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Boxers Turn to Wrestling

Traditional Hatred Between Ring Professions Exploded. Jack League Typical Example of the Fighter-Wrestler. Wolfe, Becker, Godfrey and Others Examples of Shift.

Affection between boxers and wrestlers is scheduled as completely non-existant.

This, at least, is the traditional status of the feeling among these members of opposed ring professions.

But despite the alleged enmity, boxers—particularly the heavyweights—are turning enthusiastically to wrestling. Perhaps it is less for the love of the rough and tumble game than it is for the dependable purses and the opportunity to work two or three times a week. Fighters discovered long ago that the smaller but more consistent weekly earnings of the mat athlete mounted up in the long run to considerably more than the income of the average pugilist.

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Mack Lillard, Klamath Falls promoter, was a fighter of main event class along the Pacific coast not so many years ago. But now Lillard finds wrestling more attractive financially and certainly more simple than boxing, in the light of matchmaking.

Wrestlers, as a rule, are older and more experienced men. They seldom wrangle over purses. Young fighters and their managers, however, are continually clamoring for bigger purses and better positions on the card. It is always a matter of uncertainty whether or not they are going to show up for their bouts.

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It's an easy thing to spot a wrestler who has first been a boxer. There have been many on Lillard programs at the Legion hall.

Jack League, who wrestled a draw with Pete Belcastro Friday night, was typical of this. League had the stance and the long, wiry muscles of a fighter. Even though it had not been known he knocked out Primo Carnera several years ago, no one could mistake him as a boxer. He had the flattened nose, the turned in left toe and his hands went out in the manner of a fighter, not a wrestler. He had a perfect left jab rarely seen among matmen.

Pete Becker, who formerly wrestled here, was a boxer before a wrestler.

Leslie Wolfe, long and lean, broke into the ring game with gloves. He was knocked out a couple of times and decided to go in for wrestling. His success there, perhaps, has been greater than it would have been as a pugilist.

George Godfrey, the huge negro who once was a championship contender, has turned to wrestling.

Charley Hansen, the Seattle Dane, has tried the glove business.

Bunny Martin once was a boxer.

Chief Little Wolfe, Navajo, boxed for a living for many years before he tried wrestling.

Even Roland Warren, Klamath Falls matman, has had experience as a fighter.

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So this alleged animosity between boxers and wrestlers is marked by a pretty thin line. It's merely a custom that a boxer should dislike a wrestler or that a wrestler should hold a boxer in contempt.

France, Germany Even On Courts

PARIS, June 9. (UP)—France, making its first appearance in seven years as a challenger for the Davis Cup, broke even with Germany in the opening two singles matches of their European zone quarter final series.

Christian Boussus of France, a southpaw, defeated Eberhard Nourney, Germany's second ranking player, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4. Baron Gottfried Von Cramm of Germany, recent winner of the French championships, beat young Andre Merlin, 6-1, 7-9, 6-2, 8-6.

Golfers Journey To Yreka Sunday

A strong golf team from the Reames Golf and Country club will invade Yreka, Sunday, in one of the most important matches on the inter-city schedule.

Netmen Continue Preparation For Summer Schedule

Despite adverse weather conditions Klamath tennis enthusiasts continue practicing for inter-city matches extending over the next few weeks.

Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass are to be met on the courts, certain of the dates yet to be settled upon.

In addition to these a match has been scheduled with Roseburg, an opponent new to Klamath tennis, provided a satisfactory date can be chosen. In view of the distance separating the two towns there has been advanced the suggestion that a point between, either Ashland or Medford, be chosen as the meeting ground.

The Roseburg team is reported as being very strong this year, and Klamath players are looking forward to the match with considerable eagerness.

EDWARDS WINS FROM JOHNSON

Headlocks Give Kansas City Man Main Event Victory

Whiskery Harry Johnson, Topeka's veteran wrestler, had a short existence against Billy Edwards, Kansas City, in the main wrestling match at the Legion hall last night.

Edwards, a little upset by a bad cut under his thinnig hair, downed the be-whiskered Topekan in two straight falls. Both came with hard grinding knuckle headlocks.

The butcherboy won the first fall in 14 minutes and 44 seconds. The match up to that point had been extremely rough and when the fall was over Johnson was groggy.

