

ONE DAY'S WILDS IN SPORTLAND

Before the Broadway A. C., of Philadelphia last night, Ed. Casey of this city, the former Acorn and Villa Nova college football player did away with two heavyweights. In the first bout Casey knocked out Jack Cooper of Columbus in the third round. In the other bout Casey was given the decision over Jack Williams of Pittsburgh in the third round. Both were slashing affairs and showed that Casey is rounding into class by leaps and bounds. It is no cinch to go into battle and knock a man out and then tackle another. Both men had it on Casey in weight, but the Park City product knew he had the goods and delivered it. Casey is a prime favorite in Quakerdom where large crowds always turn out to see his fights. His next bout will be with Jack Reed of Philadelphia, which will be a return bout. Casey having received a decision over the Quaker in a former engagement.

New York, March 5.—Matthew Maconey, the Marathon runner who recently retired from the amateur ranks, will make his debut as a professional to-night when he meets "Pat" White the Irish champion, in a race covering the full Marathon course. If the men show the speed to-night that they have in the practice, it will be a record-breaking performance.

Lowell, Mass., March 5.—Tips from clever Jimmy Gardner's book applied with force to Tommy Sawyer, of Rockland, Me., enabled George Loucraft, the sparring partner of Gardner, today to secure a victory over the "Pine Tree State" boy. The two met here last night before the Gladstone A. C. Sawyer, whose right eye was closed by a blow in the third round, made a gallant fight but the superior skill of Loucraft proved too much for him.

Bob Smith of Lowell, challenged the winner, Jimmy Gardner was introduced and made a short address, thanking the Lowell people for the generous encouragement they have always given him.

Lewiston, March 5.—Tommy Bergin of Lewiston and Jack Freeman of Boston both know to-day that they have been in a fight. They met for 12 rounds before the Canadian A. C. and honors were even both being badly punished.

DOUBLE H. ADER B. B. TONIGHT AT Y. M. C. A.

The two representative basketball teams of the local Y. M. C. A. will play the two representative teams of the Meriden Y. M. C. A. in a double header state league basketball game. These four teams met in a similar game at Meriden last Saturday night and the Meriden boys won at both games. Last week the local Employed Boys were weakened by the absence of Luipold in his old position at Meriden. He will be in the line-up this week however. The Senior team expect to trim the Meriden seniors in good shape because of the absence of side Meriden won which put the Bridgeport players out.

Meriden Seniors—Hall and Liddell, forwards; Meskill, center; Nettleton, Boardman, guards. Bridgeport Seniors—Hogg, Cone and Donning, forwards; Barnesley and Curtis, center; Lane and Iron, guards.
Meriden Employed Boys—Liening and Pratt, forwards; Meal, center; Meliken and McMahon, guards. Bridgeport Employed Boys—Lidell and Luipold, forwards; Lathrop, center; Della, Valle and Kirk, guards; Allen, substitute.
The preliminary game will commence at 8 o'clock sharp.

BOWLING.

The Victors took two points from the All-Americans, in the City League contest, last night. The Meriden boys even if Sammy Brewer was there with the wallop for the losers. Samuel rolled a string of 379, which is the all-year record for the league. The former record held by Holah ten better. The scores:

VICTORS.			
Budlong	175	201	169—545
Smallwood	179	143	177—501
Lewis	182	181	215—578
Totals	536	525	1663—1634

ALL-AMERICANS.
Tiernan 181 167 163—511
Giles 158 170 173—501
Brewer 190 279 196—665
Totals 529 616 532—1677

The Victors still had some life in them and defeated the Nationals in two of the strings at Meriden was willing straggled and finished with a total of 610. The scores:

VICTORS.			
Budlong	209	213	134—556
Smallwood	174	214	222—610
Lewis	213	192	172—578
Totals	596	617	539—1744

NATIONALS.
Whalen 180 164 163—511
Williams 216 155 177—548
Banks 216 183 152—551
Totals 612 612 497—1621

In the first City League contest of the evening, the Nationals took all three games from the Clintons. Williams, of the winners, put up two records of over 100, but fell down on the third string. He ended with a total of 611. The scores:

NATIONALS.			
Whalen	172	200	197—570
Williams	204	246	16—211
Banks	168	192	213—573
Totals	548	638	572—1744

CLINTONS.
Douglas 179 202 180—559
Sterling 156 202 136—494
J. Wilber 181 148 197—526
Totals 509 652 613—1574

In a rattling good duck pin game, at Arcade alleys, Moran's Wallopers came out over Scanlon's Pets, taking 29 points to one. Tom Tiernan, of the winners, was high man with a total of 180. The scores:

MORAN'S WALLOPERS.			
Moran	73	82	85—241
Tiernan	87	92	101—280
Earley	100	74	79—253
Breeman	80	80	89—249
Ward	90	77	92—266
Totals	439	415	416—1311

SCANLON'S PETS.
Green 82 86 97—265
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Peck 87 87 71—245
Scanlon 76 84 82—242
Gaston 84 89 81—254
Totals 417 420 404—1241

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Life, Battles and Career of Battling Nelson



II.—Champion of the Dakotas

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Lightweight Champion of the World
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It was the early taste of heavy, hard outdoor work which served to build up and make a strong, sturdy "kid" of me. Though not very tall, I was stockily built for a youngster, and when I quit the Hammond company I was really doing a man's work.

