IT WILL TAKE AN EXPERT TO FALL OFF THE WATER WAGON DURING THE SPRINT THROUGH 1920

REAL TRADE BRINGS RELIEF TO BASEBALL AFTER BIG SQUABBLE

Deal Between Red Sox and Washington Comes as Agreeable Surprise and Pushes Aside Internal Friction Between Johnson and Three Musketeers

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PIG league baseball furnished a real thrill yesterday when it was announced that the Red Sox had traded two players to Washington for three others. and money wasn't mentioned. It was one of those common, ordinary trades we used to read about and probably will not mean much to either club, but the news was so different from the stuff dished out in the last four months that it came as an agreeable surprise.

A stranger who knew nothing of baseball and followed the activities of the American League magnates since October would imagine the game was played with law books, brass knuckles and knockout drops, and the meetings were like those held by the porch climbers' union. That utterly foolish scrap in the league is getting tiresome and the public doesn't care to read any more about it. Johnson still leads by the score of 5 to 3, and it will take some mighty good legal talent to reverse the decision. Five always was larger than three.

Therefore, the first real honest-to-goodness trade, which involved Bobby Roth and Maurice Shannon on one side and Mike Menosky, Harry Harper and Rube Foster on the other, came as a welcome relief. It shows that the managers are thinking of something else besides internal strife and are on the job to try to strengthen their ball clubs. If a few more trades are anpounced and some real baseball news handed out, the battle between Ban Johnson and the Three Musketeers will be ushered out of the picture, where it belongs.

Baseball had a prosperous season in 1919 and it looks like the same funncial success next year. However, everybody will lose interest if the squabble is not settled one way or the other in a very short time. Baseball is a sport indulged in by highly trained and highly paid athletes, not a gang of rotund gents who sit behind their flat-topped desks, get writer's cramp dashing off sarcastic statements and losing their voices in lengthy debates. The fans would rather see Babe Ruth hit a home run, Ty Cobb run wild on the bases or Grover Alexander pitch than gaze upon all of the loud talking, leather-lunged magnates performing on a trapeze. Those guys should remain in the background where they belong.

THE magnates now have the same social standing with the fans as the modern version of "Wine, Woman and Song." According to Bugs Baer, that famous trio means wood alcohol, weeping widows and

What Will Happen to Phils in 1920 Season?

THERE might be some excuse for the American League, but how about the National? The Heydler circuit is sailing along on calm and tranquil waters, but not a peep has been heard from members of that organization outside of the splurge made by Jawn Metiraw when he offered that armful of dough for Rogers Hornsby. The National Leaguers should get busy and do something while they have the opportunity. They virtually have the stage to themselves and can pull some stuff which will be accepted with thanks by the long-

For example, take our Phils. There are many things to be done before the season starts if the club is to make any kind of a showing in the pennant race. How about Casey Stengel? Will be be with the club next year? Who are the new pitchers, if any? Will Blackburn play third, or is Gavvy Cravath looking for some likely looking candidate on the coast? What IS going to happen to the local club next season?

Then we have the Boston Braves. That club, too, needs bolstering, but you can't prove it. Jim Thorpe was canned and after that, complete silence, We know the Cincinnati club will stand as is, the Giants need some infielders, the Cubs look strong again. Pittsburgh has a new manager, St. Louis and Brooklyn still are in the league and other items worthy of note. The No. tional Leaguers are muffing one.

The Hornsby case is one which might prove a boomerang. McGraw is said to have offered money and players amounting to \$130,000 for the Cardinal infielder. Rickey says he turned it down. This is great publicity stuff, whether it is true or not, but what effect will it have on Hornsby? Rogers will figure that if he is worth \$130,000 to a ball club he should receive a regular salary, and the chances are 100 to 1 that he will demand a big contract. It's only man nature and the boy can't be blamed. Branch Rickey stepped into some real trouble when he told of the rejected offer.

IN THE American League, Babe Ruth stepped into the limelight with a regular manager and a demand for \$20,000 per year. This should not be taken seriously. Babe has a three-year contract which still has two years to run, and anyway, the whole thing is a pressagent stunt. Babe is knocking 'em dead in the movies.

