

CCW - Jimmy Hart (Judge)

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When it comes to wrestling managers, few can claim the success of Jimmy Hart. Known as “The Mouth of the South,” Hart arrived in the WWE just prior to the first WrestleMania where he stood in the corners of hall of famer and Intercontinental Champion Greg “The Hammer” Valentine and King Kong Bundy. At WrestleMania, not only was Hart in Valentine’s corner for his title defense against hall of famer Junkyard Dog, but he also seconded King Kong Bundy to the ring for his lightning quick match against S.D. Jones (nine seconds).

It wasn’t long before superstars were knocking on Hart’s door, as he became known as a manager of champions. He also became known for his trademark megaphone that he brought to the ring to shout instructions to his stars. On more than one occasion that same megaphone was used as a foreign object to produce wins. In addition to leading Valentine to the Intercontinental Championship, Hart managed the Honky Tonk Man to the same title. With Hart in his corner, the Honky Tonk Man held the Intercontinental Championship for a record 15 months.

Additionally, Hart led tag teams like the Hart Foundation, the Nasty Boys and Money, Inc. to the World Tag Team Championship. He was even the manager of the Glamour Girls when they captured the Women’s Tag Team Championship.

When Hollywood Hogan signed with WCW, so did Jimmy Hart. The move proved to be a fruitful one for “The Mouth of the South,” as he soon managed Hogan all the way to the top of the company, winning the WCW Championship. Hart also worked hard behind the scenes for WCW. He was responsible for many of their superstars’ entrance themes.

