

ALEXANDER WITH STARS

Nebraska Base Ball Player Rendering a Good Account of Himself in Big League of the East.

SOME DOPE OF THE DIAMOND

BY FRANK G. MENKE. NEW YORK, May 29.—Six weeks of the 1915 base ball season have skidded onward—and what a bevy of surprises those six weeks have brought in both the American and National leagues!

Many there are who spoof the future prospects of those Phantastic Philadelphia Phillies. But the Phillies have become spoo-proof. They've been spooed at since the season began, but they still are considerably among the people.

The Phillies tackled the toughest teams in the east—and held first place. They tackled the world champion Braves and walloped them. They grappled with the Giants, beat them to a pulp, and then clubbed the Dodgers. Then came the western clubs, but they haven't done any detouring. The Phillies have met their terrific onslaughts and buried them back.

Alexander Named as Star. Any club that can tackle every club in the league during the first six weeks and keep around the crease in clubs that must be counted in the running, especially if it has a pitching star like Alexander of Nebraska and a battling demon like Cravath.

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The Hypodermic Needle

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A LA KIPLING. A fan there was and he took in a fray, Even as you and I. He saw those Rockies boot the game away.

Even as you and I. And he snatched as he passed on his dismal way. "They look like a bunch who never could play."

And the very next day he didn't go out. Even as you and I. And those easy Rockies that pill did elude.

Oh, it isn't the shame or it isn't the blame, But it stings like a white-hot brand, That it is like the fan thinks. "To the boys I'm a jinx."

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SPEAKING OF ATHLETES. The dismal fun in the bleachers sat, And he breathed a dreary groan; "How is it," he said, "that one small head,

Now, up goes the price of spaghett, Curves on you, Italy!"

Joe Birmingham says he is not sore because he was fired at Cleveland. Neither would you if you had managed Cleveland almost two years.

Harry Lord has joined the Buffeds. After lamping the standing of the said Buffeds we feel safe in saying that Harry kept good his word to retire permanently from base ball.

The Yankees are to play a game at Star Kings. There are several teams in the American league who won't care if they make their stay there indefinite.

Johnny Evers is on the bench directing the Braves, but you don't hear any umpires rejoicing audibly.

Unanimous. Jess Willard, says the p. a., does not like to appear in public and judging from what happened to the well known Willard vaudeville show, the public has the same feeling.

They say that superation is an athlete's middle name. He thinks luck is deciding, in any base ball game.

Following the game Bert Larson pitched against Topeka. Bert was chinning with his mates in the club house.

Immediately Manager Marty Krug cut loose with a lusty howl. "Whaddyaean, like," snorted the manager. "When you're out there pitching, you hate all of 'em. Where'd you get that stuff, like?"

