



### BELCASTRO, WOLFE GRAPPLE TONIGHT SEEN AS NATURAL

#### Dynamic Italian Faces Simple Texan in Main Go—Stecher and Olson in Semi-Final of 3-Ply Card

One of those "natural" bouts in which anything is liable to happen is scheduled for the grip and grapple arena at the Armory tonight when Wildcat Pete Belcastro, the Italian kicker-upper, meets simple Les Wolfe of Texas in the main event of a triple-deck card.

Belcastro is substituting for Sailor Franz, who tried to get tough with the wild Italian, according to word received here, in a recent match at Bellingham, and suffered a broken arm when booted out of the ring by one of Pete's devastating leg punches.

The substitution, which greatly pleased Promoter Lillard and the local "rasulin" fraternity, will undoubtedly result in a better match, for wherever Pete is there is bound to be action.

The Italian has been seen many times in Medford, but never before has he been attacked up against an opponent as slippery and wiry as the slender Texan. As was proved here last week when he defeated Joe Hubka of Nebraska, Wolfe seemingly is tireless and his rubbery, speedy legs promise no end of trouble for the rasally Italian.

Promoter Lillard announced today that Al Karasick, the Russian Lion, and Joe Hubka have both challenged the winner, Karasick having recently returned to the northwest.

More thrills and spills are slated in the 45-minute semi-final when Al Stecher, big-time Canadian grappler, tangles with Herman Olson, stocky Swede, who represented his country in the recent international mat tournament at Los Angeles.

Stecher and Olson made their debut here last week, each defeating his opponent by throwing his mat. They are being pointed to furnish a goodly amount of explosives, via both scientific and unorthodox grappling.

Johnny Snow, who was unable to appear last week because of a foot injury, is back in shape and scheduled to meet Al Stecher in the 30-minute or one-half opening contest. Both these grapplers are noted for their meek mat-work.

Pitman Ray Frisbie will be third man in the ring.

Supposedly shop-worn and at the end of his ring career a year ago he embarked on a comeback effort which carried him to the heavyweight championship. A few moments after he had defeated Corn Griffin to start his amazing comeback, Max Baer, whom he defeated for the title, ascended the heavyweight throne by punching out a smashing victory over the giant Primo Carnera.

To his everlasting credit it must be admitted that Braddock was ready for and equal to the golden opportunity when it presented itself.

The new champion followed a well-conceived plan of battle against Baer and piled up an early lead with a neat left jab. Braddock held his own with Baer on those rare occasions when the former titleholder let go a flurry of punches.

Took The Sunday Punch After the third round, when Baer landed his crushing right flush on Braddock's jaw with no apparent effect, the New Jersey veteran gained in confidence and clinched the victory by taking the 13th and 14th rounds.

Braddock's victory was most popular with the 30,000 fans present at the Madison Square Garden bowl, for even his staunch admirers were not optimistic enough to hope for more than a good showing.

Those who attended in the hope of seeing another display of fireworks such as Baer turned loose against Max Schmeling and Carnera were disappointed. When Max stepped out of his character and tried to box he finished a poor second to Braddock. In the altogether too infrequent punching rallies he staged, his blows lacked steam and either bounced harmlessly off Braddock's shoulders or were robbed of their power when Jimmy rolled with them.

Braddock moved from Baer's right to left all through the fight and in doing so he rode with the blow that was intended to crush him to the canvas for the count in any round Baer chose to name. Most of the time, too, Braddock managed to stay in close where Baer could not bring his long sweeping right hand punch into play.

An Ailing Muscle Judging solely from the sparring use Max made of his most formidable weapon, his right hand, it is easy to believe the stories of the injured hand which emanated from his training camp might have been true.

This talk of an injured hand is not intended as an alibi for Baer's defeat nor is it intended to detract from the fine victory scored by Braddock. It is merely an effort to ac-

### Wants Top Spot



Al Stecher (above) former middleweight champion grappler of Canada, is so confident that he is capable enough for a main event appearance, that he promises to make short work of Herman Olson, grappling Swede, in the 45-minute semi-final of tonight's wrestling card, in the hope that the promoter will bill him higher in the limelight in the future.

count for the sudden reversal of form which left Baer's supporters disappointed and wondering what it was all about.

