SPORTS OF WEEK

BASEBALL SEASON AT HAND—OTHER NOTES OF SPORTS REALM

The baseball season is at hand and with the news from the training camps coming in, comes the knowledge that Washington opens the season with Blue Ridge in a few days. The weather here has been against baseball practice of any kind whatever and Coach Kibler's team will be greatly handicapped by this. The prospects are, however, good for a successful season.

Three great football rivals in the East are Yale, Harvard and Princeton. Three warm rivals in California are California University, Stanford and University of Southern California. When it comes to the stadium ranking of East and West, California has something to spare. The Yale Bowl seats 75,000. The Palmer Stadium, 55,000. The Cambridge Stadium about the same. The three can seat 185,000 in the way of a combined total. The Berkeley Stadium seats 77,000. The Stanford Stadium, at Palo Alto, 73,000. The Los Angeles Municipal Stadium 90,000. One hundred and ten thousand have gathered at one time in the latter stadium, but there isn't this much seating space.

The California stadium or bowl at Berkeley, in addition to seating 77,000 comfortably, is at the foot of a towering hill, where over 20,000 others can get a fine view of the field. One hundred thousand people can see California and Stanford meet, and 100,000 will this fall.

Prize fighting in the heavy-weight ranks is booming. Berlenbach vs. Delaney. Tunney vs, Stribling. The two winners to gather in the same pit and fight it out. This makes about as good a summer program as the East can offer with the heavyweight trade out of order. And perhaps about that time Johnny Risko can step in and carry on the program if he continues to improve. But the four named above hold most of the spotlight. They are the names that are more upon the pugilistic tongue. They have had most of the ballyhoo. However, Dempsey vs. Wills is the watch most people want to see consummated.

Vernon Selby West Point Mat Champion

Maryland Boy, Undefeated Lightweight Wrestler, Holds Unique Position In Military Academy Grappling. Wins Praise Of Tom Jenkins

When Owen and Vernon Selby, brothers were youngsters in their teens, Owen, the elder, could tie Vernon into about any knot known to wrestling. Now there are those who doubt that any man his weight can tangle Vernon unduly, and among those who are said to entertain such an opinion is Tom Jenkins former heavyweight wrestling champion, now coach at West Point.

Tom thinks that this young man, who is the son of Dr. and Mrs. W. O. Selby, of Rock Hall, Md., is about the last word in collegiate mat efficiency If accomplishments count for anything the Cadet mentor probably isn't far wrong.

A year ago Cadet Selby had been considered the finest wrestling product ever turned out at the Military Academy. Now he has added the deeds of another defeatless season to his achievements and stands in a class by himself.

Vernon has just completed his third campaign at West Point. He has yet to lose his first bout at the Point, or, for that matter, anywhere else. Three seasons of unbroken success, both in intercollegiate and intramural competition, is said to be a record never before attained by a Cadet matman.

But this Maryland youngster's remarkable feats are not bounded by the limits of his West Point experience.

Four years in two Maryland prep schools saw Vernon encounter and conquer the most formidable schoolboy matmen of this State. He never failed to win the schoolboy championship of the State, never knew what it means to suffer defeat in practice bout, intramural elimination or dual meet.

Selby won his first Maryland school boy title at Charlotte Hall Military Academy. Later he went to Severn School and continued to win his class championship in the Maryland Scholastic League until he left to enter West Point.

Vernon's first wrestling teacher was his brother, Owen. Owen was quite a grappler himself. Owen had been taught by the late Harry Jefferies, Baltimore's leading mat referee in the days when Americus was meeting the best of them on Monumental City mats. And the elder Selby boy had been sufficiently apt to learn enough to win the lightweight title of the Atlantic Fleet while he was serving on the flagship Pennsylvania during the war.

Later, when both boys entered Charlotte Hall, Owen coached his brother to his first State schoolboy championship.

Upon matriculating at Severn, Vernon came under the guidance of Coach Bob Woods and continued uninterruptedly on his conquering way taking three successive State titles.

Despite the fact that on several occasions he has been asked to go out of his class and take on opponents from 10 to 25 pounds heavier than himself, Vernon has never been beaten since the days when he, a youngster in short trousers was mauled around by Owen. One afternoon, in a dual meet at Severn, he wrestled in three classes—the 135, 145 and 158 pound divisions—and won all.

Among the men defeated by Selby in West Point dual meets the past winter were Schenk, of Franklin and Marshall; Burrows, of Yale; Hall, of Toronto University; Wilson, of Virginia Military Institute; Bruder, of Springfield Training College, and Oliphant, of Columbia.

The conquest of Bruder was quite a feat, since the latter, captain of this well-known athletic training school, was rated the leading 135 pound amateur in the New England States.

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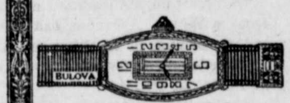
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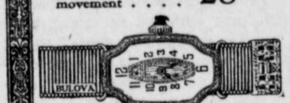




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