

CADDOCK-SANTEL MATCH IN OMAHA IS CALLED OFF

Commander at Camp Dodge Advises Champion to Apply for Less Furloughs for Professional Engagements.

The Earl Caddock-Ad Santel world's championship wrestling match, scheduled to be staged at the Omaha Auditorium February 21, was called off last night by Carl Marfisi, who was to promote the event.

The postponement, according to a wire received from Marfisi late last night, is only temporary. According to Marfisi, the extensive publicity given the Caddock-Zbyszko match at Des Moines Friday night prompted the commanding officer of Camp Dodge, where Caddock is stationed, to order the champion to cut down on the number of professional matches in which he was booked to engage.

The officer explained his action by pointing out that the publicity resulting from such matches might attract the attention of higher ups in the army with the result that suspension of all furloughs for such purposes might be ordered by the War department.

Must Stick to Camp.

For this reason the Camp Dodge commander declared he deemed it imperative that Caddock remain in camp and not make application for furloughs too often.

This forced Marfisi to cancel the Omaha match, which was to have been only 10 days away.

Marfisi, however, hopes to be able to promote the match at a later date.

Hoosier Fans Confident Lajoie Will Be Manager

Supporters of the Indianapolis club of the American association are apparently convinced that Larry Lajoie, the former Cleveland star, will be appointed manager to succeed Jack Hendricks, the new leader of the St. Louis Nationals.

James C. McGill, president of the club, who is spending the winter in Los Angeles, wrote that the man he is after "will bring the national sport to a splendid new position and will be a splendid manager for the club." Lajoie played the Toronto club to a championship in the International league last season.

It is said that McGill plans to announce the name of the new manager at the schedule meeting of the association to be held in Milwaukee on February 28.

Silver King, Famous Vet, No Longer is Diamond Fan

Silver King, once as great as any pitcher in the world, has been found in St. Louis and his occupation is now that of a bricklayer. Base ball fans whose memory extends back two decades and more, when the national sport was not the established enterprise it now is, will remember old Silver King well. In 1886 he was with St. Joseph club in the old Western league, and the next year joined the Kansas City club. He was a member of the St. Louis Browns when that team won four pennants. During the 20 years since he quit the diamond he has not seen a single major league game, having lost all interest in the sport.

Ross Leads Flyers to Win in Coast Swimming Tourney

Norman Ross, holder of a number of American and world's swimming records, recently demonstrated the fact that learning to fly does not impair one's natural prowess. Ross is preparing to become an aviator with Uncle Sam's army and for some time has devoted his attention and energy entirely to the matter of flying instead of swimming.

At a recent swimming meet held at the Olympic club at San Francisco, Ross, as captain of an aviation swimming team, won six events and scored 25 points for the flyers out of the 31 by that team. Incidentally Ross broke his own American record for the 500-yard swim in a special event.

Carrigan to Pilot Red Hose Again, Says Report

In view of the probability that Jack Barry will have to remain on active duty at the Charleston navy yard this year, a report has circulated through Boston that William Carrigan will return to the management of the Red Sox. Carrigan retired from the game a year ago after vainly demanding a salary of \$25,000, and went into the banking business up in Maine. It is said he is anxious to get back in harness, and it is a certainty that his coming would be a big help to the Red Sox in the race for the flag this year.

George Stovall Swings Hammer in Ship Yards

George Stovall, former manager of the Cleveland Americans, is doing his bit swinging a sledgehammer in a ship yard at a "Pacific port," according to word received by friends. Stovall believes the work will reduce his weight and improve his batting eye for the coming season. He managed the Vernon club of the Pacific Coast league last season.

McCarthy in Class 1.

John McCarthy, second baseman for the Louisville American Association club, who resides in Philadelphia, received word from his local exemption board that he has been placed in the third section of the first classification, which seems to make certain that he will be seen in a Louisville uniform this spring. The district in which McCarthy lives is large and the next draft it is believed, will hardly include his name.

Duncan in France.

Jim Duncan, holder of the world's discus record, is a first sergeant of the Eleventh engineers now on duty in France.

Woman's Ski Title is Won By Pretty Chicago Lassie



MISS HILDA ERLANDSEN.

Miss Hilda Erlandsen of Chicago, is the woman's national ski champion. She won the title from a field of 12 starters recently at Gary, Ind.

Miss Erlandsen crossed the line first in a two-mile cross-country race and also finished first in two short races.

