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SCOUTS PASSING UP LEFT-HANDED HITTERS, PREFERRING FREE-SWINGING RIGHT-HANDE speed of the new aggregation cleared, it was seen to be resting its oars at the finish line some 10 lengths in advance of the sweating juniors. The juniors did not due all the sweating at that, for rumor has it that James Tan Eyck awoke that night in a cold one, feet included. In the meantime while all this was going on the Quakers and Cornell ware as completely forgotter in the dope as they have the inst few paragraphs. Everylast to thinking and seeing Cornell as cuse as the fighters for American supremacy on June 17, and no changed his mind. True, Jun Riss ing the old proverb of the early Brit the worm, brought his crews up how week before the others. MAJOR LEAGUE MANAGERS ARE LEONARD MUCH IN RECORD LIST OF ATHLETES FLASHY FINISHES GRADUATE FROM NORTHEAST LOOKING FOR RIGHT-HANDED PREDICTED FOR DEMAND, BECAUSE Stars, Numbering 54, of Every Sport BATSMEN TO STOP SOUTHPAWS to Receive Diplomas POUGHKEEPSIE HE IS A WINNER Fifty-four athletes will be lost to Northast High School graduation. Captains gulars and substitutes are included on the Both Circuits, With American Leading, Are Overit and it is the greatest number of athletes loaded With Port-side Hitters Who Cannot Bat

Effectively Against Left-handers FIVE years ago there was a wild scramble among major league managers for left-handed batters, this condition being brought about by the terrific hitting of Ty Cobb, Joe Jackson, Tris Speaker, Eddie Collins, Frank Baker, Larry Doyle, Jake Daubert and other left-handed batters. It was just a few years before this that the dopesters had reasoned out that a left-handed hitter had two steps advantage in getting to first base and therefore got many hits on infield grounders

on which a man with the same speed, hitting from the right side of the plate, would be thrown out. For several years the scouts brought in every fast left-handed batter they could find with a 300 minor league average. The result is apparent now. The

major leagues are overloaded with left-handed batsmen, while the clean, free tight-handed hitters who once reigned supreme and drew the crowds to the gate are a thing of the past. There are still many in the major leagues, but the majority were here before the left-handed craze seized the managers.

Left-handed hitters with but few exceptions are troubled by southpaw pitchers, but as good left-handed hurlers were scarce at that time they enjoyed great success. To stop the slugging of the left-handed batters special attention was given to the development of southpaw pitching. While the old guard are still the leading hitters, it is noticeable that they do not hit so well against certain clubs which have a number of good southpaws.

Every American League team excepting the Athletics has two or more good southpaw pitchers, while Boston has four, two being stars and two mediocre performers. Boston's southpaw pitchers will put them in the race, despite the fact that the team has been weakened greatly by the loss of Tris Speaker. The American League has 37 regular players who are left-handed hitters, so it is not hard to understand why Ruth, Leonard, Coumbe, Mogridge, Cullop, Harper, Coveleskie, Weilman and a few other southpaws are getting away with their games.

Managers Are Passing Up Left-handed Hitters

THE National League is not so overstocked in this respect, but a manager recently remarked to the writer, "Every time I get a report of a youngster who is going good in a minor league I ask how he hits. They are all left-handers and I don't want them. I have too many on my team now and would gladly trade a couple for a good, free swinger from the right side of the plate.

"Every youngster on the lots seems to be learning to hit left handed because Cobb, Speaker, Jackson, Daubert and a few other great clubbers are left-handers, but the whole idea is wrong. They say that left-handed hitters get down to first faster, but they forget that you must hit the ball first and the majority of the men swinging from the near side of the plate can't even touch a southpaw in a

"The percentage of hits beaten out because of the left-handed advantage is so small that it is not worth bothering about. Ball games are not won on infield hits, although I will admit that they help at times. I need a few good minor leaguers this year, but if the best are left-handed hitters they can stay where they are. Give me a right-handed hitter with the free swing and I'll take my chance on that two-step advantage.

"There are too many good southpaw pitchers coming up to bother with left-handed hitters. Mark my words, they have seen their day and as Cobb, etc., start slipping there will not be any coming along to take their place. I advise the boys on the lots to hit natural."

As many other managers have expressed virtually the same thought in other words and several scouts who have been looking over collegians have passed up good left-handed hitters, it is evident that the left-handed hitting idea has run its course. There will be exceptions, but it is safe to predict that the majority of the youngsters coming up will be right-handed hitters this year.

