

Over 150 Penn Students Candidates for Boxing Honors; May Name Mike Lukas Captain

STRONG BOXING TEAM EXPECTED AT PENN

Coch Decker, Starting His Twelfth Year, Praises Glove Game for College Man; Record Turnout for Team

LUKAS MAY CAPTAIN

"BOXING among the colleges is here to stay," George Decker, coach of the University of Pennsylvania boxing team, himself a star lightweight a decade ago, made the above assertion this morning in the boxing room of the University.

When I first came to the University back in 1909 to start boxing there was a peculiar feeling among college men that the sport was rough and therefore improper for undergraduates. Of course, we had a fair squad willing to learn the game at that time, but nothing like we have now.

There is hardly a sport on the curriculum that compares with boxing as a body builder. It forces a man to think fast to save himself in an emergency, teaches him to use his muscles to advantage, thereby building up his body, gives him moral courage and does lots of other things that are necessary if the average undergraduate is to have a sound body as well as a sound mind.

"Pennsylvania should have a good boxing team year after year as a matter of fact, one of the best in the history of the institution. The squad is larger than ever before and contains twenty or thirty men who really have lots of ability with the gloves. From that number I expect to select a team that will do credit to the University."

O'Malley Ineligible
Tommy O'Malley, last year's captain and former national lightweight champion of the amateurs, is ineligible this year until February. Tommy incurred a condition and the faculty has banned him until after the midyear examinations.

As yet the captain for this year has not been chosen, but it is expected that Johnny Lukas, the Shamokin lad, who played a big role in the last season's football team during the last season, will get the position.

Lukas jumped into the breach last year when Decker lost his 158-pound boxer, and surprised the intercollegiate world by his great boxing. This year, according to Decker, Lukas is a better boxer than he was last year and should go through the season undefeated.

Francis Sullivan, a member of the freshman football team during the last season, Welsh, of Boston, and Oxtreker, who won his bout in the M. I. T. meet last year with a knockout, are the other members of the 125-pound class showing form.

Southern High Represented
In the 125-pound class, Bernstein, formerly of Southern High School, and Miller, of Williamsport, are the cutouts on the other dozen or more candidates.

Johnny Breslin, of Shenandoah, is the leader in the 145-pound class. He is a veteran of the last two seasons and a very capable boxer. Harold Davis, of Newark, and Robb, of Cleveland, the latter the end of the freshman football team during the last season, are making a great bid for the first post in this class.

Johnny Lukas, already mentioned; King, the freshman football star, and Lovendale, the veteran of last year, are the best in the 168-pound class.

Papworth, of the freshman gridiron team, and Hap Day, the center of the varsity eleven, are the mainstays in the 175-pound class. Day, inexperienced last year, has shown such form that Decker regards him as one of the best mittmen in his big squad.

In the heavyweight class, Tommy Cowell, from last year; Kretz, also a veteran of last season; Wilson and Graf, the latter one of the guards on the gridiron eleven, are the best.

Decker is being assisted by Sam Decker, his brother; Dr. Francis Grant, titleholder in the 145-pound

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Coch Decker Has Fought 15000 Rounds at Penn

George Decker, coach of the University of Pennsylvania boxing team, has a unique record in the ring sport. Since 1909, when he started to coach at the Red and Blue institution, Decker, a former local lightweight, has exchanged punches with 5000 Penn students, three rounds each, for a total of 15,000 rounds.

This is said to be a record unequalled in boxing circles, particularly among the colleges. Decker expects a great team at the University this year.

WINTER LEAGUE BASEBALL OWNERS FACE BIG LOSS

Four Coast Teams Will Drop \$45,000 in Ten Weeks
San Francisco, Dec. 2.—Approximately \$45,000 will be lost by owners of clubs in the new California Winter Baseball League during its ten week season, which closes December 5, according to estimates by league officials here. Lack of patronage is given as the reason.

EXPECT AUTO RECORDS

Track at Mount Holly is in Good Condition
Mount Holly, N. J., Dec. 2.—With the track in good condition, packed hard by the recent rains and the sunshine and track rolled, several track records are likely to go by the boards in the automobile races which will be held at the Mount Holly Fair grounds tomorrow afternoon, under the sanction of the National Motor Racing Association.

A delegation from Philadelphia, including Drivers and Mechanics Strickler, Correa, Lazotte, Ziegler and Baker, is picked by the railroads to capture the majority of the purses.

The official list of starters:
Nos. 1—Leo Baker, Baltimore, Md.
2—Ed Johnson, Brooklyn, N. Y.
3—Tom Dawson, Wilmington, Del.
4—James Gibson, Philadelphia, Pa.
5—William Strickler, Philadelphia, Pa.
6—Max Ziegler, Baltimore, Md.
7—Franklin G. Carr, Philadelphia, Pa.
8—Harry Long, Germantown, Pa.
9—Ray Merenda, Riverside, N. J.
10—Walter Lazotte, France.

