

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

Tener 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

DESPITE the critical situation which now stares them in the face, American and National League moguls are getting along like a couple of wild-eyed cats and are as close and friendly as a pair of mile posts.

Here is a sample of the smooth work now being perpetrated by the big league chiefs: Last Sunday President Tener addressed the rural scribes in Salisbury, Mass., telling them there would be no world series this year.

The Blustering Ban Johnson cleared his throat and boldly announced he was in favor of closing the big league season on August 20 and devoting the remaining eleven days of grace to staging a world series.

And now the plot fattens, as they say at the club. Barney Dreyfus, the insurgent from Pittsburgh, who goes to the mat with the schedule each year, emitted a howl which carried through the smoke of his native village and inferred that Ban Johnson was talking through his hat or something.

The National League would continue until September 2, should Barney, and he didn't care a whoop when the American closed down.

But No Battle Royal Is Scheduled

HOWEVER, there is no cause for alarm. There will be no battle royal nor will the owners stick their faces in each other's fists.

The hope is that the big series will be played next month. It is the only logical way out of it and the fans will be glad to see the annual fuss between the big leagues.

Derby Bill Clymer, who was supposed to have finished years ago, and Ray Lajole, who managed Indianapolis this year, in addition he purchased Big Fred Toney and some other players from the brush and the team is beginning to look like a good one.

Willard May Meet Dempsey on Labor Day, Is Latest Dream

ACCORDING to the latest nightmare from N'Yawk, Jess Willard may meet Jack Dempsey for the heavyweight title on Labor Day.

There are 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.

It would be the greatest thing in the world for boxing if Willard took a tumble and retired from the ring for good and all.

In nearly four years he has boxed only once, and that was a ten-round exhibition against Frank Moran, who admits he is a bum boxer.

Trying to Make Tennis Tournaments Success

EVERY effort is being made by the United States National Lawn Tennis Association to make the tennis fixtures this season a success.

It has long been established in tennis circles that the big tournaments of the year were Seabright, Newport, Southampton, and then the nationals.

Just how much of a tournament will be held at Seabright is something of a question even now, with the scheduled date of starting only a few days away.

