

MELADY REPLIES TO JACK CURLEY ON MAT TITLE

Caddock's Manager Declares Earl Never Retired and Gave Out No Statement to That Effect.

After reading Jack Curley's story of why Joe Stecher is the real heavyweight wrestling champion, Gene Melady, Caddock's manager, issued the following reply:

"Jack Curley makes the statement and circulates it throughout the country that, in his opinion, Joe Stecher is the champion wrestler of the world, and while Mr. Curley is considered a great authority on sports in general, he certainly has made the blunder of his life in attempting to pronounce Stecher the world's champion. It is well known better than himself that Caddock is the real champion heavyweight wrestler of the world and has never made an announcement to the effect that he had retired from the game.

Certainly Curley must know that it is not in his power to proclaim any man he sees fit a champion. The championship crown must be achieved by an athlete and cannot be wished upon him. Mr. Curley admits that Joe Stecher was the real champion of the world when he wrestled Earl Caddock in Omaha April 9, 1917. He does not say very much about what happened at that match, but 7,000 Omaha fans can verify the fact that Caddock threw Stecher two falls out of three, even though one fall was not allowed by the referee, and in acknowledgment of his defeat Joe Stecher refused to come back and take a chance with the wrestling marvel of the world—Caddock.

Doesn't Dispute Title.

"Never has Stecher at any time or place tried to discredit Caddock's right to the championship. Joe Stecher is too thoroughly a sportsman to make such a claim, and why Curley should try to make this claim for Stecher, is hard for me to figure out.

"Curley goes into detail with regard to how championships were handed back and forth in days gone by, but we are now in a new era of sports, on a cleaner, more level plane than ever before in the history of the game, and it is ridiculous for anyone to attempt to detract the champion of the world by such statements as he is circulating.

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"Caddock has wrestled every wrestler of note in America today and has never lost a match. Can Joe Stecher, or any other wrestler, be living make the same claim? Even Jack Curley will have to acknowledge this."

Jimmy Drexel Coming Back, Scores Victory Over "Bat" Strayer

A wire received from Waltham, Mass., states that Jimmy Drexel made good in his initial "comeback" battle, dealing out a tasty lacing to Battling Strayer in a 10-round bout. A right-cross to the chin put Strayer down for a nine count in the second round, but the "Battler" stilled through to the bell and succeeded in staying the limit, though he was wrothy at the final bell. Drexel was given the decision by the referee.

Central City A. C. Gets Pesek-Dristy Match For December 10

Promoter Harry Graves of the Central City Athletic club announces that he has signed John Pesek and "Big Bill" Dristy for a finish match, best two out of three falls, at his club on December 10. The representatives of the two wrestlers will meet shortly after the first of December to decide upon a referee. Three men are being considered for the position: Cy Sherman of the Lincoln Star, Kid Graves of The Bee and Ernie Holmes of Omaha.

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Mid-West Bowling

Tonight's Schedule.

Table with 2 columns: Event Name and Location/Time. Includes 'FIVE MAN EVENT' at 8 P. M. Squad and 'FIVE MAN EVENT' at 7:15 P. M. Squad.

Leaders in Each Event.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Lists top performers for 'FIVE MAN' and 'INDIVIDUALS' events.

Omaha bowlers grabbed another high place in the tournament prize lists yesterday when "Kiln" Sciple and Myron Stutz cracked out a total of 1241 in the doubles, which places them in second place. Both of these Scott Tent stars rolled a steady, consistent game. Sciple totaled 623 and Stutz trailed right behind him with 618. In the singles Stutz also rolled a good total with a 606 count.

Lots of excitement and good rolling featured the team contests in the evening. The Francisco Majors of Denver, rolling in the second round, scored high for the evening with a count of 2760. The Peoria Association of Commerce No. 1 were high in the first squad and second high for the evening with a 2741 total.

A Lincoln pair, Frank Spangler and E. Duncan, rolled into sixth place in the doubles with 1162. Rolling commences at 7:30 this morning and will continue with the solid filled schedule until the close of the tournament at midnight Monday. Twenty-four fast teams from Chicago, Milwaukee, Kansas City, Toledo and Minneapolis will perform the first squad going on at 5 o'clock this evening. Famous teams and famous bowlers are in the lineup, which will be seen in action.

