

STECHER DIMITS NAVY; RETURNS TO DODGE FARM

Former Wrestling Champ is Bigger and Stronger Than Ever; Will Return to Mat Game.

Joe Stecher, former world's wrestling champion, who has not set foot on Cornhusker soil for the last five months, arrived Thursday morning en route to his home in Dodge, Neb.

Stecher enlisted in the navy five months ago and was immediately assigned to the Great Lakes naval training station, where he was assigned as instructor in wrestling.

Stecher has received his discharge from the navy and will return to his former occupation of farmer and wrestler. He looks bigger and stronger than ever before, and says he weighs over 210 stripped.

Great Lakes Gobs Break World's Swimming Records

Minneapolis, Dec. 18.—Two world records were broken in an exhibition swimming meet here tonight under the auspices of the A. A. U.

Buddy Wallen, also of Great Lakes made the 300-yard crawl in 2:35, clipping one second off the former record.

Central Furniture Practice Start Basket Ball

The Central Furniture company has completed the organization of its basket ball team and has begun practice at the Y. M. C. A.

OMAHA PRODUCE

Oysters—Northern standards, per gal. 12.95; full quality, 30c; full quality, 40c.

Wholesale prices of beef: Choice, No. 1, 4.40; No. 2, 3.90; No. 3, 3.40.

Oranges—Navel oranges, 17c-20c; Valencia, 15c-18c.

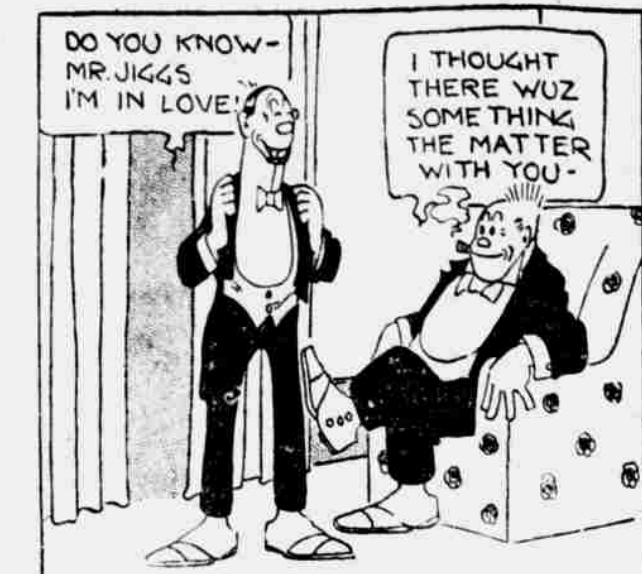
Apples—Red Delicious, 1.50; Golden Delicious, 1.25.

Butter—Creamery, No. 1, 22c; No. 2, 21c.

Wheat—No. 1, 1.15; No. 2, 1.10; No. 3, 1.05.

SKINNER PACKING COMPANY POULTRY BUTTER EGGS

BRINGING UP FATHER



Market and Industrial News of the Day



Drawn for The Bee by George McManus



HOG ISLAND YARD COST 63 MILLION, PIEZ ESTIMATES

Emergency Fleet Corporation Head Gives Figures on Ship Construction at Senate Inquiry.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The cost of the great shipbuilding plant at Hog Island was estimated today at \$63,300,000 by Charles Piez, general manager of the shipbuilding board's Emergency Fleet corporation.

"Does the Emergency Fleet corporation propose to go on building ships at the present cost?" asked Senator Harding.

When the witness said the approximate cost of these ships would be about \$225 per ton, Senator Harding declared this was two or three times what other countries are paying.

West Side Eels Challenge All Basket Ball Teams

A basketball team has been organized in West Side, Iowa, to be known as the West Side Eels, who makes a standing challenge to all teams to meet them.

Daniels Issues Appeal

Washington, Dec. 19.—Secretary Daniels today issued a statement calling on all friends of the American navy to join the Red Cross during the Christmas roll call now in progress.

LOTHROP LILLIAN WALKER IN "THE EMBARRASSMENT OF RICHES"

Present for First Time Here FLORENCE REED

Answer This Question What Would You Do for a Million Dollars?

Now Strands

COAL INDUSTRY WILL REMAIN ON PRESENT BASIS

Stanley Houck of Minneapolis Addresses Nebraska Dealers; Says Closer Organization Necessary.

Nebraska retail coal dealers will continue to work under the zone system which has regulated the coal trade in Nebraska and other sectors of the United States during the war.

This means that the restriction barring anthracite coal from Nebraska will still remain in force and that present prices and quantities of bituminous coal will continue to prevail during the season.

Among other things discussed by Mr. Houck were railroad claims and the railroads' position at the present time covering payment thereof.

Yacht Club Declines Challenge for 1919; Would Race in 1920

New York, Dec. 19.—The New York Yacht club decided at a meeting tonight to decline the challenge of the Royal Ulster Yacht club for a race for America's cup in 1919, but announced that if the challenge was renewed for 1920 it would be accepted.

Leonard Demands Part

Cleveland, O., Dec. 19.—Pitcher Hubert (Dutch) Leonard, who figured in yesterday's trade of players between the Boston and New York American league teams, intimated today that unless he gets part of the purchase price he will not report to the Yankees.

MAXIMUM FOOD PRICES.

Table listing maximum food prices for various items like flour, sugar, butter, etc.

Short Term Notes

Table listing short term notes with columns for Am. Tel. Tel. Co., Am. Tobacco, etc.

LIVE STOCK

Table listing live stock prices for cattle, hogs, sheep, etc.

Chicago Grain and Provisions

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Chicago Turpentine and Rosin

Table listing Chicago turpentine and rosin prices for various grades.

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GRAIN MARKET

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FINANCIAL

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