The loser came back viciously at the start of the second fall, but within one minute of wrestling he again had fallen victim to the headlock.

Edwards brought the match to a close in quick order after he had been hurled half way through the ropes. He arose bleeding from a bad cut where his head struck on a ring bolt.

Within the few seconds it took the Kansas City man to win the fall, both wrestlers and the Legion hall mat were generously spattered with blood.

The chief excitement of the card came in the semi-windup between Pete Belcastro and Jack League. This match ended in a draw with neither wrestler able to take a fall.

It was rough. Belcastro led the way but all his attacks were countered by the swift and well-built Texan. At times League demonstrated his previous profession as a boxer and it was not difficult to see how this clever fighter-wrestler managed to knock out Primo Carnera in the early days of the champion's career.

Walter Sirois, Paris, won the curtain-raiser from Bull Von Vison of Klamath Falls in 18 minutes and 55 seconds. The fall came with a flying body scissors and a body press. Sirois held the upper hand in wrestling science but many of his rushes were halted by the sheer strength of the Klamath wrestler.

Despite the fact that Johnson was on the card as a substitue for Charley Hansen, injured in an auto accident earlier in the week, the Legion hall crowd held up well and received the matches with enthusiasm.

Legion Youths, East Klamath Meet on Sunday

A shift in the county baseball schedule will bring the Klamath American Legion junior baseball team against the East Klamath club Sunday afternoon.

The game will be played on the South Sixth street diamond at 2:00 o'clock.

The juniors originally were scheduled to meet the Alturas Legion youngsters and East Klamath was to play at Malin. Both games were cancelled.

Next week the Legion boys will meet Alturas here.

Altamont Meets Beatty Indians

Altamont's baseball team will test its strength Sunday afternoon against the Sycan Indians from Beatty.

The game will start at 2:00 o'clock on the Altamont diamond.

Young Mussolini Is Gridder

There's nothing namby-pamby about Bruno Mussolini, son of the Italian premier. Young Mussolini is a star football player, and is shown above, at right, during an exciting moment of a game played at Naples. He captains his team.

Boston Red Sox' Southpaw Triumphs Over Washington

By HUGH S. FULLERTON, JR.
(Associated Press Writer)

In a season all cluttered up with rookie pitchers, special mention seems to belong to Fritz Ostermueller, the Boston Red Sox' southpaw from Rochester.

Ostermueller, who cost $25,000, has taken the place reserved for $100,000 Bob Grove and while he has absorbed his share of beatings his record has been good. Fritz was promoted to a starter's job just in time to drop an eleven-inning 6-5 decision to Cleveland May 11. Then he lost four more games without being hit hard, but came back to take two games from Washington's Senators with good performances.

Browns Beat Indians

Following up last Sunday's triumph, Ostermueller limited the Senators to eight hits in a 12-inning battle Friday and finally won out 3 to 2 by scoring the winning run himself. He nicked Al Crowder for a single and went around on a sacrifice, an infield out and Eddie Morgan's base hit. The result put the Sox and Senators into a tie for fifth place.

Meanwhile Rogers Hornsby's St. Louis Browns slugged their way into third place by beating Cleveland 8 to 6. A five run outburst in the seventh and two more tallies, gained without a hit when the Cleveland infield 'blew' in the ninth won the game.

Cards Take Second

Detroit's league leading Tigers held their place by slamming out 18 hits for a 13 to 5 victory over the White Sox and the Yankees batted out an 11 to 4 decision over the Athletics to remain only a game behind. Babe Ruth was struck on the wrist by the first pitch from Mort Flohr, the A's rookie southpaw from Duke University, and suffered a painful bruise.

After a day in fourth place, the Cardinals returned to second in the National league standing by batting their former nemesis, Larry French, about in the early innings and defeating Pittsburgh 6 to 2 behind Tex Carleton's six hit flinging.

Cincinnati's lowly Reds shoved the Cubs down behind St. Louis by taking a 4 to 3 decision when they landed on Bill Lee for three hits and as many runs in the sixth. With Curt Davis hurling six-hit ball for his second victory over the world champions within a week, the Phillies helped keep the race close by running back the first-place Giants 3 to 2.