Through the day today the teams rolling last night will roll their doubles and singles. Entries are already coming in for the big sweepstakes Monday night. The entry list is limited to 16 teams, so it will be necessary to get in early to compete.

Those Lincoln rollers surely stuck with us and did more than was expected of them with their six-team entry. Yesterday they sent up a crowd of good bowlers, had bowlers, enthusiasts and everything that makes up a real live bowling crowd. They are determined to make Lincoln a big spot on the bowling map and they are going about it in the right way. Tournament bowling is the real life of the game and they're not missing any.

Secretaries Loecker and Eidson are anxious for the local bowlers to be on the job at 7 o'clock Sunday morning to act as scorekeepers. The tournament has already been a huge success, due to its excellent management and assistance given by the local bowlers. Keep it up especially today and tomorrow, when the schedule is the heaviest.

Big Bill Laidlow blew in yesterday and he is the same old booster. This time it is the A. B. C. to be held in Peoria in March. Of course he is boosting the Middle-west association all the time, but he has already declared it a success this season, and he with the rest of the crowd is out to make the A. B. C. in Peoria the best ever.

The Scott Tents were working too hard in their team match. Several breaks against them in the last game ruined their chances. The boys were clouting that head stick right in the nose.

The Chicago delegation will be headed by David Luby, editor of the Bowlers' Journal of Chicago, recently elected vice president of the Middle-west Bowling association and holder of executive positions in about all of the other large bowling associations. The Windy City bunch swears by Dave. If he was to start a church of his own they would all join it, and that goes for all other cities. He has the personal acquaintance and thorough friendship of every bowler in the United States.

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'COUNT' GENGLER WILL BOWL HERE AGAINST SMITH

Famous Belgian Freak Pin-Getter on Team in Same Squad With Champion Jimmy Smith.

John Gengler of Chicago, better known as "The Count," closest rival of the famous Jimmy Smith, peer of all bowlers, is the world's most artistic and most eccentric bowler. This is only a small part of the famous Belgian's history. He can undoubtedly furnish the most varied exhibition of bowling imagination.

Nothing big is ever done in the game without first getting the grand old man's opinion, and his opinion is always a good one. None other has done more for the game than he. Another distinction he somewhat enjoys is the fact that he has attended every tournament for years and has never won a medal, although he is a good bowler. All his former teammates are wearing huge strings of hardware, but Dave never happened to be in with them when they won them.

Today the big birds arrive. Be on hand to watch them fly. No better crowd of stars ever has been seen together at one time. Thirteen Chicago, three Milwaukee, four Kansas City, three Minneapolis and one Toledo teams are on the schedule. All are crack squads.

Nick Bruck will claim the heavyweight championship of the tournament. Nick's weight is about 99 inches, his genial smile about a foot wide, his following of friends and admirers reaches around the world and he throws the ball a mile a minute. If you care to know any more good things about him ask any bowler and you're engaged for the day.

Another big man in the game who is with us today is Matt Blau of Milwaukee. He is a booster of the Middle-west association, holding an office in it. He learned long since what this association is and saw to it that the Milwaukee was one of its strongholds.

The Bowlers Journal team, rolling today, is the crack organization which won the championship in the tournament held here in 1915. Baumgarten, rolling with them, is the present international champion, which he won at St. Paul last February. Sindelar is the all-american champion of the Illinois Bowling association. Lemphul is the present individual champion of the Chicago Bowling association, which he won by rolling 737, the highest total ever rolled in a large tournament. Ehlman is the crack left-hander, considered by many to be the best portside in the game. With Al Lea, he won the two-men championship of the Middle West association in St. Louis in 1916. They have a trained pig for a mascot, which they take to all tournaments. She bows under the name of Genevieve and is the only pig that is allowed to ride in Pullman cars.

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Huskers' Win Over Syracuse Ranks Among Leading Games

Coach Schulte and Nebraska University Placed in Same Class as Four Other Big College Victors In Thanksgiving Day Contests.

BY KARL LEE. Of the four of five important victories won by foot ball eleven in various sections of the United States during the season just passed, the Nebraska victory over Syracuse at Lincoln Thursday ranks among the first.

Coach Henry Schulte, entering the national arena a "dark horse" among big college mentors, in sending his team to a win over the eastern champions, gained a prominence for himself and the Husker institution that will not soon be forgotten.

The defeat of the New Yorkers was decisive. There can be no doubt that Head Coach "Buck" O'Neill had his men, in his own mind, in top form, confident that they would "shoot up" the west. In a hard-fought clash was one of the fiercest football battles of the season.

