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TOASTING THE NEW YEAR WITH GINGER ALE IS AS FLAT AS HALF-OF-ONE-PER-CENT BEER

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Philadelphia Showed Great Endurance and Ability to Take Considerable and Continued Punishment in Local Ball Yards During 1919

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T AST year, meaning yesterday and the 364 days which preceded it, the city of Philadelphia gained fame and distinction in the baseball world. This may seem strange and startling, to say nothing of unusual, when one looks back and discovers that the A's and the Phils, our local big league entries. showed so much steerage class that they managed to finish eighth in their respective circuits. This was made possible because there were but eight clubs

But Philadelphia proved a glutton for punishment and bumped along until end, showing lots of endurance. There was only one bright, shining light, and that was the hero of this yaru. It was a gent who busted all strength. iron men and endurance records and performed so pobly that he is about to have us and seek fame in other towns of the bush league variety.

Fred Luderus, first and initial sacker of the Phils, might be among the missing next season. We use the word "might" because it is reported that he is being considered as manager and first baseman of the Vernon, Calif., team, and reports at this time of the year usually assay 90 per cent hokum. Anyway, it is reported that he is about to go far, far away, and if he does the town surely will be up against it. The only hero we will have left is Gavyy Cravath, and Gavyy will not be able to run bases next year because of his long whiskers

Ludy played in a ball game on June 16, 1916, and little did he know that on that very date he started on a run of consecutive appearances on the diamond which piled up to the enormous total of 538 games without being tardy or absent once. He was the most consistent player big league baseball ever has seen, and the record is so good that it would be a shame to spoil it. If he sticks around until June 16, 1929, and gets into every game, he will have played four straight seasons without missing his name in the line-up.

Last year Ludy was not so fast as he used to be, and Paulette was secured from the St. Louis Cards. Gene is a swell first baseman, they say, but he will have to go some if he expects to fill Ludy's shoes. Fred never was a flashy player, but he always was on the job and could be depended upon. . .

H^E HAD a batting average of over .280 for four years, which is pretty good in any league. Few major leaguers can show a swatting mark like that.

Can Pick Any Job

HOWEVER, everything now is up to Ludy. Last year, in recognition of his faithful service. President Baker of the Phils told the big athlete that he could go as far as he liked in picking out a managerial job in the minors. Mr. Baker told him he had a job with the Phils as long as he cared to stick around, and offered him a 1920 contract last August to prove his sincerity. Therefore, if Fred decides to go to the Coast, he is his own boss and can go. If not, he will be with the Phils again.

It is the intention of Manager Cravath to use Paulette on first to speed up the infield. Ludy will be used as a pinch hitter and utility first baseman, according to the present plans, but you know what happens to the January dope. It is likely to be all shot to pieces in April. Three years ago Pat Moran decided that Cravath was entirely too slow

for the outfield and said he would keep the noted slugger on the bench for pinchhitting purposes only. That was in January, but when the season opened, Gavvy was out in right field, hitting the ball a mile and winning ball games. In 1918 it was the same. Several speedy outfielders were taken down South, but they flivved and Cravath was on the job as usual. Last year Jack Coombs thought Leo Callaban would be a fixture in right field and Gavyy could do some pinch hitting, but Cal blew up and Cravath played better than ever before. The only time he was able to get out of the line-up was when he was made

manager and took himself out. Perhaps it will be the same with Ludy. He is not done as a baseball player by any means. He still is a dangerous hitter and a very good man on the defense. He might not be able to cover as much ground as Sisler or McInnis, but he stacks up with the other first sackers in the league. He is a very valuable man on any ball club and could be used to advantage by the Phils. He not only could pinch hit-if Paulette gets the job-but also could act as scout for the club. . .

LUDY tied another record last year when he had seven assists in a nine-inning game. Kitty Bransfield did the same in 1904 and George Stovall accomplished it in 1912. That's another thing about Ludy that we almost forgot.

Bennett Would Be Success at W. and J.

MIKE BENNETT, coach of Haverford College football team, is said to be on the verge of accepting a job as gridiron tutor at Washington and Jefferson College next fall. This is another report which comes from Washington, Pa. If Mike is appointed, the Presidents will get all the best of it. He is a modern football coach and teaches the modern game. At Haverford always had a dazaling attack with very good plays, but his teams were too light to do much. Coaches told me last fall that Bennett's forward passes were the best they had seen in years. Lafayette found it hard to stop them in one of the earlier games. Bennett is from the University of Pennsylvania, but has his own system



FOOTBALL BENEFITS EVEN IF HARVARD IS BEATEN BY OREGON

Trip to Pacific Coast Will Do Crimson More Than Enough Good to Even Things if Westerners Snatch Victory Today

> By GRANTLAND RICE Copyright, 1920, by Public Ledger 1920-Let's Go!

