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Boxing Bouts In Hilo Pleases Fistic Fans

Machine Gun Company Entertains Guests With Number of Fast Contests—Johnson Wins Twice From Ah Fook and "General" Huzan—Peterman and Luscombe Mix in Fast Draw—Ben De Mello Stows Away Three in One Evening—Wrestling Bouts Attract

[Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence] Hilo, Feb. 1.—There can be no doubt in the minds of all those who were present at the smoker of the Machine Gun Company last Saturday night that boxing bouts which are on the level and which are conducted as those in the Hilo armory were, should be of frequent occurrence in this city, and any other city for that matter. Seated around the armory and as close to the ropes of the "squared circle" as could be, were to be seen business men of the city, plantation managers, bookkeepers, head lunas and (whisper it not in Honolulu, where the memory of Jeff McCarn still clings) clergymen. All enjoyed the clean sport provided by the boxers and wrestlers and there was much applause after each bout.

The Hilo armory looked quite a lively place with small tables dotted all over the floor, a music stand and a roped arena for the athletic stunts, which found great favor with everyone. The officers and men of the Machine Gun Company were present in force and they did all in their power to make their guests feel at home. Refreshments were served during the evening and fragrant cigars and cigarettes were also handed around. Card games and dominoes occupied the attention of a large number of the guests and many parties were made up.

Some fine music was provided by George Tucker and his fellow musicians and, later on, a piano was brought into the hall and some songs with swinging refrains, which made many take up the chorus, were rendered.

Boxing and Wrestling.
The athletic end of the entertainment opened when a four-round bout was pulled off between Ah Fook, the well known boxer who did such good work in the ring some years ago, and Johnson, a lightweight boxer who is no novice at the game and who, although he has done no boxing for about four years or so, was seen to advantage in Honolulu about 1911. Ah Fook was out of condition, but he boxed in game fashion and did his best against his clever opponent. Johnson showed the fighting and showed that he has not forgotten much about the game. He beat Ah Fook on points, but it was an interesting go all the time.

The next item on the program was a three-round go between Peterman and Luscombe, both of the Machine Gun Company, and it resulted in a draw. It was interesting enough and to most people it appeared that Peterman fought under wraps and that he won on points. The referee, however, called the go a draw and that satisfied the crowd.

Two Filipinos then fought a three-round go and it was funny enough for anything. One of the men carried a wallop that seemed to scare his opponent and, at times, the bout took on the aspect of a running race. The pair about evened things up during the three rounds and the decision was a draw.

There was then a lull in the boxing for a while and some wrestling was staged. Aspend and Wagon met in a catch-as-catch-can bout, best two out of three falls, and Aspend, who was much the heavier and stronger man of the two, threw his man twice in quick succession and won the contest.

Two Filipinos, one hailing from Waiakea plantation and the other from a Hamakua plantation, then boxed three rounds and a very willing affair it was. The Waiakea man won, much to the delight of those people who hailed from the well known plantation.

Three Japanese wrestlers then gave an exhibition of their skill and it proved to be very interesting. One of the men was born in Hawaii, and he is a mighty specimen, who towered over the other men. The Hawaiian-born mat artist proved to be the champion of the evening.

Exciting Bout.
All the foregoing cleared the way for what turned out to be the best and most exciting boxing contest of the evening. Johnson, who had boxed four rounds with Ah Fook earlier in the evening, was challenged to a go by a husky Filipino, who was announced as General Huzan of the Filipino army. Johnson accepted the challenge and was soon in the ring and up against the husky one.

Right from the first tap of the gong the Filipino forced the fighting, and, as he weighed at least 20 pounds more than Johnson, the latter was kept busy smothering up and sidestepping the swings of the man from Manila. Johnson, however, was sized up the situation and began to work the straight left dope with great success. The rapid jabbing on the nose began to tell on the Filipino and soon the claret was flowing. The "General" was also handicapped by an enormous shock of hair that would insist upon falling down over his eyes. It was when he endeavored to brush back the hair with his glove that Johnson would add to his misery by getting in another straight left that

would increase the flow of the ruby. The Filipino was game enough and time after time he got in swings that rattled Johnson a good deal. However, toward the end of the bout Johnson put it all over his man and, although that unhappy individual did rally and come back with a few punches, the end was in sight when the gong went for the last time. The referee gave a correct and popular decision when he elevated Johnson's hand in token of victory.

