

ROBIDEAU WRESTLES WELL, BUT LOSES TO JOE WELLING IN CATCH-AS-CATCH-CAN MATCH

NEAR-RIOT AT THE OLYMPIA AS JOE WELLING AND ROBIDEAU PUT ON A MISERABLE BOUT

Spectators Hurl Wads of Paper and Other Things at Boxers, But Their Aim Is Bad—As Wrestlers They Look Good

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

SOMETHING must be done at once to improve the marksmanship of the good citizens who vote in our city. They made a miserable showing at the Olympia A. last night when they fired broadside after broadside at two slowly moving targets...

It was a sight that a crowd of strong men to shed bitter tears of regret when the show was over. The promoters of the prominent clubmen seated near, around and above the arena, failed dimly in their anxious efforts to secure a bull's eye. The showing was extremely bad when one considers the wave of militarism which is sweeping these United States.

Something New Is Pulled This terrible disclosure never would have been made had the management stuck closely to the program. The last act of the show was billed as a boxing match, featuring a Mr. Welling, of Chicago, and Mr. Robideau, who resides in our midst. The clubmen sat back in their seats expecting to see the stuff an advertised and not very much peevish when the actors forgot their lines and gave a perfect imitation of how Frank Gotch won the championship of the world.

Measrs. Welling and Robideau found it difficult to do their best, as they wore heavy gloves which interfered with the wrestling match. In catch-as-catch-can, the hands are supposed to be bare. Perhaps the referees insisted on the gloves, fearing the boys would scratch themselves. Anyway, they were handicapped and would have done much better had they worn regulation wrestling costume.

The match was at catchweights, and one fall would win, providing both shoulders were on the mat and the man remained in that position for ten seconds. And to make sure that the count was correct, Mr. O'Brien stayed in the ring and stuck close to the wrestlers. Despite his good intentions, however, no counting was necessary, as the actors remained on their feet throughout the match. Every time they got tired, a one minute intermission was called.

Six Sessions The bout was divided into six sessions, the second coming after the first, the third after the second and so on. However, you could mix them up, putting on the sixth session first, the fourth second and get away with it. The clubmen would not have minded the difference. Mr. Robideau tried all of his holds, but the half-Nelson was the most effective. He would throw his arm around Mr. Welling's neck, push the head back and hold it there while the clubmen cheered. Then he would try the scissors hold, but Mr. Welling was wary and skipped out of danger. This brought more cheers, and many complimentary remarks were passed up to the performers. Suddenly Mr. Welling forgot himself and tried to strike Mr. Robideau with his closed fist, which was concealed in his glove. This angered the clubmen, as it then there would be no rough work. Then Mr. Robideau at-

MACK WILL HAVE WINNING TEAM IN 1917, SAYS CRITIC

Connie Has Material to Produce Pennant Contender, Explains Ripley

PRaise NOW FOR CLUB

Connie Mack's prediction that he would have a winning team on the field in 1917 seems about as material as Connie has gathered together a collection of youngsters and minor league veterans which, added to his present collection, almost is certain to produce results next season. Apropos of this, Robert L. Ripley, in the New York Globe, comments as follows:

"The loud laughter that everywhere greets the Athletics of Connie Mack soon will be heard no more. In fact, the mirth about has died down already into a murmur of praise. Next year the wise old Connie can give an imitation of the who laughs last." "When Mack broke up his famous pennant winning ball club two years ago he predicted that by 1917 he would be ready to make a bid for another pennant. In the meantime, while the stupendous task of assembling another machine from the many parts picked up among the bushes, he expected to be laughed at. But he held his tongue and went about work-work that no other manager would have the heart to tackle.

Three Still in Minors "The Athletics' leader has tried out upward of 200 youngsters in the past two years. His 1917 lineup almost is completed. Three players with whom Mack hopes to complete his Herculean task are still in the minors.

"These three upon whom Mack is banking so heavily are outfielder Ping Bodie, one-time White Sox and now with the Vernon Club, of the Pacific Coast League; outfielder Thrasher, of the Atlantic Club, of the Southern Association, and Third Baseman Bates, also of the coast. Thrasher and Bates will be ready to make for a try-out this fall, but Bodie probably will not be seen in an Athletics uniform until next spring.

"Bodie is said to be the best third baseman developed in any minor league in the last two years. Thrasher is regarded as the leading outfielder of his circuit, and Mack is convinced that he can make a valuable, if not a great, ball player out of Bodie.