As a matter of fact Baer displayed no great earnestness or interest in winning for the most part of the bout.

Braddock is not a great champion and hardly will improve as time goes on, but for the most remarkable comeback in ring history he deserves all the credit and compensation that goes with the winning of the world's heavyweight championship.

### DEAN PINS PAIR IN FOUR MINUTES

PORTLAND, Ore., June 27.—(AP)—Man Mountain Dean, 317 pounds, did not need his allotted one hour in which to throw his two opponents here last night. He took about four minutes to turn the trick.

Hans Bauer, 237-pound New Yorker, succumbed in 30 seconds, followed less than four minutes by Tony Catalano, 210, Chicago. Dean took both falls by dropping on top his opponents.

Hans Steinke, 250-pound giant from Germany, defeated Jagat Singh, 237, India, with such force in 12 minutes, 44 seconds, that Singh was unable to resume. Steinke used body slams and presses to take the fall.

Harry Kent, Hillsboro, took two rounds to win from Jim Maloney. Joe Parelli, Italy, and Marine Jacobs, Portland, drew. Parelli added zest to the affair by tackling referee Chet Wiles. The referee took the decision.

### BLACK DYNAMITER STEALS SPOTLIGHT FROM NEW CHAMP

#### Louis Focal Point for Ballyhoo Since Spectacular Defeat of Carnera—Go With Baer Seen Sure

NEW YORK, June 27.—(AP)—In less than two weeks and with less than two dozen paralyzing punches, Joe Louis has forced a sharp reversal of the fistic picture.

Whether or not Louis gets a "shot" at the title, the "Brown Bomber" from Detroit has taken the heavy-weight headlines from the people's choice for champion, James J. Braddock. He is today the focal point around which all the dickerings, maneuvering and ballyhoo will be centered for some time to come.

The 21-year-old negro has suddenly become "tops" as a pugilistic box-office attraction for one big reason—his knockout punch.

Insiders feel certain Max Baer will fight Louis this September in New York despite talk that the former champion's damaged hands may force him to quit the ring. The reason is that the Baer-Louis match is expected to draw nearly \$750,000 by filling either the Yankee stadium or the Polo Grounds.

Baer may decide his hands can't weather a comeback, but he will no doubt consider the fact that he can collect more money by fighting Louis than he did for his two title bouts with Carnera and Braddock combined.

Meanwhile Joe Jacobs, manager of Max Schmeling, told Mike Jacobs, promoter of the 20th Century club, and no relation, he would bring Schmeling back to the United States for a match with Louis in September. Mike told Joe it could be arranged, if Baer withdrew from the picture. Otherwise the German might be offered a bout with the winner of the Baer-Louis affair.

Schmeling's tie-up with the 20th Century club would leave Madison Square Garden holding the bag again for a heavyweight title match next year. The Garden has Champion Braddock under contract, but the rival organization has all the top-notch contenders.

The fact that the Carnera-Louis bout outdrew the Baer-Braddock title match nearly 2 to 1 has convinced all concerned that the heavyweight crown no longer means what it once did from the box-office standpoint.

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### HOW THEY STAND

(By the Associated Press.)

Const.	W.	L.	Pct.
Los Angeles	6	3	.667
Milsons	5	4	.556
San Francisco	5	4	.556
Oakland	5	4	.556
Seattle	4	5	.444
Hollywood	4	5	.444
Sacramento	3	6	.333
Portland	2	6	.333

National.	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	41	17	.707
Pittsburgh	37	27	.585
St. Louis	36	26	.581
Chicago	33	27	.550
Brooklyn	33	31	.515
Cincinnati	26	36	.419
Philadelphia	22	36	.379
Boston	18	22	.450

American.	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	38	23	.623
Cleveland	34	25	.576
Chicago	32	24	.564
Detroit	22	28	.441
Boston	30	31	.492
Washington	28	33	.455
Philadelphia	24	33	.421
St. Louis	18	30	.379

way into the third round of the all-England tennis championships at Wimbledon today, but John Van Ryn of East Orange, N. J., was eliminated in the third round of men's singles by Fred Perry of England, the defending champion, 4-6, 6-1, 6-3, 10-8.