The last item on the program was a six-round serial in which Ben De Mello took on three men for two minutes each. Ben met a fat one, a thin one and a willing one. The fat one was not able to do anything much and Ben played with him for two rounds; the thin one was a joke and seemed to imagine that he was in a marathon race; the willing one got busy right at the start and went after Ben with vim. The "Hilo Lion," however, just showed a bit of class and evaded any serious damage. He put in one good one now and again just to keep his opponent from presuming too much, but did not try to land any kind of a wallop that would have badly damaged his man. At the end of the third spasm the referee awarded the decision to Ben, who was never extended during the whole time he was in the ring with the three different men.

During an interval Rev. George Laughton said a few words on preparedness and declared that the United States was now preparing to defend her homes and people from any possible invasion.

Col. Bastion also spoke along the same lines and expressed the wish that more of the businessmen of the community would join the National Guard.



ALL ABOUT CASEY.

"Casey at the Bat" has become one of our leading selections among the baseball fraternity. De Wolf Hopper, one of the leading comic opera stars, has been featuring this diamond ballad for many years. Now comes J. P. McEvoy in the Chicago Tribune with his idea of how Irving Berlin would have written a ballad about Casey. Here it is.

Casey was a batter with a great big bat. When he hit the ball he knocked it flat.

Full of originality, Full of versatility, Casey was there for fair, a bear. Wow!

Chorus.
Atta boy, soak it, Casey!
Atta boy, poke it, Casey!
But he missed an "in" with his fin. What a sin.

There is no joy in the one horse town of Mudville.
No there isn't (Yes there is)
No there isn't (Yes there is).

Slide, glide, ride, hide—
That's the Casey baseball rag,
It's a bear—there!
(There is no second verse—ap-pause!)

WALT MASON ON CASEY.
Then Walt Mason jumps in and takes a crack at Casey with this psalm:

Mudville lived a husky guy who smote the pellet hip and thigh; his name was Casey, so they say, and he was not an A. P. A.; and when he ambled up to hit, the pitchers all would throw a fit. One day the Mudville nine was tied, and all the fans arose and cried: "Bring on our Casey, bring him on; he'll knock the ball to helanogone." And Casey came with happy smile and lingered at the plate awhile, and one come by, and by it blew, another came and that made two. The fans arose and yelled and cried, "Oh Casey give that ball a ride." And Casey smited an evil smile, and swung and missed the third a mile, and Mudville lost the fatal game, and Casey snuck away in shame, and Mudville's boys and Mudville's girls were sore as forty-seven bolis.

Next week one of the experts on concrete roads will write a story of Casey in the concrete form. Short poems and pastoral prose will be received on Fridays. Subject, Casey.

RUTH STACKER TO TEACH ART OF SWIMMING

Champion Girl Swimmer of Hawaii Will Begin Work in Tutoring at Once

Miss Ruth Stacker has forsaken the amateur ranks. This statement means that Honolulu will not have the pleasure of watching the champion swimmer of Hawaii compete against Miss Frances Cowells. That Miss Stacker would have made a great race against the San Francisco girl is the consensus of opinion among all devotees of the aquatic sport.

Miss Stacker has made the fastest time ever made by a girl swimmer in Hawaii in the 50 yards, negotiating the distance in 31 seconds. She also made an A. A. U. record for the 400 in 7 minutes and 8 seconds. She has been caught three times in practice by three watches in 28:4, which betters the world record.

Miss Stacker has decided to take up teaching, and has made all arrangements to teach tank and open water swimming. She will also tutor in diving and surf board riding. She will have classes in both the Gerrit Wilder and Pleasanton tanks. Miss Stacker's nation-wide reputation as a swimmer has been a big help in forming classes, and already a large number have asked for an opportunity to learn the aquatic sport.

