UR OWN CONNIE MACK MAY BE THE REAL HERO OF THE GREAT COBB DEAL AFTER A

EANING OF YANKS' MANEUVERS IN WIDELY ADVERTISED PLAYER TRADE STUMPS STOVE LEAGUE

Most Colossal Deal Ever Starts With Cobb, Simmers to Jackson and Eases Off With Sub First Baseman for Connie

THE stove bugs are getting a rare run for their money this season, for hen "news are scarce" in the barter and sale line the hold-out reports III in the gaps, making one almost continuous performance. There have eed few if any "rumorless days" and everything in the line of live see indeed rew if any fund least aired. The very latest rumor, however, has the entire winter league by the ears and its tongue hanging out.

It was thought a few days after the National League moguis had lared that lurid publicity tales must cease that public opinion would ce all magnates of whatever big league to refrain from scare stories about record-breaking trades. The effect of the league's formal dissleasure was immediate, but by no means in the manner intended, for it served as a preface to a noise louder than any ever made by either Weeghman or Frazee, previous publicity record holders. It came from New York and stated that Ty Cobb was coming to the Yanks or, if not, Joe Jackson or somebody at least who could play the whole outfield by himself and that money was the least consideration.

When things began to simmer it looked like the capture of Heilman or Veach was to be the objective of Miller Huggins's western drive and another rumor now has it that some roundabout stuff is being hatched and that our own Connie is involved to the extent of a sub first baseman rumored to come from Detroit. The real high point in the latest reported maneuver, however, is that Tilly Walker may be sidetracked from his reputed berth with the Athletics as part payment for Stuffy McInnis and and in the Yank outfield instead. This part of the report has some possible bearing upon the rumor that an interesting salary aumouncement was made by Connie at the time of the New York meeting which, if true, certainly leaves players like Walker out of consideration as Athletic

ALL OF which is interesting, if not definite. One thing is quite definite, however, and that is that Owner Ruppert is in the same boat with Mogul Weeghman. He is compelled to spend another pile of money to provide any sort of competition against his opposing home team, which happens to be a pennant winner

Sports Basis of War Ethics and Efficiency

HUGO BEZDEK, all-round athlete, athletic coach and promoter and present manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates, is not so well known in the oratorical records, but he spilled an earful of deep stuff at a banquet in Chicago recently about the value and effect of national athletic sports According to Bezdek, the fact that the American soldier is physically superior to the British, French and Italian is due largely to his baseball training, baseball being a better schooling for the hard physical grind of war and the promotion of courage and quick thinking than cricket, fencing or bowling, accepted national sports of the other chief allied nations None of these tends to produce the rugged type so prevalent on the diamonds throughout the United States and the average run of which product now is making ready to match fighting prowess with the Boche.

It is altogether obvious to the American mind that the German method of conducting warfare is due to the fact that the sports ethics of the country are not based upon manly play in the open. The accepted national sport of Germany is an indoor form of brutality that consists in a competition with short swords, the number of scars made on the face marking the colebrity of the contestant. The German athletic badge of honor is a corrugated countenance, and it is easy to see that such a degraded form of athletic training would justify in the military mind of the country the idea that women, children and hospitals were legitimate objects of warfare and that the use of polson gas, straight polson and ground glass was eminently respectable. It virtually is axiomatic that a country brutal in sport also is conscienceless in war, for the ethics governing popular sports in necessarily a true criterion of the moral spirit of the country itself.

AND what impresses the American mind as a further funda-mental weakness in the Hun idea of fighting relates to the well-known principles of "dirty ball." An athlete with his mind concentrated upon evading the rules in an effort to injure an opponent by means of "rough stuff" reduces his effectiveness besides bringing down upon his side the moral opprobrium of the other team, not to mention the audience.