Harvard-Oregon Game Will Be Close Battle

DOPING out the result of a football game in advance is one of the most treacherous indoor sports. Last season the dope refused to run according to form and the gents who did the predicting fell by the wayside. For that reason we are not going to tell in advance what is going to happen in Pasadena tomorrow when Harvard meets Oregon. It will be a hard game and the score will be small. That's as far as we will go.

Those who are looking for Harvard to win, however, should not put too much faith in their belief. Harvard has a good football team and proved it in the Princeton and Yale games, but that was more than a month ago. Since that time the players have broken training and resumed under the worst possible weather conditions. They also made a trip across the continent, stepped from a winter climate to real summer, are in strange surroundings and have no idea of their strength or weakness.

Oregon, on the other hand, comes from that part of the country, the team has practiced constantly, the trip to Pasadena means nothing to the players and they virtually are playing on their own grounds. All of the advantage is with the western eleven, and as was said before, while we are not trying to pick a winner, don't lose sight of the fact that Harvard will have to be 50 per cent stronger in order to win.

At the same time, a defeat should not be held against the Crimson. The team established a precedent in making the trip and started something which should continue. Transcontinental trips should be made each year and the eastern and western champions should play it out for the title,

IT WOULD be a sort of a world series in football.

Kilbane Made Good Showing Against Chaney

JOHNNY KILBANE'S showing against Young Chaney over in Jersey City.

Monday night, has aroused the Gotham fistic experts, and many declare the champion is headed down the slippery skids. Because Johnny didn't knock his ment stiff in the early part of the fuss, the scribes figured he had gone back

Despite this, Kilbane put up a good battle and did wonderful work on the defense. Three times he had his adversary groggy, but did not step in and finish his. This was because Johnny was taking no chances with his hands. Protruding elbows are bad things to come in contact with.

It was Kilbane's first battle in three months and he naturaly showed the effects of the long layoff. He needed a hard bout to get him back into shape, and the next time he appears, which will be tomorrow afternoon, at the Olympia, when he meets Al Shubert, he should have all of his old time stuff.

SHUBERT, however, is a rough person and will extend the champion to the limit. Johnny intends to remain here for a couple of months and will meet all of the leading featherweights.

Coombs May Follow Pat's Trail

IF THE dope is correct and the stories emanating from Detroit are true, Jack Coombs is likely to have some luck next year. It is said he is being considered as manager of the Tigers, replacing Hughy Jennings, who desires to become an owner. If this happens, Jack will be following in the footsteps of

Pat was canned by the Phils and afterward signed as a coach for the pitchers on the New York club. Then he went to Cincinnati as manager and on the pennant and world's championship. Coombs also signed as a twirling totor, and if he lands that job as manager, the boys will have a good hunch to

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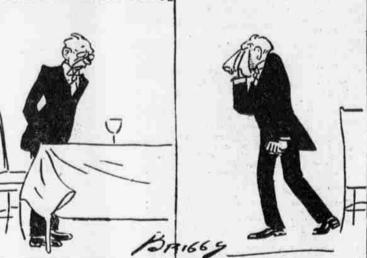


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TWO NEW CHAMPS IN RING FOR 1920

Dempsey and Britton Replace Willard and Lewis at Top of Peak

POP TIME CALLS MANY

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

With Referee Father Time due to dole off the necessary ten for a complete knockout over the collapsed form after the veteran first sacker and has

leave his corner for the fourth round on that hot July 4, at Toledo, O., while the A. O. H. were holding sway at Point Breeze, and Jack was pro-claimed ruler of heavyweights from every land, including Swampoodle. It will be remembered that St. Patrick's Night was the occassion of

Patrick's Night was the occassion of rabid and rousting celebration by Sons of Auld Erin, for it was on the 17th of March that Ireland scored a decisive victory over England. Jack Britton—William J. Breslin at home—had hung a crusher on the prominent chin of Ted Lewis—in private Gershon Mendeloff.

Britton pulled this Irish trick on Lewis in the ninth round of a scheduled twelve-rounder, also in Ohio, in Canton, to be exact, thus reverting the welterweight crown to the thirty-eight-year-old dome of Jack from whom Ted-kid had won the diadem on points two years before, in June, 1917.

