

## HOW IT READS: LAUGH AND THE WORLD LAUGHS WITH YOU, SNEEZE AND YOU SNEEZE ALONE

### "MYSTERY" ATHLETE NOW IN CHARGE OF NEWPORT NAVYTEAM

Cupid Black's Former Protégés Should Make Good on Gridiron This Season With Eccentric Fred Walker, Late of Williams College, Tutoring Eleven

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ONE of the unique characters in the sporting world is Fred Walker, recently appointed athletic director at the naval training station at Newport, R. I. Walker is well known in baseball circles, having pitched in the big leagues, jumped to the Peds and then to the minors, but in football he was more or less a stranger. Last year, however, he took the job as coach of the Williams team and finished the season with a clean slate. He did not lose a game.

Walker now has charge of the gridiron squad at Newport, made famous by Cupid Black, Charley Barrett, Bernie Gerrish and Schlaeter last year. He is working hard to turn out a first-class team and the chances are he will succeed.

Several years ago, while twirling for Syracuse, Walker became known as the "Mysterious Mitchell" because of his eccentricities. He could talk himself into any job and out of any difficulty and convince his audience that he was the greatest thing that ever happened. Confidence was Walker's chief asset, and although some critics said he "didn't have a thing" while on the mound, he was good enough to win twenty-five games for Reading in 1916 and get back into the majors. He would frankly admit he is the greatest pitcher that ever wore shoe leather, and then go out and hurl a whale of a game just to prove it. No one knows how he did it, but he invariably won.

The same applied to his football coaching. No one knew how he got away with it, but the Williams team last year started out with a victory over Rensselaer, walloped Cornell and ended with a 20-to-6 win over Amherst in the closing game. He developed Boynton, the great quarterback, and taught his men a bewildering attack which baffled all opponents. And yet, "he didn't have a thing."

Now this mysterious guy is at the Second Naval Training Station with a flock of excellent material on hand. He is busy with the team, already has won a game and probably will come through with another sensation before the season is over. Just watch his smoke.

*HELL tell you what a wonder he is and then go out and prove it, but you can't tell how he does it.*

**Eastern Football Managers Should Adopt Western System**

MANAGERS of football teams in the East should follow the example set by their brethren in the West and arrange their schedules for November. Instead of taking the count and worrying themselves to death over the new S. A. T. C. rulings, the westerners calmly went to work, got some order and system out of the chaotic conditions and arranged six high-class contests which will settle the supremacy in that section of the country.

Football today is in the same condition as baseball early in the summer. It will be remembered that the big league magnates just waited for further developments after the work-or-fight order had been issued and made no attempt to straighten things out until it was too late. It seems that the college authorities, with their superior knowledge, should get together and arrange their affairs according to Colonel Bee's orders, which are as plain as anything could be.

There can be no games in October which will take the students away from the campus longer than from noon Saturday until 10 p. m. Every one knows that. Then, why doesn't some one arrange games for this month with teams that can comply with that order? Why worry about a game with a college situated four or five hours away when it's a cinch the battle never will be played?

Then we have the November ruling, which allows teams to travel on two Saturdays. It shouldn't be hard to arrange contests for November 2, 8, 14, 21 and 30 with high-class elevens, just the same as was done in the West.

*I N THE East every one is waiting until the last minute to make up a schedule, and the chances are that quite a few colleges will be stung.*

**Sports Must Help in Liberty Loan Drive**

GENERAL PERSHING'S well-trained forwards have smashed the Hindenburg line for a good gain and now have the ball within striking distance of the goal line. For months this game has been progressing on the other side, with every man doing his share and then some.

It is the duty of every man and woman to back up those brave boys with Liberty Bonds. Buy to the utmost. These words mean much and very far, and it seems unnecessary to repeat them. Yet they will be repeated thousands of times in the next week, for the nail must be driven home in America the same as on the battlefield.

Sports have done much in the past to lend a hand, and sports must do more at this time. Our fighting men fight to the limit and then add just a little bit more to insure a complete victory. If you believe you have reached your limit, just try to squeeze in another bond or two, for you not only will be helping your Government and the men in the trenches, but also yourself. The security is the best in the world and you will be given liberal interest. Think it over.

