BABE RUTH MUST THINK HE'S A REGULAR WAR BABY BY THE WAY HE'S DEMANDING HIGH PRICES

SALE OF RUTH RUINS GATE RECEIPTS FOR GIANTS' SPRING TOUR

Noted Slugger Was Expected to Be Big Gate Attraction in Series With Red Sox Down South-Now Charley Ebbets Is Likely to Reap the Benefits

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

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NOW that Babe Ruth has matriculated with the Yankees and threatens to bust all existing records when he gets started on the Polo Grounds, the American Leaguers in the big city are supremely happy. On the other hand, however-meaning the Giants-no celebrations are being held. The acquisition of the big slugger means the Ruppert-Huston combination has the biggest ttraction on the island, and this will be proved in the seventy-seven games to e played at home. But it is not the future they are worrying about, but the present-as the boys used to remark last Christmas.

The Giants will feel the effects of the Ruth sale long before the big league season opens. They will feel it in far-off Texas and other alien points, for series of exhibition games has been arranged and Ruth was expected to draw many shekels into the bush league parks. Now McGraw's clan is without an attraction, the Red Sox are in the same boat and the receipts will shrink many thousand dollars. Therefore, the National League club will get soaked

However, the Yanks will profit in the pre-season jaunt and Charles Ebbets will do likewise. Funny how Ebbets manages to fall into those soft things. His club intends to play a spring series with the Yanks, and the clubs will divvy up whole armfuls of kale.

There is no doubt about Rath being the greatest drawing card in baseball, despite the fact Ty Cobb, Grover Alexander and Walter Johnson still are among those present. He has been deluged with publicity, everybody in the country has read about him and naturally will be anxious to see him in action

He now plays the outfield in great style, but if necessary can take his place In the pitcher's bex. He was rated the best southpaw in the league in 1915 and 1916 and showed up well in three world series as a hurler. In fact, he still holds the world's series pitching record, having twirled twenty-eight consecutive scoreless innings, which is one more than Christy Mathewson's mark. Yes, he sure is a big attraction.

THE Red Sox have a habit of selling their best players. Tris Speaker was disposed of in 1915 and Carl Mays was sold to the Yanks last year. They talk of other clubs wrecking their teams by selling star athletes, but you must hand it to Boston.

Yankees Have Spent a Fortune for Players

THE Yankees are anxious to put a pennant-winning club on the field and no expense has been spared. John McGraw is considered a spendthrift when It comes to buying players, but the Ruppert-Huston combination has gone him one better. The only difference is that McGraw gets results.

When the Federal Lengue disbanded and the star players were on the market, the Yanks dished out some \$32,000 for Lee Magee, who proved to be a sloomer. Lee was the most expensive man who ever warmed a bench and was waived out of the league. That was money thrown away, but the Colonels

They purchased Frank Baker from Connie Mack for a price reported to be \$37,500, and the home-run king has not set the world afire since joining the club. The only thing he does is threaten to retire each year because of his many duties on the farm and his healthy bank account, but he usually signs the papers when he thinks it is too late to make the spring training trip. Baker cares nothing for baseball. Last fall he went on a barastorming trip and received as much as \$8 per game. He was satisfied until one day the receipts were not enough to cover expenses, and then he left the barnstormers flat. Frank ares nothing about the money he makes in baseball.

Just the same, the Yanks are willing to hand him a good salary, which they will stand for anything to get a winner. Last year Carl Mays was purchased for some \$40,000, and the transaction threatened to wreck the league. Mays still is with the club, however, and probably will be restored to good standing in a short time.

In figuring up these three deals we find \$109,000 was spent for three layers, one of which resulted in a total loss. In addition, a large wad of coin was handed out to the Red Sox for Duffy Lewis, Shore and Leonard last year. This, added to the \$125,000 paid for Ruth, proves conclusively that uning a ball club is not a shoestring proposition, and if one cares to spend oney one can find pleuty of opportunities.

The Yankees are after an American League pennant. They spent almost quarter of a million for six players and are not through yet. While doing this the owners are fighting Ban Johnson, which is costing more money and

IF MONEY can buy a pennant, New York has a great chance to cop this year. It will be interesting to follow the club in the coming

Max Marston Will Golf for Philadelphia Only

MARSTON, champion of New Jersey and ranked among the first ten amateur golfers of the United States, announced today that he had conitely severed his connections with New York and New Jersey clubs. Next on and in the future he will play under the Merion colors of Philadelphia ad from Pine Valley.