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Benny Leonard was supposed to have defended his lightweight diadem in a defended his name of the benefit at Tulsa. defended his lightweight diadem in a regular championship bout at Tulsa, Okla., when he knocked out Lockport Jimmy Duffy in a couple of rounds on November 17. It really shouldn't betermed as such, though, because Duff, even if he were a legitimate lightweight, is merely a bimbo compared to several real contenders for Ben's laurels.

However, Leonard showed he was no stew champ by slipping sleep slams to Willie Ritchie and more recently to McCoogan. A number of persistent chal-

Willie Ritchie and more recently to Mel Coogan. A number of persistent challengers for Leonard's crown cropped up during the season. Lew Tendler standing out as the most dangerous of the lot which includes Willie Jackson. Johnny Dundee, Joe Welling and Ritchie Mitchell.

Another epoch-making glovefest was Georges Carpentier's seventy-second knockout over Joe Beckett in London December 5. And this victory stamped the poilu as the leading challenger for the title possessed by Dempsey, the shippard hero.

Number of Deaths

REPORT LUDERUS WILL QUAKER LINKSMEN GO TO COAST LEAGUE

Phils' Veteran First Baseman May Play With Vernon Club Next Summer

GAVVY IN PARLEYS

Fred Luderus, the iron man of the Phils, may play in the minors next sum-



hit .293 in 138 games for the Phillies.

Cravath is wintering at Laguna nounced, but it is believed that if a Beach, and Essick is declared to be singing him a siren song regarding Luderus. Furthermore, it is reported that

SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

PHILLY fight fans will celebrate the girl a westerner with a K. O. wallop, the last of a six-bout card. PHILLY tight tans will celebrate the last of a sik-bout card.

In advent of Kiddo Ninetcen-twenty at four clubs tomorrow aftermon. A hurried scan over each of the programs on schedule at the Olympia, National, Auditorium and Cambria shows that a well-balanced, well-matched card has been arranged and some exciting bouts been arranged and some exciting bouts.

probably will be witnessed no matter which of the clubs is chosen by Mr.

At the Olympia the patrons will have an apportunity to see J. Patrick Kilbane, unnanaged featherweight foreman, aspear in its second bout of the week. Following his fetory Monday night over Young Chaney, he (itsheholer will take on Al Shubert. This out will be the finale of a six-scrap program.

At the Auditorium an intercity welter-weight bout between Johnny Summers of New York, and Joe Weish, of this city will be the headling history and he made good, in Philadelphia before and he made good, Weish has trained faithfully for this setto.

"DOWN IN OUR ALLEY"

Local Golfers Put City in Running for All Three National Golf Titles Last Season

NEXT SEASON BETTER

By SANDY McNIBLICK Philadelphia showed them some thinigs in the golf season now placed on

after the very most regard of Old Man Nineteen interest at precisely midnight tonight, and Kid Nineteen-twenty steps into the lineglare for a twelve month reign, it will be interesting to know that puglistic statistics show two ring ittleholders had suffered the same dose. In other words, the New Year makes its advent with a pair of champions of glovenen who had been in the challequing class this time a year ago.

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The force the senson ended last year, the statistic behavior of the half dozen recognized. The considering playing and the pair of the half dozen recognized in jougardly in decision contests during the deceased year, and both bit the dust, as they say, or rather the rosin. More important of the changes in championships was the disgusting defeat of Glant Jess William Harrison Dempsey, David, William Harrison Dempsey, David, William Harrison Dempsey, Familiarly called Jack in fixtle circles.

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Harold Farese will be the other 50 per cent of the semifinal at the clympia. His opponent will be between Danny Murphy and Sol O'Donnell. In the other bouts Tom Lucas faces Davie Moore, Kid Manuel takes of the semifinal at the clympia. His opponent will be to the finale of a six-scrap program will be Louisiana. Other bouts are Irish takes Johnny Bradley.

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vania amateur.

Platt, in the meantime startled the nation of golfers when he ousted the mighty Guimet after the latter trimmed champion, Chick Evans. Platt went to the semifinals where be was beaten be Dave Herron, the eventual winner of the title. Pat Grant had failed to qualify and then shot a 73 on a bet or something. Max Marston took all the fight out of

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Many a Champion Will Be Dropped From Throne During Year Which Breaks in Tonight-Should **Boost Intersectional Football Games**

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Now that the gray is in your hair, Who long have known your fading prime, Before you reach the dark somewhere That dead years know beyond all time.

