy.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Michael S. Jacobs, pres.)

Matchmaker—Johnny Attell.

Paid Attendance—27,786.

Gross Gate—\$149,505.

Purses—Louis-\$55,989 (40% net); Godoy-\$23,620 (20% net)

June 19, 1946

15-Joe Louis, 207, Detroit, Mich. KO 8 (2:19) Billy Conn, 182, Pittsburgh, Pa. Eddie Joseph, referee. (Retained World Heavyweight Title)

6-Johnny Colan, 174, New York, N.Y. outpointed Erv Sarlin, 182, Pittsburgh, Pa.

6-Tommy Yarosz, 167, Pittsburgh, Pa. outpointed Billy Grant, 174, Orange, N.J.

6-Johnny Aicher, 185¾, Cliffside Park, N.J. TKO 4 (2:54) Mike Belluscio, 206, New York, N.Y.

6-Omelio Agramonte, 177¼, Havana, Cuba KO 5 (1:21) Johnny Kapovich, 197, Baltimore, Md.

4-Jimmy Bell, 188½, Washington, D.C. outpointed Bob Jacobs, 178½, Philadelphia, Pa.

4-Stanley Goicz, 182¼, Yonkers, N.Y. outpointed Ted Walters, 198½, New York, N.Y.

4-Cleo Everett, 190½, Detroit, Mich. outpointed Charley Crump, 188½, Baltimore, Md.

Judges—Frank Forbes, Jack O'Sullivan.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Michael S. Jacobs, pres.)

Matchmaker—Nat Rogers.

Paid Attendance—45,266.

Gross Gate—\$1,925,564.

Purses—Louis-\$625,196 (40% net); Conn-\$312,958 (20% net)

September 18, 1946

15-Joe Louis, 211¼, Detroit, Mich. KO 1 (2:09) Tami Mauriello, 198½, Bronx, N.Y. Arthur Donovan, referee.

(Retained World Heavyweight Title)

6-Johnny Colan, 175, New York, N.Y. outpointed Johnny Aicher, 188½, Cliffside Park, N.J.

6-George Fitch, 212, New Haven, Conn. outpointed Cleo Everett, 198, Detroit, Mich.
4-Freddie Schott, 213, Akron, Ohio outpointed Teddy Randolph, 181, New York, N.Y.

4-Willis Parker, 174½, Yonkers, N.Y. outpointed Bob Jacobs, 180, Philadelphia, Pa.

4-Henry Hall, 168½, New Orleans, La. outpointed Danny Peal, 168½, Brooklyn, N.Y.

4-Tony Ferry, 199½, Fall River, Mass. outpointed Sy Cohen, 218½, Brooklyn, N.Y.

4-Ted Walters, 200, New York, N.Y. outpointed George Bensik, 185, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C. (Michael S. Jacobs, pres.; Sol. Struass, acting director)

Matchmaker—Nat Rogers.

Paid Attendance—38,854.

Gross Gate—\$335,063.

Purses—Louis-\$103,611 (40% net); Mauriello-\$38,354 (15% net)

September 27, 1946

15-Tony Zale, 160, Gary, Ind. KO 6 (1:43) Rocky Graziano, 154, New York, N.Y. Ruby Goldstein, referee.
(Retained World Middleweight Title)

6-Clarence Wilkinson, 165, New York, N.Y. KO 5 (0:42) Steve Mamakos, 166, Washington, D.C.

6-J.C. Wilkins, 161, Bronx, N.Y. outpointed Jerry Fiorello, 158, Brooklyn, N.Y.

6-Vincent LaSalva, 148, Mt. Vernon, N.Y. outpointed Lou Valles, 146½, New York, N.Y.

6-Bobby Lakin, 155, Jamaica, Queens, N.Y. outpointed Bobby Mann, 149, Trenton, N.J.

4-Johnny Mazanoble, 145½, Schenectady, N.Y. outpointed Davey Cohen, 141, Bronx, N.Y.

4-Rube Jones, 163½, Norfolk, Va. outpointed Tom McKeagney, 161½, Boston, Mass.