Yes, let's go, with a new track ahead of us-All that we need is the best we have got. Before Doc Fate picks another instead of us, One who is willing to open the pot. All that we need is a sporting chance offered us, No one can tell what the track has to show; We'll take what Fate, not what mere men have proffered us. Let's go, mate; let's go!

Come, let's go where the new road is leading us, Out through the mists that have hidden our fate; We'll take the gamble where raw life is speeding us; Chance taking wanderers out through the gate! Maybe we'll get there and maybe we'll drag a bit, Still we can travel whatever winds blow. the and a hand should a fellow pal sag a bit, Let's go, mate; let's gol

Ves. let's go to the end of the battle line; Laggards and shirkers have gathered too thick; Standing like steers that are tied in the cattle line, Trying out nothing but new ways to kick. Why hang around where the new trail is rating you? Go to it, pal, though all hell's full of snow. Out through the mists, where the answer's avaiting you, Let's go, mate; let's go!

New Year Resolutions

Jack Dempsey-Not to take less than half a million. Any Golfer-To talk it all over. Any Souse-To let it alone-at 19 berries a quart. Connie Mack-Not to finish any lower. Kid Gleason-To drown Claude Williams in the next world series.

Jess Willard-To celebrate the next Fourth standing up.

The New Order

TE CAN find no authentic records at hand to show that Harvard ever got W any further West in a football way than Princeton, N. J.; New Haven, Conn., or this city.

Possibly we are wrong, but in this instance we don't believe so. The sudden leap from Cambridge to Pasadena, Calif .- from the Atlantic to the Pacific-is sudden enough to add increased interest to the Oregon affair. . .

FOR all that, it would be a sudden shock for Harvard to battle unbeaten up Γ and down the Atlantic and then to travel 3000 miles to lese her first game. But there is at least an even chance she won't lose. And if she does, the trip will do both Harvard in particular and football in general more than enough good to even up things.

BOXING has been encouraged in Eugland and discouraged over here. Yet England can't find a heavyweight who can last two rounds against a good Frenchman or a good American. You can never tell in this sporting whir? just where the twist will come.

No Wonder

Old King Cole was a merry old soul, A merry old soul was he; But he never had to urise and toast The New Year in with tea.

And it was no 2.75 bowl That made King Cole such a merry old soul. .

GOLFERS who care to improve their game this senson can turn the trick by making good on this double resolution—to wit, don't hoist your bean and give every putt a chance to get as far along as the cup. If this doesn't rip from 4 to 15 strokes off your score we'll cat your golf bag raw. 0 0

IT IS just as well to remember that Carpentier is given just as good a chance to beat Dempsey as Dempsey, a year ago, was given to stop Willard by more than a few of the cagle-eyed observers. And just how many did you find wagering a year ago this snappy morning that by late October, 1919, the astounding Reds would be champions of the world? .

"DENNY LEONARD," states an exchange, "in his match with Johnny Dundee may not be able to go twenty rounds, as he has never traveled that distance before." Benny, however, always has the recourse at hand of

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ONE of the best jobs available for the next two months is that of caddying for an orange tree in the Florida League.

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Amateur Sports

Camden White Caps would like to best sumes with first-class teams, having hall and offering fair guarantees. John Garman 819 Howard street.

Melrose B. C., a 14-16-year-old five, d lress games with teams of that class, ba og halls and offering fair guarantees. J mooby, 418 Tree street.

East End Five, a first-class traveling team desires to book games with teams of that class, phying guarantees, N. Greenspan 415 Mifflin street

Emanuel A. A., leaders of the Northeast Church League, would like to hear from home teams, offering reasonable guarantees. M. J. Luff. 2447 Memphis street.

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SHOPS TO GENTLEMEN

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After the Parade

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THIS afternoon Harvard and Oregon will play a football game at Pasadena and although the East is pulling for the Crimson to win, many believe they are in for a trimming. However, you never can tell in football, and nothing is certain until the final score is flashed over the wires. Just the same, the Westerners appear to have the edge, unless the stories about the team have been greatly exaggerated.