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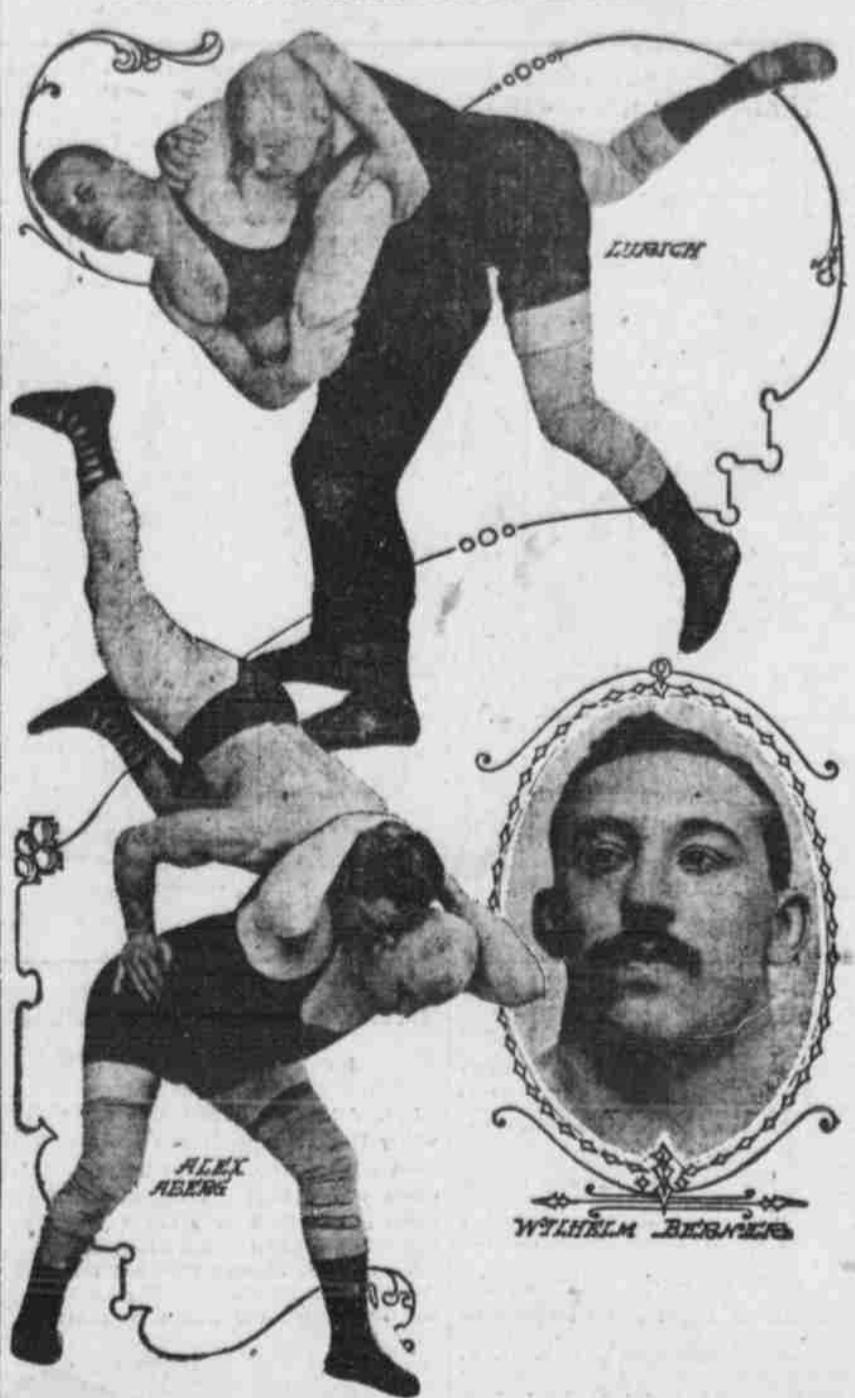
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TO SHOOT FROM THE CANOES

One of the Unique Stunts for Carter Lake Memorial Day Sports.

Shooting clay pigeons while standing in a canoe is the novel and difficult feat to be tried in competition at Carter Lake Monday afternoon, along with a long list of other interesting canoe events in the second section of the club's opening program of sports, started Saturday.

Anybody who has tried it, knows that merely to stand up in a canoe is no easy task. So when several of the more venturesome portsmen engage in a trap-tossing while poled uncertainly in light canoes, it is safe betting that there will be "something doing"—at least in sporting circles, if not in the water.

One man will handle each canoe, while the contestant stands and shoots at the clay targets thrown from the trap.

Besides that, there will be several other freak canoe events, including a shooting race with men standing, a four-paddle race, and a race between canoes, each manned by two men without paddles.

Tilting contests between canoeists standing to the bows of their canoes, while their partners paddle the craft toward each other, and the front end men try to push each other over, will be other exciting features, which invariably require changes of clothing for some of the contestants.

Fourteen Events. Altogether, there will be fourteen races and events for the canoes. The program will begin at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon and, with other sport events planned, the whole afternoon will be taken up. Other sports include base ball, tennis, bowling, swimming, trap shooting and boating.

These officials will have charge of the canoe events: Starter, George White; judge, Dave Darnell, Bud Kearns and Fred Butta; referee, J. S. White; clerk, S. P. Mason; custodian of prizes, Glen Pettigrew; announcer, George MacDougal; patrol, Jack Murray and Dr. J. B. Stokes.

GAMES IN PHELPS AND GOSPER LEAGUE

HOLDREGE, Neb., May 29.—(Special.) The Thursday games in the Phelps league were postponed on account of rain, as was all games last week. Loomis lost his first game of the season Tuesday, Elwood winning, 3 to 0. Holdrege dropped its fifth straight to Bertrand the same day, by a score of 8 to 4. The Loomis-Elwood game was easily the most brilliant played in the league this season, both teams contributing spectacular stops and catches.

Todent of Elwood was in danger several times, but great work by his teammates saved him. Elwood was also effective, his own error and wildness in the second being mainly responsible for Elwood's score. Pat and Sunblad also pitched well in the Holdrege-Bertrand game, but were poorly supported. Scores: R.H.E. Loomis.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0-2-2

Elwood.....0 2 0 0 0 0 0-3-2-3

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COFFEY MAY MEET WILLARD

Roscommon Giant of New York Has an Eye on the Championship in the Pugilistic Game.