4-Joe D'Amato, 140¾, Youngstown, Ohio KO 1 (2:46) Charley Finley, 142, Harlem, N.Y.

Judges—Joe Agnello, George LeCron. **Promoter**—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Michael S. Jacobs, pres.; Sol. Struass, acting director)

Matchmaker—Nat Rogers.

Paid Attendance—39,827.

Gross Gate—\$342,497.

Net Receipts—\$260,297.62

Purses—Zale-\$78,892.87 (30% net); Graziano-\$78,892.87 (30% net)

June 25, 1948

15-Joe Louis, 213½, Detroit, Mich. KO 11 (2:56) Jersey Joe Walcott, 194¾, Camden, N.J. Frank Fullam, referee.
(Retained World Heavyweight Title)

6-Curtis Sheppard, 191½, Baltimore, Md. TKO 3 (2:07) Alfredo Lagay, 186, Argentina

6-Roland LaStarza, 184, Bronx, N.Y. outpoint-

ed Benny Rusk, 199, Pasadena, Texas

6-McKinley English, 205, Detroit, Mich. and Austin Johnson, 191, Atlantic City, N.J., drew.

4-Richard Hagan, 199, Chicago, Ill. outpointed Wade Chancey, 187½, Jacksonville, Fla.

4-Don Mogard, 185½, Toronto, Ont. outpointed James P. Connelly, 211, Worcester, Mass.

4-Dan Bucceroni, 178¾, Philadelphia, Pa. TKO 2 (0:57) Tony Jess, 179½, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

4-Phil Berman, 173½, Paterson, N.J. KO 2 (0:27) Eddie Neguth, 176, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Judges—Harold Barnes, Jack O'Sullivan.

Promoter—Twentieth Century S.C.

(Sol. Struass, acting director)

Matchmaker—Nat Rogers.

Paid Attendance—42,667.

Gross Gate—\$841,739.

Purses—Louis-\$252,522; Walcott-\$145,654.

September 23, 1948

15-Ike Williams, 134¾, Trenton, N.J. KO 10 (2:04) Jesse Flores, 134¾, Stockton, Calif. Mark Conn, referee.
(Retained World Lightweight Title)

10-Ray Robinson, 150½, New York, N.Y. unan. decision Kid Gavilan, 148½, Camaguey, Cuba. Eddie Joseph, referee.

6-Gene Boland, 154¾, Detroit, Mich. TKO 3 (*) Tommy Gargano, 149¾, Eddie Joseph, referee.

6-Roland LaStarza, 184, Bronx, N.Y. outpointed Don Mogard, 184, Toronto, Ont..

6-Dick Wagner, 171½, Portland, Ore. outpointed Dan Bucceroni, 175, Philadelphia, Pa.

4-George LaFalgio, 129½, Bronx, N.Y. outpointed Lorenzo Safaro, 129¾, Havana, Cuba.

Judges—Artie Aidala, Frank Forbes.

Promoter—Int. Boxing Club

(James D. Norris, pres.).

Matchmaker—Al. Weill.

Paid Attendance—15,413.

Gross Gate—\$85,150.

Purses—Williams-\$32,500; Flores-10% net; Robinson-\$20,000; Gavilan-12½% net.

August 10, 1949

15-Ezzard Charles, 189, Cincinnati, Ohio TKO 7 (ret.) Gus Lesnevich, 182, Cliffs Park, N.J. Ruby Goldstein, referee.
(Retained NBA Heavyweight Title)

10-Cesar Brion, 193, Argentina KO 8 (0:53) Bernie Reynolds, 181¼, Fairfield, Conn.

6-Carmine Vingo, 188½, Bronx, N.Y. outpointed Joe Modzelle, 183¼, Pittsburgh, Pa.

6-James P. Connelly, 204, Worcester, Mass. outpointed Mike Buha, 196, St. Louis, Mo.

6-Mathew Daniels, 168, Washington, D.C. KO 2 (2:59) Tony Casas, 172½, Cuba

4-Charley Norkus, 188¾, Bayonne, N.J. KO 4

(2:26) Tommy Giorgio, 182¼, Schenectady, N.Y.

Judges—Frank Forbes, Jack O'Sullivan.