Those who have watched Miss Stacker on a surf board know that she is capable of teaching the art of riding the breakers, and inasmuch as this sport is growing in favor, a large number of pupils is expected in this department of aquatics. Miss Stacker will devote her entire time to the work, and although the swimming fans will regret that she will be unable to appear in the amateur events, it is certain that they will watch her work in developing new champions.

The champion swimmer was trained by the Hui Nalu swimmers, and she owes a great amount of her success to their efforts in teaching her the proper method of swimming. She raced first with Mrs. Terrie Desch, champion of the Pacific Coast in 1911 and 1912. In her early training she swam 30 yards at the Myrtle Boat Club in 17 seconds.

Miss Stacker was admitted as a member of the Amateur Athletic Union on April 2, 1914. On June 11 of that year the girl swimmer made the fastest time for a member of the fair sex in a 50-yard race, winning the event in 31 seconds. Earlier in the year she made under 32 in the Carnival 50-yard event.

Miss Stacker made an A. A. U. mark in the 400 last year, covering the quarter mile in 7 minutes and 8 seconds. She raced against Dorothy Becker on the same day, and this event proved to be unsatisfactory, as the swimmers misjudged the finishing line. It was thought at first that Miss Stacker would enter the events against Miss Frances Cowells this year, but her new work comes first, she states, and she will leave the opportunity to defeat the San Francisco girl to the other swimmers. Miss Stacker believes that Miss Legros is a coming swimmer, and expects to see a victory over the mainland swimmer.

HONOLULU TOPS COAST LEAGUE IN PIN GAMES

California State Y. M. C. A. Bowling League.

Standing, January 24, 1916.	P	W	L	Pin.	Pct.
Honolulu	28	24	4	18,233	.850
U. S. N. T. S.	28	22	6	17,884	.786
Ft. McDowell	28	20	8	18,269	.714
Sacramento	28	14	14	17,478	.500
Oakland	28	13	15	17,770	.464
San Jose	28	13	15	16,730	.464
Los Angeles	28	3	25	15,328	.107
Vallejo	28	3	25	14,891	.107

H. Christensen of Oakland and C. E. Goebig of Honolulu are leading the California Y. M. C. A. Bowling League, with an average of 189, according to reports received by mail yesterday at the local association. Forman and Cook of San Jose have slightly higher averages but have competed in less than 10 games.

O. P. Soares of Honolulu occupies sixth place with 184 and holds the high game record of the league, 253. Raseman with 182 and Benson with 181 are in eighth and ninth places respectively.

Tonight the local leaguers will stage an important match. The Cosmos and Honolulu are the contenders and the chances of the latter team for the championship center largely on this match. A defeat will almost eliminate the Hons, while three straight games would keep them even with the Colts. Tomorrow the Colts tackle the P. B. C. and will make every effort to hold their position. Chamberlin's men have been winning on rather low totals

NEW SWIMMING TUTOR



Miss Ruth Stacker, leading girl swimmer of Hawaii, who has forsaken the ranks of amateurs to begin classes in swimming, surfboard riding and diving. Miss Stacker has a number of pupils at the present time, and expects to devote her entire time to the work.

SERVICE SQUAD SWAMPS COSMOS TEAM ON FLOOR

Y. M. C. A. Senior Basket-ball League.	P.	W.	L.	Pct.
Service	5	5	0	1.000
Tigers	5	3	2	.600
Defiance	4	1	3	.250
Cosmopolitans	4	0	4	.000

Last night's games—Service 38, Cosmopolitans 5; Tigers 23, Defiance 19.

The feature of the basket-ball games at the Y. M. C. A. last evening was the fine work of the men who will play in the big benefit game this evening. Both the regulars and substitutes of the Honolulu Y. M. C. A. team which leaves for the mainland this week showed great form.

Sergeant Brush proved his worth as a forward when he scored seven field goals in the first half with the Service five. Merillees did well at center, as did Noyes at forward, in the second half.

Henry Stars at Center.
Harry Henry proved his versatility when he put up a great game at center for the Tigers. Gevarder, Cosgrove and Wheeler put up their usual good game. The local "Y" team is surely well equipped for a hard campaign with eight first-class players.

