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GULS CLAW EACH OTHER AS GAME'S FATE TREMBLES IN BALANCE

ener Fails to Consult National League Owners Before Announcing No Series Will Be Played-Stirs Up Verbal Hornets' Nest

> By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger

ESPITE the critical situation which now stares them in the face. Ameran and National League moguls are getting along like a couple of wild-eyed catfish and are as close and friendly as a pair of mile posts. y are working in harmony which reminds one of the Silver Cornet Band Port Indian, Pa., after a hard winter. They agree on everything except the things they discuss and are pulling together like opposing tug-of-war sams. Outside of that everything is calm, peaceful, tranquil and lovely.

Here is a sample of the smooth work now being perpetrated by the big league chiefs: Last Sunday President Tener addressed the rural scribes That was a swell speech and made a hit with every one except the eight stall be failed to consult the directors of the league before spilling his ch. The result is a sweet little scrap in the near future, with Tener attling against odds of \$ to 1. No guy ever overcame a handicap like that The Blustering Ban Johnson cleared his throat and boldly announced

was in favor of closing the big league season on August 20 and devoting he remaining eleven days of grace to staging a world series. Ban, howver, was shrewd enough to ask the owners in the American League to tate their views and slip him the low-down on the situation. This was a eautiful piece of work and Johnson sourced what might be called a tech

And now the plot fatiens, as they say at the club. Barney Dreyfus, he insurgent from Pittsburgh, who goes to the mat with the schedule each ear, emitted a howl which carried through the smoke of his native village of Inferred that Ban Johnson was talking through his hat or something the National League would continue until September 2, shouled Barney, and he didn't care a whoop when the American closed down. So that is the calm and unruffled situation in big league circles today and the stage set for the crucial meeting of the "mags" in New York Saturday

But No Battle Royal Is Scheduled

OWEVER, there is no cause for alarm. There will be no battle royal or will the owners stick their faces in each other's fists. The storm will blow over, every one will talk himself out and, when in a weakened ondition, some sensible person will suggest that a world series be played and half a dozen waiters will assist in the celebration.

The dope is that the big series will be played next month. It is the nly logical way out of it and the fans will be glad to see the annual fuss tween the big leagues. The only drawback is that Ban Johnson sugted the plan; but that probably will be overlooked in the heat of the citement. The series will draw lots of money, which is sadly needed this Players on other clubs also will get a share of the divvy, and that ne feature should hold them in check and keep them away from the ship-

pards until after September 1. Bight now it's a cinch that the Boston Red Sox will cop the gonfalon the American League. That club is the class and is romping through field like Omar Khayyam in a race with a truckhorse. Cleveland and ashington may cause some trouble, but they cannot overtake Frazee's on unless half of the team is shipped to a training camp. Boston is the lass of the league and will be out in front at the finish.

In the National, however, the race is closer and more uncertain. The be at present are leading by three games, but the team is wabbly and bly to crack at any time. Weeghman is trying to get new talent, but can't be found. That means the Giants are fikely to become dangerous nd may put on a spurt which will carry them into the lead. McGraw spared no expense in grabbing new players and ignored the age limit. Derby Bill Clymer, who was supposed to have finished years ago, Lajole, who managed Indianapolis this year. In addition he ised Big Fred Toney and some other players from the brush and he team is beginning to look like a good one. McGraw wants to win that mant and will spare no expense. It will be remembered that huge bales coin were wagered on the chances of the Giants early in the season and an attempt will be made to protect that legal tender

Willard May Meet Dempsey on Labor Day, Is Latest Dream

CCORDING to the latest nightmare from N'Yawk, Jess Willard may meet Jack Dempsey for the heavyweight title on Labor Day. Just why this yarn was pulled in the big town no one knows, but judging from the chatter of the wise ones there is as much chance of those guys meeton that day as a pinochle game between President Wilson and the Kaiser in Fairmount Park. Big Jess, the champ, is not a fighter. He refuses to fight in the ring or in the war. He has a perfectly good crown reposing on his thick, alabaster brow, and it could not be moved even by the long-range gun which occasionally flirts with Paris. He has said he would not meet Dempsey until after the war, and Jess hopes the fuss will at ten more years. He is a thrilling example to gaze upon as heavyweight

Therefore the yarn about that fight on Labor Day should be pinched for disturbing the peace. Willard could not get in shape by that time, and if he did he would ask nothing more than the contents of that building at Seventeenth and Spring Garden streets, known as the United les Mint. He is perfectly satisfied to remain in the old homestead at Lawrence, Kan., and mingle with the sad-faced cows and other ferorious animals on the farm.