Promoter—Int. Boxing Club

(James D. Norris, pres.).

Matchmaker—Al. Weill.

Paid Attendance—16,630.

Gross Gate—\$57,762.

Purses—Charles-\$18,598 (30% net);

Lesnevich-\$18,598 (30% net).

August 24, 1949

10-Ray Robinson, 153½, New York, N.Y. TKO (ret.) 7 Steve Belloise, 158, Bronx, N.Y. Eddie Joseph, referee.

8-Artie Towne, 155½, Bronx, N.Y. KO 8 (1:29) Joe Taylor, 157½, Binghamton, N.Y. Mark Conn, referee.

6-Johnny Bassett, 168¾, Burlington, Vt. outpointed Larry Shaw, 168½, Brooklyn, N.Y.

6-Sal Belloise, 159¾, Bronx, N.Y. KO 5 (2:46) Tommy O'Connor, 161, Huntington, N.Y.

6-Joey Scarlato, 132¾, Bronx, N.Y. KO 6 (2:16) Joe Rigano, 128, Brooklyn, N.Y.

4-Johnny Edington, 137, Youngstown, Ohio KO 1 (1:08) Marcel Pacheco, 140¾, N.Y., N.Y.

Promoter—Int. Boxing Club (James D. Norris, pres.).

Matchmaker—Al. Weill.

Paid Attendance—28,812.

Gross Gate—\$120,860.

Purses—Robinson-\$33,138 (30% net); Belloise-\$25,958 (20% net).

September 8, 1950

15-Sandy Saddler, 124¾, Harlem, N.Y. TKO 8 (*) Willie Pep, 124¾, Hartford, Conn. Ruby Goldstein, referee.
(Regained World Featherweight Title)

8-Fabela Chavez, 125, Los Angeles, Calif. TKO 6 (ret.) Tom Collins, 125½, Boston, Mass.

6-Tony Cimmino, 146¾, Bayonne, N.J. outpointed Manouk Markarian, 145, Argentina

6-Massimo Sanna, 135½, New York, N.Y. outpointed Jackie Blair, 132, Dallas, Texas

4-Bobby Fenty, 124, Harlem, N.Y. outpointed Charley Debow, 120½, Springfield, Mass.

4-Georgie Flores, 141, Brooklyn, N.Y. KO 2 (2:38) Fred Maybe, 136, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Judges—Arthur Susskind, Frank Forbes.

Promoter—International Boxing Club.

Paid Attendance—38,781.

Gross Gate—\$262,150.41.

Purses—Pep-\$92,408 (45% net); Saddler-\$30,900 (15% net).

September 27, 1950

15-Ezzard Charles, 184 ½, Cincinnati, Ohio unan. dec. Joe Louis, 218, Detroit, Mich. Mark Conn, referee. (Won World Heavyweight Title)

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6-Sonny Parisi, 196 ½, Brooklyn, N.Y. TKO 1 (2:33) Joe Modzele, 182, Pittsburgh, Pa.

4-Elkins Brothers, 200, Baltimore, Md. KO 3 (2:37) Dutch Culbertson, 189, Los Angeles, Calif.

4-Willie Clemmons, 194, Indianapolis, Ind. outpointed Steve King, 190 ½, Brooklyn, N.Y.

4-Ralph Schneider, 210, Chicago, Ill. KO 1 (2:21) Neil Wallace, 200, Richmond, Va.

4-Joe Malagna, 242½, Bronx, N.Y. KO 2 (2:29) Johnny Nubuer, 219, New York, N.Y.

4-Lloyd Gibson, 174, Cincinnati, Ohio outpointed Jimmy Riley, 186½, New York, N.Y.

Judges—Joe Agnello, Frank Forbes.

Promoter—Int. Boxing Club

4-Gene Takach, 136, Trenton, N.J. KO 1 (2:26) Lem Harvey, 134, Harlem, N.Y.

4-Clarence Hinnant, 158 ½, Brooklyn, N.Y. outpointed Althor Warner, 155 ¾, Syracuse, N.Y.

Judges—Joe Agnello, Tommy Shortnell

Promoter—Int. Boxing Club (James D. Norris, pres.).