Meinecke and Gomes, who will be the All-Star team guards this evening, in the benefit game worked together well on the Tigers last evening. Goebig proved a shifty forward, and should work well with Nott this evening. The All-Star centers, Harrison and Cannon, showed last evening that they were in good form.

In the second contest, the Tigers and Defiance had a nip and tuck affair. First one team led and then the other until the score was tied at 19 all, with four minutes to play. Gomes ran down and slipped in a ringer, and Henry followed with a field goal that gave the Tigers the game, 23 to 19.

Summaries, including line-up:
Service—Left forward, Brush. Noyes; right forward, Gevarder; center, Noyes, Merillees; right guard, Wheeler; left guard, Cosgrove. Cosmopolitans—Left forward, Williams; right forward, Feeley, Cannon; center, Whitcomb; right guard, Allen, Feeley; left guard, Doty.

Goals from field—Brush 7, Gevarder 5, Noyes 4, Merillees 2, Wheeler 1, Cannon 2. Baskets from foul line—Williams 1. Officials—Jackson and Gomes. Time of halves—15 minutes.

Tigers—Left forward, Goebig; right forward, Haneberg; center, Henry; right guard, Lemke, Gomes; left guard, Meinecke (captain). Defiance—Left forward, Page (captain); center, right forward, Dreier; center, Harrison; right guard, Bennett, Page; left guard, Miskiff. Goals from field—Henry 6, Goebig 2, Gomes 1, Dreier 4, Page 3, Harrison 2, Bennett 1. Baskets from foul line—Goebig 1, Dreier 1. Referee—Gevarder.

lately and the P. B. C. are out to force them to their limit. Friday Honolulu and Oakland meet in the Coast League. The locals are probably tied with the U. S. Naval Training Station as the result of last Friday's match.

OLMPICS HOLD HIGH JINKS AT HEINIE'S TAVERN

Players Meet Local Friends and Have Old Time Fanning Bee; Ready for Work

Olympic Club baseball players, who are located at Heinie's, were out this morning looking for a patch of ground to practise on. They watched the electrical storm of last evening and wondered whether the small plot of ground that was dry could be found this morning. The players are anxious to get in condition for the series which will begin on Saturday.

Last evening the members of the team and many of their friends, including Ed Nell and Ray O'Brien, held a reunion at Heinie's, and the talk was baseball in every sense of the word. "You remember when you had two on you and the big boy feeds you a straight one, Ed, and you broke up the game?" And Ed Nell remembered. Then they all cited incidents of their road trips in the bush towns, and told of the many experiences with umpires, second story men and other organized authorities.

Want Line On Locals.
The Olympic boys were anxious to know how strong a squad the Chinese had, as they will meet them in the opening game. They are not underestimating the strength of the local teams, and expect to have many a hard battle before they return to the mainland. The boys look in good condition and are ready for the fray.

Most of the players are graduates of Santa Clara, St. Mary's, Sacred Heart and other schools around the Bay, and the boys have become popular among the fans already. A large crowd gathered around as the boys fanned last evening, and later on the members of the team gave an impromptu "high jinks" for the local friends.

Graceful Specialties.
Otto Wallfisch, who has a baritone voice of much tone, entertained with a number of specialties. His forte is dancing, and the boys were treated to an exhibition that was worthy of a professional. Bart Burke recited a new sketch entitled "You've Got a Good Face," and one of the members of the local crowd gave an exhibition called "Twilight," which was noticeable for its grace.

In addition to being good ball players the boys are clever entertainers, and it is expected that another one of their "high jinks" will be given in the near future. The boys state that they are comfortably located at their beach quarters, and expect to take advantage of the bathing around Heinie's every day.

Chinese Come First.
In the meantime the Chinese players are doing their best to get some practise before the opener on Saturday. The recent rain has caused the players to shift practise, and it is doubtful whether or not the teams will be able to use Athletic park for the opening games. In case that field is in poor condition the games will be transferred to Moiliili field.

The prices for the games still remains at \$1 and 75 cents, with a large number of good seats at 50 cents. Inasmuch as the weather man has not been acting with the ball magnates lately it would have been a good idea to shade the admission charge some, as the fans will surely welcome the move, and a much larger crowd will naturally attend. It will be giving the fans a good, fair show to watch the games and at the same time the management will not be the loser on the proposition.