Yale Men Object to Method of Awarding Letter

MEMBER of the Yale track team, who toiled for six months in hopes of A MEMBER of the Yale track team, who toned for six inductions in against earning a varsity letter, wrote a letter to the Yale News, protesting against the present method of awarding the""Y." He claims that almost every dual meet between Yale and Harvard and the Intercollegiates is won on third places, and that the present method of awarding the varsity letter only to men who finish first or second has ruined track athletics at Yale.

He points out that men are awarded the varsity letter for playing one or two minutes in the Harvard or Princeton game, when they have done no more for Yale than the track candidate who has trained faithfully for six months, just fall ing shy of the first or second place standard. In the same letter, Trainer Johnny Mack is quoted as saying that he could not do the impossible-win the Intercolleglates with 60 candidates, whereas Cornell has 200.

This letter has created quite a lot of excitement among the undergraduates, and it is likely that a new method of awarding the varsity letter will be in force next year. Certainly the 1915 football flasco will not be repeated. Although the Elis had such a poor team that even some of the first-string men did not do well enough to deserve the honor of wearing a "Y," which in the past was a coveted honor, almost three full teams were sent into the Harvard game in the last five minutes, just to permit subs to win their letter.

Punching Power Makes Gothamite Big Favorite. Boxes Twice Next Week

PUGILISTIC POTPOURRI

The guy who first pulled "All the world The guy who first pulled "All the world loves a winner" never spoke truer words since the memorable day when George Washington admitted cutting down the Cherry tree. Benny Leonard. of New York, became a "wijner" by the sudden develop-ment of a terrific punch, as Philadelphia fans also Tommy Langdon Joe Weich Ians, also Tommy Langdon, Joe Weish, Jimmy Murphy, Sam Robideau and Charley Thomas well know. Now all the world wants to see how Sir Benjamin does it.

Benny's popularity also has made Billy Gibson a most important man and even suster than the boxer. You know, Billy busier than the boxer. You know, Billy is the manager, and the manager must have his pen in hand almost continually when it comes to signing contracts. There probably is no fighter in the universe who has so many big offers thrust upon him as the knockout Gothamite. To show how here young Mr. Leonard

To show how husy young Mr. Leonard is, he has only two 10-round bouts sched-uled in New York for next week. Johnny Dundee will meet Ben Monday night and Duringes will meet Ben Monday night and on Friday evening the world's champion. Fred Welsh, is to be the party of the second part. As an aftermath for these important set²tos Benny has received offers from matchinakers trying to sign him up for tilts, with Johnny Harvey and Milburn Saylor. Then Gibson is contemplating a trip to South America for his charge. It seems so embarrassing to be a "win-It seems so embarrassing to be a "winner." Everybody wants to see him, and the only compensation is the trouble of wearing out the trail to the bank.

Scraps About Scrappers

Johnny Burns, the diminutive Kensington fight manager, will take another crack at the pro-moting end of the business, starting tonight. His first show at the Cambrid Athletic Club open-air arena, will be started this evening. Young McGovern and Joe Tuber are the prin-cipals for the main mix. Bouts also are scheduled tonight at the Lin-coln Club. Georgie Decker will be the third man in the ring when George Blackburn and Tommy Livingston meet for flatic supremacy.

Tommy livingston meet for fails aupremacy. Tommy livingston meet for fails aupremacy. Preliminary bouts at the two clubs tonight follow: Lincoln. Johnny Ferkler vs. Charley Dailey, Johnny Egan vs. Billy Kans. Joe Egan vs. Toung Artle. Ray Martin vs. Booby Jef-friest. Cambria. Jack Dawson vs. Joe Gelger. Leo Flyin vs. Joe Gorman. Joe McDermott vs. Joe Phillips. Joe Konse vs. Eddie Mullin. Although Joe Rosen will have the advantage of much weight and several inches in height when he squares off at the veteran Jack Black-by Thiladelphian may find himself in the way of Black Buchann. a sailor: Willie Hinckler vs. Jack Buchann. a sailor: Willer Hinckler vs. N. O. Wagmer. Johnny Earle vs. Young Stinger. Johnny Adams vs. Young Augatis. Territorial rivals are booked for boats on the program at Adam Syan's Ryan Club Tes-day night. with a double wind-up as the fea-ture. In the first part Charley Rear will be opposed to Young Jack Toland. Wille Tommy Jamison, the K. O. artist, meets Danny Murphy In the final.