Van Lingle of Brooklyn registered the best of the National league pitching performances when he limited the Braves to four puny hits to lead the Dodgers to a 10 to 1 triumph.

The Ewauna Blue Sox, breaking even in the two games played this season, will meet Chiloquin Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The game will be played at East Main and South Sixth streets.

Both teams are listed among the outstanding of the independent outfits of the county and a fast game is expected.

TIED OUTFITS CLASH SUNDAY

Deadlocks Will Be Broken in Southern Oregon Baseball Loop

Southern Oregon League
Standings

Club—	W.	L.	Pct.
Medford	4	2	.667
Grants Pass	4	2	.667
Ewauna	2	4	.333
Shaw Bertram	2	4	.333

Games Sunday

Medford at Grants Pass.
Ewauna at Shaw Bertram.

The Medford Rogues will journey to Grants Pass next Sunday to battle Ken Williams' Grants Pass Merchants in the feature game of the Southern Oregon circuit while at Klamath Falls, Shaw Bertram and Ewauna resume their inter-city series which began last week with a 4-1 win for Ewauna.

Game Shifted to G. P.

The Rogue-Merchant game, originally scheduled for Medford, has been shifted to the Cave city because of the platform erected at the Jackson county fairgrounds.

Medford and Grants Pass, who both drew byes last Sunday, will enter their game with the undisputed Southern Oregon league leadership at stake. Both teams have won 4 and lost 2 games for the top spot deadlock and the crucial game is expected to draw one of the largest crowds in Grants Pass history.

Nelson to Slam

To date, treir league series is a standoff, each having copped a victory over the other although Medford holds the season edge, having won a pre-season encounter. Bitter rivalry has existed between the two teams for several years and a desperately fought game is in the offing.

Williams, Grants Pass manager, will probably start his ace hurler, Nelson, on the mound with Al Droulette behind the bat. However, it would not be too surprising if the wily former major leaguer placed Earhart, a southpaw, in the box to bend his curves against the six left handed hitters appearing in the Rogue batting order.

Medford's manager, Hal Haight, has as yet not decided whether it will be Jack Hughes or Cliff McLean who will take the rubber for the Rogues. If it is Hughes, McLean will do the receiving and if the Indian hurls, Dean Joy will bear the catching burden.

Medford's chief job will be to put a halt to the wild batting streak of Al Droulette and Ogle, who are leaving the other Southern Oregon league hitters far behind. Of the 47 hits the Merchants have collected in six games, Ogle and Droulette have garnered 21 of them and if Medford pitchers can stop the two wild men, the Rogues should advance to the top of the heap.

Carlstrom Gets Aid

Carlstrom, Ewauna's stellar pitcher, finally got some batting and fielding support from his team and the result was the best hurling exhibition, to date, of the circuit. He allowed Shaw Bertram but one lone hit last Sunday, a triple by Shipman in the seventh inning, and if Ewauna's which showed a greatly improved team, continues in that stride; it will be a decided four-team race. Ewauna has been considerably strengthened by the acquisition of Glen Putnam, Pacific university outfielder.

Against Shaw Bertram at Modoc field next Sunday, Ewauna will again ave Carlstrom in the box and Blanas behind the plate.

Shaw Bertram, which is the most dangerous team in the circuit when it comes to knocking over the league leaders, (ask Grants Pass and Medford) will counter with Stanisha on the rubber and Cozetto back of the plate.

Australia Team Defeats Japan

EASTBOURNE, Eng., June 9. (UP) — Australia advanced to the European zone Davis Cup semi-finals by eliminating Japan. The Australians clinched their series with the Japanese when Jack Crawford and Adrain Quist beat Jiro Yamagishi and Hideo Nishimura in the doubles 6-1, 6-0, 4-6, 9-7. Crawford and Vivian McGrath won the opening singles matches from Jiro Fujikura and Yamagishia.

ROME, June 9. (UP)—Italy gained semi-finals of European zone Davis Cup play by eliminating Switzerland. Victory in the doubles match clinched the series, three matches to none.

Ferrucco Quintavalle and Valentino Taroni beat the Swiss tandem, Charles Aescliamann and Verner Steiner after a five set struggle 0-6, 0-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4.

