

# KAPLAN PINS PETE WHEN DROP KICKER LANDS ON NECK

One of his favorite drop-kicks cost Pete Belcastro, bellicose Italian grappler, the main event of last night's all-means wrestling program, much to the satisfaction of big Abe ("Chestey") Kaplan, who used a front body slam to pin his injured opponent in five minutes for the deciding fall. Belcastro kicked himself six feet into the air, missed the 219-pound Jug completely and landed on the back of his neck, an easy victim.

Any way you look at it, it was a bad night for the Italian. In the first place Kaplan beat him repeatedly over the back of the neck and then applied a couple of wing locks to gain the first fall in less than a minute, without working up a sweat.

Wading into the "Jewish Gen" in a bad temper, Belcastro connected with three beautiful drop-kicks to take the second fall after a hectic 24-minute session of wrestling in the raw. Legitimate holds were few and far between, but on several occasions Pete applied one that had Kaplan puffing like a steam engine.

Cuffing the referee into the corner whenever he attempted to break a Boston crab hold, "Awful Al" Karasick of Russia defied Fillmore Hay Frisbie a little too long in the semi-final, and lost the deciding fall to the Masked Marvel, 214-pound hooded wrestler who did a bang-up job of pinch-hitting for "Bad Boy" Billy Newman. Promoter Lillard made the substitution when Newman was unable to appear because of injuries.

Karasick, lured to the boiling point with the Masked Marvel's unorthodox eye-gouging, "went to town" when he finally secured the crab. He held on grimly, and when Frisbie attempted to interfere, swatted him so hard over the head that it sent the fire-ladder down for nearly the count and gave the "little dictator" an excellent chance to put kicks into the mysterious meanie's back. When he finally broke, having been knocked off the heels by Frisbie, Karasick disputed Hay's decision and slugged him again, as well as his injured opponent.

Using a mysterious "pepper" which he concealed somewhere in his trunk, the Masked Marvel blinded Karasick with his thumbs to take the first fall in 13 minutes. Frisbie investigated the "pepper" but was unable to find enough evidence to rule a foul against the disguised wrestler, although he did offer the fall to Karasick on the eye-gouging.

But the dwarfish Russian wanted no help from the referee, and subdued the Marvel with a press to gain the second fall in 11 minutes. Besides defending himself, especially from the vicious bayonets of the Marvel, Frisbie had a hard time of it trying to keep these two wrestlers from nearly killing each other.

Karasick was convinced all the way through that the match was his, and despite his over-time Boston crab, left the ring in a huff while the crowd booed the Marvel, who had added much to a colorful card.

Lillard is making arrangements to pit the Masked Marvel against Abe Kaplan for one of the matches next week.

DALLAS. — Tony Herrera, 141, El Paso, outpointed Eugene Paris, 143, Oklahoma City (10).

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## COMMITTEE TO START ANNUAL OVERHAULING OF FOOTBALL RULES

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—(AP)—The annual overhauling of the football rules begins today at the Seaview Country club in Ahaecon, N. J.

For the next three days, the national football rules committee will study the playing code and changes suggested in it. On Monday the committee, through its veteran secretary, W. S. Langford, will make public what changes, if any, have been decided on.

Officials have proposed that goalposts be returned to the goal line, and that forward passing be permitted at any point behind the line of scrimmage instead of a minimum of five yards. Coaches want a clearer explanation of when a ball carrier's forward progress has been stopped, particularly as it affects lateral passing.

Members of the rules committee in addition to Langford and Chairman Walter R. Oakeson, include Amos Alonzo Stagg of College of Pacific; W. O. Hunter, Southern California; and O. E. (Babe) Hollingbery, Washington State.

## Mat Results

(By The Associated Press.)

ST. LOUIS.—Ed (Strangler) Lewis, 248, Los Angeles, threw Jim Brown, 235, Verona, Mo., 45:15.

TORONTO.—Jim London, 198, St. Louis, threw Vic Christie, 200, California, 50:10.

CAMDEN, N. J.—Ed Don George, 217, North Java, N. Y., threw Gino Garibaldi, 218, Italy, 61:30.

MINNEAPOLIS.—Everett Marshall La Junta, Colo., defeated Lou Plummer, Baltimore, 19:48. (Plummer disqualified.)

CANTON, O.—George D. Atte, 181, Canada, threw Billy Parker, 178, Boston, 32:14.

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Athletes are slow to discard the things which they feel aided them in their moments of triumph. It might be a piece of equipment, part of their uniform, or simply some good luck charm. In some instances they would feel lost without these comforting tokens.

Jack Dempsey's famous sweater, tattered and worn in long service, was indispensable to his peace of mind. An odd picture of the old Mansau Mauler presented in this ancient style coat sweater with pockets, as he entered the ring to defend his title for a purse of half a million dollars or more. The old garment must have been a relic of his earliest fistic experiences. You couldn't have driven Jack into the ring without it.

Then there was Tony Lazzeri with his antique fielder's glove worn and torn from long, hard usage. It barely hung together on his hand. Do you think Tony would discard it when he came up to the big league with the Yankees? Indeed, he would not.

He would most likely still be using it had not Babe Ruth spotted it one afternoon on his way to his position in right field.

"No wonder you've been making so many errors," Babe roared, and with a mighty heave tossed the glove into the crowded grandstand. Somehow Tony managed to struggle along with a new glove.

Method in Dazzy's Madness.

Pokey old Dazzy Vance hated to part with the old undershirt, even though it was slit from the wrist clear to the elbow. Just a lucky shirt, the old speed-ball pitcher would explain. He clipped it only after the officials decided that the flapping of the torn sleeve disconcerted the batter when Dazzy delivered a ball—something the Dazzer more than likely knew all the while.

