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BOWLERS BOOSTING TOURNEY

Committee for Big Toledo Meeting Hard at Work Lining Up Teams. TO VOTE ON THE "DODO" BALL Issue is Liable to Cause a Good Deal of Friction Among Advocates Who Want to Continue Its Use.

By CARL J. CAIN. Bowling Schedule for Week. Mercantile League-Monday, Berger's Coils against Corey-McKenzie; A. O. U. W. No. 17 against Spauldings; Siaz against El Fuzos; Heaton Press against Mogilians.

Booster League-Tuesday, Clara Belle against Guarantees Clothing Co.; Brandes Highballs against Stars and Stripes; Mazepas against Mox Maltz; Popel-Gillers against Fred Deits.

Omaha Gas League-Wednesday, Cottage Arce against Reznors; Eclipse Ranges against Does; Tar Dabbers against Interior.

Tri-City Dentists' League-Wednesday, Cosmos against Brief; Review against Digest; Summary against Items.

Automobile League-Thursday, Storz Auto Supply against Reznors; Eclipse Ranges against Horn Supply Co.; Ford Motor against Traylor Auto Co.; United Motor Co. against Nebraska Bulk Co.

Omaha League-Friday, Burley Englewood against Hopes; Metz against Jeter's Old Age; Advos against Luxus.

MORNING ALLEYS. Knights of Columbus League-Monday, Stars against Packers; Speeders against Magics; Busters against Corkers.

State City League-Tuesday, Tracy's La Trudis against J. S. Cross; Storz Triumphs against Midwest Tailors; Thursday, Hancock-Epsten against Prays; Old Style Lager against Frank's Cold.

MORNING ALLEYS. Morrison League-Wednesday, World's Old Boys against Elks; Field Club against Striker Shoe Co.; Old Sixon Brau against Alpha Camp.

Fairmont Creamery League-Friday, Danden against Delicia; Fairmont Ranch against Better Butter.

METROPOLITAN ALLEYS. Commercial League-Monday, Brodegar Crowns against Jeter's Gold Tops; Tuesday, Omaha Bicycle against O'Brien's Monte Christus; Thursday, Rogers' Permits against Gordon's Fireproofs; Friday, Sporting News against Nippers.

Metropolitan League-Monday, Rumohr's Sports against Desell's Mixers; Tuesday, Singer Sewing Machine against Storz Bottling Department; Wednesday, Tracy's Te-Be-Ces against Specials; Thursday, Ortman against Dough Mixers.

Standard Oil League-Saturday afternoon, Polarine against Perfection Oil; Mica Axle Grease against Crown Gasoline.

intend to have a good time socially. They will be accompanied by a band and a life and drum corps.

Omaha will send three teams. The Old Style bowlers will first place in the Midwest tournament held at Kansas City. The Metz team who have attended all the big tournaments, and the latter a lot of times, will be the best.

Those are all good tournament teams and will probably make a good showing at the largest of bowling events.

The same heavy pins will be used this year, and any team rolling a good score will deserve all they get.

It is hoped that the Omaha bowlers will attend the American Bowling Congress in a body this year, and not string out like lost sheep as they have on the past tournaments.

An attempt will be made to bring the 1914 tournament at least as far west as Chicago. The Midwest association bowlers feel that Toledo is too far east.

Chicago, Milwaukee and Detroit will be strong contenders for the event with odds in favor of the Windy City.

Bowling Notes. Charley Ortman has been going good in the Knights of Columbus league. He rolls a 300 game now and then.

Three times he has rolled a 300 game by winning three from the Hopes. They rolled a 1,800 single game and a 2,981 total.

Fanton has at last "lathomed" the Metropolitan alleys. He rolled a 327 total for the Sporting News squad last week.

Firestone rolled his first 300 game in the Omaha league Friday night, when he rolled a 417 total. Watch him go from now on.

This morning at 11 o'clock the O'Brien's Monte Christus and Gordon's Fireproofs will play a postponed game on the Metropolitan alleys.

Nelson, a married man, is high for the Brodegar diamond. He rolled a 27 game last week, beating Old Soldier Heston by one pin.

The Metz stopped the oncoming Burley by taking two games from them. The printers held their position by winning three from the Hopes. They rolled a 1,800 single game and a 2,981 total.

Will Moss Yousen kindly step into the Morrison alleys and pay storage charges on that bowling trophy he won? At present Joe Berger is using it for a hat rack.

Clean Living Basis of a Great Athlete's Success in Sport

"Farmer" Burns as a Fine Example of American Manhood

By C. MASON YOULD. If you were asked to guess who was physically the most thoroughly developed man in the world—physically—you'd have to do a mite of thinking, wouldn't you?

Superficially one might guess Jeffries, Hackenschmidt, Gotch, Sandow, anyone but the right man.

He is Martin Burns, or, to be more explicit, "Farmer" Burns.

He resides at 2710 California street in this city, and next Friday midnight the bell will ring down the curtain on the fifty-first year of the erstwhile champion catch-as-catch-can wrestler's life. On Saturday, February 15, Farmer Burns will enter his fifty-second year.