"Bodie is hitting around .325 out in the coast league and playing great ball. Mack thinks that Callahan's rough-shod methods ruined Bodie when the latter was with the White Sox and that with the proper handling the famous fence buster can be brought back. Flashy in Field "The infield lines up with Stuffy McInnis, one of the few remaining veterans. First base: Gus Lavery, a brilliant collegian, who has been prevented by illness and injuries from demonstrating his true worth as a second baseman; Lawton Witt, the most improved young shortstop in the country and a coming star, and Bates, regarded by Clark Griffith as the third-base find of the season. "If Bates pans out to Connie's expectations, Mack will have one of the finest infields in the country, fast both afield and on the bases, and with exceptional batting power spread here and there. It may not, probably will not, measure up to the old \$100,000 quartet, but just after Bates was corralled Mack himself announced that he expected his 1917 infield to compare a shade more than favorably with any he had ever put together. "So much for the fielders. For his pitching staff, Mack will have Joe Bush, one of the best in his league; Elmer Myers, one of this season's most brilliant; Tom Nabors and Tom Sheehan, whose abilities rise far above anything that their records would seem to indicate, and Jinging Johnson, the sensational young right-hander from Urmans College.

Schang to Don Mack "Taken by and large, this quietest comprises a stronger heaving corps than Mack has put upon the field since Eddie Plank, Chief Bender and Jack Coombs were at their best in 1913. Wally Schang, of course, will return to his old station back of the plate as first string catcher and will work every day. As emergency backstops Mack will have Haley and Fielich.

"On his remodeled team Mack will have only four players who were members of the championship ensemble when he started to rip things wide open in the fall of 1914. At least eleven of his new regulars will be players who have been dug out of the college ranks or the bushes within the last two years, and only one—Ping Bodie—has cost Mack a considerable amount of money. Some of the more promising of them cost only their carfare to Philadelphia."

LAJOIE WANTED TO LEAD SALT LAKE, UTAH, TEAM SALT LAKE, Utah, Sept. 19.—If the Salt Lake team, of the Pacific Coast, can induce Connie Mack, of the Athletics, to part with Larry Lajoie and the big Frenchman will accept the berth, the local club will have a manager next year who will set this town wild over baseball.

Several days ago when Cliff Blankenship was bounced the board of directors, who are many and powerful, decided to get a big league star for next year's club, and when somebody suggested Lajoie it spread like wildfire around the town. It was then and there decided to make a play for the great veteran. Salt Lake is willing to buy or trade for the one-time pestiferous insider.

Woodland Defeats Luskerne Woodland defeated Luskerne in a P. H. T. League game played at Forty-ninth street and Chester avenue last evening by a score of 9 to 8.

Wally Nelson is booked for two matches in five days. Last night he won his fourth match at the Broadway in the window and on Monday, Frankie Clarke will be his antagonist at the Olympia.



WHAT MAY HAPPEN IN BASEBALL TODAY

Table with columns for Club, W, L, Pct., etc. for National League and American League games.

SCHEDULE FOR TODAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE Philadelphia at New York, two games—clear. New York at St. Louis—clear. St. Louis at Boston—clear.

AMERICAN LEAGUE Philadelphia at Chicago—clear. Boston at Detroit—clear. Washington at Cleveland—clear.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

NATIONAL LEAGUE Phillies, 6; Chicago, 1. Brooklyn, 2; Cincinnati, 1. Cincinnati, 2; Brooklyn, 1 (second game). New York, 3; Pittsburgh, 0. St. Louis at Boston, 0. Boston, 2; St. Louis, 0.

AMERICAN LEAGUE Athletics, 2; Detroit, 0. Washington, 3; St. Louis, 0. Boston, 4; Chicago, 2. New York-Cleveland not scheduled.

Runs Scored in a Week by Major League Clubs

Table showing runs scored by all teams in American and National League from Tuesday, September 12, to Monday, September 18, inclusive.

American Soccer Team Home

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—The American soccer team, which has been playing teams in Scandinavian countries, arrived home today on the steamship Oscar II. The return of these players signifies the beginning of the soccer season in the United States. The first games will be played next Sunday in the National Football League. The New York State Football League season will open October 1.

Advertisement for Reynaldo CIGARS, featuring a logo and text: 'When you feel like smoking a good Havana for ten cents, ask for Reynaldo. Imported leaf but American made. At YAHN & McDONNELL Ask Your Dealer.'

RACING TODAY AT HAVRE DE GRACE SEVEN RACES

Special race trains direct to course: Penna. leave Broad at 12:25 p. m., West Phil. 12:35 p. m. B. & O. leave 5th and Chestnut 12:45 p. m.

Admission, Grandstand and Paddock, \$1.50. Ladies, \$1.00

NATIONAL LEAGUE PARK PHILLIES vs. CHICAGO Game 2, 3. Seats on Sale at Globe's and Scullions'.

COACH FOLWELL TO HOLD FIRST SCRIMMAGE FOR PENN TEAM AT LANGHORNE THIS AFTERNOON

By NEIL MATHEWS. LANGHORNE, Pa., Sept. 19.—Penn will hold its first scrimmage this afternoon. Coach Folwell had the squad out early this morning running through a snappy signal drill, passing, punting and some light tackling. The brisk weather kept the boys well keyed up and it required little urging from the coaches to keep the squad in action.

