

QUAKER CITY A. A. HAS FINE FIGHT CARDS TONIGHT—EDDIE LENNY BENEFIT A FEATURE

GREAT PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN ATHLETIC MEETINGS

James E. Sullivan's Charts, Made Prior to His Death, Show Clearly Development Made Through Channels of American Amateur Athletic Union.

An excellent idea of the progress made in athletic competition during the last 200 years is given in a series of charts prepared by James E. Sullivan just previous to his death.

The founder of the Amateur Athletic Union worked out the advances in each track and field event since the organization of the A. A. U. in 1876. The 100-yard dash figures were reduced from 10 seconds flat to 9 1/2 seconds, by J. Owens, Jr., in 1906.

For 15 years they remained there, seven eighths of an inch in that period. In 1906 D. J. Kelly cut another one-fifth of a second off the record, and last year Howard P. Drew equaled Kelly's figure.

In the field events advancement has been along similar lines. W. B. Page set the high jump figure at 6 feet 4 inches in 1887. Mike Sweeney raised this to 6 feet 7 1/2 inches in 1912, and Ed Begom added five-sixteenths of an inch to Horline's record last season.

MANY STARS WILL PARTICIPATE IN HIGH SCHOOLS' BIG PRODUCTION

Three scholastic football captains and a number of other star athletes will take part in the annual production of the Dutch Company of the Philadelphia high schools, entitled "A Dish of Dashing Dutch Din," at Mercantile Hall, Broad and Market streets, tonight.

Intervarsity relay races are being held at La Salle University for the purpose of giving a team to enter in the Penn relay. The four best runners will be selected.



BOWLING—TEACHING THE WOMEN FOLKS

WRESTLING BOUTS TONIGHT

The Penn grapplers will meet the strong Lehigh mat artists in the annual wrestling meet between the two institutions of West Philadelphia tonight.

PELL AND MORTIMER WIN RACQUETS MATCH

A thrilling match in every respect resulted from the second meeting between Dwight F. Davis and J. W. Wear, St. Louis, holders, and C. C. Pell and Stanley G. Mortimer, New York, challengers.

SPRING FROM THE TRAPS

At the annual meeting of the Fox Gun Club, held last night, the officers for the ensuing year were chosen and it was also decided to conduct all shoots until further notice upon the Philadelphia Shooting Academy's grounds.

MANY STABLES SHIP HORSES TO BOWIE

More Than 1000 Will Be on Hand When Meet Opens. BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 15.—It looks now as if pretty much all the horses in the country were headed for Bowie.

BENEFIT SHOW FOR EDDIE LENNY TONIGHT

Six Bouts Between Star Boxers Carded for Special Show at Fairmount Club.

Twelve of the best boxers in this vicinity will give their services gratis tonight at the Fairmount A. C. for the benefit of Eddie Lenny, one of the best featherweights of his time.

Advertisement for 'FANNING' with Grantland Rice. Includes an illustration of a fan and the text 'GRABbing Comfort'.

Grabbing Comfort. 'T' IS a foolishness to fear criticism, Shakespeare, Milton, Burns, Byron, Wordsworth and others were all ridiculed in their day.

When you ponder with acidity Upon the keen avidity Which critics, in stupidity, Have shown in roasting you— Never let the burning ember Turn your June into December.

Favorite Poetical Lines. Connie Mack's—"Gone, all gone, the old familiar faces."

When the critics, railing curses, Take a wallow at my verses, No wet tear my eye immerses, But I laugh in merry glee.

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PRESTON BROWN WINS. Young Fulton Makes It Interesting, However, at Broadway.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—(The Colby) Preston Brown at the Broadway A. C. last night, the latter's lead in the earlier periods entitled him to the decision by a slight shade.

COFFEY SCORES KNOCKOUT. NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—(The Colby) Coffey scored a knockout over Tommy Sheridan in four rounds, Lew Flinnie scored a knockout over Tommy Lee in the sixth round.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM ON THE SEA OF SPORT

Merely for Information. You may come in here and thump us if we wish to start a rumpus, But our curiosity has never died; Henry Gowdy—do not scold us, but no one has ever told us—Did you ever, Mister Gowdy, get your bride?

Quadruped Canine, Why Not? There is one pugilist in this country who, at least, will never lose his nanny. It is Dolg's Goat, of Milwaukee. What a wonderful chance for the wags. We hate to do it. You pull one.

What's a Novice? The novice question has never been settled and probably never will. However, the High Schools Committee of New York City has ruled that a man who wins a medal in a cross-country event is not to be rated as an "open" athlete.

It Was a Pretty Thing. Of course, it was a woman who had never played in a golf tournament before. At the Lakeside Club, of Tacoma, a young lady ventured forth with only a brassie. She drove, approached, putted and played in the bunkers with the one club.

How Peculiar. The skill of the new indoor baseball game, take it from us, is in hitting the ball where it will count. Which is merely a revision of Willie Keeler's hitting them where they—meaning the fielders—ain't.

There Is Hope. The baseball star is flailing out. And Ban is losing face! When two-base hits begin to sprout They crowd him out for space.

According to interviews flashed from the Pacific coast, Ban is still dreaming that it lies in his hands to make a major league. Some day he'll try it, and the fans will wake him up.

Don't Hold Johnson Up. WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—General Carranza probably will allow Jack Johnson to pass through his Mexican sphere of influence, according to the Constitutional agency here today.

Would Match Carey and Gibbons. CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Tommy Carey, of New Orleans, has offered a purse of \$25,000 for a 20-round contest between Packey McFarland, the negro heavyweight pugilist, and Mike Dundee, the white heavyweight.

Winning Number Wins. LONDON, Feb. 18.—Winning Number, the Derby entry, won the Waterloo Cup at the expense of the other four horses, and will receive the £100,000 prize.

BAKER NOT LIKELY TO BE TEMPTED BY BIG SALARY OFFERS

Says He Is Through With Baseball, and Mackman Is to Be Believed—All Sorts of Wildfire Stories Are Spreading.

It was to be expected that all sorts of foolish yarns would develop with an announcement that J. Franklin Baker had retired. Baker says he is through with baseball, and Mackman is to be believed.

COLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

The University of Pennsylvania swimmers had their last indoor work of the season this afternoon. Coach Vivian Nicklin announced that he had decided to begin work on the river tomorrow instead of Monday.

Regains Canadian Title

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 15.—Joe Beiler, former lightweight champion of Canada, regained his Canadian title last night, defeating "Tough House" Birnie in a 20-round battle.

COLEMAN WILL MEET PECK MILLER TONIGHT

Fighters Will Clash in Wind-up Before Quaker City Fistic Fans. The North Penn fight fans will have another opportunity of witnessing Tommy Coleman, the colored Paeky McFarland, in action at the Quaker City A. A. tonight. He will meet Peck Miller, of Pennsylvania.

MANY PREP ATHLETES IN MEET AT HAVERFORD

New York and Local Boys Will Compete—Orton Will Be Judge. HAVERFORD, Pa., Feb. 18.—Several preparatory schools from about Philadelphia and New York have entered contestants for the 14th annual scholastic indoor and gymnasium meet to be held in Haverford College gymnasium, tonight.

Deering 'High School Leads

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—With only one day left, Deering High school, Portland, Ore., led the West Department of the 14th annual scholastic indoor and gymnasium meet, with a total score of 1,100 points.

Quaker City A. A. Will Feature Four Other Bouts

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