Although Johnny O'Leary was beaten by Jimmy Duffy in his last bout in Buffaio, the former's sizie has fastinated fans in that city and he has proved himself a good card. Nego-tiations are on for a 10-rounder, June 18, be-tween O'Leary and Johnny Kilbane. O'Leary collected a \$200 forfeit for weight from Duffy, and Johnny distributed the money to charity, according to reports from Buffalo.

The main feature of the boxing carnival at the Gayety Theatre ionicht will be the final the Gayety Theatre ionicht will be the final the 103-pound class between Max Will-ban in the 103-pound class between Max Will-ibs for whom already has defeated five boys in vietims to hit and Eddie Bates, who has four vietims to hit and Eddie Bates, who has four vietims to hit and Eddie Dougherty and the royal and three special bound between almony pundee and Black Morris, Frankte Willacd and Watty Burns and Eddie Dougherty and Eddie Willis.

Willis. Tommy Buck leaves for the West today. He will resume training in Kansas City for his bout with Benny Chaves at Denver, which will be staged probably the latter part of the month. Buck has agreed to blay ball with the Kansas Athletic Club, a fust semi-professional team in Kansas City. He will appear behind the bat or play third base.

The following is a list of the athletes who will be graduated: Pootball-John Brown, Ernest Karth, Dudley Thomas, Razmand Gardiner, George Dickel, Jo-apph Leid, Jajmes Sykes, Albert Hedell, Sam-the State States and Thomas Itel. Basiceitail-Athert Hedell, William Ginn, Bonnel Leonard Gardiner, Wesky Wallace, John Brown, Edward Odgers, Thomas Bol and Leonard Grung. Track-Albert Hedell, William Retneller, Al-fred Whitaker, Charles Gouert, David Torill, Charles Landau, Vietor Albrecht, Razmond Gar-diner, Charles Hovee, Francis Michel and Man-ager Ginn. Boren-Bamuel Asquith, Howard Lynch, John Barty, Harty Ward, Henry Seaman and Aman-dine Charles Hovee, Francis Michel and Man-ager Compte. Tross country-William Retneller, William Ginn, Statey Thornton, Ruben Barthe and Rus-ell, Bwarz Crow Wendell Sholler, Raymond Gardiner and Manager Row. Crick-Coorge Chapman, John Brown and Thomas Bell. Tenne-John Ott, Joseph Cooke and Richard Epurgeon.

VICTRIX CARRIES OFF **TWO AMATEUR TITLES**

McGann, Bent, Webber, O'Malley, Sullivan and Burns Win Boxing Matches

Victrix Catholic Club won two amateur victrix Catholic Club won two amateur championships in the boxing tournament of the Catholic Young Men's Archdiocesan Union, which concluded last night at the National A. C. It was the first tourney of the kind ever held by the Catholic clubs, and it was a huge success.

The Victrix winners were Cliff Bent, in the 115-pound class, and Leo Webber, a clever lad. in the 125-pound division. Four other clubs were tied with one each.

Tommy McGann carried the Enterprise Club to victory in the 108-pound division by outclassing his opponent, Jimmy Dearle, of St. Gregory's, in two rounds. Jack Mc-Guigan stopped the contest because it was so one-sided.

Tommy O'Malley won the 135-pound class title for St. Monica's: Jimmy Sullivan car-ried the Corley Club's colors to victory in the weiterweight division, and Jimmy Burns, of Holy Name, was the middle-weight winner. The latter won by default from Arthur Lenaker, of Shanahan, who failed to show up.

Initial to show up. 108-pound class, final—Tormmy McGann. En-terprise, outclassed Jimmle Dearle. St. Greg-ory's. In two rounds. mmle Dearle. St. Greg-ory's. In two rounds. Elizabeth's, defeated Boyce. Holy Name, in three rounds. Cliff Bent, Victrix, won from Mackle, Holy Name in three rounds. I 5-pound. final—Cliff Bent. Victrix, stopped William Donovan. St. Elizabeth's, in the third round.

