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TRAINING FOR TROUBLES OF BASKET BALL A WRESTLER

Michigan University's Famous Physical Director Gives Sound Advice to Aspiring Basket Shooters.

Eugene Herdy, Lightweight Champion looks for a Lost "Sport Promoter" -- Picks Johnson to Lick Boilermaker

(By Keene Fitzpatrick, athletic director and coach at Michigan University.) Ann Arbor, Mich., Jan. 26.—The man best fitted by nature for basket ball is the tall man who possesses endurance and quickness of mind and body.

Eugene Herdy, of Montreal, champion lightweight wrestler of the world, and Eugene Hardy of Montreal, one of the best lightweight wrestlers in the game, arrived in the city at noon yesterday and spent the afternoon and evening grappling after a local sport promoter.

I do not say that height is necessary, for there are some cracker-jack basket ballers who lack inches. But anyone with a knowledge of the game can see the tall man's advantage when it comes to reaching and throwing for baskets.

The two wrestlers are old rivals and several years ago wrestled in this city to a draw, came here yesterday with the intention of meeting again last night. Their manager assured them before they left that all arrangements had been made for the match by a St. John sport promoter.

What was their surprise and annoyance to learn when they arrived in the city that no match had been arranged for. And when they came to look up the local man who they expected to meet, they found that he had disappeared. They spent the rest of the day looking for him for the purpose of obtaining an explanation but their search was without result.

Now that they are in the city the men will probably stay a few days and meet all comers at one of the local amusement houses.

Eugene Hardy, who is well known to followers of sport in the city, having spent the best part of a winter here, several years ago when wrestling was booming, told The Standard his side of the story last night after a long and serious talk for five minutes, and gradually lengthen the playing period to the full time.

Too much time cannot be devoted to shooting for baskets. Out-of-door exercise, such as walking and skating is splendid. Anything that brings in to play the muscles of the back, legs and arms is good.

Tea and coffee, smoking and drinking intoxicating liquor must be absolutely barred from an athlete's diet. Hours for eating should be regular through the training period. And the same regularity should be observed as to sleeping. Plenty of sleep in well-ventilated rooms, is essential.

Basketball is not recommended as a parlor pastime, especially if one counts upon the element of danger. It is somewhat rougher than dominoes. For this reason every player should undergo a thorough physical examination by one competent to give it before donning basketball togs. Gymnasium floors and walls are hard, and many falls must be counted upon in the furious play that makes the game so interesting.

While there is no tackling as in football, there exists many a way for the player to be thrown to the floor or against the walls. And to escape injury he must be in perfect physical condition all of the time.

NEW YORK YAGHTSMEN INTERESTED

New York, Jan. 26.—New York yachtsmen are much interested in a report from England that the Duke of Sutherland will make an effort to challenge for the America's Cup with a yacht of moderate size. The acceptance of such a challenge by the New York Yacht Club is doubtful, but yachtsmen say it would mean the live-liest season in the history of the sport here.

At least five new yachts and possibly ten or more would be built to meet one of the smaller local races, says in a statement given out here today.

If the Duke should come, and I hope he will, it would be one of the most desirable things that could happen for the sport in this country. I think we can beat him easily. The Englishmen have so far been unsuccessful with large boats and they will stand even less chance with a small boat.

There is nothing in the deed of gift to warrant refusal of a challenge from a 90 footer against the 70 footer but that would not be very good policy for the records of the past years show that when time allowance is considered the results have been largely in favor of the smaller boats.

K. OF C. TAKEN INTO CAMP

A. O. H. Does the Trick in the Inter Society Bowling League -- Dunlop Rubber Company a Winner.

The A. O. H. surprised themselves by taking three points from the Knights of Columbus on St. Peter's alleys, last evening. The scores were fair and as the game was very close it was productive of much interest.

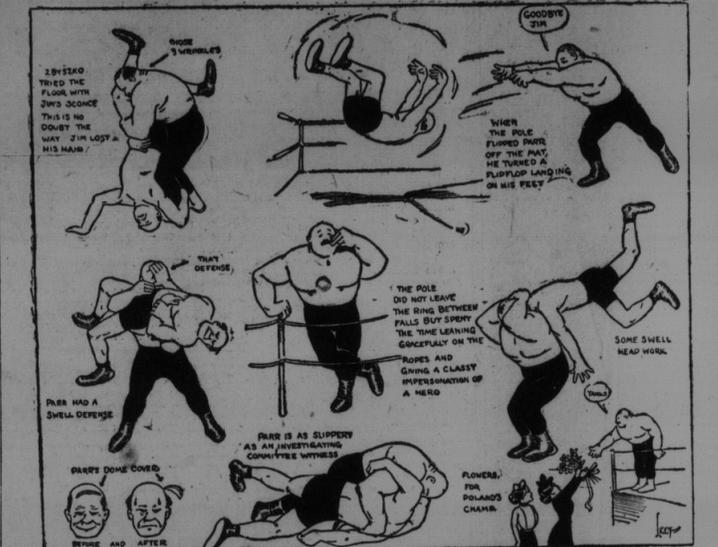
Table with columns for A. O. H. and K. of C. scores for various players like McDermott, Flaherty, etc.