Last season Marston played from Baltusrol Golf Club, New Jersey, and ared the national under Baltusrol colors. He also won the New Jersey aplonship. His business, however, was in Philadelphia, his golf was played Merion, and for various reasons the fans figured the national star should linquish his metropolitan relations. Criticisms appeared in the daily prints mently, both in New York and Philadelphia, both of which cities claimed Marston and demanded that he choose. When he played on the Pennsylvania oum in the Lesley cup matches against his former clubmates of New York there was a loud cry from the Gothamites.

Marston jangled the phone at this office this morning and put an end to the argument.

"I will play from Merion and Pine Valley next year," he announced, "I am now living in Philadelphia, am definitely in business here and expect to be for a long time. When I first came here I expected to be in Philadelphia about six months, and therefore did not feel like passing up Baltusrol, in neighborhood of which I have lived for eighteen years. It was like home me. After the Lesley cup furore I decided to play from Philadelphia, so the argument is all over so far as I am concerned.

461 WILL now consider myself a Philadelphian and will play in all title and other tournament events as such. Nobody has seemed to understand my position heretofore, but I hope this will make it plain. Whitey Witt Has His Pay Raised

WHITEY WITT, infielder and outfielder of our A's, has signed the papers for 1929 and will be seen at Shibe Park again next season. Whitey was with the All-American baseball team which toured Cuba, and, after a disasrous trip, came back ready to do anything which would insure him a steady ry. He came to terms with Connie Mack at the first meeting and left the

perfectly satisfied. "Connie treated me great," he said. "I was given an increase in salary out even asking for it, and I am looking forward with pleasure to the apsching season. I have no kick coming about my contract."

Perhaps Dempsey and Carpentier Will Box July 4

ANAGER JACK KEARNS, after caressing his carefully varnished hair and taking a whiff of his favorite perfume yesterday, opened his rouged and stated that he was willing to box Georges Carpentier in Tia Juana, o, for the \$400,000 purse offered by Jimmy Coffroth. Mr. Kearns always by in the first person when making a match or discussing pugilism. He admit he can knock out anybody in the world with a punch until his audiaments on his penciled eyebrows, and then the name of Jack Dempsey

wever, it now looks as if the big fight might be held soon. Carpentier to have agreed to terms, despite reports that Cochran has his signed for a battle in London. They say it will be held on July 4. That's o for as the date is concerned, but Mr. Kearns carelessly forgot to

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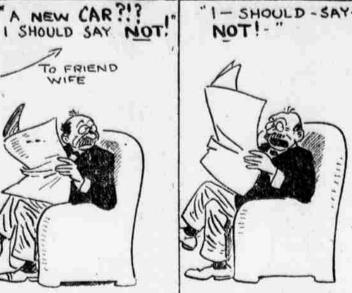
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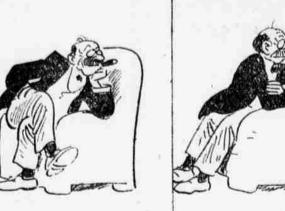
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By EDWIN J. POLLOCK

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May Meet Tomorrow

After the new chairman of the foot-ball committee has been selected and the

captain named it is likely that the new committee will hold a meeting early to-

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the meeting this afternoon, but Mr.

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George Harrison Frazier will resign

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FRAZIER TO RESIGN PLANS DISCUSSED FOR BIG BATTLE

Kearns and Coffroth Meet in San Diego to Talk Over

Details

NO WORD FROM DESCAMPS WILL ELECT CAPTAIN

tirement

San Diego, Calif., Jan. 8 .- Details of the proposed match at Tia Juana, Lower California, between Jack Demp-sey and Georges Carpentier for the mittee at the meeting of the Athletic Asworld's heavyweight championship, were to be discussed at a conference here today between Jack Kearns, Dempsey's manager, and James W. Coffroth, pro-

moter.
Coffroth early today was without direct word from Deschamps, Carpentier's manager, that his terms had been accepted, but said he had cabled Charles J. Harvey, his agent in London, to get in touch at once with Deschamps' and Carpentier and advise him of their

Meantime he is proceeding on the theory, he said, that Associated Press advices from Paris to the effect that Deschamps had accepted his offer were correct. He said he expected to conmodate a crowd of at least 80,000 and possibly 100,000. He expected to discuss the report that Mr. Frazier would resign, but admitted that he has been trying to step down, saying that he did not have the time to devote to the did not have the time to devote to the did not have the time to devote to the did not

Developments in the battle among the position.

fight promoters for the Dempsey-Carpentier bout started off on several new Excellent Executive tangents yesterday. From Paris came the ultimatum from Monsieur Descamps, Carpentier's manager, that a forty-five tered the service in 1917. He was a John Arthur round bout was out of the quesion and that a fifteen-round affair, or more to his liking, a ten-round melec, would be the final settlement. From Chicago came the statement from Charles B. Cochran, the London promoter, when liking he has Carnenting already, under laims he has Carpentier already under contract, that the Frenchman would not meet the world's champion under Promoter Coffroth's direction at Tia Juana, Lower California, Cochran ex-pressed doubt that Descamps had actually accepted Coffroth's terms, as re-ported by cables from France on Tues-days. Still another angle was opened to speculation when the Mexican governor of the province of Lower California announced that he had not been ap-urised officially of Coffroth's intentions to stage the fight at Tia Juana.