Matchmaker—Al. Weill.

Paid Attendance—21,257.

Gross Gate—\$116,685.

Purses—LaMotta-\$29,882; Murphy-\$22,659.

June 25, 1952

15-Joey Maxim, 173, Cleveland, Ohio TKO 14 (*) Ray Robinson, 157½, New York, N.Y. Ruby Goldstein, referee.

(Retained World Light Heavyweight Title)



Rocky Marciano sends Harry (Kid) Matthews down and out in the last non-title main event in Stadium history.

(James D. Norris, pres.).

Matchmaker—Al. Weill.

Purses—Louis-\$100,408 (35% net); Charles-\$57,405 (20% net).

June 27, 1951

12-Bob Murphy, 175½, San Diego, Calif. TKO 8- (*) Jake LaMotta, 175, Bronx, N.Y. Ray Miller, referee.

8-Danny Nardico, 173, Los Angeles, Calif. TKO 3 (2:21) Reuben Jones, 175½, Norfolk, Va. Eddie Joseph, referee.

6-Vinnie D'Andrea, 148, New York, N.Y. outpointed Phil Rizzo, 153 ¾, Brooklyn, N.Y.

6-Julie Keene, 170 ½, Washington, D.C. KO 6 (2:29) Jimmy Slade, 172 ½, Bronx, N.Y.

4-Jimmy Wilde, 135, Bronx, N.Y. KO 1 (2:02) Phil Nolan, 132 ¾, Brooklyn, N.Y.

6-Shirley Pembleton, 184½, Philadelphia, Pa. KO 3 (2:12) Shamus O'Brien, 189, Cleveland, Ohio

6-Irvin Steen, 145½, San Diego, Calif. KO 3 (2:52) Herman McCray, 148, Philadelphia, Pa.

6-Jerome Richardson, 158½, Bronx, N.Y. and Al Mobley, 152¾, Newark, N.J., drew.

6-Floyd Morris, 164, Philadelphia, Pa. outpointed Chuck Hunter, 168½, Cleveland, Ohio

6-Clarence Hinnant, 168½, Washington, D.C. KO 4 (1:54) Sal Belloise, 163 ½, Bronx, N.Y.

4-Tony Esperti, 188, Bronx, N.Y. outpointed Angel Martinez, 183, Newark, N.J.

4-Dick Davis, 172, Philadelphia, Pa. KO 3 (2:56) Burl Charity, 172½, Youngstown, Ohio

Judges—Harold Barnes, Artie Aidala.

Promoter—Int. Boxing Club (James D. Norris, pres.).

Matchmaker—Al. Weill.

Paid Attendance—47,983.

Gross Gate—\$421,696.

Purses—Maxim-\$100,224 (25% net); Robinson-\$100,224 (25% net).

July 28, 1952

10-Rocky Marciano, 187½, Brockton, Mass. KO 2 (2:04) Harry Matthews, 179, Seattle, Wash. Ray Miller, referee.

6-Embrell Davidson, 206, Detroit, Mich. TKO 3 (*) Charley Riggs, 187½, Philadelphia, Pa.

6-Tommy Harrison, 170, Los Angeles, Calif. outpointed Paul Andrews, 170, Corona, Queens, N.Y.

6-Herbie Hayes, 165½, New York, N.Y. outpointed Al Winn, 166, Bronx, N.Y.

6-Randy Sandy, 152, Brooklyn, N.Y. outpointed Calvin Davis, 146½, Philadelphia, Pa.

5-Dave Davey, 204, Cliffside Park, N.J. outpointed Charley Norkus, 195, Bayonne, N.J.

4-Ricardo King, 154¼, Pittsburgh, Pa. outpointed Lee McLaughlin, 155½, New York, N.Y.

Judges—Joe Agnello, Tommy Shortnell.

Promoter—Int. Boxing Club (James D. Norris, pres.).

Matchmaker—Al. Weill.

Paid Attendance—31,188.

Gross Gate—\$215,707.

Purses—Marciano-\$51,102 (25% net); Matthews-\$51,102 (25% net).