Four remarkable developments featured the Husker-Orange game. These are:

1. The powerful Syracuse backfield with its "all-American" forward wall, was never able to penetrate beyond the Nebraska 24-yard line.

2. Captain Paul Dobson, in eastern circles and particularly in the notebook of "Sir Walter" Camp, an unknown, easily outplayed Ackley, premier punter of the east, by eight yards per punt.

3. Syracuse was unable to cross the goal line of an opponent for the first time this season, whereas the Husker backs smashed through to a touchdown which was disallowed by a technicality.

4. The forward passing game of the New York team, which gained the easterners their most notable victories over Colgate and Brown and is truly representative of eastern football as compared to western, was impotent throughout.

West on Par With East. It is to be admitted, then, in the light of these facts, that western football, despite the many reverses of the season, is on a par with that of the east. At this moment it is interesting to note that Notre Dame university, a distinctly western team, is the only major team to pass through the season undefeated.

Nebraska, in the second game of the season, fought "Doc" Williams' University of Minnesota eleven to a 6-6 tie. Those who saw the game among the northern state's own followers admitted that the Huskers were superior to the Williams combination. And Minnesota has since defeated Wisconsin and Michigan, leaders in the western conference.

Illinois, a team that barely defeated Iowa on a full play—on an inside kick—finally won the championship by decisively defeating Ohio State, captained by "Chick" Harley, the versatile and brilliant halfback.

Though Nebraska is not a member of the Missouri Valley conference, the decisive victories over Kansas and Missouri, which teams fought for the valley title Thursday, Missouri winning, 13 to 6, give Nebraska a place in the sun as a free lance. Notre Dame, which beat Nebraska on a lucky 97-yard run in the first minute of play, beat the

Mike O'Dowd Going East For Bout at Detroit. Middleweight Champion Mike O'Dowd left St. Paul Friday night, en route for Detroit, where the title holder will meet some good middleweights in a ten-round bout on September 8. Just who Mike's opponents will be, even he or his manager do not know at this writing. When the subject was broached, Mike declared he didn't care whom he met, as he could whip anybody Matchmaker McCarney could get, anyway.

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ARMY-NAVY GAME TODAY CLOSES GRIDIRON SEASON

Military and Naval Academies Wind Up Football Year in Contest at Polo Grounds.

New York, Nov. 28.—The football season of 1919 will close tomorrow afternoon when the rival teams from the United States military and naval academies meet in their gridiron battle at the Polo grounds in this city. The contest will be the first between the two service teams since 1916, the contests of last year and the year before having been abandoned because of the war.

From a social standpoint the game between the Army and Navy elevens eclipses all others, as it attracts a most representative gathering of society leaders, army and navy officers, diplomats and others prominent in all walks of life. Seated in the various boxes around the field of play tomorrow will be several members of President Wilson's cabinet, high officers of the army and navy, members of the foreign diplomatic corps at Washington, senators, congressmen, and many other national, state and city officials.

The battalion of cadets of each academy will attend the game. The Army-Navy game is the most popular on the football schedule of the year. The uniforms of officers, the parading across the field of the battalions of gray-clad cadets and the regiment of blue-uniformed midshipmen, the martial music of the big brass bands, and the commingling of the colors of the American flag with the blue and gold of the navy and the gold and gray of the army, give a picturesque setting that is inspiring.

Hotel managers declare the reservations this year outnumber those on any similar occasion in the past. Hundreds of rooms in the big hotels were secured by mail or telegram weeks ago, and persons making last hour calls are all receiving the same reply: "Sorry, but there is no place left."

The rival elevens appear to be rather evenly matched, although it is possible the West Pointers will rule slight favorites before the whistle sounds for the opening of hostilities. Both teams have made good records during the season with the army record showing the better performance.

Negro Foot Ball Classic Results in No Score Tie

Philadelphia, Nov. 28.—The foot ball classic of the negro educational world, played at National League park by Howard university, Washington, D. C., and Lincoln university of Pennsylvania, both unbeaten teams this year, resulted in a no score tie.

Advertisement for Palace Clothing Company. Features 'Boys' Sturdy Footwear' and 'Suits & O'Coats' with prices ranging from \$20 to \$50. Includes an illustration of a woman in a long coat and hat.



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