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ALEX SEES GREAT MAN IN O'CONNELL

Companion of Great Wrestlers Doubts If Mike Dwyer Will Win.

"I have seen scores of wrestling matches and I have traveled with some of the greatest grapplers America has known, yet I know of no man in my experience who is faster or cleverer than Ed O'Connell, the Multnomah club instructor, who meets Mike Dwyer in Portland December 17," said Alex Donaldson, superintendent of the city street cleaning department this morning.

Alex in his day was trainer and companion of such well known mat artists as Dan McLeod, William Muldoon, Duncan C. Ross and Donald Denny, and his estimate of the young Yale man is entitled to full weight. He knows the game from A to Z and after he had seen O'Connell toy with Joe Heinrich last Tuesday night, he was enthusiastic in his declaration of the class of the local champion.

"I have never seen Mike Dwyer in action," continued Alex, "but I am convinced that he cannot throw O'Connell three times in an hour. I'll admit that Dwyer has had years of experience and is one of the most scientific men on the mat, but even at that I'll not concede he has anything over the local pride. It is true that he will weigh some 20 pounds more than O'Connell but I count on O'Connell's speed and cleverness to offset this handicap of beef.

"I watched O'Connell closely in his work against Heinrich, who is pretty clever himself. I don't think there is a trick of the game he is not familiar with. Dwyer may have been wrestling longer, but I doubt if he knows more of the game even at that than does the Multnomah instructor.

"If Dwyer succeeded in throwing O'Connell six or seven years ago in a handicap match, it is not reasonable that he can do it again. O'Connell has trained alongside Farmer Burns and Fred Beell and Champion Frank Gotch for months at a time, and in the language of the comedian 'what they don't know ain't.'

"I believe he has grown much, yes very much stronger than he was seven years ago. He is enthusiastic and he is plucky. They count for a great deal. Dwyer is not yet 40 and as he has lived a clean life, retains all the science and most of the dash and strength he possessed a few years back.

"Outside the big fellows like Gotch and Jenkins, who weigh over 50 pounds more than the local boy, I doubt if there is a man in the world who can throw him three times in an hour as Dwyer will have to do under the terms of the articles signed."

Dwyer telegraphed yesterday from Chicago, where he is wrestling instructor of the new Illinois Athletic club, the largest athletic club in the world, that he would be in Portland as soon as he can arrange his class work. This will probably give him four or five days to get acquainted with the Portland people. Mike always holds forth at the swellest hotels and is an interesting figure in the lobbies.

Since the match with so prominent a figure as Dwyer was announced several days go, local business men are rejoicing over the advertising Portland will receive in the east on account of the event. The eastern press follows Dwyer closely and Portland and Oregon will get the benefit of O'Connell's enterprise in matching himself with Dwyer.

SOLOMON WINS FIRST GAME IN BILLIARD SET

Henry Solomon last night defeated M. Bisalllion 250 points to 199 at 14.2 balk line billiards at Solly's parlors. It being the first game for the right to challenge Wilkie Duniway, the state champion, to play for the title. The two men will play again Wednesday night to complete the 500 point match.

Bisalllion probably made the best runs ever rolled up in the northwest, when he gleaned 46 points twice during the game. Solomon's high run was 26, which he made twice during the game.

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Scores for 1908.

October 3—Cove 3, La Grande 5.
October 10—Island City 0, La Grande 20.
October 17—Baker City 0, La Grande 5.
October 24—Union 0, La Grande 17.
October 31—Elgin 0, La Grande 10.
November 7—Pendleton 14, La Grande 5.
November 14—La Grande second team 0, La Grande 36.
November 26—Cove 0, La Grande 10.

DOES CREDIT CARD SHOW EAKINS UP?

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

State College, Pullman, Wash., Dec. 8.—Discussing the affair of the University of Washington in attempting to sever athletic relations with the State college on the grounds that the latter had broken the conference rules by playing Otto Deaner in the game with the U. of W., and afterwards withdrawing him from the Idaho game, thus acknowledging his ineligibility, Manager J. H. McCroskey of the State college eleven said today:

"I university people knew exactly the character of Deaner's enrollment at W. S. C. before the game. They furthermore knew that his case was exactly parallel with that of their player, Eakins. Both were in eastern institutions last year. The preference of the State college committee was not to violate the conference rules, but since the 'U' insisted on playing Eakins we insisted on playing Deaner, and the university management understood about this before the game.

The Grinstead Vaporings.