One asks, when was Farmer Burns champion of the world? Others say he never was champion. But he was, and today there is not a man in the world his weight can put his shoulders to the mat, two out of three times.

Farmer Burns won the championship of the world on April 20, 1888, when he defeated "Strangler" Ewan Lewis in the Second Regiment armory, Lake Front, Chicago. This title he held until May 6, 1897, when he lost to Danny McLeod at Indianapolis.

It was in a little old log cabin that Farmer Burns was born, February 15, 1861, in Springfield township, Cedar county, Iowa. Even when a child Farmer was "rattling" with his boy companions.

At the age of 8 years he pulled off his first match—for 15 cents. His first opponent was a boy three years his senior, James Martin, but the little fellow who was destined to be the world's champion dumped his adversary and walked off with the spoils and a burning desire for bigger stakes.

Flowing, sawing wood and husking corn was the means by which Martin kept himself in training. At the age of 12 years he hired out for \$12 a month. From that time until he was 19 he plowed, and wrestled in the evenings. Around Des Moines, Ia., he became well known and liked and many were the matches he pulled off.

Burns takes a great pride in the manner in which he has lived. He never smoked, never drank intoxicating liquors, coffee or tea, never chewed tobacco and never swore. Swearing, declares Farmer, poisons the blood and a man cannot discharge his duties as he should.

That his Irishman is fond of the wrestling game, yes, even loves it, goes almost without saying. In his time there wasn't anything he wouldn't tackle, even to wild animals. The story is told of how Burns one time wrestled a wild bear for \$1 and a side bet and got two straight falls from Bruin.

Farmer was in the depot at Burlington, Wash., December 9, 1905, when he saw a wild bear chained to a post. A man attempted to feed the wild animal and it became angry. Farmer immediately became interested and said, "I can throw that bear." A man standing nearby said, "I'll bet you a dollar you can't." Burns made for the bear and before Mr. Bruin knew what was up he was pinned to the ground, both his shoulders touching. The man paid the dollar, claiming the bear was taken by surprise. Another dollar was put up that Burns couldn't put the bear's ears on the ground. Before Bruin could get his favorite hold Farmer had stood him on his head. Farmer collected, hopped on the train, and left with many new admirers.

Farmer Burns became an international character before he had been in the ring some many years. Even the small boys know of Burns and an interesting tale is told in this connection. Burns had wrestled in Decorah, Ia., and had taken the town by storm. The next Sunday in Sunday school a teacher asked one of his small pupils who was the wisest king. A small boy piped up, "Solomon." Teacher then asked who was the strongest man in the world. Imagine the astonishment when a small fellow jumped up and answered at the top of his voice, "Farmer Burns."

One of Burns' favorite diversions in the olden days was to disguise himself and take on the big men traveling with shows and meeting all-comers and also sure-

without regard to their fitness to meet one another; they advertise as being for championships, bouts that cannot possibly have anything of a championship character; about them; they offer big purses—on paper—and, more often than not, leave the poor fighting man to get what he can; in short, the best part of their game is to induce the sporting public to part with its money to see "matches" that are in reality not matches at all.

This most unsatisfactory state of affairs is due, primarily, to the absence of a clear understanding between the four great boxing countries—England, the United States, Australia and France. Recently an attempt was made to bring about a common agreement between the four nations as to championship weights and kindred subjects.

In New York boxing is state-controlled by a boxing commission, which, while it has done good work, has shown a decided leaning toward ultra-restrictive-



MARTIN "FARMER" BURNS.

thing matches. He often went about looking for work as a cornhusker or woodswayer. After getting the job he would tell his employer he was a wrestler. In a few days he would be matched with a big man with a reputation. Farmer would call his backers and large amounts would be wagered, the outcome always being with Farmer on top.

Aside from being ex-champion wrestler of the world Burns is today the champion stick-puller of the world and challenges anyone to take a try at it with him. Burns has won \$12,000 in this line of sport alone.

One day when Farmer was wrestling in a little town in Iowa a great big fellow by the name of Oscar Casey, then claimed to be the greatest stick puller in the country, asked Farmer if he knew anything about the game. Burns pleaded ignorance whereupon Casey saw a chance for some big coin and began angling for a contest. Burns challenged him for \$100 a side bet and Casey raised it to \$500.

Later it went up again and when the contest started each man had had \$3,500. Burns won the first draw in a few seconds and the next in equally as short a time. Burns then toured the smaller towns and cleaned up large sums of money at stick-pulling contests.

Burns was not always known as "Farmer." He acquired this name in the "spring of 1888. He went to Chicago with a carload of hogs and a ticket arranged for a ten-day stopover. While Chicago he noticed that Jack Carkeek of "Strangler" Lewis was showing at local opera house and talking on all corners. Burns appeared at the opera house dressed in his old clothes. He applied for an opportunity to meet these men on the same evening. Parson Davies, who was then managing the two men, laughed at Burns, calling him a "farmer."