They injected much life into the drill, and while the passing was not of the best, the boys showed that they had profited by their week's stay here. Folwell gave the boys little time to loaf and every one of the twenty-four men out here must do his share every day. If a few are not kept occupied at punting and passing, Folwell and Dickson have them running and dodging.

Henning, last year's hard-working guard, arrived at the camp this morning and will be kept out of the scrimmages until the latter part of the week. Neil Henning's mate at guard last season, put in an appearance yesterday and in the signal drill this morning was at guard.

The scrimmage scheduled for this afternoon will not be long, not over five or ten minutes, but in this brief time Folwell hopes to get a fine line on his men. The game against the Farm School eleven last week helped to show Folwell just what he had before him, but in the scrimmage the boys will be more evenly matched and some lively mix-ups are expected, despite the shortness of the engagement.

Coach Folwell will use virtually the same line-up for the regulars as the one that worked together yesterday. In this morning's drill Urquhart and Miller were the ends; Neil and Thomas, guards; myself and Little, tackles, with Lud Wray playing center. In the backfield were Bell, Ross, Williams and Bble.

Eble, the Atlantic City boy who was out for the line last season, has been showing up well behind the line, and since Loucks has been forced out of the game on account of injury has been performing well. He is yet just a little awkward in his new position, but with a few days of lively work should be right at home. Loucks was out on the field, but not

Stiff Pace for Eli Squad. In uniform. He followed the team through the signal drill and watched the practice session very closely. He will be out for at least two weeks and the coaches will not give him any work until they are assured he has recovered from his injury.

Yale Football Candidates Praised by Coach Jones After Drill. NEW HAVEN, Sept. 19.—Head Coach Ted Jones, of the Yale eleven, yesterday praised the squad and the atmosphere at the practice. At the close of the hardest afternoon's drill since the candidates reported, he said:

"The spirit of the fellows is fine and they are willing and are working hard. If we can only get the candidates for the team who are enrolled in the artillery battery soon it will be a great help."

As there are fully two complete eleven who are members of the Yale Battery which has been sent from Tobyhanna, Pa., to Niantic, Conn., but not yet disbanded, the coaches are greatly concerned. The present squad has been limited to less than fifty candidates.

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SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

Reports sent out last week on the result of the King William-Dick Eganman match were untrue, according to a Buffalo exchange this morning, which states that champion Willie Williams and Eganman fought a rough battle, but he proved himself only a glutton for fight. Williams gave them the terrific beating. Reports sent out on the night of the fight that the champion most underrated Williams, and that the latter held on in several rounds to save himself from a K. O.

Johnny Mealy will be unable to box probably for a month. The South Philadelphia wrestler's right shoulder in his match with Willie Williams last week in the second round, his manager, Bobby Gunnis, says.

Terry McGovern, the Elmer Sun Italian lightweight, is getting into good shape for his set-to with Johnny Miller in the second round, Tuesday night. McGovern is a corking good boy and may upset calculations of quite a few local lightweight aspirants.

The knockout defeat suffered by Jim Healy in New York last night was his first in ten matches. The big Irishman previously had sent six of his opponents to dreamland.

With the reopening of the Model A. C. tonight, eight falls here have the best of two boxing shows. Adam Ryan has a welterweight battle with Larry Toland and Morris Wolf as the Ryan A. C.'s feature number. Charlie Thomas and Pat Moore appear in the star bout at Barney Ford's emporium.

Pela Herman has been training diligently since his arrival in Philadelphia and he is in great shape. Herman has received an offer from the Orleans Athletic Club, and as a twenty-rounder with K. O. Eggers next month, Pela probably will appear here in a bout or two before leaving for N. O.

Eighteen thousand dollars is all Champion Fred Welsh wants for a twenty-round set-to with Johnny Dundee at New Orleans, and as it is almost a certainty that Premier Josephine's fight will not come off, the promoter's demands, the match is off as far as the Louisiana city is concerned.

When Jim Coffey, the big Irishman, responds to the bell at the National Saturday night, he will be in the best of shape. The match of the season and after a lay-off of some time, Coffey has been conditioning himself at

PETEY—Petey Isn't Alone in This Personality Business

Cartoon strip with characters and dialogue: 'WHAT'S THE IDEA OF THE STRAW HAT AND THE PALM BEACH SUIT PETE?', 'PERSONALITY! STRENGTH OF CHARACTER!', 'HUH?', '— SEE, THE TROUBLE WITH THE AVERAGE MAN IS THAT HE'LL DO ANYTHING A FOOL CUSTOM DEMANDS— REGARDLESS— ME I'VE GOT CHARACTER AND PERSONALITY', '— THAT'S THE STUFF PETE— THAT'S ME TOO!', 'YOU?', 'YEP— WHEN EVERY BODY GIVE UP PARTING THEIR HAIR IN THE MIDDLE, I STUCK— LOOKA!!'

By C. A. VOIGHT