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HIGH-CLASS FORM SHOWN BY MARINES IN EARLY PRACTICE

Head of Eighty Drills Under Coach "By" Dickson and Wonderful Condition of Men Justifies Tutor in Giving Them Intensive Training Now

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger

JUST look over that flock of football material. Said "By" Dickson yesterday, "and let me know if there is any squad in the country that so many trained men. Watch them go through preliminary drill and notice their condition when the practice is over. You will be sur-

Dickson, who is the old Penn football coach and now holds the position of athletic director at League Island Navy Yard, had the proper dope.

He was absolutely right in every particular. I never have seen more able-bodied men trying for a football team and the strenuous practice, which lasted an hour, seemed to take about the same physical exertion as walking across the street. They were just as fresh at the end as when they started.

The Marines are playing football this year, and Dickson has so many candidates he doesn't know what to do with them. They are real soldiers—every one of them—and each is eager to make the team. The practice is spirited throughout and the coach never has to urge his men to put on extra steam. They do everything as if they mean it, and when they charge down the field it is with the same spirit of aggressiveness that the boys over there charge a German stronghold.

Early Practice No Hardship for a Marine

BUT the hour's workout was a revelation to me and I was frankly surprised. I have seen hundreds of football squads in the throes of the early practice grind and noticed how the men dragged themselves off the field like a gang of section hands after a hard day's work. The first couple of weeks of the season the coaches must work their men carefully to get them in physical shape to withstand the hard work to come. In other words, the first two weeks usually are devoted to conditioning the players and little real football is taught.

With the Marines, however, it is different. Uncle Sam sees that all of his men are physically fit, and the work of these gridiron candidates speaks for the training system used in the United States army. Every man who is accepted by the Marines is kept on the job from morning until night and he MUST be as hard as nails within a month or so. For that reason Coach Dickson is not worrying about the strength of his men and is starting right in to teach intensive football. He is beating the college coaches by at least two weeks and his team will be ready for hard games before the middle of October.

Yesterday morning the parade ground presented a busy scene. In one corner a squad of soldiers went through signal drill, and nearby was another squad which took up the regulation calisthenic exercises. In the middle of the field were more than 100 men wearing boxing gloves, who were put through the paces by Frank Baker, a Y. M. C. A. instructor. The men worked pretty hard, for Baker had them standing on their knees and kicking their legs in the air when they were resting.

EVERY ONE seemed to be indulging in some form of exercise, which demonstrates more than anything else the idea of the United States Government in keeping the fighting men in fighting shape.

Display Surprisingly Good Early Season Form

THE football men were on the far corner of the field, where there was a more room. A squad of eighty men kicked the ball around under the supervision of Coach Dickson and Lieutenant John MacNamara, the manager and officer in charge. At first the men ran down under punts in pairs. Tom Dougherty, the old Penn halfback, did the punting and four men were on the job to catch the ball. No tackling was tried, the candidates running down the field and keeping on the outside of the ball until it was caught.

This drill continued for fifteen minutes, and then came a session of passing practice. The men were placed in line alongside the center and each one ran in turn to catch the ball. The majority showed surprisingly good form for so early in the season and the work was satisfactory.

Dickson's next stunt was to place the men in a circle and pass the ball around so the candidates would get accustomed to handling it. Then came the charging exercise, which is considered one of the toughest forms of football practice. The men line up across the field and run for five yards, coming to a sudden stop. As soon as they get into position they run five more yards, and keep it up for about ten minutes.

I EXPECTED to see half of the squad fall out after the third charge, but to my surprise every man acted as if it was the easiest work in the world. A run around the field completed the practice.

Will Find It Hard to Select Varsity Team

WHILE Coach Dickson will not be bothered weeding out the weaklings from his squad, he will find it difficult to select his "varsity" teams. There are so many men on the field and the practice period is so short he must devote all of his time to those who have played the game before. He has no time to coach the candidates who know nothing of the game. These men, however, will be drilled by a corps of assistants and can play on the various company teams which are being formed.

Through the kindness of Major Arthur B. Owens, regimental adjutant, football candidates are permitted to drill from 11 until 12 every morning. This will continue until the squad is cut down, and later the men will work from 3 to 5 in the afternoon. A schedule is being arranged by Lieutenant MacNamara and an effort will be made to play as many service games as possible. It is probable that the First Naval District, at Boston; the Second, from Newport; the Third, from Pelham Bay, and the Fifth, which is coached by Lou Young at Hampton Roads, will be on the schedule. The Marines also are anxious to meet the ambulance unit of Allentown and with out the defeat of last year.