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Name, won from fod Fitzgeraid, Enterprise, in
four rounds (Judges ordered extra round): Leo
Weber. Victrix, estimated decision over Kelly. St.
Gregory's, in three rounds.
125-pound, final-Leo Weber, Victrix, defeated
Al Clark, Holy Name, in three rounds.
135-pound class, esemifinals—Ray Daley, Corley, earned referee's decision over Jimmy Campbell, Victrix, in three rounds.
135-pound class, final—O'Malley, St. Monica's, knocked out Ray Daley, Corley, in the third round.

Received out Ray Dailey, Corley, in the third round. 143-pound class, final—Jimmy Sullivan, Cor-ley, stopped McFadden, St. Gregory's in three rounds. 158-pound class, final—Jack Burns, Holy Name, won from Arthur Lenaker, Shanahan, by default.

Stetson to Play Eastern Steel

Stetaon for ray Eastern Steel Stetaon will meet the Eastern Steel the Stelaon A. A. grounds, 4th and Herks streats, tomorrow afterneon. Cosch Thomas Intends to use his star battery, Hansell and Stevenson, against the invaders. Hartline and Raielan most likely will do battery work for Eastern Steel.



The following is a list of the athletes Four Crews in Running for the will be graduated: Big Regatta on Satur-

day, June 17

COURTNEY WIDE AWAKE

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., June 9 .- Never POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., June R.—Neve-has there been such a weird season in col-lege rowing as the present one, and the end promises many mensations. In the first place, Pennsylvania and Columbia got off to tremendous starts; then, suddenly, Princeton leomed large on the horizon and came within a few scant feet of rowing its way to the mythical champlonship by recame within a few scant feet of rowing its way to the mythical championship by re-peated victories over every one until it ran afoul of one of C. E. Courtney's master-pieces at Ithaca about two weeks ago. No one thought Cornell had a lookin, for the rumored absence of Courtney and the long of the Harvard race a week earlier made the Tigers begin cheering over their all but won honors. won honors. Cornell's winning of that race shocked

Cornel's winning of that race snocked the Poughkeepsle crews as much as it did Dr. D. Spacth, the Princeton coach, a pupil of our old friend and carsman, E. Ward, late coach of the Quakers. But Courtney had not been asleep, in spite of a cracked skull. Just to work on the nerves of his

Just to work on the nerves of his op-ponents. Courtney also brought an eight to this point which did not beat Princeton, and he called it his Cornell Varsity. There wasn't much need of bringing it along be-cause the crew which had licked Princeton was impressive enough. But just then the conservative James Ten Eyck, coach of Syracuse, launched his beem for the chair about to be vacated by Couriney with a solid delegation of wharf-wallopers, from

Duluth. . Then one day Ten Eyck rowed this combination against the eight which had licked Princeton. When the smoke caused by the

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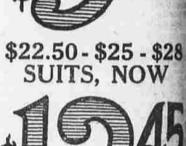
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varaity letter was not awarded to more than 18 men. Now it is unusual if 26 or 28 are not rewarded each season.

and stole 25 bases in 30 games, and was looked upon as a marvel, but as he suddenly disappeared he was not drafted, and his name appeared on the reserve list of the Lowell club. It appears that the youngster returned to Dubuque College,

baseball law.

was not subject to draft or reservation.

White Sox may have good luck with Parker if they are allowed to keep him, which seems likely.

has been purchased by Cleveland. This announcement comes as a surprise, Man ager Mack having stated a few days before the Athletics left for the West that he still had a string on the Southerner. Evidently Mack either overlooked something or canceled his optional agreement in order to allow the Charleston owners to make the sale.

inclined to believe that he did not show his true form here last year. He looked much better in the five innings he worked against the Mackmen in Charleston this spring than he did while here last fall. Fillingim has won 12 games and lost enly two this season. His victories include a no-hit, a one-hit, three two-hit and two three-hit games. He will join Cleveland at the close of the first half of the

\$10 bet on the New York Giants the day they started on their winning streak and parlayed his money he would have had just \$651,360 after the Giants had won their 17th straight victory, but what an awful thing it would be if some one had dene this and had not stopped before the Phils broke the winning streak on Decoration Day.

In their enthusiasm they are overlooking the fact that Ray Schalk, of the White Hox; Frank Snyder, of the Cardinals; Bill Killefer, of the Philo; John Henry, of Washington, and Stove O'Neil, of Cleveland, are still in the game. 'Rariden is a fairly good catcher and no better. He is one of the many New York players who are batting above their normal speed. The .320 batting average, which is 100 points above Bill's average, is the cause of the enthusiasm, and the awakening probably will take place in a few more weeks.