It would be the greatest thing in the world for boxing if Willard took tumble and retired from the ring for good and all. He never has been egarded as a champion and is the most unpopular man who ever wore the crown. He was carefully groomed to beat Johnson, and after that battle defended his title against all comers-in the circus ring. He went out to make money and made it. He dropped the people who boosted him to the top and gleefully grabbed 100 per cent of his earnings. He did everything to make himself disliked, and right now there would be a celebration if he ever was defeated.

In nearly four years he has boxed only once, and that was a tenound exhibition against Frank Moran, who admits he is a bum boxer, He made no effort to help the game which brought him wealth and prosperity, but lay down and quit as soon as he reached the top No. Jess will never meet Dempsey, now or after the war or any time.

Jack knocked out Fulton and Willard remembers it. He is not strong for taking punishment.

Trying to Make Tennis Tourneys Success

EVERY effort is being made by the United States National Lawn Tennis Association to make the tennis fixtures this season a success. Thus ar the tournament season has been of greater interest than even the most optimistic forecasts would have indicated earlier in the year, and further, the tournament play has raised a large sum with which to purchase athletic equipment for the soldiers and sailors, both here and abroad, and it is to provide additional funds for this purpose that the national association officials are seeking to make the coming tournaments of wide interest.

It has long been established in tennis circles that the big tournaments of the year were Scabright, Newport, Southampton, and then the nationals, This year the Newport event will not be held, but in its place will be the nal doubles championship at the Longwood Cricket Club at Boston, which was first instituted last year.

Just how much of a tournament will be held at Seabright is something a question even now, with the scheduled date of starting only a few way. There are a number of players available for the tournament. of them stars of established reputation, as well as some of the gaters who have been making a name for themselves this season, but ulty seems to be that there are not enough men at the Seabright and Cricket Club to run the event.

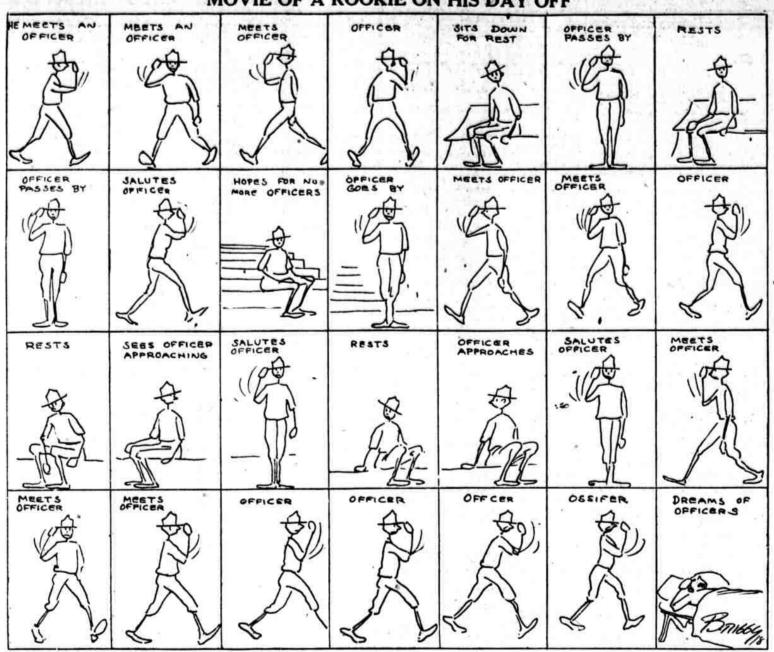
Fine Talent for Classic Events

THE case of the national doubles, Southampton and the nationals. ere is every indication that there will be a wealth of keen tennis play. at present several plans are under consideration which may insure a stars at the tournaments. Announcements are not forthcomthe details, but it is assured that there will be a surprise in store tennis public when the arrangements are completed.

e re-entry of Ichiya Kumagae into tennis in this country has done to liven interest in the sport, and it is predicted by many that now time when the famous assertion by George Brown, of Boston, may He said several years ago that the national championship ore a great while, go to some one from the Far East. Just after Kumagae came to this country, and by his wonderful perave real foundation for the statement.

