



WALSH HIGH IN HIS PRAISE OF LAD WHO APPEARS TO BE BEST MIDDLEWEIGHT BOX-FIGHTER

Berlenbach's First Round Knockout of Pat Walsh in Madison Square Garden Last Night Causes Scribes to Sit Up and Take Notice of Coming Fighter.

By DAVIS J. WALSH.
NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Stanley Ketchel, the immortal, returned to this life at Madison Square Garden last night and punched his way to a knockout victory over Pat Walsh, of Cincinnati, after two minutes and 35 seconds of fighting in the first round. It was a typical Ketchel victory, but the man who gained it called himself Paul Berlenbach and he met a type of opponent that Ketchel would have disdained to associate with in the old days.

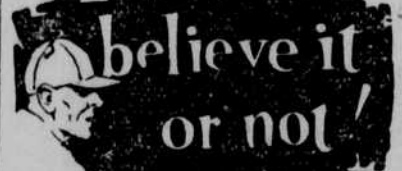
The fact, however, remained that Berlenbach proved himself the middle-weight division since Ketchel's day and age. For power and accuracy Berlenbach stands today second only to Jack Dempsey, himself. Whether he can shake off a punch after the manner of a champion horn remains to be seen. Berlenbach hasn't been hit flush on a vital spot in all his 24 fights, resulting in exactly 24 knockouts.

He has dallied with the genus set-up from first to last. Walsh was no exception and the fact that he left us early prompted the peasantry to get up a yowl. They were weary of Berlenbach's bag-punching exhibitions and Berlenbach contributed to his unpopularity by the avid ferocity with which he went after his man when the latter was helpless.

Yet, we will not altogether blame him for wishing to get the business over in a rush. It was the third fight in which Berlenbach engaged under Rickard's auspices for a total sum of \$1,000. The young man has been almost wholly responsible for bringing more than \$700 through the garden gates in three appearances there, each one of which netted him exactly \$233.33 1/3.

However, big men are waiting for the man who gave every evidence of possessing the second best punch in the game today. In disposing of

Walsh he was as cool, accurate and efficient as only a potential champion could be. After a brief exchange, in which Walsh poked around with light lefts, Berlenbach got in touch and became very intimate with Walsh's stomach, shooting a painful series of lefts and rights to that section and suddenly hooking a left to the jaw. Walsh dropped as though pole-axed, but resumed the perpendicular at the count of nine. A few moments later he absorbed a blow to the body and rolled about the ring floor. The referee then stopped it.



ISLE KEYS, well known Omaha man who spends most of his time at Hudson, Wyo., in Mr. Updike's interests, tells of a tenderfoot who located there last year. "This tenderfoot," says Lisle, "came from N'Yawk and bought himself a small ranch in the foothills. What he didn't know about ranching and the care of stock would have filled a complete library, but he managed to get along without starving or being killed. He also came across a young bear during the early spring and made a pet out of it. He called the bear Johnny.

"Johnny would show him where to find a bee tree and would claim half the spoils for his energy. The bear would follow this tenderfoot to the stables and oversee the bedding down of the stock and got so tame and wise he would gather the eggs from the poultry yard each evening. He would lift each egg out of the nest and roll it to a pile in the middle of the yard. He became quite expert at it and people came for miles to



see the bear collect the eggs. He would throw down straw from the loft when told to do it and would chase up the milch cows from the pasture. He was one of the finest and eagerest ranch hands on the place. His owner thought he would teach him how to ride the harrow, but never got around to it. They were inseparable and where the tenderfoot went so did the bear. Why, they tell a story—but that hasn't anything to do with what happened to the bear.

"When the snow first hit out near Hudson the bear naturally took to a dark hole in the barn and hibernated for the winter. The tenderfoot found him and couldn't wake him. Some one told him the bear was asleep and wouldn't wake up until spring. Well, the weather got colder and colder, and the snow thicker and thicker, and this tenderfoot worried and worried over his friend the bear. Now, I wouldn't lie to such a good friend as you, but dare say if the tenderfoot didn't worry so over that bear being cold that he purchased a gallon of chloroform and killed the poor beast. He said he was afraid that Johnny would freeze to death and so saved it that terrible experience."