Paris, Jan. 8 .- Georges Carpentier the Elect Captain Today matter of weight in order to meet Jack
Dempsey, according to a statement
made tonight to the Associated Press
by Descamps, Carpentier's manager.
Descamps said he was willing to split
the \$400,000 purse offered by James
Coffroth on a basis of 60 per cent for
the winner and 40 per cent for the
loser.

The football squad will elect a
leader for next year.

Three players are in the running for a
the post. They are Bud Hopper, the
star end; Carl Thomas, the guard, and
Eddie Maynard, the tackle. Of these
Hopper seems to be the favorite and

"Carpentier is willing to journey to a strange land, face an exotic climate, give away from twenty-five to thirty pounds in weight and accept a split of 60-40 of Mr. Coffroth's offer," said Descamps.

"We had intended to demand a 50-50 split, but are willing to accept a 60-40 division in order to show this is not merely a money-making proposition, but also a sporting event. We will endeavor to give American sportsmen a deavor to give American sportsmen a real championship battle."

Chicage, Jan. 8.—That Jack Dempsey could not meet Georges Carpentier at Tia Juana. Mex., on July 4, was the statement made today by Charles B. Cochran, London prometer, who said that Carpentier already was under contract he tract to him, and should the contract be broken Carpentier and his manager, M. Descamps, would be liable. Cochran expressed doubt that Descamps actually had accepted Jim Coffroth's terms, add-ing that he believed that Descamps had remarked that in the event Cochran did not sign Dempsey, Coffroth's offer would

WRITERS TO EAT

Feb. 11 Picked as Good Date for Fifteenth Sporting Writers Banquet At a meeting of the board of governors of the Philadelphia Sporting Writers' Associa-tion held yesterday afternoon it was decided to hold the fifteenth annual banquet on Wednesday, Pebruary 11, on the roof garden of the new Hotel Bingman. Following the cusiom of years, the dinner will be caried at 6 p. m., which means that the affair is absolutely informal and every good aport welcome. affair is absolutely informal and evil aport welcome.

Ther will be many surprises at this dinr, which includes, of course, a royal good
se and the renewal of old friendship, such
the sporting writers always provide.
At a meeting next Sunday, called by Presitt, Ganta, the ejection of continities and
invited guests will be named.

The President and Chairman Maxwell will
me the working committee.

AS PENN CHAIRMAN Football Head to Step Down | Poughkeepsie Regatta

New York, Jan. 8 .- Charles H. Mapes, of Columbia, announces that faculty athletic authorities at Cornell, Columbia and Penn have approved the revival of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association's regatta at Poughkeepsie. The re-gatta was suspended during the years of the war.

Mapes also announced that the date of the regutta will be named Mapes is chairman of the board of stewards of the associa-

close touch with the gridiron situation. It is understood that the press of business is the cause of Mr. Frazier's retirement. He will resign not only as chairman, but as a member of the committee.

Major Pickering, the graduate manager of sports, refused to discuss the report that Mr. Frazier would resign. Not sport that Mr. Frazier would resign. Rowing Plans

letics meets tomorrow and it is said that the name of the tutor will be appeared that the name of the tutor will be upressed that the sension for ratification. From the rumors floating about Penn it appears that either Bob Folwell or Dr. Charles Wharton will be appointed during the last football season, but if appears that he was through with coaching the last football season, but if the pression not only as chairman, but as a member of the committee.

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Rowing Plans

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tered the service in 1917. He was a number of the committee for some time of the rowing committee, was on hand previous to that date. He became chair-yesterday and an informal meeting to man shortly after the Folwell case, discuss plans was held, with the chair-which followed on the heels of the trip man, Coach Wright, Captain Kellar and Managers Stimpson and Shumway

Despite the demands of his banking business Mr. Frazier has found time to serve Pennsylvania faithfully, and many believe that he has been one of the best executives the committee ever has had.