Lieutenant MacNamara is not acquainted with all of the men on the squad, but he gave out the list of the following: Dougherty, of Penn; Bradley, Wisconsin; Shoneberg, Philadelphia; Haslett, Northeast; Lord, University of Chicago; Hannon, Northeast; Mauer, Rochester University; McLaughlin, Villanova; Lima, Minnesota; Head, West Coast Marines; Decker, Cornell; Perrell, Cleveland A. C.; Hope, Minnesota; Peacock, Kansas; Aggie, Metzger, Canton; Scott, Kansas; Bruce, Minnesota; Swenson, Minneapolis H. S.; Jaekler, Marquette Academy; Hascell, Wisconsin; Egan, Oberlin; Ryan, Chicago; Goin, Kansas City H. S.; Mike Wilson, Danberg; Pierce, Georgia Tech; F. Wilson, University of California; Sheffield, St. Mary's; Powers, Butte H. S.; Butler, Emory University; Sacher, Pittsburgh H. S.; Harmon, Milliken University; Reynolds, Washington University; Enchede, Forest Groves; McGraw, a local high school; Pefaur, Washington University; Green, Ohio University; Billy Garlow, Chief Garlow, Carlisle; Gardner, University of Chicago, and Wood, Anneton.

Major Owens Hands Boost to Football

FOOTBALL is not frowned upon by the marine officials. Instead, it is considered a high-class sport, which provides the necessary exercise for men in the service.

Major Owens, who is a broad-minded man and is constantly looking out for the welfare of his soldiers, approves of the game and made it possible to play it this fall.

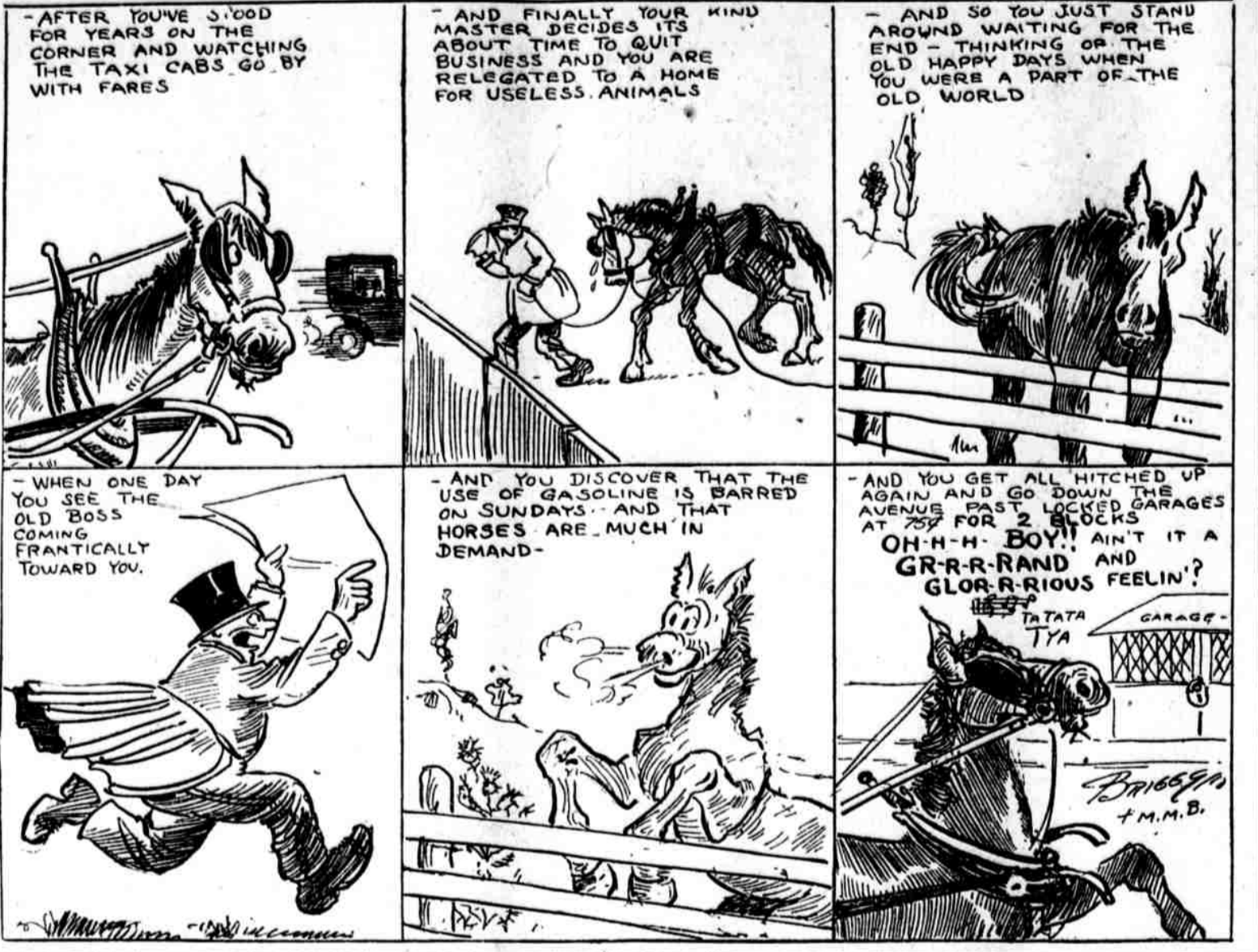
"I never have played the game myself," he said, "but I realize its value for military men. It is purely a military game, for the opposing teams are equally striving to gain ground. They launch their attacks at the weak points and carry on a miniature battle on the gridiron. Flank movements are executed, the players obey every command without the slightest hesitation, and the discipline is perfect.