The trip across the continent is enough to put any eleven on the blink. Traveling teams seldom are able to do their best, as can be proved by looking up the adventures of Syracuse in Indiana and Nebraska after the Colgate triumph. The Orange squad did not play within 50 per cent of its real strength and received a pair of wallopings. Nothing was at stake and the boys were on a pleasure jaunt. Perhaps it will be the same today. . . .

No MATTER what happens, Harvard must be given credit for handing football a big boost. The team went so far as to wear numbers, which means a lot in the future.

WHAT'S DOING TODAY IN THE WAY OF LOCAL SPORTING EVENTS

BOXING Afternoon

Olympia-Frankie Jerome vs. Frankie Conway, Georgie Reynolds vs. Johnny Mealy, Billy Affleck vs. Willie Hannon, Patsy Cline vs. Steve Latzo, Harold Farese vs. Louisiana, Johnny Kilbane vs. Al Shubert. First bout at 2:30 o'clock, National-Joe Mendell vs. Joe Nelson, Eddie Moy vs. Mickley Donley, K. O.

Loughlin vs. Billy Kramer, Max Williamson vs. Bobby Dyson, Frankie Brown vs. George Chaney, Jeff Smith vs. Art Gagirl. First bout at 2:30 o'clock. Auditorium-Matt Barrett vs. Johnny Bradley, Kid Manuel vs. Tommy

Loughran, Tommy Lucas vs. Davie Moore, Danny Murphy vs. Sol O'Donnell, Johnny Batchen vs. Young Buck Fleming, Joe Weish vs. Johnny Summers. First hout at 2:30 o'clock.

Starin Inder, Freddy Turner vs. Indian Russell, Johnny Smith vs. Wally Hinckle, Tommy Cleary vs. Willie Spencer, Charley Lee vs. Willie McCloskey. First bout at 2:30 o'clock.

MARATHON RACES

Morning

Comple Set Annual Snellenburg A. A. street run over five and one-half-mile course starting and finishing at Starr Garden Recreation Center, Seventh and Lombard streets. Start at 10:30 o'clock

St. Francis Xavier Men's T. A. B. Society run over two and three-quartermile course, starting from club house at Twenty-lifth street and Fairmount ave-Race starts at 10 o'clock. ane.

TRAPSHOOTING

Holiday shoot at Clearview Gun Club, Colwyn. Special shoot at Glen Willow Club, Roxborough. Holiday shoot at Reading Gun Club, Reading.

> FOOTBALL Afternoon

Holmesburg Legion No. 178, vs. Tacony Legion, No. 148, at Tacony. Kick-# at 2:30.

SOCCER

Afternoon

Cardington F. C. vs. J. & J. Dobson Sons at Cardington. Match starts at

Victory C. C. vs. Belmar A. C., at Fifty-eighth and Vine streets. Match starts at 3 o'clock.

BASKETBALL Tonight

Eastern League

DeNeri at Germantown. Game starts at 8:30 o'clock. Trepton at Camdeu. Game starts at 8:30 o'clock. North Phillies at Reading. Game starts at 8:30 o'clock.

Afternoon

Olivet Boys' Club, of Reading, vs. E. P. C., of Germantown, at German-a Boys' Club. Game starts at 2:30 e'clock. Navy Y. M. A. vs. Army Y. M. A., Y. M. A. Hall. Game at 2:15 o'clock.

tion of their wares and the vigilance of federal agents waiting to arrest any unwary enough to ply their trade withcut turning over to the government the full amount of the tax exacted on all amusement tickets.

Prevailing prices here and at the downtown hotels in Los Angeles last night were \$12.50 for \$3.50 tickets. All f these today were believed to have been sold, however, and \$20, \$25 and even \$50 for the choicest sents was de-manded this morning by some.

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Ticket speculators were up and doing

grant East-West football classic.

Movie Star to Drop

Football From Sky Pasadena, Calif., Dec. 31 .-- The football to be used in tomorrow's contest will come from the sky,

A well-known motion-picture star will drop the ball from an airplane, which will take to the air a few minutes before the whistle blows at 2:30 o'clock.