Baseball Even More "National" Than Cricket

THE deterioration of European manhood has been a favorite topic of Socialist writers and orators. English authorities started an investigation as to the continued supremacy of late years maintained by American athletes in the Olympic games. A parliamentary committee, with great pains and labor, compiled statistics, and the gist of its report was that the lack of consistent and systematic exercise in the way of athletic accounted for their deterioration, both in size and efficiency

"I am firmly convinced" said Bezdek, "that baseball players from the time kids are able to throw a bail until they are middle-aged is one of the main reasons why Yankees remain tall and strong generation after generation. They are, therefore, able consistently to defeat all rivals in International contests.

That baseball is more truly a national pastime than the cricket of the Englishman is maintained by many American students of athletics. A greater proportion of the total population play baseball, they declare. Baseball requires more violent exercise, both of the mind and the muscles, and co-ordinates them more effectively than the leisurely sport of the wicket with its showers of tea and long periods of conversation and mediation. Cricket has no appeal to the Yankee. It is too indecisive. They play along for a while and then tea up, and when the "weak, weak tea s o'er" they go at it again, and may continue the motion for a couple of days, a practice which is not at all in line with the nervous and restive youth of our land.

Neither are the national sports of the Italians and French. France id just begun taking up sports when the war broke out. Boxing and baseball were gaining fast in favor.

LL of which seems to indicate that American sports abroad Auth receive a tremendous impetus as a direct result of the war and that if the American soldier comes up to the confident expectation of the American public there will be a big field for the sporting goods houses of this country and athletic coachees abroad.

Barnes Next to Ross as Moneymaker

PHILADELPHIA loges the best professional golfer that has ever held a berth here in the departure of long Jim Barnes from the Whitemarsh Valley Country Chib to the big club just outside Colorado Springs, with the sole exception of the late Willie Anderson, four times the open champion of this country and who, at the time of his death, was the professional at the Philadelphia Cricket Club. Barnes last year made between \$7000 and \$8000 at Whitemarsh and his new job, according to the Cornishman, is worth double that amount.

Only one other professional in the country will make more than that this year and he is Donald Ross, of the Pinehurst Country Club. Donald makes anywhere from \$25,000 to \$50,000 a year and most of his revenue nes from golf course construction. He is the leading links architect of this country. He gets \$100 a day for his services and the task of laying to a course usually means four days. In some cases it takes longer, for the Riverton Country Club paid him in the neighborhood of \$1000 for

BUT while Ross, Barnes, Gil Nichols, Aleck Smith, Jock Hutchison and other topnotchers among the golf professionals make big money there are scores of others who are pulling down between \$1000 and \$2000 a year.

The Cricket Club and Anderson

THE Philadelphia Cricket Club learned its lesson when Willie Anderson nt to St. Martins that he was away a great deal of the time. The as true of Barnes. Jim entered all the big open tournaments in the and he played in many exhibition matches while he was at White-The local club got a lot of publicity as a result of this, but the to employ as his successor a player who can make and repair and who is a good teacher rather than a man who has a big lon as a playing golfer shows that Whitemarsh has had enough ind stars. The Cricket Club has had little trouble with Willie successors, for while they have been good players they have

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Another match of the day that inter-

First Baseman Dressen, mentioned in report of a deal brewing between the Yankees and Detroit, and who is stated in the report likely to go to the Athietes; Outfleider Tille Walker to go to the Yankees, placed with St. Paul, of the American Association, last season. He had been to be the tendence of th

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LOCKWOOD'S WONDERFUL PUTTS FEATURED SECOND ROUND OF BRITISH AMATEUR TOURNEY

Bostonian Holed Out in One Stroke on Six Greens, and He Won His Match With a Forty-Foot Putt

By CHARLES (Chick) EVANS, Jr.