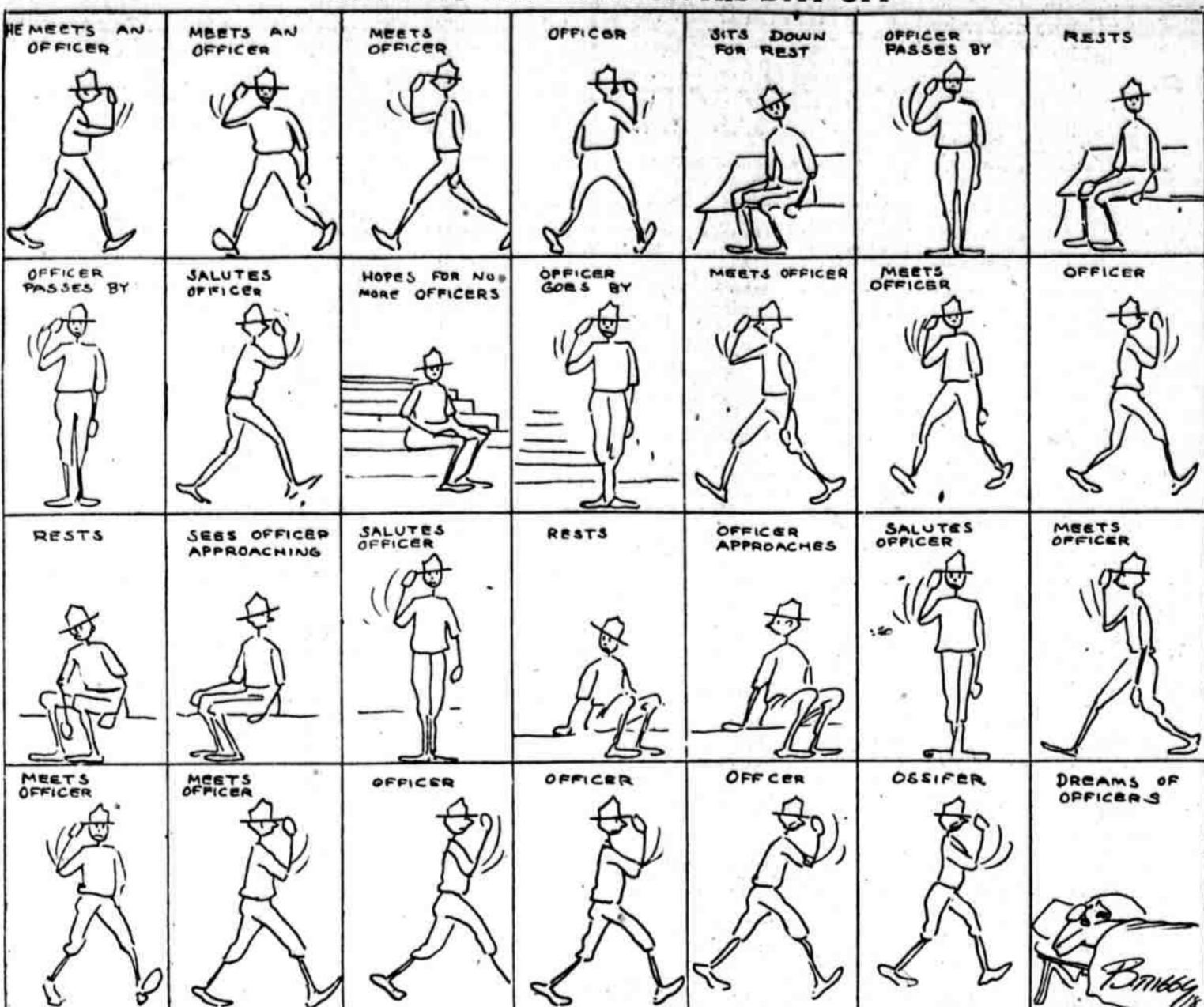
Fine Talent for Classic Events

THE case of the national doubles, Southampton and the nationals, there is every indication that there will be a wealth of keen tennis play.

There are several plans are under consideration which may insure a number of stars at the tournaments. Announcements are not forthcoming of the details, but it is assumed that there will be a surprise in store for the tennis public when the arrangements are completed.

The re-entry of Ichihya Kumagata into tennis in this country has done much to liven interest in the sport, and it is predicted by many that now the time when the famous assertion by George Brown, of Boston, may come true.

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 perhaps one of the strongest organizations in the sporting world and in its ten shipyards as members of district No. 10 controls some of the most noted athletes in the country.

Ten yards have been awarded franchises, namely Merchants, Hog Island, Chester, Sun, New York Ship, Harlan & Hollingsworth, Pusey & Jones, of Wilmington; Cramps and Pusey & Jones, of Gloucester.

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.

For each individual sport two other delegates will be allowed, and they will get together at various occasions and through out the problems and perplexities of that individual branch, and in turn make a report to league representatives.

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The Shipyard Baseball League at present is in the throes of a triple tie, the New York Ship, Chester and Hog Island participants in the deadlock.

Yesterday's Results

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A. A. U. Investigates Swimming Experts

Chicago, July 31.—Charles A. Dean, president of the National A. A. U., and Fred L. Steers, chairman of the Central A. A. U., have begun an investigation of the Cambridge Athletic Club, Frankford, Pa., which has been accused of having "budded" their 2500 expert swimmers to the Cambridge Athletic Club.

Scrap About Scappers

GREVILLE LEWIS, Johnny Burns's featherweight star performer, and Preston Brown, the colored marvel, are in hard training for their coming six-round battle in the wind-up to a well-balanced card at the opera arena of the Cambridge Athletic Club, Frankford, Pa., on Friday night.

Freddy Williams, of Bristol, who gave Max Williamson, of this city, two hard fights, and Johnny Morgan, of Kensington, will be seen in action in the semifinal.

Big Sam Langford, genial colored brawler, was the most disappointed warrior. Sam was anxious to dispose of Thompson and hurry back to the States.

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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 fireworks did not explode, for intermittent showers served to put the lid on everything in a boxing way.

This is the first time this year that a special open-air boxing show has been called off on account of weather conditions.

The stellar attraction is still with us, and there is certain to be plenty of excitement at the home of the Mackinnon gladiators are still in the city, Shibe Park still is at Twenty-first street and Lehigh avenue and the program as originally arranged is to be staged this evening.

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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.

The Lost Ball Rule

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.

Then if the rules are rewritten and in language that any player can understand without the assistance of a Philadelphia lawyer the players will take enough time to familiarize themselves with them.

There are so many new players on the course 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.

At one of the clubs yesterday a player saw one of these new players approach to another green. Then he calmly took out his brassie and was just about to take a shot when the other player yelled at him.

Golfers who have played many years break rules every time they play a round. They will not cheat intentionally, but they are simply careless and will not take the trouble to get a few of the rules in their head.

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 looked a good number of golfers in the same match when an Englishman and he was indignant when the other players laughed at what the Judge had done.

The match today between the two Valentine youngsters was the only one played, as rain began to fall shortly before this match was finished.

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