New York, Jan. 1 .- Steps to obtain enactment of national and state laws requiring compulsory athletic training for high school students will be taken Carl Knaeur Billy Morrison McCrone Jack Toots

by the Athletic Research Society of America, it became known today. The society, which concluded its annual meeting here yesterday, named the fol-lowing committee to frame the pro-posed legislation: Dr. J. H. McCurdy, Springfield, Mass.; Dr. J. E. Ray-woond Pringetan and Dr. Dudler P. Billy Knaeur West Larkin Caskey Referen

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early, although their activities were ELECTS LAW COMMITTEE MANY STARS IN LINE-UPS

representing different posts of the American Legion will be played at the

Springheid, Mass.; Dr. J. E. Ray-mond, Princeton, and Dr. Dudley B. Reed, of the University of Chicago. The society also pians to wage a cam-paign in favor of requiring physical education for entrance into and grad-uating from college. The following officers were elected: Dr. A. E. Aldierow, Yack 11.11

Dr. A. K. Aldinger, of New York, president; Dr. P. S. Page, of Phillips will be at 2:30. Many of the regulars of the Holmes-burg eleven will be in the line-up and on the Tacony team will be three or Andover Academy, vice president, and Elmer Berry, Springfield Y. M. C. A. College, secretary-treasurer.

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Johnson Gets Decision

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 1.—Patsy Johnson, enton's pride, chased Young Eber all er the fing in ten fast rounds of fabre. The referee's decision was awarded

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and Tacony Legion 143. The kick-off will be at 2:30. A player may compete on any course in the country so long as the yardage is right, notice of the play filed in adand the match played under official supervision.

on the Tacony team will be three or four former Holmesburg men who have since moved to Tacony. Billy Morrison, Billy Knaeur, Larkin and Caskey all will uphold the colors of Holmesburg and they will be assisted by West, of Penn State and Jack Totts, of Cor-nell self match in the early spring. Lots of bets have already been posted on this

match. The course and other conditions ar yet to be chosen. Charles Daniels, the noted swimmer

has taken up marathon golf, has been training regularly, and is said to be considering challenging the winner of

over the country. "Walking forty miles "Walking forty miles or more and "Walking forty miles or more and hitting something like 800 golf shots of every kind," said Styles today, "takes a lot of strength and en-durance. A player has to be in pretty good shape to try it. The first three or four rounds are the hardest. After that a player first binself some may that a player finds himself going me- while Netts put the ball through the

that a player finds himself going me-chanically. "The best nine holes I made when playing for the title were the last nine of the 180 holes. I shot those in 36. I think I might possibly get in another round by using every minute of day-light, but I am sure I can never equal the average of breaking eighty. I don't think any one else can either. "Anyhow I am willing to defend my title at home or abroad."

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XAVIER HOLDS RUN

Stages Cross-Country Race Over

The St. Francis Navier Men's T. A. B. Society holds a cross-country run over a course of two and three-quarter miles through Fairmount Park this miles through Fairmount Park this morning. The race starts at 10 o'clock. All the athletes, with one exception, have been given liberal handicaps. Tom Garvey, who won the Thanks-giving Day event, is the scratch man. In his last race he covered the course in the fast time of thirteen minutes and fifteen seconds.

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M. A. Service Men Meet in Big Basketball Game Today Navy Y. M. A.

forward Homewood forward Batew center Sharrett guard Fox (Capt.) guard Fox (Capt.) Beferee-Dick Cole. Time-2:15 p. m. The East Falls Army and Navy bas-ketball game will be staged at the Y. M. A. hall. Queen lane, Falls of M. A. hall, Queen Inter-Schuylkill, this afternoon. This game has caused much interest among basketball fans.

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Defeats Annapolis, 20 to 18, by Skillful Shooting of Foul

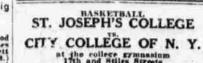
BURKHOLDER IS STAR

Annapolis, Md., Jan. 1.-In the Knight-Styles match. Styles has gone into training in the expectation of a lot of challenges from the Naval Academy by 20 to 18. finely-contested game of basketball

The break of the game came on the

Short Course Today

Line-up:





to the National A. A. See Six Real Fights

Give the American Boxing Team a Good Send-off to France Look at This Great Card MENDELL vs. NELSON resorted to upcourt passing to insure a victory. Burkholder breaking through and scoring again made the figures close, and the game ended with both teams playing desperately. MOY vs. DONLEY LOUGHLIN vs. KRAMER WILLIAMSON vs. DYSON

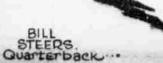
Burkholder played a fast and accur-ate game for the navy, with Watters fielding the ball down court in good style and playing excellently on the de-fensive. Opic was Princeton's star, BROWN vs. CHANEY SMITH vs. MAGERL Tickets at Donashr's. 63 5, 11th St Princeton

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