**THE flu epidemic has kept the followers of sport in the background in this city, but such is not the case in New York. At the Jamaica race track \$900,000 was subscribed up to yesterday, and the figures will pass the million mark before the end of the week.**

**Season Over, Ball Players Desert Bethlehem**

WE ARE not perfect, and no matter how hard some ball players are working to prove they are essentials, some few usually step in and grab the act. At the Bethlehem steel plant at Steelton some fifteen big league ball players signed up for the season. They worked and played ball for good salaries, but when the games were finished their bonuses also stopped. Did they continue their work in the steel mill and help the Government? They did NOT. Out of the gang of high-priced stars only four now remain. They are Manager George Cockill, Steve Yerkes, Shorty Miller and Bobby Clark. The absent heroes should be remembered when big league baseball starts again.

Still, no one can be blamed but the official at the steel plant. The ball players were offered huge salaries and in some cases more than they were receiving on big league clubs. They naturally signed contracts and beat it for the tall and uncus as soon as the big pay stopped.

*NOTHING like that has happened on Hog Island, because athletes are run differently by Admiral Bouclos and his assistants.*

**Battling Nelson Sends Out Call for Help**

BATTLING NELSON, famous lightweight champion of the receiving type, was nailed by the influenza and now is critically ill at his home in Chicago. Nelson piled up a big fortune during his fighting career, but now that he is temporarily down he has appealed to his friends for aid. But wants it known that he does not seek charity, but merely would like to have a few of the boys to whom he claims he distributed \$250,000 call around and repay part of it. All we can do is wish the Battler luck.

Nelson at one time was a big shareholder in the city of Hegewisch, Ill. The Battler now claims he has not enough money to pay his hospital bill, and that his father, who has control of his property, refuses to aid him.

**IN ADDITION to the Battler's serious financial condition, it is learned that he is threatened with pneumonia. None too pleasant for the one-time champion.**

THE race track men are supporting every patriotic movement liberally and willingly. Jamaica is working overtime to do its share in making the Liberty Loan drive a success. In less than two weeks the million-dollar mark has been passed, and now the boosters of the game are out to reach the two-million mark. The race horse owners contributed liberally, and even the jockeys purchased all they thought they could afford, then just a few more.

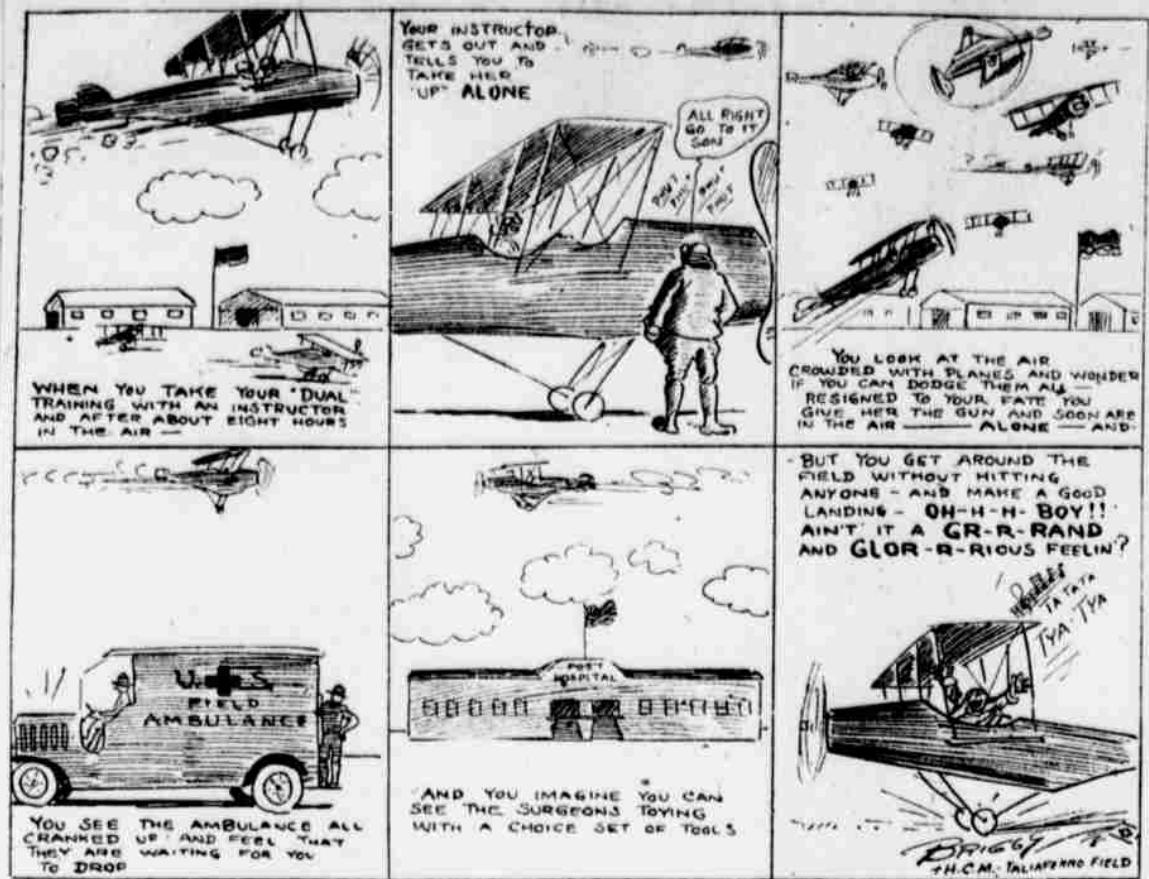
Down at Laurel no such concerted drive has been made, but the Maryland owners plan to aid a war charity. When Billy Kelly meets Eternal next week, it is believed the Red Cross will be the beneficiary to the extent of \$50,000.

