

TRADING IN THE DIAMOND BUSINESS WILL START HERE NEXT WEEK WITH ARRIVAL OF CRAVATH

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Gavvy Cravath, Due Here Next Week, Is Expected to Put Through Several Deals Before the 1920 Campaign Gets Under Way

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BUSINESS is likely to pick up considerably in the office of the Phils next week when Charles Clifford Cravath, of Laguna Beach, Calif., arrives in town to take up his duties as manager of the local National League club.

It is said that Gavvy has his eye on a first-class third baseman who toils in Los Angeles, and is willing to swap Lena Blackburn and Leo Callahan for him.

President Baker has sent out several contracts and expects to hear from his athletes this week. Most of the men signed before the end of last season, so only a few are left to do business with.

THE Phils will leave for the South on March 6, which means that Gavvy will have more than a month to get his players in line and select some thirty men to make the trip.

Stoneham Starts Something in Baseball. CHARLEY STONEHAM, the modern Croesus of the diamond, the baseball magnate who has fallen in line with the very best ideas advanced by the common peepul, started something in our great national game when he made the startling announcement that ball players are underpaid and the members of the New York Giants this year would receive voluntary increases in salary.

Ball players admit they are underpaid persons, and it doesn't take much to make them kick over the traces. Every year they have lengthy but unprofitable arguments with their bosses, they announce their retirement and, a couple of days before the spring training trips start, sign the papers at the original salary.

Many of our noble athletes have not yet signed the papers for 1920. They are too busy figuring the effect of the high cost of living on their salaries, and are convinced that a boost should be awarded. The magnates are eager and willing to cut down expenses, but the frank admission by the gentleman from New York has crumpled the act.

HOWEVER, every cloud has a silver lining. Although the magnates might be forced to raise the wages, they will have a swell excuse to boost the price of admission to the games next summer. Nothing could be fairer than that.

Perhaps You're Right, but Much Obligated for the Tip. DEAR SIR—The Pine Street Debating Society must be composed of a lot of youngsters, judging from the minutes of the last meeting which you published Saturday.

It was about 1898, when Yale played Princeton. It was a terrible day with rain and snow coming down at the same time. An icy, penetrating wind prevented heat prostrations.

Somebody had the ball about ten yards from the Princeton goal line. A play was called and twenty-one players were piled in a big heap. Suddenly the ball shot out from the mass and landed in the open. It rolled toward the Yale goal, and the twenty-second player, who happened to be Arthur Poe, picked it up and ran for a touchdown. He was lucky that day—only had to run about eighty-five yards.

Please put the name of Arthur Poe on your list of winning football players. SAM LONG.

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KILBANE BLUFFS WAY TO DRAW WITH MURRAY

Champion's Kidding and Feinting Tactics Frighten New Yorker; Rally Gives Fox Even Break

NO HARD WALLOPS. By LOUIS H. JAFFE. ONE of these days somebody is going to come along without enough sense or with enough sense to be afraid of Johnny Kilbane, and then something is going to happen.

That is exactly what the fox of the featherweights did here on Saturday night—he just naturally bluffed his way through an entire round in six rounds against Johnny Murray, of New York, at the National Club. Murray feared Kilbane so much that he backed up all the time, and when he was hit, he went down like a nine-penny nail.

Murray lacked the nerve. He missed an opportunity he may never get again. And just so long as Kilbane can keep the other fellow wary of his glittering diadem will remain intact on his gray-thatched head.

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Beginning with the second, however, Murray came from his corner and grazed Kilbane's chin with two left hooks. Apparently Murray had got some confidence between rounds. Kilbane was surprised—but he didn't let it show. He clinched and rolled Murray around the ring and made it appear as if the New Yorker really was the one who was holding.

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Wagner showed his generosity by hitting Kilbane with a handspike, but the younger should not have been permitted to box under such conditions. Zeimer tried his utmost not to let Wagner on his sore spot, with the result that the foot went flying under wraps. Were Wagner to have had an opponent who would have had a target of the back of the Kid's neck, the Philadelphia lad would have been in terrible misery.

Half a dozen blows and a handspike are all that were done in the fight. The last six were even more unimportant. The points are evenly divided. The judges are evenly divided. The result is a draw.

A new heavyweight about to break into the game here is Frank Wells, 150-pounder, who is expected to be a contender for the title.

Albion Dundas will be the challenger for the title. He has not been seen at the gymnasium since he was last seen in the ring.

Bobbi Robinson was like a stampede in the ring with his feet that made the crowd roar. He was a real contender for the title.

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Now it comes out, Jack Givens has admitted that most of the so-called big offers for Jack Dempsey's services are nothing more than a lot of empty promises. He is being led by promoters in getting all sorts of offers.

Benny Valer is to come here for a bout with Joe Yelton in February 7. Yelton is a contender for the title.

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