

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

MEANING 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 when "news are scarce" in the barter and sale line the hold-out reports fill in the gaps, making one almost continuous performance.

It was thought a few days after the National League mogul had declared that lurid publicity tales must cease that public opinion would force all magnates of whatever big league to refrain from scare stories about record-breaking trades.

When things began to simmer it looked like the capture of Heilman or Veach was to be the objective of Miller Huggins' 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.

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.

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 awful lot 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.

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.

AND what impresses the American mind as a further fundamental weakness in the Hun idea of fighting relates to the well-known principles of "dirty ball."

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Neither are the national sports of the Italians and French. France had just begun taking up sports when the war broke out.

ALL of which seems to indicate that American sports abroad will receive a tremendous impetus as a direct result of the war.

BARNES Next to Ross as Money-maker. PHILADELPHIA loses the best professional golfer that has ever held a berth here in the departure of long Jim Barnes.

Only one other professional in the country will make more than that this year and he is Donald Ross, of the Pinehurst Country Club.

But while Ross, Barnes, Gil Nichols, Aleck Smith, Jack 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.

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AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?



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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 last British amateur championship that it proved impossible to play all of the first-round matches on the first day.

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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.

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NOTED BOXERS FILMED TO SHOW PROPER MOVES

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

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Films showing the relationship between boxing 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.

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LANCASTER.—Joe Carson stumped Frankie Erbe. Leo Finerman drew with Eddie Lochner.

It seems strange that Joe Tuber in twenty-two months in the trenches and was wounded at Ypres.

BENNY VALGER DEFEATS LYNCH IN HARD BOUT AT THE OLYMPIA TUBER HAS ANOTHER KNOCKOUT

Conquerer of Kid Williams Is Outweighed 8 Pounds and the Handicap Is Too Much to Overcome—Riley Stopped in Fourth

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

A HANDICAP of six pounds in weight proved too much for Joe Lynch at 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 to the prowess of Benny Valger after six hard rounds.

Valger was too big for him. It might also be added that Benny is a very shifty person and has quite a little cleverness. Those two attributes, combined with a rangy, tantalizing and accurate left hand, kept Joseph in trouble most of the time.

Valger Scores With Left. Valger began to score with his left in the first round and soon had Joe bleeding from the head.

Valger possesses a wicked right hook, which landed only once in the bout.

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