The game also teaches the men resourcefulness—how to think quickly and act on the spot—and they get that courage which comes only from personal experience. I hope to see a good team turned out from the marine barracks and will do all in my power to help the game along."



"BY" DICKSON

AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?



SHIPYARD SOCCER STARTS OCT. 12

Seven Teams in League and Rules Say Players Must Be Signed 14 Days

THE OPENING CONTESTS

At a meeting of the Delaware River Shipyard Soccer League held at the Adolphus Hotel last evening it was decided to inaugurate the season on Saturday afternoon, October 12. The league is made up of seven clubs and the final make-up is as follows: Merchant Shipping Corporation, of Harriman; New York Shipbuilding Company, of Camden; Chester Ship, of Chester; Hog Island, of Wilmington; Pusey & Jones, of Gloucester; and San Company, of Chester. The schedule for the season has been placed in the hands of the league committee, but the opening games are announced as follows: Sun at Pusey & Jones; Merchant at Chester; Harlan at New York Ship.

The following delegates attended: Ship Sun, At Rabie; Harlan, Plan, Wilmington; J. Gilmore; Chester, Joe Oxley; Pusey & Jones, William Clark; Merchant Shipbuilding Corporation, Jasper Campbell; New York Ship, George A. Bove; Hog Island, L. R. Davidson.

The bylaws were adopted and the rules say a player must be signed two weeks before he is eligible to play. A committee of three was appointed by President Billy Reid to prepare a budget covering the season's expenditures.

The Delaware River Shipyard's Athletic Association also met at the same place and little business of importance occupied the attention of the delegates. The doings of the soccer body to date have raised the basketball season coming near at hand it was decided to turn this branch of sport over to Henry Galliter, of Chester, for supervision, and boxing was left to John Thomas, Jr., of Pusey & Jones. As the Cramp Athletic Association has disbanded that yard was considered automatically dropped from membership in the organization.

The many athletic activities of the Hog Island Athletic Association are now in full swing. A big athletic meet is booked for Saturday. On Sunday afternoon the soccer team meets the Merchant Team B. On the following Sunday, October 5, the Rugby football eleven plays Sun, and on October 7 the Hotel Barracks, containing 2000 single rooms, the largest hotel in America, will be opened. The new gymnasium will be thrown open with a dance on the 9th, and the first boxing show will be held October 17. The arena has a seating capacity of 1875.

ERCH and Light Prospects. As far as material goes, Folwell's best prospect is Joe Straus, the hard hitting halfback, who was such a sensation in the big game last year. For other backfield positions the Mullica Hills farmer will have Walter Rosneau, sub-quarterback; Milton Zucker, freshman halfback; Bob Crawley, freshman halfback; Bunny Lerch, erstwhile Lafayette leader and sub-quarterback last season, and possibly Hobeby Light, another star from the 1917 eleven.

For ends Folwell has Ed Weil, sub wingman on the 1917 varsity, and Alex Parkmakis, the freshman end. The following are available on the line: Doc Cook, varsity guard; Bill Wolfe, Neylou and Wharton, scrummen last year, and McNichol, Withington and Supple, from the freshman eleven.

Villanova Athlete Commissioned. Scranton, Pa., Sept. 26.—James Murray, first baseman for the Villanova team and a well-known local ball player, has been awarded a commission as second lieutenant in the United States army and has been ordered to report at West Point, Mass.