Curley Has Hopes for Mat Game

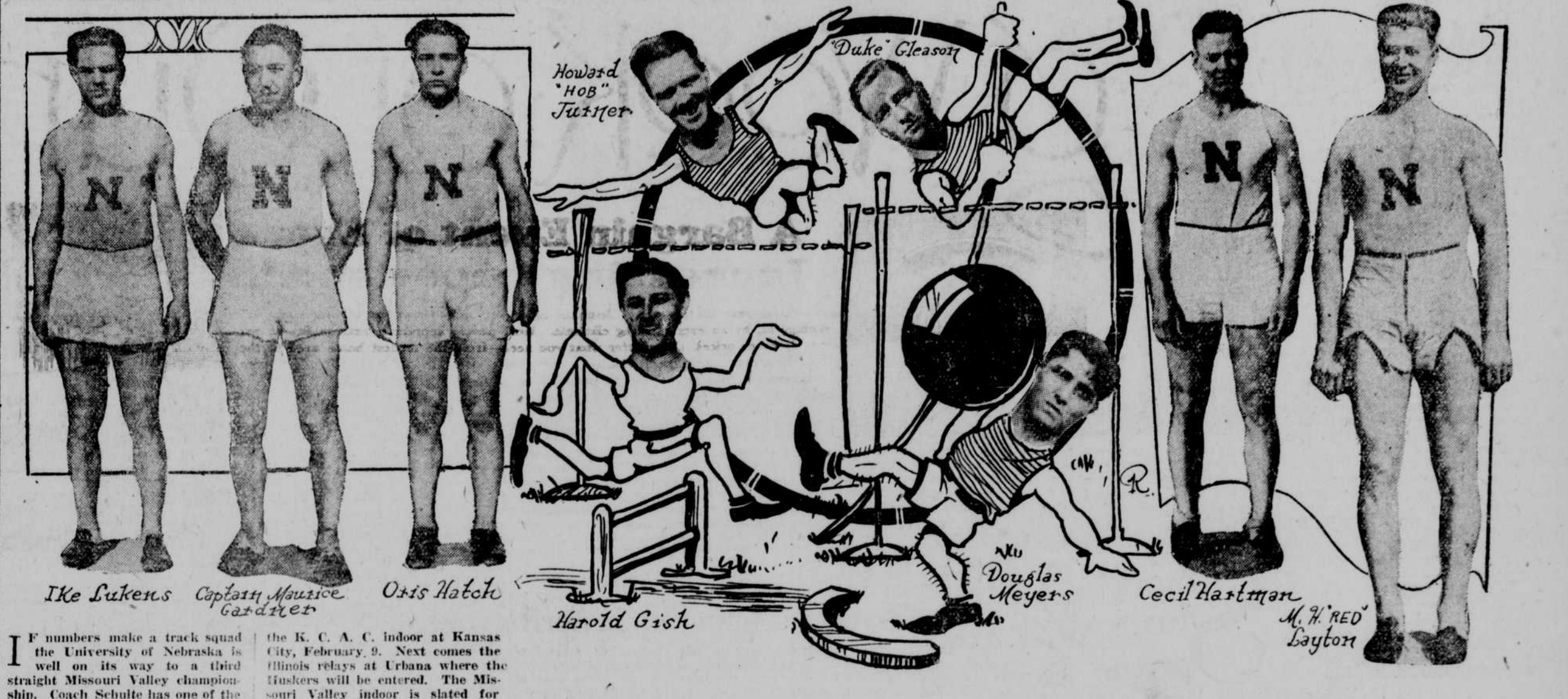
New York, Feb. 16.—In discussing the immediate future of the wrestling game in New York, Jack Curley, matchmaker of the newly-licensed Mayflower Athletic corporation, said that he did not believe that the sport was in any danger. In fact he predicts that it will continue to prosper and regain the wide popularity which it enjoyed some years ago. There seems to be an undercurrent of doubt as to whether the mat game will fare well under the jurisdiction of the new state athletic commission, but Curley maintains that these doubts are without foundation.

Cub Advance Guard Leaves

Chicago, Feb. 16.—The first squad of the Chicago Nationals, led by Manager Bill Killefer, are en route today to their training camp at Catalina Island, where their workouts will begin after their arrival next Tuesday noon.

Fifteen players comprise the aggregation, which will remain on the Pacific coast until the opening of the season here in April.

THESE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA TRACKSTERS OUT AFTER THIRD MISSOURI VALLEY CHAMPIONSHIP



I F numbers make a track squad of the University of Nebraska is well on its way to a third straight Missouri Valley championship. Coach Schulte has one of the biggest track squads out which ever reported to the Husker mentor. Some of the veterans who will undoubtedly add further laurels to their respective records before the season is over are shown in this group.

Number of American Golfers to Take Part in British Open Event

New York, Feb. 16.—Gene Sarazen, holder of the Professional Golfers' association championship and "unofficial world's champion" as a result of his victory over Arthur Havers in a recent 72-hole match in California, has written a letter to a friend in Great Britain to the effect that he knows of at least a dozen professionals who are planning to take part in the 1924 British open meeting at Hoylake in June. This is a welcome piece of news abroad, doubly agreeable because it shows that any slight misunderstandings arising from last year's events at Troon have been overlooked.

U. S. Golf Bodies May Consolidate

New York, Feb. 16.—From what can be gathered here it seems to be a foregone conclusion that the U. S. Golf associations of this country will soon be consolidated into one governing body. When the suggestion was first sprung on the United States Golf association officials during the national amateur championship tournament at Florence last summer, to amalgamate with the Western, the Trans-Mississippi and the Southern association in what was to have been known as the American Golf association, a fire was started. Its early headway was checked, but there continues to be considerable smoke.

Husker Cagers Easy Winners

Lincoln, Feb. 16.—University of Nebraska basket ball team last night won from Grinnell college of Iowa by a score of 32 to 18. It was a run-away race for Nebraska in the first half, the varsity players piling up 20 points to 3 for the visitors, but with Captain Benz of Grinnell playing a stellar game the collegians more than held their own in the second period.

