

BRITISH SCORE TOUCHDOWN AT ZEEBRUGGE

We used to see a diamond pin... Upon his cravatette reposing; But now we glimpse a Croix de Guerre, And think it more imposing.

He used to be a sporty chap, Of Gaudy shepherd plaid his garments; Now, in O.D. he haunts a trench— His sport is chasing vermin.

STECHER AND LEWIS WRESTLE TO DRAW

Much Human Meat Flung Around on Madison Square Mat

NO DECISION IN TWO HOURS

Caddock Wants Match With Winner, But Doesn't Know Whom to Challenge

[BY CABLE TO THE STARS AND STRIPES.] NEW YORK, May 2.—Joe Stecher of Nebraska and Strangler Ed Lewis of Wisconsin met for their much awaited wrestling match at Madison Square Garden this week, and after two hours of savage work the match was declared a draw.

The contest was the nearest thing to a duel between tanks ever seen in this time city.

After the first six minutes of tugging, Lewis clamped a head hold on Stecher and brought him to the mat, but he failed to tear Stecher's head off and the latter wriggled out of the vise and tried a body scissors, which Lewis coyly avoided. After 20 minutes of violent wrestling, Stecher got a scissors hold around the upper half of Lewis and locked it, but the Strangler managed to escape.

Stecher Avoids Bear Hug

The large tonnage of human meat continually flying through the air drove the crowd wild with artistic appreciation. The Strangler tried ardently for his famous neck-breaking hold, but Stecher declined the loving embrace and before the end of the first hour tenderly threw Lewis from the ring into the press box, whence the reporters returned him as matter unsuitable for publication.

Stecher got a second body scissors hold and the crowd whooped for a fall, but the Nebraskan was unable to oblige. Throughout the match Lewis got fewer headlocks than his opponent.

After an hour and a half, Stecher secured a body scissors and half Nelson and seemed a victor, but Lewis stood the cruel punishment for 20 minutes and then wriggled free. He was visibly weak, but soon recovered his strength and attacked Stecher furiously. He got a wicked head lock and held like a vice. Stecher broke away. He was dizzy, but fought Lewis off and recovered. The men then wrestled to a draw.

Backers of Earl Caddock, present champion, asserted previous to the match that they were ready to offer \$50,000 for a match between Caddock and Stecher. The draw dispelled the wrestling situation and adds to the doubt as to who is entitled to meet Caddock. A month ago Stecher and Zylszco wrestled to a draw.

In a 30 minute preliminary to the Lewis-Stecher match, the wild Cossack, Ivan Amos, and the Balkan lion, the crusher, Yussif Hussane, nearly tore each other apart, but finally quit alive.

SAME OLD STORY-- NO PLACE TO GO

Willard-Fulton Bout, Still Homeless, May Be Held in Oklahoma

[BY CABLE TO THE STARS AND STRIPES.] NEW YORK, May 2.—The Jess Willard-Fred Fulton fight is still roaming about the country like an ownerless dog, but Col. Miller, the promoter, remains unfettered and cannot see anything smaller than a \$100,000 bid for the champion's end.

St. Paul promoters are trying to have the legislature, which is in session, change the existing law, so that they would be able to pull off the battle in the Twin Cities. The present law permits only ten round bouts, but it is discretionary with the boxing commission whether a decision is given or not. The promoters want the bill amended so that a 20 round contest can be held, but it is doubtful if the legislators will accede to their wishes.

Tom Andrews, well-known Milwaukee promoter, also is ready to stage the mill at his spacious resort, but he stipulates that a certain percentage of the receipts must be given to some war charity, and this may prevent the bout going to the Cream City, as the two principals want all the money taken in at the gate. In Milwaukee only ten-round non-decision bouts are permitted, and Col. Miller may refuse to hold the big match there.

According to many of the fight critics, it is figured that Oklahoma will get the big scrap, since it could be held out of doors there and this would result in a bigger "gate." In Milwaukee no outdoor matches are permitted, but in Minnesota there are no restrictions on this point.

SUPPLY TRAINS BATTLE

Company D, — Division Supply Train and Company A, same Division Supply Train, celebrated the Glorious Nineteenth last by indulging in the national game on A's home grounds. The traditions of the Glorious Nineteenth of April were reversed, however, in that the visiting team won. The visiting team in the Lexington-Concord double-header, you may remember, went back to Boston and without the pennant.

Company D, — D.S.T. did the trick by a score of 7 to 3. The manner of its fine, in sending in the score, ventures it modestly as his opinion that Company D, — D.S.T., has a pretty good team. And since he is gallant enough to pay graceful tribute to Company A's battery, and since he styles himself an "Old Subscriber," and "A still older newspaper man," and congratulates us on the appearance of the sheet, and signs himself "Fraternally yours," — voila! M. J. Gardner Minard, here's your space!

COLLINS TIES RECORD

[BY CABLE TO THE STARS AND STRIPES.] NEW YORK, May 2.—Eddie Collins, captain and second baseman of the champion Chicago White Sox, tied the major league record, held by Sam Crawford of the Detroit Tigers, by playing in his 472d game without a miss.

HOW TO SEND SCORES

Box scores eat up space on your sporting page. We'd like to print them all—especially yours—and if we printed a dozen there wouldn't be any room left on the page for other A.E.F. games, not to mention live sport news from home. So please send us just the score by innings, with runs, hits, errors and statistics. If it's a big game, we can stand the box score—but it must be a big game. Send a short story with the summary in any case. And send all the games you can—that's what we're here for—only please send them to THE STARS AND STRIPES alone.

IT'S "DANGEREUX," BUT WHAT OF IT?

Despite Foul Tips, French Fans Cling Close to Catcher's Heels

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One Thing They Aren't Up to

But these new friends of our national game must learn that the worst place to stand while watching a game is behind the catcher. In the games Sunday they were crowded within two feet of the plate and it was impossible to keep them back. "C'est dangereux!" an American would yell at them. "Ah, out," they agreed and moved back all of two inches. Those games ran for only five innings and within that time there were several casualties. When a foul came screaming over their heads, they laughed when the catcher let a bad one pass and it tapped a fan on the head, everybody came back for more. There are bound to be some serious injuries when the league opens if provisions are not made to keep the enthusiasts from acting as backstops.

The Searchlight boys didn't have a chance with the Hill Rollers and when the fray was called at the end of the fourth frame the Medics led with a tally of 19 to 5. Hill was on the mound for the winners and the hits were as few as Huns in Paris, while Hill's bunkies needed only 11 bingles to garner their 19 counters.

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GAME PUT ON ICE IN LUCKY SEVENTH

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COME AND GET 'EM

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Premier Rifleman of Regiment Gets Fine Mark Despite Shower

CANADIANS BLANKED BY U. S. NAVAL AIRMEN

International Event Goes to Yanks by Score of 16 to 0

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