"Mr. Grinstead, secretary of the conference, who is doing a good deal of the talking, stated recently that Eakins was not enrolled in the collegiate department of any eastern institution last year, but was a preparatory student. Mr. Grinstead is mistaken, and, under the circumstances, it is rather astonishing that he should be so badly mistaken. Our faculty committee now has Eakins' enrollment card from the North Dakota Agricultural college. According to the card, Eakins was a freshman at the Dakota institution last year. From the reading of the card it is seen that during his two years there he had five preparatory subjects and 12 collegiate subjects.

"The State college committee has this year chosen to investigate its own team, rather than that of the university or any other institution, as each institution in the conference is left to judge the merits of its own players. Heretofore we have not questioned the ruling of any faculty committee concerning the eligibility of players, no matter what we thought, except in the case of pairing Deaner off against Eakins. It now becomes apparent that several of the conference colleges prefer to investigate their neighbors' affairs more minutely than they do their own. If this is to become the accepted rule in athletics of the northwest, we will fall in line with the rest of the people, I suppose."

GIRLS AND BOYS TO DRILL FOR PARENTS

Between 400 and 500 girls and boys, members of the junior classes of the Multnomah club, will furnish the entertainment for the annual ladies' night in the club "gym" tomorrow night, and there will be two hours of solid amusement.

Professor Robert Krohn, the physical director, has had the young people drilling for several months, and the variety of exercises will be greater than on any previous night. All kinds of athletic stunts are included on the program.

The exhibition wrestling match between Ed J. O'Connell, the wrestling instructor, and Edgar Frank, amateur champion featherweight wrestler of the coast, will be the last number on the program. It has been placed last so that those who find it impossible to attend earlier will not miss the event.

The affair is for members of the club and their ladies, and the parents of children in the classes.

THOUSANDS MORE THAN ABERDEEN EVER HAD

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 7.—The committees recently appointed to solicit subscriptions to the support of the 1909 team in the Northwestern league have finished their labors and their success has been flattering. Several thousand dollars additional to the sum available in former years has been raised and even then many of the merchants and professional men have not been asked to subscribe.

It is probable that an eastern man will manage the Black Cats for 1909. The terms recently submitted by him have been accepted and he will be wired within a few days to begin the work of selecting his team. Although his identity cannot be learned it is said that he is familiar with the business and has already scored a signal success.

"Puritana." Ask grocer.

RED HOT GOSSIP FOR RABID FANS

Eyes of all Portland fans are turned Seattleward today, the annual meeting of the Northwestern league being in session there. Neither of the McCredies is present, but everybody knows just what they want, so everything will be all right.

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Russ Hall says he will demand $2000 from the Northwestern league for his Butte franchise and in addition will retain possession of all his players. Russ always was a generous fellow.

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Some of the northern magnates favor a plan to play three-day series in each of the cities. This ought to prove popular for the fan who likes the ever-changing faces.

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Socks Seybold will probably be the manager of the Toledo team of the American association next year. The ropes are now being stretched by Connie Mack to land the job for Seybold.

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Here is the probable lineup of the Oakland team next spring: First base, Cameron; second base, Truesdale; shortstop, Foster or Breyette; third base, McCay (captain); left field, Cooke or Lewis; center field, Van Haltren; right field, Carroll; utility, infield, Foster or Breyette; outfield, Lewis or Cooke; catchers, La Longe, Murphy, Lewis; pitchers, Boice, Maire, Hogan, Nelson, Johnson, Christian and Loucks.

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Back in Boston they like Frank Arrellane's work. The crack Mexican pitcher has been given a substaptial increase in salary. Only two men on the team, it is reported, are drawing larger salaries and they are Lou Carter, the catcher, and Cy Young, the veteran pitcher. Waddell of St. Louis has become solid with the Boston fans.

WASHINGTON STATE TO HAVE LONG SCHEDULE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

State College, Pullman, Wash., Dec. 8.—The basketball season at W. S. C. has begun. December 12 the Idaho freshmen and sophomores and the freshmen and sophomores of W. S. C. will play a big double header basketball game in the State college armory. This double header is an annual affair and the interest of the two institutions in the basketball event of the classes is almost as keen as it is in the varsity games. Last year the State college freshmen won their half of the double header while the Idaho sophomores were victorious.

Manager E. A. Holcomb now has his season's schedule arranged. It includes three games with Whitman college, which will be played on February 15 and 16, in Walla Walla, and on February 6 in Pullman. There will be three games with the University of Idaho, as follows: In Moscow, January 9; in Pullman, January 16; in Moscow, January 29. One game will be played with the S. A. A. C. of Spokane shortly after Christmas. Manager Holcomb is now negotiating for an Oregon trip, but it is not yet certain that this will be taken.