NEW YORK, May 29.—Jim Coffey, the Roscommon giant and heavyweight champion of Bronx county, New York City, will be Jess Willard's first opponent when the world's heavyweight champion is ready to reappear in the ring in defense of his recently acquired title.

Plans for the match have passed the incubation stage, as the Brighton Beach Sporting club, which holds forth at the old race course near the sea, has proffered terms to the men and suggested Labor day afternoon as the time of conflict.

Only one little detail remains to be negotiated before the titanic bout is definitely clinched. And it is up to Coffey himself to adjust this matter. Said detail consists of decisively defeating one Jim Flynn, the old trial horse, who has been hanging out and receiving lookings—mostly the former, for high on to fourteen years.

Old, decrepit Jim Flynn is the obstacle in Coffey's path to a match for the championship and if but James J. Roscommon and the Bronx cannot remove the obstruction he is assuredly not deserving at a chance for the title.

Coffey and Flynn will collide within two days, for they will settle their little dispute on the afternoon of Decoration day at the Brighton Beach arena, the place wherein a new champion may—note I say may—be crowned on Labor day.

Has a Score to Settle. Flynn has a score to settle with Coffey, and for this reason the veteran will strive for a knockout, or be knocked out in the attempt. Flynn has virtually nothing to lose in any attempt at settling up, as Coffey stopped him in four rounds at the Garden thirteen months ago. But if Flynn can put over the crusher on Coffey—well, that's another thing again. Should the bout eventuate in such unexpected manner, it will mean that Flynn will be Willard's first victim on Labor day.

This will be the third meeting in the ring between the aged Flynn and the youthful Coffey. Two years ago they fought the arch rivals met for the first time. Coffey was then a novice, yet managed to last ten rounds with the Pueblo fireman. Last April they clashed again, and Flynn was thumped into insensibility in just four rounds.

Bore No Animosity. Flynn bore no animosity toward Coffey after their first fight, but after the second affair Flynn expressed himself in no uncertain terms regarding Coffey's ability as a fighter. He called Coffey as the greatest rough-and-tumble, bar room fighter he had ever seen, and that Coffey was permitted to use every low blow in the ring category and he got away with it. But it will be different this time, the battle-carried veteran avers. With Billy Roche as referee, Flynn believes he will get a square deal and Coffey will have to employ fair means.

It will be a meeting place between a man of 36 and a youth of 24. Flynn has been fighting for fourteen long years, while Coffey has been actively engaged to the ring only three years. The lad will have everything in his favor except experience. But even this experience is not likely to save Flynn, as Coffey will have the advantage of youth, height, weight, reach and a more powerful punch. It is doubtful if Coffey can absorb half the punishment Flynn can, but again, it is doubtful if he will be called on to take any punishment at all in this fight.

Decoration Day Events. Decoration day will usher in the outdoor boxing season for the metropolis. The Brighton club will have some opposition at its inaugural show, as the people who are conducting boxing at Elwood field have decided to put on a strong card the same afternoon. It is expected that Johnny Dundee, who claims half of Johnny Kilbane's featherweight title as

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Expert Griffith Declares Collins Starting to Slip

"Eddie Collins has been slipping for two years—I've seen it and after remarked about it—Connie Mack probably knew it, too. That's why he was willing to part with his second baseman for a large cash consideration."

"Mind you, I don't say Collins is about 'through as a ball player. Nothing like that; he is still a great player, but he's slipping. He isn't the little whirlwind of old on the bases, and his throwing arm is weaker."

"I don't know whether Comiskey paid \$50,000 for Collins' release or not, but he must have parted with a considerable sum. Commy has been stung more often than any other big league owner. I feel sorry for him."

Griffith, unburdened himself of the foregoing during a fanning he bore the other day when Collins' name was mentioned.

Blood Risings Begin A Mere Speck

Nearly anyone who uses S. S. F. for the blood recalls the impression that went through everyone who used the famous blood purifier, restored his health. It is a most interesting fact that this remarkable vegetable medicine overhauls the blood in a manner that excites curious minds.

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TORONTO ROWERS TO RACE IN BIG AMERICAN EVENTS

The Argonaut Rowing club of Toronto will be active on the water despite the fact that many of its oarsmen have joined the colors. The Argonauts are expected to compete in the annual People's day regatta at Philadelphia, which is one of the big features of the independence day celebration at that city. Quaker City, and also the national regatta, which will be held in August at Springfield, Mass.