The Chicago girl is an enthusiast of the Norse sport and spends much of her spare time on skis. She not only has learned the knack of traveling fast on the long runners, but she is said to be a skillful jumper although this strenuous part of the Norwegian pastime usually is reserved for the men who seem to be luckier than women when it comes to fliriting with a broken neck or cracked spinal cord.

CADDOCK WINS ZBYSZKO GO ON REFEREE'S WORD

Champion Takes First Fall, Pole the Second; Finish in Two and Half Hours Agreed Time.

(By Associated Press.) Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 9.—Earl Caddock of Anita, Ia., a private in the national army, was awarded a referee's decision over Wladek Zbyszko, the Polish wrestler, in their match last night, after each participant had won a fall.

Caddock won the first fall in one hour and 22 minutes. Caddock pinned his opponent to the mat by a quick shift from a half-nelson to a head scissors on the wrist lock.

Zbyszko won the second fall in 31 minutes with a side hip lock. When the agreed limit of two and a half hours of actual wrestling had expired at 1:15 a. m. Referee Ed. Smith, of Chicago awarded the contest to the Iowan.

Caddock was Stunned In the second fall, Caddock was temporarily stunned and this slowed him up visibly in the final 37 minutes of wrestling. Zbyszko had raised himself with Caddock on his back, and the Pole executed the fall by hurling himself backward to the floor, pinning Caddock beneath him.

Inter-League Games Carded This Spring

April 1—Boston Nationals against New York Americans, at Macon, Ga.

April 2—Boston Nationals against New York Americans, at Dublin, Ga.

April 3—Boston Nationals against New York Americans, at Spartanburg, S. C.

April 4—Cleveland Americans against New York Nationals, at Orangeburg, S. C.

April 5—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at Dallas, Tex.

April 6—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at Oklahoma City, Okla.

April 7—St. Louis Nationals against St. Louis Americans, at St. Louis, Mo.

April 8—St. Louis Nationals against St. Louis Americans, at St. Louis, Mo.

April 9—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at Houston, Tex.

April 10—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at Little Rock, Ark.

April 11—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at Memphis, Tenn.

April 12—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

April 13—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at Washington, D. C.

April 14—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at Lexington, Ky.

April 15—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at St. Louis, Mo.

April 16—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at St. Louis, Mo.

April 17—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at St. Louis, Mo.

April 18—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at St. Louis, Mo.

April 19—Detroit Americans against Cincinnati Nationals, at St. Louis, Mo.

CENTRAL FLOOR FLIPPERS GO ON ROAD THIS WEEK

Mulligan's Men to Invade South Friday and Saturday for Games at St. Joseph and Kansas City.

After a string of overwhelming victories on the home floor the Central High basketball team takes the road and starts in pursuit of the scalps of neighboring high schools this week. St. Joseph and Kansas City are the first ones booked for slaughter by the local champs. Lincoln and Beatrice come the following week and Sioux City and Fort Dodge the next.

Central High has made a fine record during the last few weeks. The local institutions and even Lincoln were easy pickings. Although Council Bluffs slipped one over on the Purple and White in the first clash of the season, the beating that the Iowa boys received in the return contest showed that the first game was accidental. University Place, which has one of the best teams in this part of the country, also succumbed to the Central boys' brand of play by a two-point margin.

Central is fortunate in having four of her veterans in the lineup this year. Besides these, Coach Mulligan has developed two good players out of Russell and A. Smith.

St. Joseph Friday.

St. Joseph is reported to have a first-class quintet to fight the local five at St. Joseph Friday afternoon. St. Joseph has won four games and lost three, piling up 306 counters to her opponent's 227. Coach Dittmore has a squad of 30 from which to pick his team. Packwood is reported as a sensational forward. Bealls and Full play guard and Whitehead and Sollar forward and center.

The game with Kansas City Saturday afternoon will be the first played between that school and Central High for many years. The Missouri team has gone through three seasons without a defeat. Her players are all demons at the game, according to reports from down the river.

Kay See Dangerous.

Duvall, captain, is said to be the flashiest, speediest, crack shot that ever helped a Kansas City team to victory. Duvall has achieved special renown as an expert dribbler and basket tosser. More than 33 goals have been tossed by him this season. Browning is tied with him in this respect. Foster, however, is the crack flipper who had made 38 field goals up to a week ago.

The Kansas City game will be the hardest on the schedule, according to local opinion. Fort Dodge next week is also expected to give the locals a hard run.