June 17, 1954

15-Rocky Marciano, 187½, Brockton, Mass. unan. decision Ezzard Charles, 185½, Cincinnati, Ohio. Ruby Goldstein, referee. (Retained World Heavyweight Title)

6-Chubby Wright, 194½, Reading, Pa. TKO 4 (*) Toxie Hall, 196½, Chicago, Ill.

6-Howie Turner, 196, Brooklyn, N.Y. TKO 5 (*) Ike Thomas, 188½, New York, N.Y.

6-Joe Cannon, 175¾, outpointed Joe Rowan, 177 ½, Philadelphia, Pa.

4-Johnny Hoye, 204, Boston, Mass. outpointed Frank Flood, 182, Pueblo, Colo.

4-Billy Smith, 173, Atlantic City, N.J. KO 3 (2:17) Gene Jones, 209, New York, N.Y.

4-Ellie Rogalli, 194, Bronx, N.Y. KO 2 (2:39) Kenny Hates, 185¾, Miami, Fla.

4-Carl Kuhlmeier, 196½, Brooklyn, N.Y. and Jack Taylor, 206½, Newark, N.J., drew.

Judges—Artie Aidala, Harold Barnes.

Promoter—Int. Boxing Club (James D. Norris, pres.).

Matchmaker—Billy Brown.

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Paid Attendance—47,585.
Gross Gate—\$543,092.
Purses—Marciano-\$248,038 (40% net); Charles-\$124,219 (20% net).

September 17, 1954

15-Rocky Marciano, 187, Brockton, Mass. KO 8 (2:36) Ezzard Charles, 192½, Cincinnati, Ohio. Al Berl, referee.

(Retained World Heavyweight Title)

6-Joe Gannon, 173, Washington, D.C. outpointed Joey Rowan, 180½, Phoenixville, Pa.

6-Howie Turner, 199, Brooklyn, N.Y. and Johnny Hoyer, 202½, Bronx, N.Y., drew.

4-Chubby Wright, 195½, Reading, Pa. and Ike Thomas, 191 ¼, New York, N.Y., drew.

4-John Holman, 202½, Chicago, Ill. outpointed Bob Golden, 190, Denver, Colo.

4-Robert Graves, 217¼, New York, N.Y. outpointed Jack Jacobs, 190¾, Brooklyn, N.Y.

4-Mike DeJohn, 193, Syracuse, N.Y. TKO 1 (ret.) Chuck Syers, 193½, Wichita, Ks.

Judges—Artie Aidala, Frank Forbes.

Promoter—Int. Boxing Club (James D. Norris, pres.).

Matchmaker—Billy Brown.

Paid Attendance—34,330.

Gross Gate—\$352,654.

Purses—Marciano-\$174,608 (inc. TV/Radio); Charles-\$87,300.

September 21, 1955

15-Rocky Marciano, 188¾, Brockton, Mass. KO 9 (1:19) Archie Moore, 188, San Diego, Calif. Harry Kessler, referee.

(Retained World Heavyweight Title)

4-Mike DeJohn, 193½, Syracuse, N.Y. TKO 1 (1:35) Jack Taylor, 214½, Newark, N.J.

4-Clint Bacon, 176, Chicago, Ill. TKO 2 (1:08) Hosie Boil, 178, Hempstead, N.Y.

4-Toxie Hall, 197½, Chicago, Ill. KO 2 (0:26) Bobby Biehler, 181½, Rochester, N.Y.

4-Ernie Cab, 208, Brooklyn, N.Y. TKO 1 (2:59) Lou Benson, 220½, Baltimore, Md.

4-Warren Lester, 183, Philadelphia, Pa. outpointed Waddell Hannah, 173½, Philadelphia, Pa.

4-Mickey Maye, 198, New York, N.Y. outpointed Johnny Orgen, 204, Bronx, N.Y.

4-Frank Gioseffi, 192, New York, N.Y. outpointed Bob O'Brien, 195, New York, N.Y.

4-Calvin Wilson, 197½, Philadelphia, Pa. and Johnny Jenkins, 178, Harlem, N.Y., drew.

Judges—Artie Aidala, Harold Barnes.