may not have easy sailing in the coming tournament play. atill a number of high ranking players in this country, and may find it possible to compete for the national hampior

MOVIE OF A ROOKIE ON HIS DAY OFF



SHIPYARDS FORM ATHLETIC BODY

Venture Launched at Meeting Held at the Ritz-Carlton

The Delaware River Shipyards' Athletic Association is the latest and per hans one of the strongest organizations in the sporting world and in its ten shipvards as members of district No. 10 controls some of the most noted athletes in the country. The new venture was launched at a dinner held at the Ritz-Carlton and is really an outgrowth of the Delaware River Shipyards Baseball League. The latter has been a success. due to the untiring efforts of R. C. Samson, of the Merchants' Corporation, of Bristol, and Edgar S. McKaig, secretary

In order to govern all sports through a central body it has been decided to have but one delegate from each of the ten yards and only one other member will be included; that is the secretary of

get together at various occasions and thresh out the problems and perplexities of that individual branch, and in turn make a report to league representatives big body all legislative action

will be taken.

I: was decided, and wisely, that if each yard attended a meeting with a Modelegate or two representing every win-ter sport, football, soever, basketball and All bowling, there would be general conand nothing would be accom-As it now stands all these submodies will discuss their problems, but it will be up to the major organization to polace its stamp of approval or disap-proval on any subject up for discussion. President Samson said: "Under this systen we will be ab'e to conduct all sports in one night. Furthermore, we are giving each branch a full representation of two delegates at each meeting and at the ame time bringing every branch of the

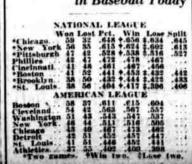
together." Shipyard Basebali League at present is in the throes of a triple tie, ith New York Ship, Chester and Hog Island participants in the deadlock. Chester walloped the daylights out of New York Ship last Saturday and in three innings had run up a score of when rain interfered.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS NATIONAL LEAGUE

AMERICAN LEAGUE . 4; Athletics. 2. and. 5; Athletics. 1 (second game). on. 11; St. Louis, 4. Washington. 3; Chicago, 0. Detroit. 3; New York. 0.

Schedule for Today NATIONAL LEAGUE Cincinnati at Philadelphia-Postponed. Pittsburgh at New York-t louds: 1230 and Louis at Brooklyn-Cloudy: 1:30 and io. Chicago at Boston—Bain: 1:30 and 3:30. AMERICAN LEAGUE Athletics at Cleveland—Clear: 3:30 New York at Detroit—Clear: 2 and 4. Washington at thirago—trari. Boston at St. Louis—Clear: 3:30.

What May Happen in Baseball Today



A. A. U. Investigates Swimming Experts

Chicago, July 31.—Charles A. Dean, nesident of the National A. A. U., and Fred L. Steers, chairman of the Central Association registration committee of the A. A. U., have begon an investigation of charges that three Hawaiian swimming stars had "padded" their \$950 expense account on a recent twelve-day tour of five eities in the Middle West.
Charges were lodged against Duke Kohanamoku, Clarence Lane and Harold Kruger. If the charges are substantiated, it was stated, the swimmers will be harred from competition in the Central States.

Scraps About Scrappers

TUSSIE LEWIS, Johnny Burns's G featherweight star performer, and Lehigh avenue and the program as Preston Brown, the colored marvel, are originally arranged is to be staged this Preston Brown, the colored marvel, are in hard training for their coming six ound battle in the wind-up to a wellbalanced card at the open-air arena of the Cambria Athletic Club, Frankford

Bristol, and Edgar S. McKaig, secretary of the national service section, tenth district.

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Biack Tham Disturbed

Martin Duffy, the Kensington lightwill be included; that is the secretary of the national service section, at present Edgar McKag. This will be eleven votes at a single meeting, and a majority vote by this manager, who has hopes that his protesse will be able to cope with some will determine all halloting.

For each individual sport two other delegates will be allowed, and they will of the leading lightweights in the coun-

Commander Payne, of the United Service Club. 207 South Twenty-second street, has arranged an all-star card for the weekly show on Thursday night. Among the boxers who will be seen in action are Eddie O'Keefe, Willie Houce, Joe Theel, Hattling Murray, Eddie McAndrews, Indian Russell, Joe Philips, Jimmy Green, Young McGovern, Joe Koons, Jimmy Grawford, Kid Gomez, Johnny McLoughlin, Chief Hender, Tommy O'Keefe, Pai Moore Kid Murphy, Lew Stinger, Joe Hisom, Frankie Clark and Young Tierney, All men doing service in the army, navy and marine corps are cordially invited to attend.