Each owner and the Laurel officials will put up \$10,000, and all have agreed to turn it over to the Red Cross.

SUMMER continues to ride successfully at Laurel. Yesterday he had another good day, registering three winners. This makes six winners, one place and one show winner in two days. W. J. Kilmer, the Binghamton, N. Y., turfman and owner of Sun Bris, last year's celebrated two-year-old, has procured the services of this sensational jockey.

The death of Matty Baldwin, noted lightweight, in Charlestown, Mass., yesterday, marks the passing of another classy fighter. The influenza made boy for its victim. Baldwin's last fight was against Charley

### AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?



### HUTCHISON TIPS ON LONG DRIVING

Points Ball Upward With Wind and Downward Against Stiff Breeze

EXPERT FROM THE TEE

#### Seaview Golf Club Wants an Inn License

**By WILLIAM H. EVANS**  
NORTH HILLS has fostered more unique tournaments than any other Philadelphia golf club. One of the first was a tournament for left-handed players. Another was an affinity tournament, which later was displaced by a husband and wife tourney. Still another was a turkey match.

On Monday the club will hold a tournament which will be restricted to clergymen, and any minister or priest belongs to a club affiliated with the American Association of Philadelphia eligible to enter. The Rev. Dr. Arthur Webb is handling the tournament for the club, and any clergymen who has not been called on the phone and invited to enter should call Doctor Webb, whose telephone number is Poplar 2456.

**Ideal Day for Tourney**

There seems to be a singular agreement about driving a ball the distance frequently made of prominent golfers is how they get distance. Every golfer seems proud of any achievement along this line and I know myself how a feeling of self-glorified pride swept over me when one of my golf friends told me that he had driven farther on a long hole on the old Elm course in Chicago than any one had ever done before. I must say, however, that I usually consider the easiest man to beat in a match is the long driver. A long drive is certainly a mark of ability and consequently forces himself to the utmost to get yardage. The result all too frequently is that such a player sacrifices rhythm and usually displays a decided tendency to hook or slice.

This last is a particularly bad example of using strength at the expense of accuracy. I remember well an old gentleman who never drove more than from 100 to 125 yards who used to an especial delight in inveigling some stalwart young college boy into a match. The youngster would usually look with a smile of disdain on the contest, but that was only at the start.

**Outdistance Veterans**

They would step up to the ball and, with a mighty effort, get twice the distance of the veterans, but when they variably took their measure and enjoyed a good laugh on them in the finish because his 100-yard drive always went the right direction while they, with alarming frequency, landed in the rough.

The tournament will be for the American Elm Course, and will be an eighteen-hole championship. The entries will play either on the first or the second day of the tournament.

Doctor Webb says there are between twenty-five and thirty clerical golfers in the city, and hopes to get them all to enter. The Rev. Dr. Frankford

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