Promoter—Int. Boxing Club (James D. Norris, pres.).

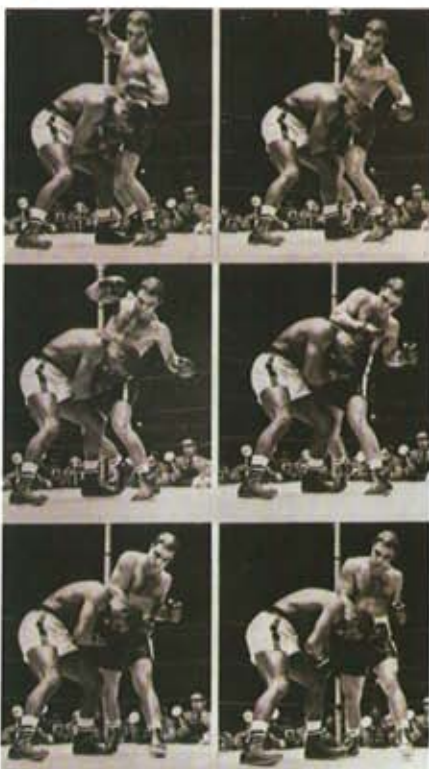
Matchmaker—Billy Brown.

Paid Attendance—61,574.

Gross Gate—\$948,117.95.

Purses—Marciano-\$482,374; Moore-\$241,187.

September 23, 1957



Ezzard Charles tries to avoid the clubbing fists of Marciano. Rocky, his nose split, rallied to knock out Charles in 2:36 of the eighth session.

15-Carmen Basilio, 153½, Canastota, N.Y. split decision Ray Robinson, 160, New York, N.Y.

Al Berl, referee.

(Won World Middleweight Title)

4-Charley Douglas, 137½, New York, N.Y. outpointed Tommy Roberts, 138, Harlem, N.Y.

4-Billy Long, 155½, Harlem, outpointed Lee Williams, 156, Harlem, N.Y.

4-Eddie Thompson, 158¾, Cincinnati, Ohio/ St. Albans, Queens, N.Y. outpointed Otis Woodard, 158¾, Memphis, Tenn.

4-Said Khelfa, 168¾, Algeria/New York, N.Y. outpointed Bruce Damphier, 172, Amsterdam, N.Y.

4-Billy Taylor, 153½, Hartford, Conn. outpointed Felix Machado, 152, Harlem, N.Y.

4-George Harrell, 162¾, Brooklyn, N.Y. outpointed Jimmy Williams, 165, Harlem, N.Y.

4-Billy Collins, 156½, Syracuse, N.Y. and Eddie Prince, 152, Poughkeepsie, N.Y., drew.

Judges—Artie Aidala, Bill Recht.

Promoter—Int. Boxing Club

(James D. Norris, pres.).

Matchmaker—Billy Brown.

Asst. Matchmaker—Jack Barrett.

Paid Attendance—38,072.

Gross Gate—\$556,467. **Net**—\$481,417.

Purses—Robinson-\$483,666 (45% net live gate [\$215,841], \$255,000 TV guarantee, \$12,825 radio share); Basilio-\$211,629 (20% net live gate [\$95,929], \$110,000 TV guarantee, \$5,700 radio share).

June 26, 1959

15-Ingemar Johansson, 196, Gothenburg, Sweden TKO 3 (2:03) Floyd Patterson, 182, Rockville Center, N.Y. Ruby Goldstein, referee. (Won World Heavyweight Title)

6-Jose Torres, 164½, Brooklyn, N.Y. KO 6 (0:42) Al Andrews, 159, St. Paul, Minn. Arthur Mercante, referee.

6-Leon Stewart, 160, Atlanta, Ga. outpointed Joe Rubino, 160¼, New York, N.Y.

4-Eddie Vick, 186, White Plains, N.Y. outpointed Lou Jones, 193, New York, N.Y.

4-Bartolo Soni, 178¾, Santo Domingo, D.R. outpointed Ted Poole, 173, New York, N.Y.

Judges—Bill Recht, Frank Forbes.