There was so large an entry to the label account of the Crummack-Louts and naval would prove as interesting a. It is proved impossible to play all of the first-round matches on the first day and about twenty-two passed over to Tuesday. Among these were Harold Waker of Toledo, and Mr. Remer, of to Tuesday. Among these were Harold Lieutenant Crummack and is recuperate ing from wounds in Eusland. the Birkdale Club, near Liverpool. As Fraser Hale Beaten the Birkdale Club, near Liverpool. An a further consequence of the congestion about an equal number of the second about an equal number of the second round went over to Wednesday and so it happened that Onlinet did not play on Tuesday, and I recall that as I started forth upon my match with Brether ton I was thinking how very lucky these players were to have a little breathing spell at the very beginning of the tourspell at the very beginning of the tour- France. nament. Later on 1 began to consider this not quite so good a thing.

Harold Weber Comes Through

Harold Weber was the only American

Another match of the day that interested Americans was between C. A. Palmer, the victor of Travers, and Frank Carr, a member of his own club. The hard-fighting elder man was only this not quite to good a thing.

Harold Weber Comes Through

playing a first round on the second day. His defeat of so fine a player as Mr. His defeat of so fine a player as Mr. Remer was totally unexpected. From the west and universided, he began quietthe west and unheraided, he began quiet-

the west and unheraided, he began quietive to do the work expected of the overheraided east. Reaching the turn in 37 is first-class golf.

A. C. Lockwood, of the Beimont Golf Club, near Boston, had a very interesting and unusual match against R. W. Crummack, of the Lythan and St. Afine's Club. Mr. Crummack has a good, sound game and is one of the best of the young Laneashire players. On the other hand, Mr. Lockwood has a wonderful short game. On this occasion that remarkable short game, combined with hick, performed miracles. On six greens he holed out in one, but his most extraordinary experience was on the short eighilt, He sent his tee shot into the Hades bunker, pitched out into the sough on the other side of the green, thence he holed a chip shot for a three. Mr. Crummack was on the green, thence he holed a chip shot for a three. Mr. Crummack was on the green, thence he holed a chip shot for a three. Mr. Crummack was on the green, thence he holed a chip shot for a three. Mr. Crummack was on the green, thence he holed a chip shot for a three. Mr. Crummack was on the green, thence he holed a chip shot for a three. Mr. Crummack was on the green, thence he holed a chip shot for a three. Mr. Crummack was on the green with his tee shot, but took three putts, being evidently confused by the brilliantly erratic game of his opponent.

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When the home green was reached Mr. Lockwood was dormy one and he holed a forty-yard putt for a half and the match. I have often thought that a de-

NOTED BOXERS FILMED TO SHOW PROPER MOVES

Kilbane, Leonard, McCoy and Corbett Illustrate Relationship Between Boxing and Bayoneting

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19. -- Films howing the relationship between hoxing and bayoneting and demonstrating the methods of using the bayonet have been prepared by the commissions on training camp activities of the war and navy departments and distributed for exhibition in the various National Army and

different blows and how to put the full

force of the body behind them.

Evening Ledger Decisions of Ring Bouts Last Night

OLYMPIA A. A.—Benny Valger defeated Joe Lynch, Dave Astey Shaded Mike Erile, Joe Tuber stopped Muckles Riles, fourth; Harry (Rid) Brown boxed a draw with Johnny Murray, Max Williamson defeated Young Monroe.

TOLEDD—Ted Lewis knocked out Jimmy Duffy in the first period of a scheduled 13-round bout.

LANCASTER — Joe Carson shaded Frankie Krue, Lee Finneran drew with Eddle Loechuer, Young Russell was stopped by Young Dundee in the first round. Young Leonard bested Whitey King. cound. Young Leonard bested Whitey King. (LNC4NNATI—Harry Greb was awarded the referee's decision over Bob Moha in a 10-yound bout.
BUFFALD—Willie Jackson and Rocky Kansas fought a 10-yound draw.
WILKES-BARRE — Gunthoat Smith easily defeated Emmett ("Kid") Wagner.
BALTMORE—Pal Moore won the decision over Jack Sharkey in a 10-yound scrap, George Chaney received the decision over Eddie Wallace in a 10-yound bout.

advantage over his opponent in a duel with cold steel.