The State college five will begin its trip to the coast on December 17, and while enroute will meet the following teams: S. A. A. C., Spokane; Ritzville, North Yakima, Ellensburg, the Roslyn Y. M. C. A., the Y. M. C. A. of Seattle and probably the U. of W.

DALLAS CHAMPIONS TO MEET MULTNOMAH FIVE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Dallas, Or., Dec. 8.—In a fast and exciting game of basketball in the local "gym" Saturday night the Dallas college basketball team defeated the Portland Y. M. C. A. five by a score of 29 to 19. Each team had played a game in the state league, defeating their opponents, and the contest last night was fast and furious. A large number of fouls were called on each team, both aggregations being penalized about equally by the referee. Rice, the Dallas forward, threw nine goals from the foul line, and Sweeney of Portland threw seven. Fenton made seven goals from the field, and Rice four for Dallas. Sweeney for Portland made three field goals. Fenton, forward, and Shaw, guard on "The Oregons," the team that will start on an eastern tour, this month, played for Dallas last night, having registered at the college. Both played consistent ball.

Dallas will meet M. A. A. C. of Portland here next Saturday night and a rattling game is expected.

Tomorrow and Thursday positively last days for discount west side gas bills. Don't overlook gas appliance sale.

APOLOGIST ABIE LOSES IN GAMBLE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Los Angeles, Dec. 8.—Declaring that he was fleeced in a New York gambling house, Abe Attell, the prizefighter, has filed an answer to a complaint made by R. Milsap, assignee of Ransom & Co., who demands the payment of $504.75.

Attell in his answer admits that the plaintiff holds his note for $304.75 and a check for $200, but claims that the obligation is not binding because it is a gambling debt.

Attel claims that on July 8 last, while in New York, he visited the Ransom establishment and that he lost there the total amount named in the complaint, but found later on that he had been fleeced. Because of this he refuses to settle the claims made against him, and the suit resulted.

At the same time that the answer was filed Attell gave a bond to Sheriff Hammel to release the attachment levied by Milsap on Attell's share of the proceeds of the recent Welsh-Attell fight at Vernon arena. The attachment was levied during the fight and after the first round had been fought.

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TEAM POSITIONS IN BICYCLE RACE

German-Holland Combination Leading This Morning in Six-Day Struggle.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, Dec. 8.—Riding slightly ahead of the previous record in six day bicycle races, the leaders in the long distance contest at the Madison Square Garden are well along on the second day of their journey.

At 10 o'clock this morning the teams stood: Rutt and Stoll (Germany-Holland); Anderson (Germany-Holland); Anderson and Vanoni (Danish-Italian); Dupre and Georget (French); Floyd McFarland, San Jose, Cal., and Moran (Pacific-Atlantic); Folger and Lawson (intercity); Palmer and Walker (Australian); Collins and Mitten (east and west); Hill and Walter Demara, San Jose, Cal. (transcontinental). All at 701 miles six laps.

Closely following these, with 701 miles five laps, were the following teams: Walthour and Root (Dixie-Yankee); Deconovich and Drobach (Russian); Galvin and Wiley (farmer-messenger boy). At 696 miles three laps rode Taber and Lafourcade (French). At a corresponding time in previous races the record of mileage was 698 miles and two laps, compared with the present distance covered of 701 miles six laps.

RUSSIAN SCIENTISTS OFF FOR THE NORTH

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 8.—Prof. Waldemar Jochelson, leader of the Riabouschinsky expedition to Kamchatka, the Aleutian, Komandorski and Kurill islands, with his wife sailed this morning for the north on the Santa Clara. Mrs. Jochelson is a doctor of medicine and is officially associated with her husband on the expedition, which is organized by the Imperial Russian Geographical society of St. Petersburg. There are five divisions of the expedition, geological, botanical, meteorological, zoological and ethnological. Prof. Jochelson has charge of the ethnological branch. The other four parties are now in the field, having reached the islands via the Siberian railway.

Prof. Peter Schmidt, who led the zoological party, met his death shortly after arrival of the party in Kamchatka by falling from a cliff into the sea. The Russian expedition will be in the Aleutian islands for a year, and for a year in Kamchatka. At the conclusion of their work, two years hence, they will be met in Unalaska by a Russian gunboat and taken to Vladivostok, from which point the entire party will return to St. Petersburg by way of the Transsiberian railroad.

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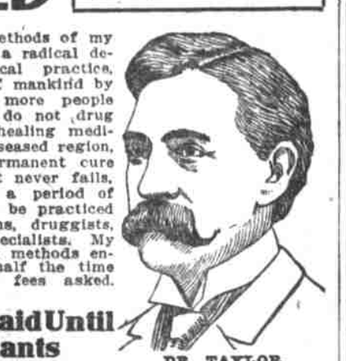

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