

THE HUMBLE DAVIS CUP-HOLDERS

ONLY ONE MORE EVENT TO SNATCH TROPHY

William and Johnston Vanquish Australian Tennis Team by Using Flare of Speed.

Amherst, N. Y., Dec. 30.—American tennis players today scored a double triumph over the greatest Australian net stars and tonight held the position of favorites in the tournament for the Davis cup, the historic championship trophy of the tennis world.

William T. Tilden II of Philadelphia, battered down Norman P. Brookes, captain of the Antipodean team, while William T. Johnston of San Francisco, virtually smothered Gerald L. Patterson, the brilliant young star who won the English championship from his compatriot Brooks in 1919.

Brookes' game was only slightly better than that shown when he was in his hey-day of his old time mastery. Tilden's play justified his position as the national singles champion.

Johnston's never driven to Patterson's back-hand in the back of the court marked his play with the young Australian star. Patterson yielded to these drives weakly and volleying back-handers were given back with lightning speed by Californian.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—The Chicago Boosters and the T-N-T will hook up today and play off their title for last Sunday to decide the championship of Chicago heavyweights.

Bob Roper ready for Walker bout. Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 30.—Bob Roper of Chicago, middleweight boxer of the American Athletic Union, will meet Ed Walker, a 16-round bout here tonight.

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CARPENTIER HAS CHANCE IS VIEW OF BOX EXPERTS

Dempsey's Stock Falls to Georges' Level, They Say.

BY HENRY L. PARRELL. New York, Dec. 30.—When Frank Moran finished Joe Beckett in two rounds, fight fandom gave up a lot of nice things it had been thinking about Georges Carpentier.

Then came the Dempsey-Brennan fight and the champion's stock slumped. The fight folks think now that the Dempsey-Carpentier affair will be "any man's game."

Against Brennan, Dempsey showed three important things that the critics were dubious about. In his favor was the evidence that he could go under hard pressure for at least 12 rounds and that he can take a hard punch from a hard hitter.

Joe Beckett is now an admitted second rater, so Carpentier's quick work with him cannot be overestimated. However, the Frenchman may fight Moran and the result will be interesting.

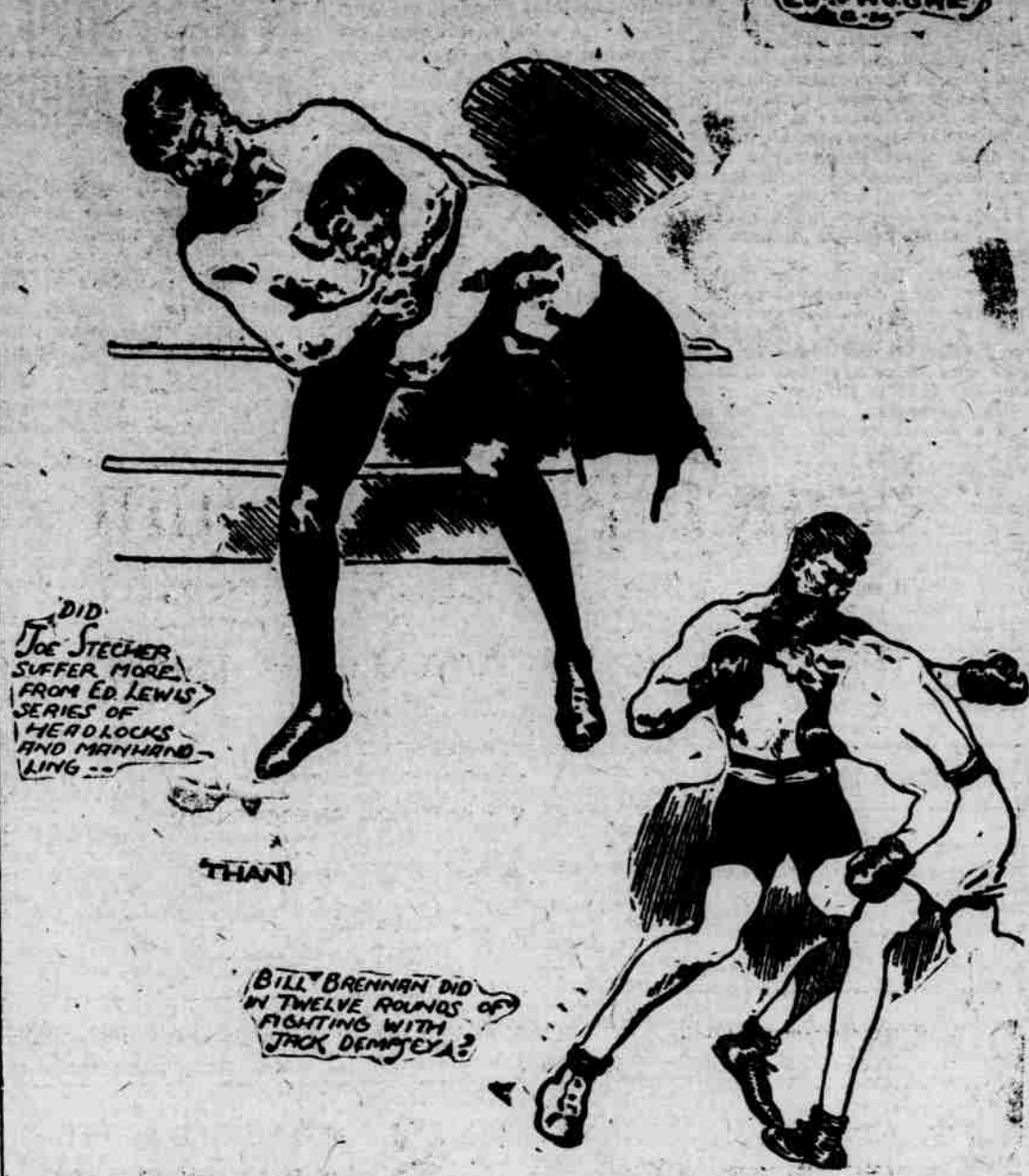
Clarence Spears quits Dartmouth to coast West Va. Chicago, Dec. 30.—Clarence W. Spears, coach at Dartmouth university for four years and former All-American guard, has signed a one-year contract to become head football coach at West Virginia.