Vanigans Defeated. The Dunlop Rubber Company's aggregation of scientific pin pickers defeated the old Vanigans on Black's Alleys last evening, taking two out of three strings and the total pinfall.

Table with columns for Dunlop Rubber Co. and Vanigans scores for various players like Howard, Fish, etc.

This evening the Accountants and Newmans will clash.

ZBYSZKO A GOOD MAN, BUT BEAT GOTCH; WELL HARDLY!



By Tip Wright. Height 5 ft. 9 3/4 in. Weight 224. Neck 22 in. Chest 55 in. Waist 42 in. Biceps 22 in. Forearm 18 in. Wrist 13 1/2 in. Thigh 31 in. Calf 19 in.

Strong as a bull doesn't fit Zbyszko. He's strong as a traction engine and with all his bulk is mighty fast and dangerous. A Greco-Roman wrestler, at which style he won championships in many, France, England and Russia, he has adapted himself to the catch-as-catch-can game in two years, and today is one of the best men in the world.

When 14 Zbyszko discovered he was a "strong boy" and at 15 joined the Krakau Sokol and was soon the club's strongest athlete. He took up wrestling under Prof. Pytlasinski, one of Austria's best, and after gaining a local reputation went to Vienna and Zbyszko's parents are alive. His father, a strong man, was attached to the bodyguard of the Austrian emperor.

LAMY WAS NOT ABLE TO QUALIFY

New York, Jan. 26.—Short turns edged Edmund Lamy's speed on the ice in St. Nicholas rink Monday night and the champion from Saranac Lake Amateur Skating Association failed to qualify for the finals of the half and mile handicap events.

W. Buckholder, of Riverside Skating Club, after winning the half mile handicap from the 60 yard mark, was out by such a scant margin in the mile that spectators raised a cry of "Dead heat!" when Kenneth P. Dayton, of the New York A. C. (65 yards) and Buckholder crossed the finish line with Mercury Footers inches only in front.

In the half mile handicap Lamy and Granger were shut out in the trial heat. Big fields of spectators lined the contestants in the rack. Lamy finished fifth in his heat, which W. Buckholder romped away with in one minute and thirty-two seconds from the 60 yards mark. Granger was far behind the three qualifiers. The final was another triumph for Buckholder, who scrambled over the finish with William M. Taylor, (40 yards) of the New York A. C., sprawling at his side, after a rough tussle in the home stretch. W. Kuhnke, New York A. C., was given second place after A. W. Moeller, of Riverside Skating Club, had protested Taylor for bumping.

ENTRY LIST LARGE FOR POLICE MEET

A great deal of interest is being shown in the Police annual ice sports which are to be held in the Victoria rink on next Monday evening and judging from the large number of entries which have been received and the enormous amount of tickets which have been circulated, the affair promises to be one of the greatest ice events pulled off here for years.

The many handsome prizes for the winners of the different events which are now on exhibition in Charles Everett's window, Charlotte street, are easily the finest lot ever offered for like events, and are causing widespread interest in the sports throughout the city. Entries will close on Saturday night at 10 o'clock at the Victoria Rink.

List of Events. 220 yards, 440 yards, 880 yards, one mile, open. Hurdles, snow shoe, open. Reporters, letter carriers, bakers, grocers, carpenters, butchers, motor-conductors. Police, Class 1; Police, Class 2; Police, Class 3; Snow shoe, police. Boys 18 and under. Boys 15 and under. Consolation race, police. The officials are: Referee—Chief Clark. Starter—James Pullen. Times—James Barnes, Robert Watson, M. Donlon. Judges—Ald. Potts, Hudson Breen, Ald. Spruell. Clerk—Al Stevens. Judges—Ald. McGoldrick, Alex. Paterson, Stephen Gerron, Harry Irwin, Ald. Vanwart, C. F. Brown. Scorer—G. Manning McDade. Announcer—William Case.

JOE PAGE, THE M.A.A. AND NUTTALL

Montreal, Jan. 26.—There is going to be a tremendous poster raised about the proposal to have Gordon Nuttall and another new Lower Province boy, both of whom are promising skaters, race under M. A. A. colors during the big skating races that are coming off this season.

A member of the M. A. A. who holds an official position stated to The Star today: "This thing of getting men from other provinces to represent the M. A. A. has got to be stopped. In the first place it is not compatible with the dignity of such an important body as the M. A. A. to do this sort of thing. If they have no fast skaters let them wait till they have them again. In the second place such dealings as they intend to have and have had with a professional agent of skaters and baseball players like Case, reek too much of the professional business altogether to benefit the association, and thus far professionalism has not yet tainted skating as far as the M. A. A. is concerned. If they do not look out it will, however."

From what can be made out, Page has had some talk with officials of the Amateur Skating Association of Canada, but I am sure these gentlemen would not dictate to the M. A. A. and the members who agree with me have not the slightest desire to keep Nuttall and the other Lower Province men from competing, but if they want to do so as amateurs they can easily do so under the colors of the clubs they now belong to. If this sort of thing keeps on, together with the tremendous payment for expenses of referees, there will soon be no tears left in anything but golf and curling."