Washington to Defend Title

New Orleans, La., Feb. 16.—Gene Tunney, light-heavyweight champion of America, today is still very much the champion, having easily won the decision in his 15-round encounter with Martin Burke of New Orleans, last night.

Alger Outposts Stearns

Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 16.—Billy Alger of Sanford, Ariz., decisively outpointed Billy Stearns of Minneapolis in a 10-round bout here last night. They are lightweights.

Wells to Fight Jimmy Duffy

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 16.—Billy Wells, British boxer, will meet Jimmy Duffy, welterweight champion of the Pacific coast, in a four-round bout at the auditorium here on the night of March 5. Tommy Simpson, promoter, announced.

Tearney Calls Sunday Meet.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—President Tearney of Western League, tonight called a meeting of the club owners for Lincoln, Neb., Sunday to adopt a schedule for the coming season and ratify the transfer of the Sioux City club franchise to the Nebraska capital.

Frank Chance Quits White Sox

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 16.—Frank Chance has resigned as manager of the Chicago White Sox club, he announced late today.

Tough on Home Run Hitters

New York, Feb. 16.—A serious blow was struck at the flourishing home run business when the New York Yankees decided to change the diamond at the Yankee stadium. The home plate has been moved some 10 feet in a northeasterly direction, swiveling the left field foul line over and moving the right field line so that the famous and ill-starred "bloody angle" is no more. That little coop formed by the intersection of the right field wing of the grand stand and the bleachers was designed to help Babe Ruth. But the other teams got all the homers hit into the corner. No Yankee four-base sock landed there.

South High Five Trims Bluffs

South High scored a double victory on its own gymnasium floor Friday night when the Packer regulars for the second time this season defeated Thomas Jefferson of Council Bluffs by the score of 19 to 10 and the South Reserves trimmed the Central Reserves, 13 to 11.

Lineup for South High vs Bluffs:

NAME	POS.	P.	F.	P.	P.
Washburn, Jr.	C	4	0	1	8
Wackerfield, H.	1B	0	0	0	0
Hedeen, G.	2B	0	0	0	0
Clark, F.	3B	0	0	0	0
Henderson, J.	SS	0	0	0	0
Smith, H.	LF	0	0	0	0
Harvey, J.	CF	0	0	0	0
Kalstrom, J.	RF	0	0	0	0
Urban, J.	P	0	0	0	0
Totals		4	0	1	8

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Basketball Results

LOCAL BASKETBALL RESULTS:

Creighton University, 33; Des Moines University, 19.
Colorado, 21; Grinnell, 18.
South High, 19; Thomas Jefferson, 10.
Abraham Lincoln, 24; Tebb, 2.

OTHERS:

Yale, 32; Harvard, 23.
Oklahoma, 25; Oklahoma State, 18.
Pittsburgh, 31; Penn State, 30.
Montana College, 23; University of Denver, 16.
Colorado College, 42; University of Colorado, 34.
Colorado Aetna, 21; School of Mines, 18.
Hartline, 17; Coe College, 16.
Lincoln High, 27; Hastings, 16.
South Dakota State, 25; South Dakota University, 16.
Trinity College, 19; Deane College, 16.
Stans Tule High, 26; Sioux City, 17.
Oregon, 28; Washington State, 21.

U. S. Short of Long Distance Runners

New York, Feb. 16.—Loren Murchison, the track runner, deplores the shortage of long distance men in this country. He says that the real long distance events have practically disappeared. Plenty of races of a mile or two miles are to be found, but the runs of three miles, five miles, and even longer sprints are missing.

Carl Duane Wins Over Martin

New York, Feb. 16.—Carl Duane, New York junior lightweight, won a judge's decision over Vincent "Pepper" Martin in a 12-round bout at Madison Square Garden last night. Duane, in a clever exhibition, outboxed his hard-hitting rival throughout the match.

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"Pa" Rourke and Jack Holland Select All-Time Western Teams

OW for the wild scramble! Who where the greatest ever players? What were the greatest teams? Western league ever saw in action? We confess our incompetency to answer these questions. We doubt if the opinions of any two men would carry more weight than those of Jack Holland of Oklahoma City and W. A. Rourke of Omaha.

With League From Start.

Holland is the only player connected with the league today who was in it when it made its start 25 years ago. Three years he was out of it during the early days, but all the while he kept constantly in touch with Western league affairs.

"Pa" Rourke was one of the organizers of the circuit in 1900, and while he retired shortly after the war, he has lived within the circuit and has kept just as carefully informed of Western league affairs as anyone.

These two were appealed for their opinions on the All-Time Western league team and the greatest teams of all time while with those great Chicago National combinations.

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Opening Tennis Matches Start

Los Angeles, Feb. 16.—Opening matches in the southern California midwinter tennis tournament opened here today on the courts of the Los Angeles Tennis club.

New York—Paul Berlenbach last night knocked out Pat Walsh, first round, and Duane, New York won decision over Pepper Martin, Brooklyn, 12 rounds, Georgia West, England, and Harold Abbott, New York, fought a draw, six rounds.

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