

UNLESS A PLAYER HAS A COUPLE OF HOME-RUN NOTCHES IN HIS BAT HE IS NOT ONE OF THE FAST SET

THIS is the open season for home runs in the big leagues. Never before have there been so many circuit cloners. Players who never have been accused of being long-distance sluggers are homing in with four-base swallops and establishing records which would have been unobtainable three or four years ago.

in the league to make homers, because of the short right and left fields. Perhaps that is true, but doesn't it seem strange that other clubs in the American and National Leagues do not take advantage of it? That lively baseball circuit should be broken by all of the Yankees' opponents, but you never could notice it.

Despite the stories that the new pitching rules have made it easier for the batters this year, and the absence of the shine, emery, paraffine and other paony deliveries has stimulated batting averages, the present slugging figures seem strange, unusual and entirely out of proportion.

Ruth, of course, leads. Meusel is second with eight, and Bodie, Peckinpaugh and Pipp follow with seven each. Ward has four, Pratt three, Lewis and Hannah two each and Ruel and Quinn one each.

It has been said that the pitchers are less effective than last year and the hitters have improved. Perhaps that is right in some cases, but it would be foolish to make a broad statement that every pitcher is in poorer form than in 1919 and every batter is from twenty to fifty points better.

THE batting averages also are worthy of discussion. The American League, forty-three players are hitting over .300, twenty of them having a mark of .350 or better. In the National, twenty-five are in the .300 class and only seven have bettered .320.

THE best and surest way to argue one's case is to produce data and figures, because figures don't lie. We mentioned in the opening chorus that this is the open season for home runs, and as that's our story, we will stick to it.

WHILE these records are being made the Yanks are stepping out and making themselves a hot favorite for the gounion. Funny thing about that New York club. The other seven managers do not give Huggins's men a look-in for the pennant, but they are going right along winning ball games and fattening their percentage.

PLAN REVIVAL OF SCHOOL CRICKET. Armour Makes Favorable Impression in His American Debut. New London, Conn., July 26.—T. D. Armour, the Scottish amateur golfer who came over to play in our amateur and open championships, reached here yesterday on the Shenecosque links by his superb golf.

FIRST BRASSARD GOES TO WILEY. Syracuse Speedster Upsets Carman—Walther Wins. George Wiley crossed the wire ones at the Point Breeze Velodrome last Saturday night. The Syracuse speedster, an outsider according to the rail bibes, came through with a victory in the first Brassard race of the season and was awarded the gold medal.

Scraps About Scappers. FRED FULTON, the plasterer, will meet Harry Willis, negro heavyweight, in the feature frans of twelve rounds at the Newark Sportsman's Club tonight in the inaugural show of the International Sporting Club of New York.

