

# CICOTTE FAR FROM "BROKEN BLOSSOM"

### Eddie Stepped in With Shut-Out as 1920 Baseball Starter, Where Grover Alexander, Walter Johnson and Jess Barnes Failed

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Two Songs of April  
I CAME to a roadside dwelling,  
With great care and wide,  
Asking my way to the village,  
And they bade me step inside.

Welcome and cheer they gave me—  
Were comrades, loving and strong;  
And they bade me wait for supper,  
But I could not stay so long.  
R. H.—Songs From Vagabondia.

Lowliest of trees, the cherry now  
Is hung with blossoms of the hough,  
And stands about the woodland ride  
Wearing white for Easter tide.

Now, of my threescore years and ten,  
Twenty will not come again,  
And take from seventy springs a score,  
It only leaves me fifty more.

And since to look at things in bloom  
Fifty springs are little room,  
About the woodlands I will go,  
To see the cherry hung with snow.  
A. E. H.—A Shropshire Lad.

The report that Eddie Cicotte was a "broken blossom" of the highway seems to have been a trifle expanded. Where Alexander, Johnson and Barnes were massacred in their first attempts, all that Cicotte could do was to shut out the weak .300-hitting Tigers.

In Order  
THE International Sporting Program in order is now scheduled practically as follows:

1. Oxford-Cambridge relay team at Pennsylvania games.
2. United States women golfers in British women's championship, early in May.
3. United States amateur golfers in British amateur championship in June.
4. Hagen, United States open golf champion, for British open in June.
5. United States tennis team in British tennis championship at Wimbledon.
6. Yacht races.
7. Olympic games.

Of these seven events the three golf fixtures all stand in favor of Great Britain.

The Oxford-Cambridge relay team has a good chance.

## Phils Chase Robins on Fine Spring Day

Each pitcher contributed runs by wild throws.

Meadows retired eight men via the strike-out route.

Bancroft had only two assists. But they were features of the game.

Mayor Moore acted like a regular feller. He stretched with the other fans in the Phils' half of the seventh.

Each team clipped off a double, Stengel for the Phils and Konetchy for the Robins.

There is one day in the baseball year Sam Payne is positively incomparable—in the flag-raising trick.

Meadows passed three men, two scoring; Pfeffer one, and it blossomed into a run.

Jack and Ralph Miller each raised sacrifice flies.

Bancroft led the hitting of both teams by three simon-pure singles.

Ward caught Traggesser's line fly in the second and doubled up Paullette at second for the only double killing.

Elliott's catch of Paullette's foul against the grandstand in the fourth was a spectacular feature.

Open Country Thoughts  
TREES to look at around the bend,  
A country lane for the feet;  
A few birds caroling "Hello, friend,"  
Fast from a crowded street,  
There are other things better—I haven't a doubt,  
But no one has ever yet pointed them out.

Whys of Sportive Popularity  
WHAT, then, are the essential ingredients of sporting popularity?  
First, Supremacy.—I. e., Cobb, Hagen, etc.

Second, Always giving 100 per cent of one's best.

Third, Good nature or a sense of humor.—Ruth, Hagen, Carpenter.

Fourth, Eccentricity; Waddell.

Fifth, Unusual competitive brains; Evers, Mathewson, Cobb.

There are other details, but these are the main fixtures. Willard, for example, had something of the first, but little of the latter four.

Of all qualities the first two are the vital ones. Without them the rest count for little.

L. J. H.—Yes, Ruth can hit a baseball harder than Crawford, DeLoach or any other batsman in the game, by 20 per cent.

WE HAVE never heard of a college or university yet which took up spring football practice in the proper way. Modern football instruction is entirely too complicated to be crowded into two autumn months. A strenuous spring campaign of forward passing, rooting, passing, kicking, receiving, kicking and blocking is the menu required for proper development—a menu which no one adopts so far as we can find out. A modern football machine should be able to throw and catch a football with as much skill as a baseball team handles a baseball. For it can be done. Eddie Casey, for example, could receive forward passes with one hand or one arm, over his head or down around his knees.

## U. S. HOCKEY TEAM FAVORITE AT OLYMPICS

### Meets Switzerland Tomorrow, Then Canada if It Wins Opener, Which Seems Likely

Antwerp, April 23.—The United States hockey team will play Switzerland in the opening round of the Olympic games hockey tournament here Saturday afternoon, according to the draw made for the seven contesting nations last night.

Six teams were paired in the opening round, with France drawing a bye, and the final game for the championship and first place will be played at the Ice Palace here Monday night.

Unless there is an unexpected upset it is the consensus of opinion among hockey experts that the United States team will face the Canadian Falcons, of Winnipeg, in the championship match.

The result of the full draw is as follows:

France, a bye in the first round; Sweden vs. Belgium, Friday night.

United States vs. Switzerland, Saturday afternoon.

Canada vs. Czechoslovakia, Saturday night.

Under this draw France will play the winner of the Swedish Belgian match Sunday afternoon and the winners of the United States vs. Switzerland and the Canada vs. Czechoslovakia contests will meet Sunday night. The surfers will meet Sunday night.

## Bullard to Lead U. S. Gunners

New York, April 23.—Lieutenant General Robert Lee Bullard, commander of the Department of the East, will be commander of the United States Olympic shooting team which will compete for international rifle and pistol honors at Brussels July 25-31.

## Trimbale Awarded Class Medal

Princeton, N. J., April 23.—Robert Maurice Trimbale, of Bensenville, Pa., was yesterday awarded the gold medal of the class of 1921, given each year to that member of the senior class who is voted by the class to have done the most for Princeton. Trimbale played on last fall's football team, and is captain of this year's baseball team. Two years ago he was an all-Easterday forward on the basketball team. He is generally considered to be the best all-around athlete that Princeton has ever produced.

## Colby, 9; M. A. C., 8

Amherst, Mass., April 23.—Colby defeated Massachusetts Agricultural College in a hard-fought game yesterday by a score of 9 to 8. The game was the sixth of a series of games being played by the two schools. Colby's score was 9 to 8. M. A. C.'s score was 8 to 9.

## Carpenter to Stage Exhibition

New York, April 23.—George Carpenter, champion European heavyweight boxer, will make his first appearance in the ring in America on May 2 when he will box four exhibition rounds here with one of his sporting partners. It was announced yesterday. The exhibition will be held in the Severyn-fine Regiment Armory for the benefit of a war veterans' building in this city.

## College Baseball

Wesleyan, 8; Tufts, 1.  
Colby, 9; Massachusetts Agricultural College, 8.  
Yale, 7; Albright, 0.  
Villanova, 20; Catholic University, 4.  
Valparaiso, 10; Armour Institute, 2.  
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## Victory for Ninth National


Ninth National won from Third National in the opening game of the season today, 7 to 4. The game was featured by the all-around efficiency of the Ninth National nine.

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