Bobby Jones' famous putter, "Calamity Jane," played an important part in scoring his historic grand slam. When Bobby retired from competition he presented the club to the St. Andrews club in Scotland as a permanent exhibit. He missed his favorite when he tried to match strokes against the field in the Masters' tournament last spring.

Shortly after the World War Mark Arie of Champaign, Ill., purchased a 12-gauge pump gun for \$50. With this battered piece the veteran Illinois marksman has bagged over \$50,000 in cash prizes in addition to trophies valued at \$100,000.

The average trapshooter is particular about his shooting iron, but Arie is content to string along with the old gun which has brought him

just about every trapshooting championship on the books.

More Catering to Caprice.

If you were to see Connie Mack seated in the Athletics' dugout without the traditional score-card, you would think something strangely amiss. Barney Oldfield wouldn't dream of being photographed without the ever-present cigar.

When Max Baer crawls through the ropes to fight, he wears a white robe with "Steve Morgan" lettered across the back. The robe is a souvenir of Hollywood and was used by the champion in a movie.

Johnny Dundee, a great little fighter a few years ago, had a pair of blue trunks which he considered vital to scoring a victory. The only time he mislaid them and wore a borrowed pair, Willie Jackson knocked him out in the first round.

All silly notions, perhaps, but if they give an athlete the proper mental edge they serve their purpose.

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## Fights Last Night

(By The Associated Press.)

CLEVELAND.—Paul Pirrone, 159, Cleveland, knocked out Eddie Shapiro, 157, New York (2).

HARTFORD, Conn.—Donald (Red) Barry, 192, Washington, and Charlie Massere, 188, Pittsburgh, drew (10).

PHILADELPHIA.—Vincent Reed, 184, Philadelphia, outpointed Tony Palco, 142, Philadelphia.

PORTLAND, EDMONTON IN 3-3 HOCKEY TIE

PORTLAND, Feb. 15.—(AP)—The Edmonton Eskimos, who performed brilliantly in a 3 to 3 overtime thriller with the second-place Portland hockey team here last night, wild their deft sticks against the league-leading Seahawks at Seattle tonight.

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# MAXIE PROMISES TO BAT EARS OFF POREDA TONIGHT

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 15.—(AP)—Promising to "bat the ears off" Stanley Poreda in the event of a serious challenge to his prowess, Max Baer steps into the ring here tonight for a four-round benefit bout with the New Jersey battler.

"It's going to be a fight" the champion promised today. "No clowning this time."

It will be a non-decision match. Baer's managers wishing to take no chances, although Poreda is no longer considered the serious menace he was when he licked Primo Carnera, Tommy Loughran and the late Ernie Schaaf, three years ago.

When the match was first made, promoters declared Poreda could win the title by knocking out the champion. This produced no end of merriment among local ring followers but decided the Baer managers upon making the no-decision stipulation.

Proceeds will go to Mrs. Elsie Cammill, widow of Frankie Campbell, the promising local heavy who died as a result of a bout with the Livermore butcher boy here in 1930.

Everything for the affair has been donated, except the money, which is expected to total about \$10,000. Poreda will enter the ring weighing about 215, with dapper Maxie tipping the scales at possibly three pounds more.

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# FRIENDLY INSULT WAS JOLT NEEDED BY JUG M'SPADEN

By CHARLES GRUMICH (Associated Press Sports Writer)

KANSAS CITY.—(AP)—Harold (Jug) McSpaden, the lanky Kansas youngster who is pacing the pro golfing clan along the winter money trails, had to be told, "Jug, you're dead from the ears up!" before he learned underclubbing or slugging with the Irons carried little or no "pay-off."

The story is recalled by Joe Mathews, pro at the Mission Hills Country club, where Jug was caddy about the time Harry Cooper, whom he beat in the San Francisco match play open was maestro at another Kansas City course.

"Last summer I played with Jug in a P. G. A. tournament here," recounts Mathews. "I think I insulted him. We both had a chance to finish among the leaders so we were taking unusual care with each other. There was a strong wind and on one approach from about 100 yards, I socked a low 5-iron shot to the green.

"What club?" Jug asked. Mathews told him.

"Good heavens!" the youngster replied. "What on earth did you use a 5-iron for at such a distance?"

"To keep away from the lements above me," Mathews came back.

McSpaden pulled out a 7-iron. The strong wind carried the ball off to the left, several yards from the green.

"Jug, you're dead from the ears up!" Mathews told him.

"It was several days before he got over that remark," Mathews recalls, "but he came out to the club one day and yelled, 'I've got it, Pop. Come

and I'll show you.'" So they went out and Jug demonstrated that he had grasped the crux, low-flying back spin shots that could be controlled.

A few weeks later he had the Iowa and Oklahoma open championships in the bag and he cruised through the Pasadena, Sacramento and San Francisco tournaments this winter to more cash and glory.

"He'll make the Hyder cup team this year," Mathews predicted.

"From the very beginning, Jug's major fault was in trying for distance rather than accuracy," Mathews believes.

"He could lambast the ball a mile even in his caddy days here 12 or 13 years ago. All the little fellows used to stand in amazement at Jug's ability to hit 'em so far.

"Naturally this impressed Jug, as it would any young caddy, and this keen desire to smash the ball far remained Jug's greatest handicap in his path to fame and golfing riches."

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Miss Lea and her three teammates, including Olive McKean, holder of the women's national 100-yard free style title, were timed in four minutes, 13 2-5 seconds. The race was part of the Washington state championships. It was over the 25-yard course.

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