Johnny Tillman, the Minneapolis weiter weight, under the management of Herman ("Muggsy") Taylor, the local sportsman has enlisted in the United States army. Tillman had been placed in Class 3-A of the draft on account of being the sole support of his mother, but he waived exemption and immediately enlisted. Tillman recently returned home and he found that all of his friends were away supporting their country, so he thought that he wasn't doing the right thing hy staying at home and he followed the fooisteps of his many friends. Tillman, it will be remembered, fought all of the leading welterweights in the country, including a twenty-round championship battle with Ted (Kid) Lewis, to whom he lost the referee's decisier.

President Frank Navin, of the Detroit Baseball Club, says that he is agreeable to the proposal to terminate the champion-ship season August 20, if other clubs de-sired it.

It has been officially announced that President Tener had called a special meet-ing of the National League baseball club owners to be held at the league's headquar-ters at New York next Saturday at 10 s. m.

Ty Cobb got back into the game yesterday just in time to hammer out a double that scored two runs and incidently non the game for the Tigers against the slipping Yanks. The ultimate count was 3 to 2.

There were only three players on the De-roit team to get hits. Cobb. Yeach and ones. Each got a pair. The Yankees only egotiated four bingles off Boland. All games in the National League were postponed yesterday on account of rain. Each club in Tener's circuit was scheduled to pay a double-header today except the Phillies and Cincinnati, Pat's folks and Matty's men were to have had a holiday this afternoon.

Speaking of toe-holds our Athleties have their feet riveted to last place. They are four full gennes behind St. Louis. The Browns, by the way, only dropped below the Detroit yesterday when they were beaten by Boston by the they count of 11 to 4.

THAM LANGFORD REGRETS DELAY

Veteran Heavy Anxious to Crush Thompson, but Rain Interferes

By JAMES S. CAROLAN Everything was quiet and peaceful at Shibe Park last night. The big fireshipe Park last night. The big fre-works did not explode, for internittent showers served to put the lid on every-thing in a boxing way. However, the gladiators are still in the city, Shibe Park still is at Twenty-first street and

evening. This is the first time this year that a special open-air boxing show has been called off on account of weather condi-tions. When Leon Rains promoted his avenue and Cambria street, on Friday night. A decisive victory over the other means a higher spot in the boxing world, and both men will be out trying and the rain did not appear until the day after

son and hurry back to Boston. al primed for the battle, ready to give Thompson what he termed was to Jack, collect, then depart as Samuel learned the show was off he headed for John Henry Johnson's stable and engaged in a very light workout. He boxed four three-minute rounds and

called it days work. Harry Greb was one boy who didn't seem to be downcast over the postpone-ment. Harry had engaged in a hard battle with Eddle McGoorty at Fort Sheridan last Sautrday afternoon, win-ning the light heavyweight championship of the army and navy. comed the additional day of rest, for he said he believed it would help to make the clever Battling Levinsky

The Battler has been here for the last week, doing most of his work at Clarence Taubel's expensive camp at Riverside, N. J. Jack Britton joined him in a workout at the luxurious Jersey camp yesterday.

Gates Open Early

The eight gates will be thrown open at 6 o'clock and 100 ushers from Pier 19. Vine street wharf, will be on hand early to direct the fans to their seats. Fifty members of the naval police will be stationed on the field and in the stands to avoid a stampede from one section to another.

The Cleveland American League Club has signed Pitcher George McQuillan, of the Columbus American Association Club, and Outfielder Bob Beacher, of Louisville, for the rest of the Passon, McQuillan formerly raped with the Philadelphia and Pittsburgh Nationals, and Beacher with Cincinnati and New York Nationals.

President Frank Navin Baseholi Club.

Brielinger Second in Golf Handicap Bethlehem, N. H., July 31.—F. W. Brielinger, of Philadelphia, playing with a handicap of twelve, recorded 75 net for second p'ace in yesterday's handicap on the Country Club links.

Victory for Shore Railroaders Wildwood, N. J., July 31.—Wildwood lost to Atlantic City Railroad here yea-terday by the score of 4 to 2.

Bar Class 1 Players From Shipyard Teams

Comiskey Opposes Ending Ball Season August 20

Chicago, July 31.
Charles A. Comiskey, president of the Chicago Americans, yesterday Issued a (tatement opposing the suggestion of President Ban Johnson, of the league, to close the season about August 20 and then play the world's series.