In 1897 I engaged in one bout at home with Ole Olson, and of course I won it. The Swede at the time had gained the reputation in Hegewisch and vicinity as being the best kid scrapper going. We had a boys' athletic club in Hegewisch called the White House club, which was organized immediately after my decisive victory over "Wallace's Unknown." Ole Olson questioned my right to pose as the champion of Hegewisch, and a battle was arranged between us.

Olson Gets a Licking. Olson, like the unknown, had it on me both in height, reach and weight; but, despite this, I felt confident I could best him. In the opening round Olson went after me to make short work of it, and I certainly had to fight good and hard to stall off his fierce rushes and heavy infighting. At the conclusion of this round it was pretty even at that. Again, in the second round he continued to carry the fight to me and at times had me covering up to avoid punishment. During these hard mixups, however, I was sending in telling left uppercuts, which were, as far as I could see, fast getting Ole's goat.

I was the aggressor before the second round was up, and when the bell tingled calling us up for the third and final round I was on top of my opponent in a jiffy. I handed him a series of heavy swings and short arm jolts at close quarters which knocked all the fight out of him. I knocked him down a few times, and when he came in at me I handed over a straight left which floored him. He went down for the count.

After this battle I had an argument with my family because of the affair, and I ran away from home. "Going away, ma, to seek my fortune," was the childish note which I mailed to ma from Hegewisch on the evening of June 15, 1897. Ma still has this letter, and she is a witness to the fact that "I made good" my childish brag.

I headed northward, beating my way in slow stages and working at odd jobs. I landed in Huron, S. D., about the middle part of July, a sadder and much wiser little lad. My two great victories, as I called them, over the unknown and the champion of Hegewisch, Olson, had caused the fighting bee to get busy in my bonnet. I secured a position in a meat market in Huron at \$15 per month and worked steadily until Christmas day. I demanded \$20 a month, and when it was refused me I quit.

Bat Becomes a Cowboy. Here I met up with a cowboy, and he took me out to one of the big ranches close by, where I became a regular cowboy. Another wild ambition of mine had been gratified. I had read novels of Buffalo Bill and other famous men of the plains and greatly admired their personalities and records. So here I was astride a horse now and actually herding cattle.

When winter set in I jumped the "chaps" and tossed the lariat aside and boxed and cuffed him all about the ring until he was groggy. Then I stepped back and handed him a left hook full on the jaw. They carried him out of the ring unconscious. I was thereupon proclaimed the champion of the Dakotas before I had shed my boxing gloves. My titles so far acquired were champion of Hegewisch, champion of Wallace's circus and champion of the Dakotas.

Returns Home and Fights Draw. After defeating several northern champions I decided to return home and secure, if possible, a few good bouts in the neighborhood of Chicago. Eddie Herman, another Hegewisch product, had been cleaning up every fighter in the vicinity when I arrived, and my admirers in Chicago and at home prevailed upon me to go after him. Herman agreed to fight me on my own doormat. Yes, and he certainly made me go some during the six rounds fought. He was fast on his feet, shifty on the order of Abe Attell, and for the first three rounds I could not get inside his guard. He refused to mix things with me, and as the scrap was for points the fourth round opened with his having the edge because of his cleverness. He tired in the fourth after I had reached him a few times, and then the fun began. I forced the fighting, and at the conclusion of this round poor Eddie was a sight. He stalled during the first half of the fifth, but I got him and broke down his defense prettily. In the final round I beat him badly. The referee, however, gave him a shade when he held up both our hands for a draw decision. I had done well, his friends said, even to stand him off that long.

Wins Fight in Sioux Falls. I was Johnny on the spot Saturday evening, all beaming with smiles over my good fortune and serenely confident. I wore for the first time in my

life regulation fighting shoes and had purchased a pair of pretty green trunks.

"Hegewisch, Illinois!" exclaimed the master of ceremonies. "Where in the world is that located?"

"And Battling Nelson! Whew, what a good fighting name! A regular Admiral Nelson, eh?"

"I'm just starting out, sir," I answered in all humility. "I have fought two battles to date and have managed to win both. That's all."

I was up against a real classy fighter in Freddie Green. He had been backing the padded arena for several years and was then known as "the champion of the Dakotas."

From the tap of the gong in the first round to its finish Green danced around me like a grasshopper, pecking bad jabs into my face repeatedly and then dancing out of harm's way. My style then was slow and awkward, but I felt from the start that he couldn't knock me out, so as the fight progressed I became confident. He drew first blood in the fourth round. It was the first time in my short career that I had suffered such humiliation, and



WRESTLING WITH THE DISHES.

you can bet I was angry. I grew a bit wild and commenced to carry the fight to him. I worked him into a clinch and almost put him out with body blows. After this round he was overly cautious and kept away from me.

Cleverness a Novelty to Bat. It was a new experience for me, this slapping and getting away business of Green. I was really tiring, as I could not catch up with him at all. I changed my tactics then and laid back awhile. The crowd, under the impression that I was giving in, began to cry frantically to Green to rush in and finish me.

I was warning up to the real fighter's work now. At the end of the round I had the champion hanging on to me, tired and badly battered, though still in the ring.

He came up at the call of time in the seventh round in an extremely cautious manner, not making the slightest move to follow up his rushing tactics of the early rounds.

Wins Championship of Dakotas. On the other hand, I assumed the aggressive, and when the old bell tapped I was out of my corner in a jiffy and was on him like a tiger cat. I cut out a dizzy pace for Freddie, which I don't think he will ever forget, if he is still on earth, and I hope he is.

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