TITLE FOR SHARSWOOD

Defeat Potter School for Captain-Ball Crown, 34-28
The girls from the Sharswood School, Second and Wolf streets, yesterday afternoon won the captain-ball championship of the Philadelphia grammar schools by defeating the Potter School ladies, from Fourth and Clearfield streets at Northwest School, Fifteenth and Race streets, 34 to 28.

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STANCE FOR LONG IRON

Guilford Won Golf Title Carrying Seven Iron Clubs

Champion Figures Driving Iron, Midiron, Mashie Iron, Mashie, Mashie Niblick, Niblick and Putter Ought to Be Enough Metal

By JESSE P. GUILFORD

AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPION OF THE UNITED STATES
IN MY last article I mentioned that in approaching we have different clubs to take care of the various distances required. There are a great number of iron clubs, and I believe that a player makes a mistake in carrying too many iron clubs. He should make a few do the work, and thus in using a few he becomes more familiar with them. If a man carries around ten or twelve irons the chances are that he is using none of them well, and before each stroke is made he debates with himself just which club he should use and why.

Fewer Irons Better
NOW if you have fewer irons you will have a definite use for each one of them, and there will not be the cause of wondering which club is better suited to that particular play. Then again the man who carries too many irons—and it is not an exaggeration to say ten or twelve, for I know several golfers who carry that many—never gets accustomed to any particular one.

The result is that he very often gets the idea that his mashie is not suited to his game, and he goes out in search of a new one, whereas the truth is he has not given himself the opportunity to get accustomed to it.

The next day it is his niblick which goes wrong, and he decides that that, too, is at fault. It is an expensive habit, this one of having a raft of irons, for the more you get the more you seem to need.

MY SET of irons consists of seven clubs: a driving iron, midiron,

Former Penn Player To Captain Marietta

Claude Crawford, who substituted for Lou Wray as center on the University of Pennsylvania football team in 1919, and who later was declared ineligible by the athletic council after he had appeared in a game thinking that he had been given permission by the council, will lead Marietta College, of Ohio, on the gridiron next fall.

Crawford entered Marietta last fall and made the varsity team as a regular. During the last season he starred on the eleven, and his teammates honored him with the leadership of the team because of his stellar playing.

I DO not wish to give the impression that every golfer should carry just these clubs. What I do wish to impress is that with these seven clubs I have a sufficient number to meet every emergency in the short game. Each one of my clubs has a certain use and I am going to outline their functions.

From 185 to 200 yards I use a driving iron. The golfer with less distance than I get would undoubtedly use a driver or brassie for this distance, or those who resort to irons at this limit might possibly prefer a cleft.

The cleft is a nifty fine club, and many use it to very good advantage. Personally I prefer the driving iron, but if you are using a cleft successfully its use should by all means be continued.

I would make this suggestion, however, and that is that there is no need for both clubs in one bag. If the lie of my ball at this range does not warrant the use of a driving iron, I employ a midiron.

WITH a midiron I plan on getting about 175 yards, although if I find the ball in a bad lie and

need as much as 190 yards I do not hesitate in using the midiron in place of the driving iron.

IF I do fall short of the green, the next shot should bring it well up to the hole, so that nothing is lost by employing the midiron.

The next club in relation to distance not use a mashie, and that comes in use when I require from 150 to 175 yards.

A mashie I use chiefly from 100 to 150 yards, and below that I use the mashie niblick and niblick. This, of course, shows my preference for the mashie niblick in place of the mashie. The majority of players use a mashie where I use the mashie niblick, and perhaps another year will find me joining those ranks, as I now realize that I absolutely neglect the use of the mashie.

IN this connection I am indebted to Grant Rice, who in a recent article called attention to the fact that I could not use a mashie, and remarked that when I did learn to use this weapon I would be one of the most formidable entrants in golf championships. It is an absolute fact that until the time of reading this article I had not realized my shortcomings with the mashie.

There are a good many courses where one needs to know how to use the mashie.

NONE of us should neglect a shot which is of as much importance as the mashie shot.

IT MUST be taken into consideration that these clubs are employed for the various distances when there is no wind either against or following, but when one encounters wind the play is entirely different and a new schedule is necessary.

I will deal with play in the wind in a different article. It must also be borne in mind that those who play a short game could not possibly use the same schedule as one who has more distance; that is, when I use a driving iron, one with a short game would employ a brassie.

The person with a short game should not consider the use of iron clubs beyond 150 or 160 yards, and at that length he would undoubtedly use a cleft or driving iron.

My Monday's article will be on "Methods of Approaching."

Mike Gibbons Defeats Phil Krug
Newark, N. J., Dec. 2.—Mike Gibbons, of St. Paul, defeated Phil Krug, of Harrison, in a twelve-round bout here. Gibbons led all the way and had Krug's face covered with blood throughout the bout.

Pep Young Coaching Five
Pep Young, the Detroit second baseman, is coaching the Federal Reserve basketball team, leader of the Financial League. Phil Krug is looking games with Ernie Powers in South Jersey through George Blumhofer, care of the Federal Reserve Bank.

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