Now that your step is faltering Where you were lusty in your glow, Before Time turned your golden spring To old December's drifts of snow.

Accept, O fading Year, this thought From one who's slipped both cheer and curse-Though you might have been finer wrought, You might have been a blamed sight worse.

Roush, Ruth-how many of them will be left in the same cast just a year from this gray December morning? A GOOD many millions are practicing quick starts today for to-A morrow's dash. The main trouble is that most of them have trained for a 100-yard sprint rather than for a 365-day hike.

DEMPSEY, Carpentier, Leonard, Herron, Johnston, Hagen, Moran, Cobb.

Where They Have the Edge

WE ALL know," writes an old football observer, "that experience is one of the greatest factors in making football stars. That fourth year means a lot. Now most of the bigger universities, East and West, can play a man only three years. You can see from this the handicap they face. Higgins, of Penn State, and West, of Colgate, have both played four years. Henry, of Washington and Jefferson, has played even longer. Rogers, of West Virginia, has had at least four years. Dumoe, of Lafayette, played two years at Syracuse, one year at Fordham and this year at Lafayette. Erwig, of Syracuse, has been with the New York University, Fordham and Syracuse. Heine Miller and Captain Bell are both "four-year" men. Most of these men, with their added experience, make the All-American with a greater advantage than is generally realized."

UNIVERSITIES with strict eligibility rules, such as Yale, Har-U vard, Princeton, Cornell, Dartmouth, Michigan, Illinois, Ohio, Chicago, etc., are under a heavy handicap. That fourth year means quite a bit more than a mere trifle.

In the Throne Room

CHAMPIONS who should hold their titles through 1920 include: Jack Dempsey-Heavyweight champion.

Benny Leonard—Lightweight champion. Ty Cobb—Batting champion. Babe Ruth-Home-run champion. Grover Alexander-Pitching champion.

Those who have a much harder battle ahead include Walter Hagen-Open golf champion. Dave Herron-Amateur golf champion. William Johnston-Tennis champion.

IF BABE RUTH had only batted .207 last season, would be not have emitted a roistering squawk if the Red Sox owners had refused to stand by their three-year contract? About one guess is all you are entitled to here.

Harvard and Oregon

HARVARD hasn't the best eleven in the East, but the Crimson machine was a standard one and a fair representative of eastern football. It lacked the strength of Penn State and possibly one or two other elevens, but it has speed and power in sufficient quantities to give a good line on the

It was difficult enough to compare university elevens only a few miles apart this late season without attempting any forecast when the separating distance is a trifle over 3000 miles.

This Harvard visit is not only a good thing for football, for Harvard and

There should be more intersectional play than the various schedules now afford—not to decide any championship, but to help bring sections closer together by one of the best systems ever devised-a hand-to-hand meeting in

Bob Gardner, a two-time champion, about to lose the Binnikill hole, laid a when he lost, making Gardner an easy dead stymic.

And Paul Tewkesbury won the medal, have won the match on the seventeenth,

hard.

Then came the national amateur at Oakmont. Six locals journeyed to the Smoky City, Max Marston, Paul Tewkesbury, George Hoffner, Pat Grant, Woody Platt, and Eddie Clarey.

Hoffner, Platt and Clarey took the trip together. They figured only on a state of the mountains of Shawnee for the greatest play that this championship ever had. A shot that flivved at the Binnikill put out Miss Caverly, after she had stood five up on Mrs. Gavin at the turn, the latter being the ramping favorite for the title.

Philadelphia may well be proud of its 1919 record, and is set for the biggest season of all in the springtime.

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They had their wish.
Clarey drew Ouimet in the first round. Platt got Johany Anderson; Hoffner drew Gardiner White. At the end of the morning round all were up. It looked like hig times.

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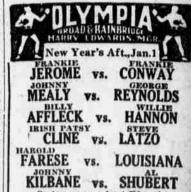
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Otherwise Mrs. Vanderbeck could which she took after all the adverse tide against her, and few doubt that she could have beaten Mrs. Gavin in the

Sacred Heart five, of the South Philadelphia Catholic League, forfeited to Coriey C. C., of the same league, by not showing up at St. Rita's Hall, last night. In the other game St. Rita's defeated Don Houce by the score of 60 to 30.



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