Central's large schedule will close with a home game against St. Joseph on March 9.

Benson & Thornes Will Play Wesleyan

The Benson and Thornes, Omaha's independent basketball champions, will clash with the fast Nebraska Wesleyan quintet at the Omaha Young Men's Christian association next Saturday night.

The following men now are members of the Benson & Thornes team: George Parish, Kenneth Klepper, Bob Koran, Warren Ritchie, Edward Burdick, Merritt Klepper, Clyde Smith, Herbert Dana, Gilbert Fullington, John Reel and Bromley.

OLD CY FORSYTHE LONGS FOR OMAHA; WANTS TO RETURN

Outfielder Who Jumped the Rourke Last Spring Tires of Copper Country and Seeks Reinstatement.

Old Cyrus Forsythe, the well known Tango Kid, wants to come back.

Cyrus is in Hayden, Ariz. Last April, two days after the 1917 season opened, Forsythe jumped the Rourke in Denver for Arizona. He left at night and the first intimation Rourke of his fellow players had that Forsythe had departed came when a bunch of postal cards arrived at the hotel. On these cards Cyrus informed his mates he was on his way to Arizona to play in the Copper league.

Yesterday Pa Rourke received a letter from Forsythe in which Cyrus expressed an ardent appeal to be taken back into the fold of organized ball. He's had enough of the copper country, he wrote, and he wants to return to Omaha.

Whether Rourke will take Forsythe back or not is not known. Cyrus became a contract jumper when he left the Rourke and contract jumping is an offense over which the national board of arbitration has jurisdiction. A heavy penalty is attached. Rourke may, however, have Cy restored to good graces, as organized ball may need a few players like Cy if the war continues.

Finals in Big Bonspiel To Be F'ayed This Morning

The semi-final and final rounds in the first annual Omaha curling bonspiel will be played at Miller park this morning, starting at 9 o'clock. The following teams will clash in the semi-final round:

R. G. Watson, skip; S. H. Wilson, George Dunn, John Syme against W. J. Hislop, skip; Tom Leuchars, Ed Higgins, C. K. Denman.

H. E. Fernandes, skip; C. M. Johnston, C. J. Fernandes, Charles Granden against Alex Melvin, skip; W. D. Brydon, J. K. Finlayson, George Entriken.

Several teams tested out the ice at Miller park yesterday. Alex Melvin skipped S. H. Wilson, C. K. Sadler, John Finlayson and Frank Golden to victory over W. J. Hislop, skip; C. M. Johnson, M. M. Levings, Dick Porter and J. K. Finlayson. Melvin's team won by three points in a 19-end game.

Later Melvin skipped a rink composed of S. H. Wilson, H. Goodrich and J. McCall against Charles Johnston, C. J. Fernandes, Dick Porter and J. H. Hussie, but lost, 16 to 9.

E. S. Dods, aided by W. D. Brydon and Angus McPherson, beat Joe Polcar, W. J. Hislop and Frank Golden, 15 to 12.

Lodgepole Defeats Sidney.

Lodgepole, Neb. Feb. 9.—(Special Telegram.)—Lodgepole high school team won a game of basketball over Sidney here Friday night.

Former Western Leaguer Who Will Lead St. Louis



JACK HENDRICKS

Jack Hendricks, former pilot of the Denver Bears in the Indianapolis club in the American association, is the second famous "busher" to step into a managerial position in the big show. The first was Clarence Rowland, who led the Chicago White Sox to a world's championship last year.

Hendricks is a real manager, Omaha fans believe. When he was at Denver the Bears were scrappy fighters

who always made trouble. Jack himself is a fighter and never quits, no matter how the ball game is going.

When Jack was at Denver Omaha fans had little love for Hendricks, principally because Omaha and Denver were bitter rivals then, but now that he has gone to St. Louis his career with the Cardinals will be watched with interest and he will have the good will and good wishes of many an old-time enemy.

Mat Fans Dish Out \$24,000 to See Go

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 9.—Nearly 8,000 persons paid more than \$24,000 to see the wrestling match here last night in which Earl Caddock of Anita, Ia., national army private, was awarded a referee's decision over Wladek Zbyszko after they had wrestled two and a half hours.

WHIST SHARKS INVADE OMAHA LAST OF WEEK

Cracks From Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri and Oklahoma Are to Play in Tourney.

Whistlers will have their tinning in Omaha this week. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the 24th annual meeting of the Central Whist association will be held at the Hotel Rome.