SWARTHMORE TO PLAY. Little Quakers Will Have Varsity Football Squad—Plan Two Trips

Swarthmore, Pa., Sept. 26.—Swarthmore College will play a complete schedule of football this season. This decision has just been rendered by the athletic council in the following statement: After due consideration of the time needed for practice and trips permission has been granted to the management to carry out its schedule.

Only two trips of any length are contemplated—one to York, Pa., on November 2 to meet Gettysburg and the trip to Providence on November 9, when Swarthmore will play the first time meet Brown University of the gridiron.

FOOTBALL PRACTICE AT OLD PENN TODAY

Game Will Be Played Solely as Part of Military Program

FOLWELL TO COACH

THE inaugural practice of the second wartime football season will be staged at Franklin Field this afternoon when Penn candidates meet Bob Folwell for their first instructions at 3 o'clock. A survey of the available material shows that at least fifteen players who have been taught Folwell football will be ready for the call. Among these are five men from the varsity squad of 1917, one of whom was a regular. The others are freshmen from last season, or scrub players.

For a wartime prospect Penn is not a poor bet and despite the difficulties under which drills will be held it is believed that Folwell will be able to turn out a team that will compare favorably with any in this section.

Two Drills Saturday. Two practices will be held Saturday and Sunday on Monday. Thereafter one drill daily will be the limit for the regular military roster starts on Tuesday morning. Major Charles T. Griffith, the military commander, has set aside an hour and a half from 4:30 to 6 in the afternoon for sports and this will give the coaches a fair amount of time to develop the candidates.

The first game of the season, that with Franklin and Marshall on October 5, which was believed to have been cancelled, will be played as originally scheduled. The Lafayette game also is sure, but there is uncertainty expressed about the others. If the other institutions on the schedule list continue athletics, the games will be played. As far as Penn is concerned the contests will be staged as listed.

Plans for the football season were shaped at a meeting of the football committee, of which George Harrison Frazier is the chairman, in Dean McClellan's office in Logan Hall yesterday. At that time it was announced that Folwell took a considerable cut in salary, but was willing to make the financial sacrifice in view of the fact that expenses must be kept to a minimum.

Golden Spier won the 2:11 track, the feature event on the program of the Columbus Grand Circuit meeting yesterday. It required six heats to decide the winner.

Billy Kopf, former shortstop on the Cincinnati National League team, has been notified to report for the national army. He will train at Camp Greenleaf, Ga., beginning October 20.

Willie Honpe, the bakline billiard player, defeated J. Edward Clarkson, of Boston, in a near benefit exhibition of 18, a bakline billiard last evening, in Brooklyn, by the score of 300 to 90.

Flashers From Sport World Served Short. Miss Marie Wagner and Miss Clara Cassel, winners of the recent New York State lawn tennis doubles championship, will oppose each other in the final round of the Park Hill Country Club tourney at South Yonkers, today. Miss Cassel advanced by defeating Mrs. Ingo Hartman 6-4, 6-4; while Miss Wagner eliminated Mrs. Edward V. Lynch, 6-4, 6-1.

The W. P. Frott Club defeated the Dalton C. C. by the score of 3-2 in a hard-fought thirteen-inning game yesterday. This makes twenty-five of its nearly-seven games played by the Frott men.

Miss Violet Miller, of Baltusrol, won the one-day golf tournament of the Women's Metropolitan Golf Association, at Baltusrol, New York. Miss Miller returned a card of 92.

The final game of the basketball series between the Great Lakes Naval Training team and the Norfolk team, at the former's grounds, was called off yesterday owing to the epidemic of Spanish influenza. Football practice also will be curtailed, but the team will be permitted to take the trip to New City next Saturday.

Red Murray, of Elmira, former right-fielder for the New York Giants, left his home yesterday to report to the Great Lakes Naval Training Station. He enrolled in the naval reserves several weeks ago, but was not called for duty until last week.

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Calder Wins Title. Defeats Taft in Final of Paper Trade Tourney. A. Calder, of New York, sprang a decided surprise when he defeated R. B. Taft, also of New York, in the final round of the annual tournament of the National Paper Trade Association at Whitehurst yesterday, 4 up and 2 to play. Perhaps the result was less of an upset than the players themselves thought it was for the other contestants. Calder decided far below his true form in the qualifying round, and although he had improved in the first and semifinal rounds, it was not until he met Taft in the final that he struck his stride. In addition he had the satisfaction of knowing that he had beaten Taft once before this season, and he properly argued that what he had done before he could do again, and he proceeded to do it.

