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MAY HAVE BOXING MEET WITH AMES

Bad Reputation Boxing Holds In College Circles May Prevent Matches

REED PLANS TO STAGE INTERCLASS CONTEST

Since the close of the grid season at Nebraska the eyes of the sport realm have been turned upon some of the other kinds of athletics. The basket tossers are enjoying their usual popularity at this season.

The stiff schedule ahead of the varsity wrestlers, and the promising outlook of the squad, insures their share of notoriety.

Boxing alone has never received its just dues in student favor. But perhaps now the followers of the "only art of self defense" are going to have a chance to see a varsity boxing squad in action.

Boxing instructor Harry Reed has received a request from Iowa State College at Ames for a meet between the schools. If the consent of the authorities can be obtained it is very probable that a Ames-Nebraska mitten-slinging contest will be staged.

Boxing has never been in repute in college athletic circles and to overcome the attitude against it will be no small accomplishment. Earnest G. Schroeder, physical director of the University of Iowa, said that there was little possibility that any boxing matches will be held between Western Conference teams for several seasons.

"The Big Ten conference has never approved boxing as an intercollegiate sport and from present indications it is not likely to do so for some time," he said.

Instructor Reed was refused permission by the authorities to take his proteges to the amateur meet at Omaha. He expects, however, to stage an interclass contest sometime this winter.

Boxing made its debut at Nebraska in 1909 when it was given a place in the Olympics. A class was started soon after with a membership of about fifteen men. It has now reached a membership of fifty.

The class has already had a very competent instructor. "Red" Hewitt, former assistant athletic director, was in charge of the class when it was started. He was succeeded by "Monte" Munn who supervised the squad for only a short time, being forced to give up on account of illness. Harry Reed took over the duties and has remained in that capacity for the last three years.

It would be hard to find a more capable boxing instructor than the one the department has at present. Reed was one of the cleverest featherweights that ever climbed through the ropes. He held the featherweight championship of the Pacific coast for three years and lost it only through forfeit when he came back to Nebraska. Reed was also featherweight champion of the Rocky

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Mountains in 1910. He has beat some of the best featherweights in the game and has even gone out of his class to give severe drubbings to welters.

Reed has developed eight or ten high class amateurs and is confident that they can uphold the laurels of the University against any contenders.

Instructor Reed does not encourage professionalism but believes that boxing strengthens the eyesight, and gives one speed, poise, gracefulness and carriage. "There is no better sport to teach one to curb one's temper," he says.

"Boxing develops a rugged, healthy body, full chest, and broad shoulders," said Mr. Reed. "The muscles of the arms and legs become strong and wiry, not large and massive like those of the weight-lifters and wrestlers. A wrestler is usually muscle-bound, but a boxers muscles are of the flat, tough, fiber kind that stand worlds of hard work and have a maximum of reserve power."

"The exercise of the abdominal muscles aids digestion, and strengthens their vitality. "These muscles," Reed continued, "are the most neglected of the whole body."

"As a clean sport, a body builder, and a vitality producer, boxing cannot be beat, and, as we teach it and use it in the class strictly in an amateur manner, it will give every man more confidence and therefore more successful in anything he undertakes."

MATMEN PREPARE FOR INITIAL MEET

Northwestern Said to Have Strong Team; Huskers Work Hard.

Coach Clapp of the Varsity wrestling squad is losing sleep over the initial match of the season against Northwestern, January 26, on foreign ground. Rumors have hit the Husker grappling camp to the effect that Northwestern is to be strongly represented this year and since Nebraska copped a 26 to 3 decision over the northerners last season, Northwestern is out for revenge.

The wrestling candidates have been working out three times a week for the past month and the Varsity mentor expects to have nightly grinds within the next few days. There will also be vacation practice for matmen remaining in this locality during the holidays.

The Huskers are attempting to outdo the enviable record established last season when Nebraska wrestlers

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lost but one match and that to Ames by a 14 to 11 count. Ames copped the Valley honors in the minor sport last season and Nebraska's representatives had the honor of scoring more points on them in their lone match than all other teams together. Wisconsin was the only team into score on Iowa besides Nebraska.

Everything points towards fast mat performers in all seven divisions according to Head Coach Floyd Clapp and with several important meets being arranged Nebraska looms bright to bring home several titles this season. The Missouri Valley Athletic association is planning a Valley wrestling meet at Ames in February, and since most of the champions from Ames have graduated, Nebraska has stepped into the calcium glare on the padded surface.

The annual intercollegiate match at Chicago is carded for the latter part of February and individuals making the best record at the University will be sent to uphold the Cornhusker colors.

Following the initial meeting with Northwestern on January 26 Coach Clapp is angling for a match with Indiana on the same trip. The following week the Huskers meet Kansas at Lawrence. Minnesota will open the mid-winter sport here. Ames will be met there and Iowa comes to Lincoln and probably the Kansas Aggies. With these teams coming in fast succession Nebraska will have some tall stepping to keep a clean platter.

SYRACUSE—The Senior Council has proclaimed that all first year men shall tip their hats to all wearers of the Orange "S". It is expected that the loyalty of the first year men and their appreciation of the achievement of the Orange athletics is expected to make enforcement of the rule unnecessary as far as compulsion is concerned. The Council also urges that all undergraduates entitled to block letters wear them.

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