The tournament proper will be held Friday and Saturday, on which days the card sharks will clash for the Richards challenge trophy, the St. Joseph trophy and the Schmelzer trophy.

The Richards challenge trophy goes to the winners of the team play; the St. Joseph trophy to the winners of a pair contest and the Schmelzer trophy to the winners of a free-for-all pair contest under the Mitchell progressive system.

Thursday night, a preliminary completed pair contest will be staged. Whistlers from Omaha, Council Bluffs, Sioux City, Elk Point, S. D., Grand Island, Perry, Okla., St. Joseph, Wakefield, York, Kansas City, Bartlesville, Okla., Broken Bow and Chicago are expected to take part.

St. Joseph and Sioux City, it is said, will send large delegations as both cities are after the 1919 tourney.

C. W. Martin of Omaha is president of the Central Whist association and J. A. Abbott of Omaha is secretary. They will have charge of the tourney.

Joe Qeschger to Coach Coast College Players

Pitcher Joe Qeschger, alumnus of St. Mary's college, has been named to assist in coaching the California school's base ball squad in the spring. Qeschger was St. Mary's star pitcher when the Phillies landed him.

Cubs Get Daly.

A recent American league bulletin of contracts and releases shows that Catcher Tom Daly has been released by the Cleveland Americans to the Chicago Nationals. Last fall the Chicago club thought it had purchased Daly from Buffalo, but Cleveland stepped in with an option. The Cubs get him, but they settle with Cleveland.

Eleven Brownies Sign; Former Omaha Star Is One

With the signing of infielder Jimmy Austin, 11 members of the St. Louis Americans are now in the fold. Austin accepted a reduction in salary without protest, as he said he appreciated the conditions facing the game at this time.

The list of players under contract for the 1918 season are: Infielders—Sisler, Gerber, Austin and Gedeon.

Outfielders—Tobin, Demmit and Earl Smith.

Pitchers—Loudermilk, Liefeld and Knob.

Catcher—Nunamaker.

Monarch of Mound Kicks Because His Fair Name Is Taken in Vain

When Grover Cleveland Alexander, monarch of the mound, shook the dust of Omaha from his heels and beat it for the city of the sleeping dead, sometimes known as Philadelphia, it was on a business errand.

Among several things that Alex is going to see about is the editor of an afternoon paper of large circulation which three or four times a week publishes a signed story by the pitcher. Alexander expressed great indignation at this liberty taken by the paper.

"I don't give any base ball facts to anybody to put in newspaper shape," says Alex.

"I had a contract with a syndicate man that expired last summer. These articles are appearing just the same

under my own signature, although I have nothing more to do with them than the president of the Chinese republic and moreover have never received a dollar of pay since last summer, when the contract expired.

"I want everybody to know that I am not writing these articles or giving any ideas to anybody else to write. It's nothing more or less than a swindle on the public when they put my name over stories with which I have not the slightest thing to do.

"A friend sent me copies of the newspaper since I was sold to the Cubs and I was made to make assertions that are liable to get me in bad both in Philadelphia and Chicago. I am going to see if a man's name hasn't some protection."

SPIKE SHANNON GETS CHIEF UMP JOB IN WESTERN

Ed Holly, After Fifteen Years of Diamond Service, May Quit Game for Street Railway Position.

Spike Shannon, who came to the Western league shortly after the inauguration of the Dickerson regime last year, will be chief of the Western league umpiring staff this season.

Shannon is one of the best umpires the Western league has seen in years. He is a capable judge of balls and strikes and field plays, and he maintains order on the field. Shannon, like all umpires, has been guilty of error in sight and judgment, but as a rule he is as reliable as can be expected.

Further, Shannon is the kind of umpire who keeps ball games moving and that, in the eyes of many fans, is the chief requisite of the first-class arbiter.

Holly to Quit.

Ed Holly, manager of the Sioux City-St. Joseph team last year, may quit base ball.

Holly has landed a good paying job with the street railway company in St. Joseph. He likes the job and it is reported he is loathe to give it up for the uncertainties of base ball.

If Holly does quit, it will mark the passing of a veteran of more than 15 years in base ball. Old-time Omaha fans remember Holly way back in 1902 when he played shortstop for Peoria. He was a youngster then, just breaking in. He and George McBride, now with St. Joseph, were the two classiest shortstoppers in the league.

Gilmore, Too.