Promoter—Feature Sports, Inc. (Bill Rosensohn [of record]; "Fat Tony" Salerno [with record])

Matchmaker—Humbert Fugazy.

Purses—Patterson-\$622,741 (inc. CCTV); Johansson-\$281,426.

September 28, 1976

15-Muhammad Ali, 221, Louisville, Ky. unan. decision Ken Norton, 217½, San Diego, Calif. Arthur Mercante, referee. (Retained World Heavyweight Title)

10-Earnie Shavers, 213, Warren, Ohio KO 2 (2:16) Henry Clark, 222, San Francisco, Calif.

10-Mike Rossman, 165½, Turnersville, N.J. TKO 3 (1:59) Christy Elliot, 165, Dublin, Ireland

4-Bernardo Mercado, 215, Colombia KO 3 (0:49) James J. Woody, 207, Bronx, N.Y.

4-Gilberto Acuna, 205, Costa Rica KO 1 (1:18) Peter Muller, 224, Brooklyn, N.Y.

4-Bill Sharkey, 191½, Howard Beach, Queens, N.Y. outpointed Joe Maye, 195, Hartford, Conn.

4-Otis Gordon, 172, Hartford, Conn. TKO 1 (2:08) Kevin Smith, 175½, Newark, N.J.

4-Dennis Jordan, Wethersfield, Conn., KO 1 (0:36) Jerry Thompkins, Elizabeth, N.J.

4-Greg Sorrentino, Syracuse, N.Y. outpointed Johnny Blaine, Waterbury, Conn.

Judges—Harold Lederman, Barney Smith.

Promoters—M.S.G. Boxing, Inc. (Harry Markson, pres.); Top Rank, Inc.

(Robert Arum, pres.).

BOXING AT YANKEE STADIUM

Matchmakers—Teddy Brenner, Duke Stefano.

Paid Attendance—30,298.

Gross Gate—\$2,400,000.

Purses—All—\$6,100,000 (guarantee); Norton—\$1,100,000 (guarantee).

*Loser failed to answer bell for round indicated.

SYNOPSIS

Total Cards: 49

World Title Main Events: 30 (16 hvt.)

Non-Title Main Events: 19 (14 hvt.)

Shows by Decade:

1920s-14, 1930s-16, 1940s-8, 1950s-10,

1960s-0, 1970s-1

Promoters (Most Shows Promoted)

1. Michael S. Jacobs/20th Century S.C. (13)
2. James D. Norris/Int. Boxing Corp. (11)
3. George (Tex) Rickard/M.S.G. Corp. (9)
4. William F. Carey/M.S.G. Corp. (6)
5. E. Staats Luther/Cromwell A.C. (2)
Tim Mara (2)
Sol Strauss/20th Century S.C. (2)
8. Jack Dempsey,
Bill Rosensohn/Feature Sports, Inc. (1)
Bob Arum/Top Rank, Harry Markson/
M.S.G. (1)

Matchmakers (Most Shows Matched)

1. Thom McArdle/M.S.G. Corp. (12)
2. Johnny Attell/20th Century S.C. (10)
3. Al Weill/Int. Boxing Club (9)
4. Nat Rogers/20th Century S.C. (5)
Billy Brown/Int. Boxing Club (5)
6. James J. Johnston/Cromwell A.C./
M.S.G. (4)

Boxers (Most Main Events Fought)

1. Joe Louis (11)
2. Max Schmeling (5)
Jack Sharkey (5)
4. Ezzard Charles (4)
Rocky Marciano (4)
6. Max Baer (3)
Paul Berlenbach (3)
Ray Robinson (3)
Tommy Loughran (3)
Jimmy McLarnin (3)
11. Al Singer (2)
Paolino Uzcudun (2)

Highest Grosses

1. Sept. 28, 1976 Muhammad Ali-Ken Norton	\$2,500,000
2. June 26, 1946 Joe Louis-Billy Conn	1,925,564
3. July 21, 1927 Jack Dempsey-Jack Sharkey	1,083,530
4. Sept. 24, 1935 Joe Louis-Max Baer	948,352



Muhammad Ali takes a left to the body from Ken Norton in the last boxing show at Yankee Stadium.