A new chairman will be elected at the meeting this afternoon, but Mr. away, provided this meets with the aphe meeting this afternoon, but Mr. away, provided this meets with the approval of Columbia and Princeton. with the Navy at Annapolis also Mr. Frazier always has been active Penn sporting events and was an

SCHOOLBOYS IN CAGE

son, George Harrison Frazier, Jr., is at present a member of Lawson Robert-Interscholastic League Opens Today With Three Big Games

The opening of the Interscholastic League is on this afternoon. Frank-ford High School plays West Philadelphia High in the latter's gymnasium. Northeast High and Central High have arranged to play their games in the Germantown High gymnasium, and the Germantown High youngsters travel to South Philadelphia for their initial league game.

Reds Sell Pitcher Roy Mitchell Cincinnati, Jan. 8.—Pitcher Roy Mitchell as yesterday rold by the Cincinnati Na-counts to the Sacramenta club, of the Pacific



Gorrect in Height and Design

Date to Be Named Soon Baily and Roberts Expected to Score. Many Points for **Princeton Exhibitors**

EIGHT MEETS SCHEDULED

Princeton, N. J., Jan. S .- Two Philadelphia boys are being looked to for a major part of the scoring to be done by Princeton University's gym team this

as well as close friends throughout their school and college life, are "Liv" Baily son. The University council on athletics meets tomorrow and it is said of Ardmore, Pa., and H. ("Denny") that the name of the tutor will be pre- Roberts, of Wynnewood, Pa. Both

The pair, who have been teammates

Manager White, there are eight meets, which include the annual intercollegiate event to be held this year at Huverford College, thus giving Philadelphians a chance to attend and view the work of two local boys on the Princeton team. "Phil" Townley, whose previous ex-perience was gained as a leading per-former at Newark Academy, has been elected captain this year. Coach Karl elected captain this year. Coach Kar is guiding the work of the gymnasts th eason for the first time, adding this

task to his regular job as mentor of the Princeton wrestling team.

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DEMPSEY'S QUALITY OF DEFENSE IN RING UNKNOWN QUANTITY

Champion Refrains From Giving Line on Style of Protection by Putting Opponents Away in Short Order-Carpentier May Cross Done

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UP TO the moment of penning this dispatch it might be noted that Jack Dempsey has refrained from giving any one a line upon his defensive qualities as a boxer since he came into fame. He knocked out Carl Morris in a round. He knocked out Fred Fulton in fourteen seconds. He knocked Willard in the first seconds, smeshing the Kansan's offense for all time. down in fifty seconds, smashing the Kausan's offense for all time.

If Dempsey had permitted Fulton to remain three or four rounds in the vicinity of his person the new champion's defense might have been tested the

there.

Dempsey seems to be the hardest hitting boxer that ever lived. But if his defense is a bit loose or too open, a hard puncher, such as Carpentier is, might easily slip Jack what Jack in turn slipped to Fulton and Willard.

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The lighter, slighter Frenchman could hardly stand up before Dempsey's greater strength and ruggedness very many rounds, as clever as he is. But with his speed, cleverness and the power of his wallop be might drop a heavy weight on Dempsey's chin.

PROVIDED the champion's defense is spotty. And this is the belief that Jack McAuliffe and others who backed him at Toledo maintained throughout. They backed him in the knowledge that it took so great defensive skill to baffle or elude the clumsy Willard. A New Type

DEMPSEY has fought but two types in the last two years; either the slow, D heavier types, such as Willard, Fulton or Morris, or the light-hitting fast man, such as Levinsky. He has not yet met a fast, skillful boxer who also carried high explosive

in his right or left glove. Carpentler will be much harder to hit than Willard, Fulton and Morrh And he will also require a better defensive campaign on the part of his

T FIRST glance the Frenchman seemed to be outclassed. But the more one thinks it over the more it appears that he at least car-

Beforehand

ries a fair possibility.

OLD-TIMERS still recall what a joke Corbett was to be against the mighty The laugh went up when Jeffries challenged Fitzsimmens-the clums novice meeting one of the greatest fighting machines the world had ever known.

And so it goes. The champion is invincible until he is beaten, and then the cry that follows is, "Whom did he ever lick, anyway?" CARPENTIER may not do it. But there are three or four young men quietly coming along, and within two years one of them, at

least, is going to give full proof as to just how great the champion is,

At Twenty-four

DEMPSEY has the advantage of coming to fame at twenty-four. Fitzsimmons was thirty-four when he won the title. Johnson was over thirty, and so was Willard by several years.

Jeffries was only twenty-four when he arrived, but Fitz, Corbett and Sharkey were all beginning to fade. He had to face no strong, fast, young opponent just getting started.

So for several years Jeffries had no one in sight to offer him a battle when he retired around 1904.

EFFRIES remained unbeaten for twelve years from the date he I reached the top, but neither Dempsey nor any one else will last that long in this age where a championship is worth \$500,000 a year.