Garden Officials Get Fight on Tracks After Derailment

By HERBERT W. BARKER
(Associated Press Writer)

NEW YORK, June 9. (AP)—Primo Carnera's 15-round heavyweight championship defense against Max Baer was back on the tracks today after a one-day derailment; the fighters returned to work; Jimmy Johnston and his Madison Square Garden conferees were smiling again, and only Bill Brown looked askance at the whole business.

Examined by three physicians yesterday after his apparent condition had been the subject of widespread adverse criticism, Baer was pronounced fit to challenge big Primo for the title in the Garden's Long Island bowl next Thursday night.

Thus the bout will go on as scheduled but those most closely connected with it will be more careful with their efforts to build up public interest in it.

Jack Dempsey's declaration on Wednesday that Baer had failed to round into satisfactory condition and his intimation that a week's postponement would be sought started out to be simply a ballyhoo stunt. But it developed into something far more serious when Brown, member of the New York state athletic commission, decided he'd look over the challenger and see for himself.

Now that the excitement is over, the promoters may find it all was for the best. An axiom of the boxing business says that it doesn't matter what you may say about a fight so long as you make sure it's talked about.

Johnston told newspapermen that the developments of the past three days had cost the Garden about $50,000 but added that the advance sale had touched $190,000. That would indicate a "gate" somewhere around $450,000 when the fighters enter the ring.

Angels Battle Seals To Win In 15 Innings

(By The Associated Press)

There seems to be no doubt Manager Jack Lelivelt of Los Angeles has a fighting ball team.

With a 15-game lead over their closest rival, the Angels might be excused for occasionally easing up when the going is rough, but they never do. Friday night they had to battle San Francisco's Seals 15 innings to win, 4-3.

Second baseman Jimmy Reese turned the trick, as he has had a habit of doing since the start of the season, doubling in the fifteenth to score Gene Lillard with the winning run. Emile Meola relieved Louis Garland in the Los Angeles box at the beginning of the ninth and received credit for the victory.

Sacramento climbed past San Francisco into third place with a double win over Oakland, 12-1 and 4-2. Powers, Donovan and Karasovich hit three apiece as the Senators mauled three Oak hurlers for 16 safeties in the opener, while Otho Nitcholas checked the Acorns with three singles. Timely hitting and Lou Koupal's five-hit tossing gave the Senators the nightcap.

Johnny Babich of the Missions shut out Hollywood with five hits, 7-0, he pitched his tenth victory of the season.

Portland completed the Friday night program by slugging out an 8-5 win over Seattle to break the Indians' five-game winning streak. Steve Coscaret, Beaver second sacker, homed and banged out three singles. First baseman Garretson of Portland also hit for the circuit.

Crabtree Wins; Hibbard Draws In Preliminary

PORTLAND, Ore., June 9, (AP)—Andy Crabtree—Tommy Ross to you ringworms—swarmed all over Billy Martin, knocking him down twice for long counts before he knocked him out in the second of their scheduled six-round fight here last night.

Ross and Andy' Crabtree are the same person, the explanation being that school is out and Andy, vice-president of the Monmouth Normal student body, now drops the fistic cognomen of Ross.

Crabtree, of The Dalles, weighed 150 and Martin, of Klamath Falls, 149.

Other results:

Johnny Higgins, 139, Salem, and Jack Hibbard, 143, Klamath Falls, four-round draw; Carl Campbell, 206, Portland, 4-round decision over Barney Carroll, 193, CCC trooper; Ikey Bostwick, 133, 4-round decision over Martin Kivi, 132, both of Portland; Johnny Shaw, 146, Seattle, 4-round decision over Roy Sunbeam, 144, Portland; Kid Wilson, 134, Vancouver, Wash., 3-round knockout over Johnny Perione, 136, Portland.

A Pittsburgh dentist has reported killing germs in teeth with radio waves. Advertisers of antiseptics over the air will object to that.

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Freddie Steele Wins Decision Against Merino

SAN FRANCISCO, June 9 (AP)—Freddie Steele, bustling two-fisted middleweight from Tacoma, had a 10-round decision to his credit today over Babe Marino and the impressive fashion in which the tough local trail horse was trounced last night convinced fans the youth from the northwest is one of the best prospects to appear here in a long time.