BELGIAN CREW TO LOCK HORNS WITH HARVARD

Boston, Jan. 26.—There is a movement in local rowing circles to bring about an amateur rivalry between this city and the Harvard crew to this city next summer, and to provide a feature attraction in a match race between the Harvard university crew and the Belgian crew, three winners of the grand challenge cup for eights at Henley, England.

The Belgians are said to be ready to come over, and while the project is yet in the air, satisfactory assurances are reported to have been received from Belgium as to the crew's willingness to make the ocean trip. Within a few weeks Pres. George B. Magrath of the New England association has been requested to use his good offices in securing the national fixture, with the assurance that the match race will be arranged. Washington is expected to have been promised the meet for the Potomac river if it cares to bid for it.

The unpreparedness of the Charles river boatmen appears to be the main argument against Boston this year, but the local members of the New England association will vote at the annual meeting in this city, Feb. 2, to invite the national body to hold the big regatta here.

HOW GIANTS AND HILLMEN COMPARE AS FIGURES -- HOW MCGRAW'S MEN HAVE SLIGHT ADVANTAGE IN AVERAGES.

New York, Jan. 26.—This is the time of the year when baseball fans begin to figure out the relative strength of rival major league teams, using the official batting and fielding averages of a year ago as a guide. Figures sometimes fail to show the real quality of a ball team, but in the long run they are fairly reliable. Just now there are numerous arguments concerning the relative strength of the Giants and the Highlanders. Figuring with known qualities and records it appears that these teams are pretty evenly matched in batting and fielding. The Giants of course having one distinct advantage in the services of the incomparable Mathewson. In third baseman Devlin and shortstop Bridwell, McGraw's men appear to outclass the Hilltop team in these respective positions, but otherwise American league critics insist that the Highlanders excel with such players as Hal Chase, Earl Gardner, Clyde Engel, Willie Keeler, Sweeney, Criger and others, not mentioning some of the high class pitchers under reserve. But getting back to figures of last year, in selecting players of recognized ability and experience who may be regular members this year, some of the fans framed up these comparative teams yesterday as a subject for discussion:

Table comparing Giants and Highlanders players with columns for Player, Bat'g, and Fldg. Giants: Mathewson, Meyers, Teney, Doyle, Bridwell, Devlin, Shaw, Seymour, Murray. Highlanders: Brockert, Sweeney, Chase, Gardner, Austin, Knight, Engle, Cree, Keeler.

Merkle, who may play first base instead of Teney, has a batting average of .191 for 71 games, which means that McGraw will probably cling to his veteran first baseman as long as possible. Criger, the Highlanders' catcher, had a batting average of .176 in 74 games, but he practically led the American league backstops in fielding, with an average of .986.

Sam Wise Dead. Sam Wise, once a famous shortstop, died at his home in Akron, Ohio, on Sunday. He played his first big league engagement in Boston in 1883 and helped to win the pennant that season. Wise was a six footer and weighed nearly 200 pounds in his palmy days. He was a wonderful infielder and thrower, also a heavy batsman. When Boston let him go he played with Buffalo, Baltimore, Washington and other teams until his arm gave out. In more recent years he was an umpire.

Refuses Offer. Stanley Ketchel, who has made up his mind to go to England in search of a match with Tom Thomas, the new middleweight champion, has refused an offer by cable of \$10,000 to fight Lang, Burns and the ancient Fitzsimmons in Australia. Ketchel, who will sail for Europe shortly, says he wants to beat Thomas first. Then he will be ready to make a match with Burns to take place either in London or Sydney.

Coulton After Moore. Johnny Coulton, who insists he is the bestman champion, says he will take Pal Moore out at 116 pounds ringside. Jimmy Walsh of Boston, who is regarded by many good judges as the real champion in this class, is also anxious to try conclusions with the 17 year old Quaker. Jimmy De Forest, Moore's manager, is not in a hurry to make these matches and intends to pit the clever youngster against some of the lesser lights for the present.

The actual presence of the Ghents eight on the Charles river would not only furnish the people with a grand treat, but would also give Harvard a chance to see the real article at close range, and if beaten by the Henley champions would undoubtedly profit by the experience.

The attraction is believed to be well worth while trying for, and aside from the national fixture, the race would in itself furnish the biggest attraction ever presented to the American people free of charge.

The cost of bringing the Belgians over, it is estimated, would not exceed \$5000, which the Globe is assured can be raised in 48 hours if the race is arranged.

Belgians Row Like Americans. From the description of the Belgians' stroke in their races at Henley, American oarsmen detect a reflection of methods used by the leading universities on this side of the

RUMOR THAT FIGHT MAY BE CALLED OFF

New York, Jan. 26.—A report that the Jeffries-Johnson fight will shortly be declared off on account of the dispute between Rickard and Gleason as to the place where it is to be held, as current in New York today. Many