George Gilmore, one of Holly's hirings on the Sioux City-St. Joseph club and another Western league veteran, also is said to have announced his intention to give up base ball.

Gilmore is traveling for Swift & Co. out of Sioux City. George Segrist, former Western league ump, is head of the Swift sales department for that territory and Gilmore believes he has his job cinched so he may forsake the diamond pastime for all time.

Don Rader, shortstop, and Tex Crosby, catcher, may be sold by Ed Hanlon to Kansas City. Ganzel is said to be sweet on these Western athletes and reports have it that he has made Hanlon a proposition which the Sioux City-St. Joseph magnate is likely to accept. Crosby was with the Rourkees for a part of one season.

Izzy Optimistic.

Joe Berger again will lead Wichita. Frank Isbell has announced. Isbell is bubbling over with confidence, according to reports from the Kaw village, and predicts the Western will enjoy one of its most prosperous years this season.

Suggestion of a hitch in the Quincy-Hannibal combination for a Western league franchise came to the surface when it was learned the Quincy club still owes about \$1,000 in unpaid salaries and back bills around town.

Jack Powell is 44, but he has ideas of half that age.

Any big league base ball manager in need of a strong right handed pitcher might do well to get in touch with one Jack Powell, who lives in St. Louis, Mo. He is six feet tall, weighs about 230 pounds, is ambitious, and has splendid habits. In case present-day managers do not know of him, he offers the names of Cy Young, Bill Lange and Amos Rusie for references, for Jack played ball with all those notables.

Powell, about 44 years young. He has been all through one base ball career and now proposes to start another. He just can't help feeling he is far superior to the average 22-year-old who breaks in, and anyway, he thinks those 22-year-olds ought to be in the war. For that reason he has decided to come forth when spring arrives and offer his services to any wise manager who desires help on the pitching staff.

There were no individual stars on the Creighton team. Each member of the squad played a brilliant consistent game from first to last, and it was their swiftness and never-failing teamwork that proved the undoing of Funston.

The accurate goal shooting of Kearney and Haley was one of the features of the game. These two worthies simply ran rings around their opponents. Captain Eddie Mullholland, as usual, assumed the leadership in the attack.

His fast floor work and heady feeding of the ball to his comrades proved nothing short of marvelous.

At the guard positions Tom Berry and Howard Vandiver were on the alert every second and spoiled many endeavors by Hodge and Lansing to garner a number of baskets.

Vic Spittler was out in uniform but was not in good condition to play. Leslie Burkenroad, one of Omaha's products, did not start in the game for Funston. He went in at the second half and played a hard, determined game throughout that period. But guarded by Kearney, when he had the ball, and with the watchful eye of Vandiver on him, he failed to make a goal.

Scores Come Fast Hodge, reputed to be an all-eastern star, was Funston's most aggressive contender on the floor, and was in the thick of every fray. He made two field goals, and threw seven out of a possible eleven fouls. Lieutenant Modisette was also out of the game, on account of an injury sustained in the conflict with Dodge on Thursday night.

Sheckard to Go. Chicago report has it that the signing of Otto Knabe by the Cubs to act as handyman around the team will mean the release of Jimmy Sheckard.

Benny Kauff Placed in Fatal Class of Draft

Bennie Kauff, star outfielder of the New York Giants, was placed in class one of the new selective draft, but it is doubtful if he will be called before the middle of the season. The recent decision of the major league to make the players carry their own uniforms and baggage next summer to simplify transportation will place much hardship on poor Benny. He cannot possibly survive a western trip unless he has at least a dozen of his favorite war clubs along with him. If the players have to take care of their bats this year Benny will be in a fine fix.

Mary Wagner to Defend Title of Indoor Champ

Miss Mary K. Wagner, national indoor tennis champion, is about to start training for the indoor championships, which are to be held at Seventh Regiment army, New York, in the near future. Miss Wagner approves of the notable improvements made by Harry McNeal, the professional tennis star, in the building of courts for championships. One of the most notable improvements is the hanging of dark green canvass at both ends of courts, which afford a fine background so that the white ball can easily be seen.

Orvie Seeks Office.

Orvie Overall, one-time star pitcher of the Cubs and now a rancher near Visalia, Cal., is a candidate for sheriff of his county.

Accept Britton's Terms.

New Orleans promoters will most likely accept Jack Britton's terms for a go with Johnny Dundee. Jack's figures are \$1,500 win, lose or draw.