In France boxing is largely confined to Paris, where it is governed by one or two big promoters. Over here little of the boxing that is seen outside of the National Sporting club is reliable, far less respectable.

France and the United States have come to an understanding on certain general points, but the work of consolidating the four boxing nations has still to be done.

The welfare of the sport is of such vital importance that the calling of at least an informal international conference seems an imperative necessity of the near future. Before this happens, however, America, Australia and France would be well advised if they set their respective houses in order by instituting national championship competitions on the lines of that so admirably conducted by the National Sporting club for the handsome and valuable belts presented by Lord Lonsdale.

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BELLEVUE LOOKS TO TRACK AWARDS OF PLAYERS MADE

Fears Expressed that Loss of Crack Men May Affect Team.

LOSS OF PRIMROSE FELT

Man Who Put Athletes in Championship Form for Two Seasons Will Not Be with Men Again This Season.

With the basketball season practically ended, Bellevue athletic interest is commencing to center on track and base ball. Although the season is early for base ball, the track men have been training for several weeks in a mild way. The distance men and sprinters have been taking cross country runs for endurance and condition, and indoor practice will start at once, when the basketball season is ended.

While the personnel of this year's team is not settled it will include nearly all of last year's team with two or three additions. The loss of Miller in the mile and Paulson in the sprints will be the most serious, and the rumor that R. Quackenbush, who handled the pole vault and broad jump last year, may not return for the last semester is causing some anxiety among track followers.

P. Quackenbush, who holds the college record for the high jump, and won the shot put in the state meet last spring, will again be the mainstay in these events, Johnson in the low hurdles, Jones in the hammer and sprints, and Ohman in the distance runs will be the nucleus about which the team will be built. The loss of Primrose as a coach will be deeply felt, as it was largely through his efforts that the team carried off the inter-collegiate state meet for the years 1910 and 1911.

The base ball prospects are rather doubtful at present. The loss of Alschuler, who quit school during the holidays, has left the squad without a catcher. Alschuler was one of the best men on the team, and was especially valuable as the only experienced backstop on the hill. Halderman, Quackenbush and Bolling will constitute the pitching staff, together with Haswell, who will probably be played elsewhere unless needed in the box. Fowler, last year's captain, will be the biggest loss to the squad as an individual player, as he headed the batting list and was regarded as the best first baseman in the college league.

The schedule will include Wesleyan, Doane, Cotner and probably Tarkio and other colleges to the east. The base ball trip of a week's duration will be made during May.

Going After the Clay Court Tennis Tourney for Omaha

Harry Koch left for New York last night and Conrad Young goes Monday to attend the thirty-second annual meeting of the National Lawn Tennis association. This meeting is scheduled for February 14, when the Omaha men will present the claims of Omaha and ask that the clay court tournament be held here this summer.

Mr. Young is not claiming the big tennis tourney for Omaha, but he is of the opinion that the city's chances for getting it are excellent. Iowa, Minnesota, the Dakotas, Missouri, Colorado and all of the Pacific coast states have declared in favor of Omaha. Two or three southern cities are in the field, but they are not looked upon as strong competitors.

AMERICAN HORSE IS SECOND IN STEEPCHASE

SANDOWN PARK, England, Feb. 5.—J. R. Fell's High Bridge, the only American steeplechaser in training for the Grand National at Liverpool next month, was second to the favorite, Glen Heston, in the Prince of Wales handicap steeplechase here this afternoon. This was the American horse's tryout. He carried the top weight of 175 pounds and made a distinctly good showing. The distance was three miles and in the last half mile High Bridge, for a short period, held the lead.

MURPHY AND EVERS WILL MAKE TRADES

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—President Murphy and Manager Evers of the Chicago National league base ball club, before leaving today for New York to attend the scheduled meeting of the league next week, said they hoped to complete a number of trades and arrange for the return of Orval Overall to pitch the coming season.

HOWELL AND SPIKE KELLY GO TEN ROUNDS TO DRAW

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 8.—Tommy Howell of Philadelphia and Spike Kelly of Chicago, welterweights, fought ten rounds to a draw here tonight. While Kelly apparently had the advantage on points, Howell was the aggressor and landed more effectively.

(Continued from Page One.) to them to them. Under the old provisions of the national agreement the drafted players went back to the clubs from which they were secured without being given an opportunity to advance to a classification higher than that of the minor league club from which they were obtained.

Under the new agreement, the following advancement of players has been made: Two players claimed by Class A.A. secured by major league clubs from Class A. Eight players claimed by Class A.A. secured by major league clubs from Class B. Three players claimed by Class A.A. secured by major league clubs from Class C. Three players claimed by Class A.A. secured by major league clubs from Class D. One player claimed by Class A.A. secured by major league club from Class C.

This shows that seventeen players out of the twenty-seven claimed advanced in their profession under the new provisions of the national agreement.

Plans of Overall. Oris Overall has made his intentions known, providing he secures reinstatement and release from the Cubs. He will play with Vernon in the Coast league.

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