BENNY VALGER DEFEATS LYNC IN HARD BOUT AT THE OLYMPI TUBER HAS ANOTHER KNOCKO

Conquerer of Kid Williams Is Outweighed Pounds and the Handicap Is Too Much to Overcome-Riley Stopped in Fourth

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

A HANDICAP of six pounds in weight the Diving a good as any bantam the Olympia last night and the little New Yorker, who surprised the boxing world a few weeks ago when he knocked out Kid Williams, was forced to bow out he Olympia last night and the little New Yorker, who surprised the boxing world a few weeks ago when he knocked out Kid Williams, was forced to bow to the prowess of Benny Valger after six hard rounds in the wind-up. Lynch fought gamely from start to finish, but Valger was too big for him. It might also be added that Benny is a very shifty person and has quite a little elever-ness. Those two attributes, combined with a rangy, tantalizing and accurate left hand, kept Joseph in trouble most of the time. The New Yorker also stop-ped Valger's hand with his face and at the end was bleeding freely from the

the fourth round, and the wallen, did the trick put Muckle on his for a count of a thousand.

Joe seldom weighs more that pounds, but seldom is given a to show what he can do. The ne boxed Pete Herman, Tuber wester pounds, while Herman was close to Yet Joe had the bantam champles ing on the ropes and almost out a second round, when he whipped a over on Pete's chin. Tuber demochance to show what he can de bout with Joe Lynch at the real a limit, 116 pounds, would be well seeing. nose and mouth.

Last night's bout proved conclusively the value of a few pounds when little fellows meet. The match was made at 118 ringside and a forfeit of \$100 was posted by each boy. Johnny Oliver came over from New York to weigh them in and announced that Lymb tipped the beam at 117, while the best Valger could do was 123. Eddie Meade, Lymb's beam at 117, while the best Valger could do was 123. Eddie Meads, Lynch's manager, refused to take the forfelt— something exceedingly rare in puglistic circles—and consented to go through with the match. He showed good sports-manship but very poor judgment.

Valger Scores With Left

Valger began to score with his left in the first round, and soon had Joe bleed-ing. The blood was smeared all over his ing. The blood was smeared all over his face and, while the boy wasn't injured, it looked as if he were taking a terrible lacing. Lynch kept after hig man, however, and never iet up in the six rounds. Time and again he would launch himself at his heavier opponent, only to be beaten back. In the early rounds Benny landed several right-hand smashes, which annoyed Joseph considerably, but at the end he was satisfied with his lead and used his left most of the time.

Lynch powerses a wicked right hook, which landed only once in the bout. In the fourth round he let one go which landed flush on Valger's chin and Benny landed flush on Varger's chin and Benny was sent back on his beels. Joe was unable to follow his advantage, however, and his opponent quickly recovered. Lynch took a good beating, but his reputation was not damaged. He is a good bantam and should stay in that class and keep away from featherweights.

Astey Is Not So Much

Dave Astey, of New York, won from Mike Ertle in the semifinal, but his work was not impressive. Astey made quite a name for bimself in the big town and, while he is a good boxer and can beat most of the preliminary boys, his style does not make much of a hit. Dave fights like a business man making a sirrewd deal or a poker player who never takes a chance and plays them

cision over Eddie Wallace in a 10-round bout.

BUSTON—Phinney Bayle and Gilbert Gallant fought a slow 12-round draw.

It wenty-two months in the trenches and was wounded at Ypres.

In addition, the pictures make clear that a man who has developed speed on his feet through boxing has a decided advantage over his opponent in a disc.

Close.

He covers up continuously, drops to one knee to save himself when he gets into a tight corner and when he leads lit's a cinch he has more of a chance to land than the toher fellow. He outpointed Ertle, but Mike put up the better battle.

Tuber Wins Again

It seems strange that Joe Tuber is



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