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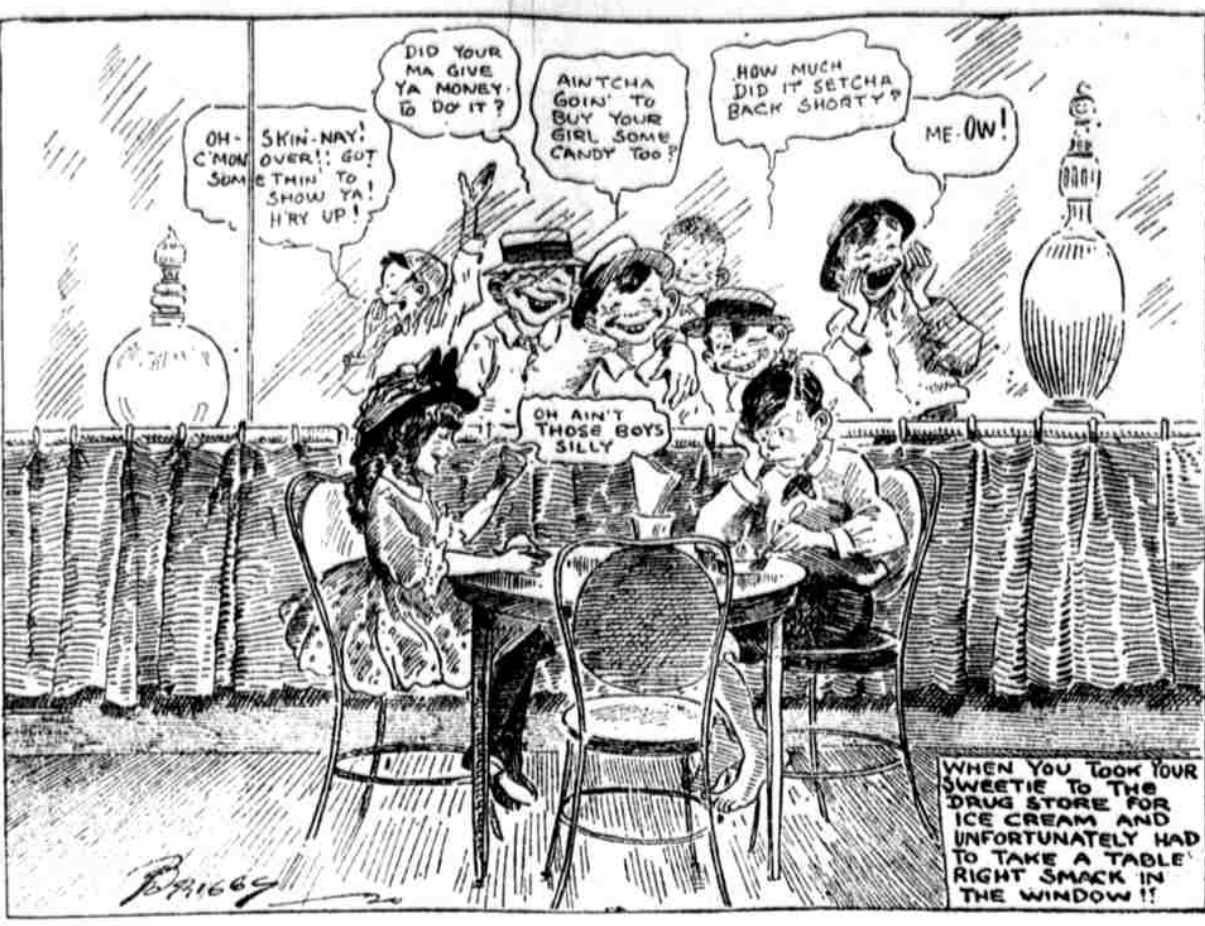
Kramer and Egg Win. Newark, July 26.—Frank Kramer and Edgar Egg scored a decisive victory over Arthur Bell and Norman High in the first match race of the Velodrome yesterday afternoon.

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'BEST-EVER' NATIONAL GOLF AMATEUR TUSSELE PROMISED

Big-Four Americans Furnish Much Speculation and Promised Entry of Two Foreign Champions Makes This Year's Play Highly Enthralling. By SANDY McNEBLICK. THE tussle for the amateur golf championship of the United States ought to be the best this year that has ever been witnessed.

A'S ON WAY TO CHI FOR WESTERN TOUR

Macks Lose, 4-3; to Griffis. Then Leave for Windy City. Play Wednesday. Our lowly A's are on their way Chicagoward, where they are to start on a tour of the western portion of B. Johnson's league against the White Sox, beginning Wednesday.

STAGING DUAL RACE IN NATIONAL LEAGUE

Unless Unexpected Happens Reds and Dodgers Will Fight It Out—Kid Gleason Is Optimistic Over Chances of His White Sox Winning Flag. By GRANTLAND RICE. Before I'm Old. Before I'm old, too old to take the rougher trails where few intrude.

READER—Eddie Collins is a ball player of great skill and a certain magnetism, but we never heard of him being listed in the temperamental class. Afterward. IN THEIR time they knew the cheers and applause of the multitude, the acclaim that belongs with the olive wreath.

WHILE panning the intentional pass, we consider also the feelings of the pitcher who stands with his mouth open and watches one of his fast ones sailing gracefully out of the park. YARDON AND RAY SPLIT. Englishmen Oppose Each Other and Win and Lose.

GIANTS TO GET BONUS FOR DEFEATING REDS. Cincinnati, July 26.—The members of the New York Giants will receive a bonus for winning the deciding game of the series with the Reds here yesterday afternoon.

SHORE AUTO RUN. Keystone Club in Charge of Atlantic City Event in September. The Keystone Automobile Club of this city, has been given charge of the automobile run to be held in connection with the Big Fall Frolics to be staged in Atlantic City, September 23, 24 and 25, inclusive.

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Consider the American 'Big Four'. Francis Quimet, in the opinion of all who have seen him play this year, is in the best of health once more after a winter's 'baking out' at Pinehurst, and is playing the game of his life.

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