COLLEGE SPORT BODY HANDS VETO TO BOXING PLANS. Chicago, Dec. 30.—The boxing commission of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, will submit a new plan, amended to the extent that objections, which caused the association to refuse to sanction boxing in colleges and universities, yesterday, will be eliminated at next year's meeting.

PRINCETON QUINT OPPOSES MAROONS. Chicago, Dec. 30.—(United Press)—Chicago University and Princeton were all set for their basketball engagement here tonight and although the student body is scattered because of the holiday season, one of the biggest crowds on record is expected.

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Which Levies Greater Punishment, Boxing or Wrestling? Read and See



BY ED HUGHES. Which had the rougher voyage—Joe Stecher, who lost to Strangler Lewis, or Bill Brennan, who was knocked out by Dempsey? Which is the harder game, wrestling or fighting? Which would you less rather have been, Stecher or Brennan? After viewing both bouts, it seems to us that Stecher endured more punishment than Brennan and that both wrestlers worked harder than both fighters—and were paid considerably less for same.

BASEBALL BEEF TOUCHES CREST AT \$1,311 LB.

St. Louis Cards Turn Down \$250,000 and Five Players for Hornsby—Ruth Cost \$791 a Pound.

JOHNNY SCHAUER TO TACKLE WARD. St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 30.—Johnny Schauer and Bobby Ward, local lightweights, will top the fistic card at a boxing show here Jan. 7. They will go 10 rounds.

WHIRLWINDS BEAT Y. M. H. A. SENIORS. The local Whirlwinds last night beat the tri-city Y. M. H. A. Seniors by the score of 25-18 at the Franklin school gym.

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OHIO STATE IS READY TO PLAY

Paradise, Cal., Dec. 30.—(United Press)—Ohio State's football eleven today began resting up for the intercollegiate test with California university here New Year's day.

MAJOR SCHEDULES TO BE DRAWN JAN. 8 AT CHICAGO MEET. Chicago, Dec. 30.—(United Press)—Schedules for the major leagues for 1921, will be framed at a meeting of the schedule committees here on Jan. 8.

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NEW YEAR'S TO OFFER BANQUET OF FISTIC FARE

Sportmen's A. C. and Eagles' Club Both to Stage Promising Shows as Big Holiday Features.

