

ALEX AND BILL GONE, IN ORDER TO DRAW CROWD, THE PHILS WILL NEED A LEAD PENCIL

ALEXANDER-KILLEFER DEAL AS PHIL BALL FAN HANGING IN THE ROPES GASPING FOR AIR

National League Meeting Was Expected to Be Strenuous, But Baker's Bomb Has Startled Baseball World

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—There must have been some excitement in Philadelphia that day in 1876 when the Liberty Bell clanged its message to the populace...

THIS statement is misleading. It says that the Cubs will have a pennant contender next year with Alex and Killefer on the payroll...

What Will Happen to the Phils Next Year Is a Mystery

PERHAPS President Baker has good reason to part with the two best players in the National League, but no matter what that reason is...

A DEAL as big as this cannot pass by unnoticed. There must have been a good reason, because a business man like W. F. Baker...

Baker Takes All the Blame and Will Stand Consequences

PRESIDENT BAKER called the newspapermen to his room in the Waldorf and calmly announced the sale of his two stars. He sprung surprise and then said that he realized he would be severely criticized...

ACCORDING to Mr. Baker's remarks about Killefer it would lead one to believe that he either offered Alexander for sale...

Killefer Said He Was Through With the Phillies BOARD to Killefer, we happened to see "him in Chicago during the Series...

BENNY AND PATSY READY FOR BELL

Greatest Lightweights of the Day Clash for Title at Olympia Tonight

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By BILL BELL. Let's go. All roads lead to the Olympia A. A. At exactly 9:30 this evening, right here in the city of homes and sensational baseball trades...

Picking a Winner

Doping out a likely victor is as hard as guessing the reason why President Baker sold Alex and Bill. It's about as easy as getting on a cross-town subway at supper time...

Backing Opinions

Philadelphia is not a big betting town by any means. Some persons only attend big fights to get a bet down. Phillys fans prefer to look them over and if any betting is done it is light...

A New Champion?

The boys clash for six rounds. In the old days champions battled forty rounds or so before a decision was reached, but nowadays decisions are unnecessary...

FAST DRAW AT BOSTON

Bartley Madden and Battling Levinsky in Even 12-Round Contest BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 12.—Bartley Madden and Battling Levinsky fought a great draw. Madden who recently knocked out Jim Coffey...

TENER RE-ELECTED

National League Head Again Will Direct Senior Organization NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—John K. Tener was unanimously re-elected president of the National League for a term of one year at its annual meeting yesterday...

Tim Hurst's Brother Dead

ASHLAND, Pa., Dec. 11.—Patrick Hurst, a former professional baseball player and brother of Tim Hurst, major league umpire, died today at the State Hospital at Fountain Springs of pneumonia. He was forty-one years old.

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BENNY LEONARD

PATSY CLINE

PEDAGOGY HAS FAST QUINTET

Former High School Stars Expect to Win Majority of Games

DESSEN IS CAPTAIN

By PAUL PREP. The six public high schools and the Philadelphia Trades School may not consider themselves fortunate that the supervising committee on public high school athletics decided last season that the game played by the School of Pedagogy...

GRAHAM BEST AMATEUR GOLFER

Chick Evans So Characterizes Gallant Briton Who Was Killed NEVER WAS CHAMPION

By CHARLES (CHICK) EVANS

British golf has suffered much from the casualties of war, but one of the sharpest blows fell when John Graham, Jr., of the Royal Liverpool Golf Club, captain of the Liverpool Scottish Regiment...

Born Player of Games

John Graham was born at Liverpool of Scottish parents. His home for a long time overlooked the Hoylake and he began his golf young. Henry Leach was a born player of games.

Greatest Amateur Golfer

I count Captain Graham the greatest amateur golfer I have ever seen play. It is natural to ask why in view of the fact that although he went far, he was never able to win the chief prizes in British golf.

Had No Weak Points

Captain Graham's fine rounds were the result of strong golf—a well-balanced control of the game. He was a good driver and his long irons were unparagonably executed.

AUTO RACERS' BANQUET

Majestic Hotel to Be Mecca for Dare-Devis Tomorrow Night

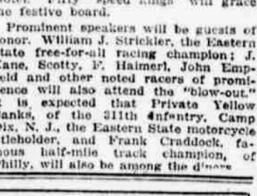
The Philadelphia Motor Racing Association will hold its first annual banquet tomorrow night at the Majestic Hotel. Fifty "speed kings" will grace the festive board.

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POLO, GOLF AND TENNIS TITLES REMAIN INTACT WHEN BIG WAR CHECKS COMPETITION IN SPORT

Great Britain Wins Polo Honors, Australians the Davis Trophy and Chick Evans Golf Championship, and Then War Intervenes

By GRANTLAND RICE

IN discussing hold-over championship titles through the war, did it ever occur to you, Gentle or Rough Reader, how many of the Under Dogs emerged for the long term of office?

Polo First Take polo for a starter. Great Britain, having been beaten, made an ineffectual counter charge. It began to look as if our Uncle Sam was to resign supreme when Britain made a last assault in the summer of 1914 and regained the polo top.

Tennis Then came America's lawn tennis overthrow for possession of the Davis Cup. In 1914 Maurice McLoughlin made his last brilliant stand to hold the trophy, overruling Brooks and Wilding in succession.

Golf Chick Evans also came from behind in golf, just in time to land the hold-over title. Chick had never won an open or an amateur championship up to 1916. But he landed both titles in time to surge from the rut before the championship.

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