Van Ryn, one of the world's finest doubles players, put up a surprisingly strong battle against the champion. Attacking from the outset, the former Princeton star won the first set almost before Perry could recover from his surprise at the American's unexpectedly strong offense.

Perry rallied to win the second and third sets, but had to fight off Van Ryn's counter-rally in the long fourth set to win the match.

Joining Perry in the fourth round of men's singles were Sidney Wood of New York, the principal American threat, and Donald Budge of Oakland, Calif.

Wood played well within himself in a 6-3, 9-7, 6-2 victory over D. H. Williams of England, while Budge uncovered a strong attack to eliminate Adrian Quist, top-flight Australian, 8-6, 6-3, 6-3.

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### TWO HELENS SUCCEED IN WINNING WAY INTO THIRD TENNIS ROUND

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### COTTON DISPLACED BY WHITCOMBE IN OPEN LEADERSHIP

MURFIELD, Scotland, June 27.—(AP)—Batting a stiff head wind that at times reached gale strength, Henry Cotton, the defending titleholder, yielded the lead today in the second round of the 72-hole British open golf championship to Charles A. Whitcombe, 40-year-old veteran British Ryder cup team player.

Whitcombe covered the Murfield layout in 69-four under par—for a 36-hole aggregate of 139, while Cotton went out in 35 and then faltered on the greens, taking an incoming 39 for a 74 and a total of 142—good for a tie for second place with Alf Padgham, a British professional.

Players with scores of 154 or better for the first 36 holes qualified for the double-round stretch drive tomorrow. Thus six Americans made the grade easily: Henry Picard of Hershey, Pa., and Robert Sweeney, New York amateur now living in London, qualified with totals of 145; MacDonald Smith of Glendale, Calif., and W. Lawson Little, Jr., of San Francisco had 144 aggregates, and Joe Ear of Waco, Texas, and Frank Ball, formerly of Atlanta, Ga., made the grade with 151 totals.

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### Scores Yesterday

Coast League  
Missions, 8; Sacramento, 1.  
Los Angeles, 9; Portland, 3.  
Oakland, 4; Hollywood, 3.  
Seattle, 4; San Francisco, 2.

National League  
At New York, 5; Chicago, 2.  
At Brooklyn, 7; St. Louis, 5; 10 innings.  
At Philadelphia, 13; Cincinnati, 5.  
At Boston, 2-1; Pittsburgh, 4-5.

American League  
No games.

### CRACKER INJURES INDIANS FIELDER

CLEVELAND, O., June 27.—(AP)—Earl Averill, star center fielder for Cleveland Indians, injured in a fire-cracker explosion yesterday, will be out of the lineup from three to six weeks.

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### ROGUES CALL OFF PLAYER WRANGLE

Manager Paul Hoffard of the Medford baseball club announced this afternoon that he has withdrawn charges against Billy Calvert, Medford catcher and outfielder, whom he earlier had charged with desertion from the Medford ranks without a signed release. The only answer Haffard would make as to why the

charges were dropped, was to say that the whole thing was a "misunderstanding."

When advised of the situation this afternoon, A. C. Ninger, president of the southern Oregon league, said that he was pleased, and expressed his appreciation that the thing had been settled amicably.

Hoffard stated that if Calvert wanted to play for the Ashland club, and Ashland needed him, he would give Calvert a signed release.

Final arrangements to secure Choe-sterfield, Kelson Twiler, who checked for Portland in 1933-34, have been completed. Hoffard stated today, and the speedball artist will start against Grants Pass Sunday.

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