Looks like a good beginning for the Queensberry sport with two new Rock Island boxing clubs in full swing New Year's day. Right on top of the announcement that the Sportmen's A. C. would return to the field with Battling Johnson of Moline, and Pete Marlow of St. Louis, heading their holiday program, comes word from "Honest John" Cowden that Eagles' hall will be the scene of a 10-round scrap between Eddie Summers of Muscatine, and Johnny Soltik of Detroit, and other entertaining bouts.

As to the Sportmen's show, which will be held in the old Ovi's hall at Third avenue and Twenty-first street, Rock Island, Pete Marlow, who appears in the windup event with Walter "Battling" Johnson of Moline, appeared here on two previous occasions. His debut was with Al Tuttle last spring in the Illinois theatre, the bout resulting with little advantage either way.

NO PUNCH LIKE IT. We doubt that any punch delivered by Dempsey or Brennan inflicted even momentarily the pain induced by one of Lewis' headlocks or Stecher's scissors and toe-holds.

CONFERENCE IS NOW IN MAKING. Residence Rules for Eligibility Big Problem at Meet for Proposed Mid-West Circle.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Proposed formation of a new athletic conference composed of smaller middle-western colleges was discussed here today by representatives of six schools in five states.

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Sporting Jazz BY BRUCE COPELAND.

FOLLIES OF 1920. (With Due Apologies.) Bill Hart's hair grows so rapidly that he is obliged to get it cut every month.

It is said that Fatty Arbuckle never gets into bed without first taking off all his clothes and putting on his pajamas.

Eastern circles were surprised the other day to hear that when Babe Ruth steps to the plate he takes a vicious swing at the ball.

Bryant Washburn never adjusts his necktie without first putting on his collar.

Harry Fitzsimmons gives fair warning that it is bad luck to strike a policeman.

Jack Dempsey fought a dual (role) with Brennan. Said he was not himself.

Charles Ray is very fond of food and seldom sits down to a meal without some of it on the table.

Norma Talmadge always eats breakfast soon after arising.

President Wilson has no intention of occupying the White house after March 4.

Kid Gleason seldom misses an opportunity to see the Chicago White Sox perform.

Pete Stinchcomb, Ohio State grid star, always brushes his teeth upon arising, and has a brush made especially for that purpose.

One of the most successful song writers advises that a ballad must be set to music to become successful.

The Rock Island Independents have departed for their homes, but will not return immediately after the holidays.

Speaking of holidays, any hard-working father will agree that they should be called holidays.

Man-of-war, king of the tart, does not do his training with a player-plane and a limousine.

Opinions are divided as to whether July 4 or April 1 should be our national holiday.

It is expected that the Cleveland Indians will have a full team in the field to begin the next pennant race.

Tris Speaker is said to be a fugitive because he teaches his players to steal bases.

The most surprising discovery of the year is that women would never marry were it not for the men.

You don't have to have a family tree to turn over a new leaf.

DECATUE FIGHTER SEEKS BOUT HERE WITH NO CHOICES.

HI BASKETEERS SURE THEY CAN BEAT WYOMING

Klamath in Fine Form After Workouts With Grads, and See Victory Tomorrow.

Despite the fact that only one member of the Rock Island high school team is a veteran, hopes are high for the locals to win from Wyoming tomorrow. Coach Klamath and the squad of nine men will leave tomorrow afternoon and return New Year's day.

Second on Schedule. The game tomorrow will be the second battle on the locals' schedule. A week ago Friday the high school met the alumni in the first game of the season. Although they fought hard, the school team was defeated, 30-23. The showing made was a complete surprise to those who saw the game.

Leads Pash-Getters. Dumcan, the flashy halfback, who made most of the locals' points in the alumni battle, is still the Islanders' most consistent scorer. He has a keen eye for baskets and throws through the loop from all angles inside the foul line.

Although Captain Rosenkrantz failed to make a basket in the alumni battle, he played a whole of a game. He was playing on the defensive most of the time and never got close enough to take a shot. He only threw one basket, but did Dumcan consistently and was responsible indirectly for many of the goals.

LANGFORD DEFEAT IS HANDED BAREY. Portland, Ore., Dec. 30.—Scott Langford of Boston heavyweight, won a 10 round decision from Jim Barry of San Francisco, in the match here last night.



Shoe Factory Consignment of Boys' High Cut Shoes with Buckles. Sizes 11 to 13 1/2 \$4.35. Sizes 1 to 5 1/2 \$4.85. DOLLY SUBWAY 1728-30 Second Avenue. Seven Steps Down.