5. Sept. 21, 1955 Rocky Marciano-Archie Moore	948,117	3. July 21, 1927 Jack Dempsey-Jack Sharkey	77,283
6. June 22, 1938 Joe Louis-Max Schmeling	940,096	4. June 22, 1938 Joe Louis-Max Schmeling	70,025
7. June 25, 1948 Joe Louis-Jersey Joe Walcott	841,739	5. May 23, 1923 Jess Willard-Jack McAuliffe	63,000
8. June 11, 1930 Max Schmeling-Jack Sharkey	749,935	6. June 25, 1935 Joe Louis-Primo Carnera	62,000
9. July 26, 1928 Gene Tunney-Tom Heeney	691,014	7. Sept. 21, 1955 Rocky Marciano-Archie Moore	61,574
10. Sept. 25, 1957 Carmen Basilio-Ray Robinson	556,467	8. July 23, 1923 Benny Leonard-Lew Tendler	58,522
Highest Paid Attendance		9. June 10, 1926 Paul Berlenbach-Young Stribling	55,000
1. Sept. 24, 1935 Joe Louis-Max Baer	88,150	10. June 8, 1933 Max Baer-Max Schmeling	53,000
2. June 12, 1930 Max Schmeling-Jack Sharkey	79,222		



Jim McLernon

Miguel Cotto will challenge WBA 154lb. champion Yuri Foreman on June 5, 2010, in what will be the 50th boxing event ever staged at Yankee Stadium.

ADDENDUM (Three cards were left out of original article.) Yankee Stadium, Bronx, New York, United States

August 20, 1931

10-Jimmy McClarnin, 148, Vancouver, B.C., Can., unan. dec. Billy Petrolle, 139, Fargo, SD.

8-Young Terry, 155, Trenton, NJ, outpointed Benny Miller, 157, Calif.

8-Marty Goldman, 137, Brooklyn, drew Andy Savola, 139, Brooklyn.

8-Billy Donahue, 154, New York, drew Max Pinaker, 165, Bronx.

6-Phil Stark, 128, New York, outpointed Jack Terranova, 125, New York.

Judges—Charles F. Mathison, George Kelly

Promoter—Madison Square Garden Corp.

Matchmaker—Tom McArdle

Paid Attendance—19,272

Gross Gate—\$70,184

August 3, 1932

10-Lou Brouillard, 146, Worcester, MA, split dec., Jimmy McLarnin, 144, Vancouver, B.C. Patsey Haley, referee.

8-Louis "Kid" Kaplan, 137, Waterbury, CT, outpointed Frank Petrolle, 142, Syracuse.

8-Ben Jeby, 162, New York, KO2 (2:16) Leo Larrivee, 164, Waterbury, CT.

8-Lew Kirsh, 135, outpointed Joey Costa, 133, Jersey City, NJ.

4-Billy Hogan, 136, Nyack, drew Joe Evarcone, 135, Scranton, PA.

Judges—Charles Lynch, Charles F. Mathison

Promoter—ARAM A.C. (Tim Mara) Benefit for the Daniel Frohman Actor's Foundation

Matchmaker—Al Weill

Paid Attendance—9,423

Gross Gate—\$21,000 (est.)

June 21, 1933

10-Tommy Loughran, 186, Philadelphia, outpointed Steve Hamas, 187¾, Passaic, NJ.

8-Abe Feldman, 178½, New York, NY, TKO4, stopped Adolf Heuser, 174, Bonn, Nordrhein-Westfalen, Germany, on cuts.

4-Jumbo Joe Moran, 218½, New York, NY, drew Billy DeBellis, 202, New York, NY.

4-Eddie Houghton, 178, Philadelphia, outpointed Sam Portney, 172, Brooklyn.

4-Izzy Singer, 178½, New York, NY, outpointed Frank Wotanski, 188½, Utica, NY.

4-Lou Poster, 187¾, Pottstown, PA, outpointed Eddie Mader, 181, New York, NY.

4-Vic Bernard, 176, Philadelphia, TKO3 Phil Cohen, 191½, Brooklyn.

Promoter—Tim Mara