"I think we should continue to play until Sentember 1, the date set by Secretary Baker for the suspension of baseball," President Comiskey said. "We are drawing the largest crowds in the Fast in several years, and we should give that section of the country its share of the schedule as originally mapped out."

Clark Griffith, manager and part owner of the Washington club, also is opposed to curtailing the season.

Amateur Baseball

Henry A. A., a first-class home club, has sturdey afternoon open and would like to rrange a game with a first class traveling can of that class. W. H. Kiher, manager, 15. North Sixty-sixth street.

P. R. T. has August 3 and 31 open, and would like to hear from such teams as Bordentown Elma A. A. Pennagrove. Toms River, West Point, Curtis Publishing Company, Potisiown, Kaywood, C. R. U. or any other first-claimer of that caliber having home grounds in Tomayivania, New Jersey and Delaware offering a reasonable guarante. J. Whiteside, manager, 3511 Joyce street.

The Johners, of the Philadelphia Navy Yard, by defeating the strong Aircraft Factory by the store of 9 to 0, are now in line to tackle any first-class teams having home grounds and offering a suitable guarantee. Tom Davis, former hurler for the Wilkes-Barre nine, of the New York State League, pitched the Joiners to victory. The team would like to hear from such clubs as Harrowgate, Frankford Arsenal, Melrose, Wildwood and Pitman. H. H. Pederson, manager, Joiner shop, navy yard.

Brooklyn F. C., a first-class traveling team, has August 3, 17 and 24 open for home teams of that class offering reasonable budgements. D. McCarthy, manager, 4211 Haverford avenue, or phone West 6420 D.

Penn F. C. forfeited to the Ritner B. C. last Saturday. The score had been 16 to 3 and the Penn nine had used three pitchers when they decided that a 9-to-0 defeat would be better than a one-sided trimming.

Peerless C. C., a first-class 16 to 18 year old team, has won thirteen out of seventeen games played to date. The work of Stein-bauser, both on the field and with the bat, featured every game played by the team.

The P. and R. police nine, which has made a good record in this city, disappointed a arge crowd at the Hess-Bright Rall Park, front street and Eric avenue, when it alled to put in an appearance last Saturday fiternoon.

Qunker City A. C. has several Saturday dates open for first-class Leams having home grounds in or out of town offering a suitable guarantee. Robert Armstrong, manager, 438 McKean street.

A fast, hard-hitting outfielder, who is willing to play for the sport of the game only, would like to have a tryout with some fast team. Ballplayer, 738 McKean street.

Kaywood C C, has August 3 open and would like to hear from a first-class travel-ing team of that callber. J. J. Shleids, manager. 2833 Wharton street, or phone Dickinson 3042 between 6 and 7 p. m.

CAUGHT IN THE NET Paul Gibbons, the chairman of the com-mittee, was forced to default to Chow, the Belfield player. Gibbons is suffering from

S. P. Wo, the other Chinese player in the tournament, was dropped by the wayside. He was defeated by R. Hothersoll. The rain caused postponement in the

Charles Watson, the present boys' champion of eastern Pennsylvania, played a great same against Gerald Emerson, of East Orange, in the first round of the Junior tourney. Watson is but fourteen years old. When the rain caused a postponement the score in the first set was 5-4 in Emerson's

C. A. Mattis, of Greenpoint, who nucred Bill Kinksid on Monday, is a to meet Percy Osborne this afternoon is nea's singles.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE PARK PHILLIES VA. CINCINNATI

GOLFERS KNOW LITTLE OF RULES OF THE GAME

Most of Them Will Not Take Time or Trouble to Learn the Laws That Govern the Royal and Ancient Sport

By WILLIAM H. EVANS

ONE of these days the golf rules will be revised. The United States Golf Association will not do it on its own responsibility. A former president has stated that nothing will be done until the Rules of Golf Committee of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews can be consulted, which will not be till after the war. And when that time comes it is hoped that the rules will be rewritten and the phraseology of the rules changed so that a person reading them will be able to grasp the meaning at a glance instead of being obliged to read the rules over and over again. The rules lack clarity. We can get more than one meaning from most of them, and the result of this has been countless arguments, simply because the particular.