BIG UPSET IN SCHOFIELD DOPE

[Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence] SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, Feb. 1.—

There was a big upset in the championship dope today in the race for the 1st Infantry pennant when the team from G Company put a large crimp in C Company's aspirations by decisively beating last year's champions by the score of 4 to 1. Until today's game G Company was only a 500 team in the league, while Lieut. Sadtler's Pets had the enviable position of "thousand percents." Take a look at them now! And it looks very much as though this same G Company was going to go right up that flagpole after the little flapping pennant.

Mashaw pitched for G Company today and allowed his opponents only one little bingle—even, mighty "Casey" Sadtler didn't get a safe one.

Score by innings:
R. H. E.
Co. G . . . 0 1 2 0 0 1 0 * 4 6 4
Co. C . . . 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1
Batteries—Company G, Mashaw and Ballard; Company C, Hemmig and Stratton.

For Sale Cheap—Slightly used golf sticks. Address Willie Ritchie, New York.
Why didn't Willie Meehan think of invading New York in a mask?

Farewell Basket-ball Game On Tonight At 'Y'

Fast Service Five Will Meet Team of All-Stars in Games Hall—Squad Will Leave for Mainland on Saturday—McKinley and Punahou Will Stage Floor Contest as Opener—Number of Special Acts Planned for This Evening's Program

Playing their first and last game on Hawaiian soil, the Honolulu Y. M. C. A. basket-ball team tonight meets the All-Stars at 7:30 in the Y. M. C. A. Games Hall. The game is a farewell-benefit game, for Saturday the team leaves for the coast to match the basket-ball of Honolulu against the best teams of the Bay cities.

Both teams are in the pink of condition. The All-Star aggregation, selected and trained by W. H. Meinecke, need concede nothing to the fast first team on individual skill, but perhaps will not be quite so fast in their team work and general passing. The "Y" team have been in training since early in November and are practically in perfect condition.

Promptly at 7:30 the Punahou and McKinley High School teams will line up for the opening game. Two fast halves will be played. The teams are conceded to be the most representative of the prep school league. In between halves Marshall, contortionist from the 2nd Infantry, will put on an exhibition of his work.

There is some doubt as to the opening line-up for the big game. Following Cannon's fast work with the Cosmopolitans last night and Doty's quick passing with the same team, it is probable that Cannon will start at center, to be relieved by Harrison, and that Doty will get a relief at guard some time during the two sessions. Aside from this shift, there will be little change from the way the team has been lining up for the past three weeks.

In between the first and second halves there will be 15 minutes of really good work on the parallel bars by Stoddard and Armstrong, the gymnastic team from the Department Hos-

pital. The apparatus has been moved around to make the act show to best advantage.

Boost for Brush.
Tonight's game will be a victory for J. A. Brush, manager of the team and the man who will take it to the Coast, however it comes out. Brush has gathered together the best basket-ball players from the Service and from the city and trained them so that they are undoubtedly superior to any other team in these islands, and fully, so experts say, up to anything that they will be called on to play in the states.

Letters asking for games and offering dates on already crowded schedules have been coming in on every mail, and the team will find plenty of work to keep it busy during its short stay on the mainland.

Few Seats Left.
Accommodations have been made for all in the capacious Games Hall, and although the seats have had a remarkable advance sale, there is still plenty of room left. Half of one whole row of seats was purchased by the officers of the Department Hospital. There are four men from the hospital working in stellar roles on the team. Parties from the different schools and from different organizations in the Y. M. C. A. have been arranged for.

The probable line-up for tonight's game will be:
Honolulu "Y"—Hackett (capt.), forward; Gevarder, forward; Noyes, center; Wheeler, guard; Cosgrove, guard. All-Stars—Goebig, forward; Nott, forward; Cannon, center; Gomes, guard; Meinecke (capt.), guard.

Probable substitutes: For the All-Stars, Harrison, Doty, Lake, Dreier; for the "Y," Merillees, Henry, Brush. Scorer: Larimer; referee, Jackson.



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