GERMANTOWN TO BOOST INTERSCHOOL SPORTS. After a two days' session, the Germantown High School Athletic Council, composed of faculty and students, has decided to take all in their power to continue athletics and foster interschool sport, taking the stand that it was essential in turning out good soldiers.

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MURRAY TO PLAY AT WILMINGTON

National Singles Champion and Others Will Aid Red Cross

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The Wilmington Country Club will stage one of the most attractive tennis programs of the entire season on its courts next Saturday. The club enjoys an enviable reputation as a host, and when the annual Delaware State championship was called off this year it was a great disappointment to the followers of tennis in this section.

Robert Lindley Murray, the national champion; W. T. Tilden, 2d, and Vincent Richards, the national doubles champions and runner-up in the national singles and national boys champion, respectively, are to participate, as also are Ichihy Kikumage, Beals Wright and Wallace E. Johnson, of Camp Crane, Allentown. So from this roster the club is sure to present the classiest tennis program that has been shown in this section this season.

Chick Johnson, manager of Harvey Thorpe, the former Kansas City lightweight, but now of Hog Island, would like to match his champion against all of the leading lightweights in the country, from Benny Leonard down.

George Chip, of Newcastle, and Johnny (Mutch) O'Hagan, of Philadelphia, will be the contenders in the final part of a double win-up at the National A. A. on Saturday night. Battling with Tommy Ferguson will meet in the first part of the double final.

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LEONARD-LEWIS BOUT RECEIPTS WERE \$34,024

It was announced today that the receipts at the night-club boxing bout between Lightweight Champion Benny Leonard and Ted ("Kid") Lewis, the welterweight, at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York on Monday night, amounted to \$34,024. Benny Leonard received 25 per cent of the receipts, or \$11,908, while the welterweight king received 25 per cent, or \$11,000, for going through twenty-four minutes of unsatisfactory work.

DEMPESEY HOLDS FIRST WORKOUT FOR BIG FIGHT

Star Heavyweight Begins Training at Leiperville for Levinvsky Session. Jack Dempsey has started work for the big fight. The sensational fight between the heavyweight champion and the Russian was expected to be an advertisement for Philadelphia. His training at Leiperville now is less than two weeks away and the big fellow plans to leave nothing undone in his training. He wants to make his Philadelphia debut a pronounced success, and when he enters the ring against the spiffy Levinvsky at the Olympia on the night of October 9 he intends to be prepared.

Dempsey is making his headquarters at Promoter Dougherty's Colonial Hotel, Leiperville. A twenty-four-foot ring has been erected in the open air and it is there that the western gladiator will do his work. Hundreds of workmen saw him in action yesterday. The Eddystone plant of the Baldwin Locomotive Works is nearby, and at noon hour the sport-loving laborers came over to gaze upon the latest boxing sensation.

Dempsey is an unknown quantity to Quaker City fans. He never has appeared here, and the nearest he ever got to fighting in this city was at Newark, when he topped Fred Fulton in two rounds. Levinvsky is a clever fellow and one certain to prove troublesome. An all-star card will precede the heavyweight wind-up, the remainder of the show is still in the making, but it promises to be a strong boxing program.

Scrap about Scrappers. HERMAN (MUGGSY) TAYLOR referee of the Atlantic City Sporting Club, has arranged a double win-up for tomorrow night's weekly show. In the first part Henry Hauber, the local welterweight, will meet under way met work, the opening game being booked for Wednesday evening, October 2. Games will be played on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, with a Friday and Saturday other important games will be scheduled and announced. The opening games on Wednesday are between Nevada and Cherokee and Senka and Seminole.

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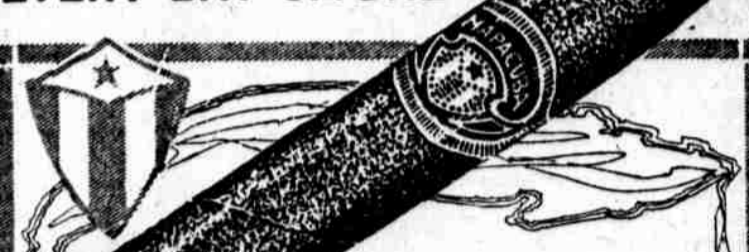
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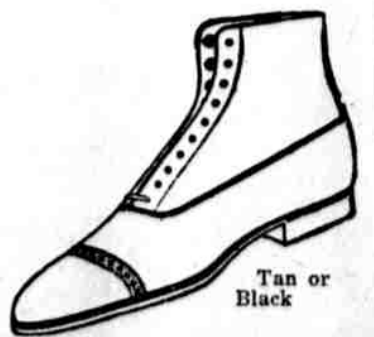
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