First of all, the lost ball rule will be without question changed, and instead of the penalty of losing the hole in match play we will be able to play another ball for the loss of a stroke. Most of us think the stymic ought to go by the board. The great mass of golfers do not like the stymic. In many clubs it is not like the stymic. In many clubs it is absolutely ignorad. But there will be greater difficulty in eliminating the stymic from golf than in adjusting the differences between a lost ball in match and model play. and medal play.

Then if the rules are rewritten and

in language that any player can under-stand without the assistance of a Phila-delphia lawyer the players will take enough time to familiarize themselves

with them.

There are so many new players on the curse nowadays that it is very noticeable at every club. Few of them know anything about the rules of courtesy of the game, simply because they have not taken the time or trouble to read them. And were that the And, worse than that, most of the new comers are not familiar with the simplest rules of the game. They think nothing of putting their foot back of the ball in order to get a good he, they sole their clubs in the bunkers, they pull up things growing that interfere with their shots and they break virtually every rule in the golf book simply because they do not know they are breaking rules.

What Do You Think of This?

At one of the clubs vesterday a player saw one of these new players approach to another green. Then he calmly took out his brassey and was just about to hit the ball when the older player yelled at him. The beginner waited until the other player had run over to him and he learned to his surprise that greens were not intended to be used as tees. Golfers who have played many years break rules every time they play a round. They will not cheat intentionally. They are simply careless and will not take the trouble to get a few of the rules in their head. They press the ground back of their ball, they pick anything

growing that interferes with the shot, they sole their clubs in bunkers and other hazards, they drop balls improp-erly and they do a lot of other things that are not right.

ind done. Here is what he said:
"My goodness, Mr. Hosg, how can you laugh at such an exhibition of sports-manship. The man was a judge, who should have been thoroughly, trained to venerate law and uphold its rulings, whether in court or on a golf course. He represents one of the highest callings

"The very stratum of our civilization is based upon the law and its enforcement, and by enforcing it we learn whether the law is a good one or not. and if bad it is repealed. But, good or had, every true Englishman endwayors to live up to the law while it is on the books. It makes no difference whether to live up to the law while it is on the books. It makes no difference whether it is the law of the land or the law of in sets, 6-4, 4-6, 7-5.

at a glance instead of Deing and the result of this has been countless too much of this 'gentlemen's game' sarguments, simply because the particular rule is not counched in understandable was right, and it's time that we took good look at our individual selves few of our golfing a good look at our individual selves and corrected a few of our golfing

'STEW' VALENTINE SCORES VICTORY

Defeats Brother Miles in Semifinal Round of Boys' Tourney at Cynwyd

MEETS WATSON IN FINAL

By PAUL PREP

"Stew" Valentine, of the Germantown Cricket Club, won the right to meet Charlie Watson, of the West Philadelshia High School, in the final round of the boys' championship of Eastern Penn-sylvania, when he secred a notable tri-umph over his twelve-year-old brother Miles today, on the courts of the Cynwyd Club. Stew won in straight sets, 6-1,

This match began vesterday, but the heavy rain caused a postponement when the score stood in games 4-3 in the second set. The first set was won by Stewart. The players were wont to leave the court, and continued to play until they were ringing wet. Wiser heads revailed upon them to wait until today They reported at the club very early this morning, anxious to get going. It was necessary for them to wait until some one arrived to referee the match. "Stew" continued his great playing of yesterday, and won the necessary two games to get the second and deciding set, while Miles was winning one. The scores were 6-4, 6-4.

The final match in the boys' tourney between Charlie Watson and Stewart Valentine will be played tomorrow afternoon. The winner of this match will then represent this district in the boys national championship at New York next

that are not right.

Jack Hoag writes golf for one of the Chicago papers and he tells a story of a match in which a Judge played and in which he broke any number of golf rules. In the same match was an Englishman and he was indignant when the other players laughed at what the Judge that the rain may force a state of the same match was finished. Play in the junior and senior tourneys is scheduled to be continued this afternoon, but it is possible that the rain may force a month.

LOCAL GAME CALLED ON ACCOUNT OF RAIN

the bench he administers justice to those who come before him. That man actually stepped on the grass behind his ball, and he insisted that we give him a putt that he did not make.

"The very stratum of our civilization" The game scheduled to take place

Tennis at Shore

Atlantic City, July 31.—Play continued yesterday in the ladies handicap tennis tournament on the courts of the Atlantic City Yacht Club. Miss Edith Sullivan