Making the third 10-round fight of his career, Steele battered Marino's face into almost unrecognizable shape, dropped him for a seven count in the fifth and won eight of the sessions with a combination of boxing and punching skill that could not be denied.

The San Franciscan's left eye was completely closed for the last five rounds and he absorbed terrific punishment from the opening gong but despite the one-sidedness of the affair he managed to toss enough punches to claim the edge in two frames. In the third he backed Steele into a corner and rained in blows to the face and mid-section while a strong finish in the eighth gave him command of that round.

Aside from those periods, Steele was Marino's master in every form of fighting. He peppered his squatty opponent continuously with a straight left, hooked in stinging blows steadily and scores repeatedly with a bristling right to the jow. Marino managed to weather the storm but took a fearful beating.

STANDINGS

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Club—	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	30	18	.625
St. Louis	28	18	.609
Chicago	29	19	.604
Pittsburgh	26	18	.591
Boston	22	21	.512
Brooklyn	19	27	.513
Philadelphia	16	27	.372
Cincinnati	10	32	.238

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Club—	W.	L.	Pct.
Detroit	28	19	.596
New York	26	19	.578
St. Louis	24	20	.545
Cleveland	22	20	.524
Washington	24	24	.500
Boston	23	23	.500
Philadelphia	18	27	.400
Chicago	16	29	.356

COAST LEAGUE

Club—	W.	L.	Pct.
Los Angeles	55	13	.809
Missions	40	28	.588
Sacramento	33	34	.493
San Francisco	32	35	.478
Hollywood	30	36	.455
Oakland	30	38	.441
Seattle	26	40	.394
Portland	21	43	.328

PELICANS OPEN HOME SCHEDULE

Klamath Team Clashes with Indian Outfit at Fairgrounds

The Pelican baseball team will introduce itself to Klamath Falls Sunday afternoon when it engages a colorful team of Indians from the Warm Springs Reservation.

The contest, the first of the home schedule for the Klamath outfit, will be played on the fairgrounds diamond.

Players at Peak

The Pelicans have rapidly moved to the front as one of the leading contenders for the independent title of southern Oregon and northern California. With the players in shape and warm weather apparently here for the rest of the summer, the outfit will be a difficult one to defeat.

The game with the Indians marks the start of the major home season.

Next week-end the Pelicans will play a double-header against two teams from Alturas. One of these teams, the Alturas Townies, already has been brushed aside by the Pelican hitters.

The second half of the double-header next week will see the Alturas Legion team in action.

Sunday, the Pelican managers have announced, the gates at the fairgrounds will be thrown open to all youngsters under 12. Arrangements have been made to take care of a large crowd.

Batting Order Shaped

The Pelicans will take the field with the following batting order: Christian, right field; Granger, third base; Hershberger, shortstop; Reisbert, second; Floetke, center field; Peterson, first base; Durache, left field, and Eubanks, catcher.

Lefty Molatore, no-hit, no-run pitcher from last season, may start on the mound.

The Pelicans have gone to considerable effort this season to collect some of the outstanding playing material in the region. While a number of the men in the lineup played last year, many new faces will be watched by Klamath baseball followers.

Ralph Guldahl Stages Rally In Golf Play

MERION CRICKET CLUB, Philadelphia, June 9. (AP) — Ralph Guldahl, Los Angeles professional, who came within a shot of tying Johnny Goodman for the 1933 open golf championship, staged a belated rally today as a gusty wind swept the Merion course for the final 36 holes of the national title tournament.

Pacing the third round Guldahl shot a spectacular 70 for the second even par round of the tournament, and posted a total of 221 for 54 holes, boosting his chances of landing well up in the money despite the fact he started the day nine strokes behind the pace-setter, Bobby Cruickshank of Richmond, Va.

Cruickshank, with 71—71—142 for the first half of the battle, and his closest pursuer, Gene Sarazen of New York, with 73—72—145, were barely under way on their third round when Guldahl came galloping in to take a temporary place at the head of the new list. A sensational two on the "quarry hole" 17th was a feature of Guldahl's finish. He missed a 30-foot putt on the home hole for another birdie, by only an inch. He had $5 for each side.

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