

THE EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER SPORTS STAFF WISHES ITS MANY READERS A HAPPY NEW YEAR

BABE RUTH DROPS 72,500 BUCKS PLAYING THE PONIES AND MOVIES, BUT HE STILL CAN PLAY BALL

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger Babe Ruth, the world's champion fence buster is a versatile person. He holds many records on the ball field, but that's not all. He shattered another record recently and is satisfied. He has had enough.

Mr. Ruth, according to some real regular, inside dope, has been separated from \$72,500, which was the size of the bankroll. He was wallpapered unmercifully while in Cuba and after playing the party of the second part left the island hurriedly. He wanted to get back to the dear U. S. A. where there are only hold-up men, safe blowers and porch climbers to be annoyed with. Also, he wished to get back before it became necessary to swim and drape himself in a barrel after landing.

Soon after arriving in Cuba where he was the big noise and principal attraction for the mobsters, he received \$1000 per matinee. Both started out to see the numerous attractions in Havana. He met many people and was handed a lot of clever and very wise conversation. A fluent orator discovered a system to beat the races and Babe agreed with him. All he had to do was pick winners and lose his money.

Ruth took the rubber hand of the bankroll and got busy. He wagered with a lavish hand and his studs never could run according to form. They were so tough that the other horses in the race were frightened and ran away from them. Some of the Ruth favorites still are running and others are in the far off distance.

It took but a short time to sting the Babe for \$35,000, but that wasn't all. It was just the finale. He had the Havana disaster the noted slam-bang artist had an adventure in the moving picture field. He finished second. Miller Huggins furnished the information a short time ago.

"In sorry for Babe," says Hug. "His troubles come in bunches. Very few people know that he was socked for \$37,500 in the picture game—yes, that's the exact figure. The whole works collapsed and the dough went down. Babe, however, didn't care a hoot. He didn't make a holler and I doubt if he ever gives it a second thought."

It doesn't take long to separate a seat from the bank roll. Experts can do it painlessly. No wonder the slagger demands a big salary.

Why Ice Hockey Is Popular Here ANY sport that requires the maximum of endurance, skill and courage makes a popular appeal. Football, baseball, tennis, basketball and other athletic branches combine everything that goes to make it interesting for the competitor and entertaining for the spectator.

The latest winter indoor sport that has come to this city is ice hockey. And make no mistake this sport is here to stay. It carries with it such courage, skill, endurance, speed and science to play this game as any in the sporting repertoire.

OH, MAN!



THREE NEW CHAMPIONS IN RING AS '21 BEGINS

Carpenter, Lynch and Wilson Win Titles During 1920: Dempsey and Leonard Real Titleholders

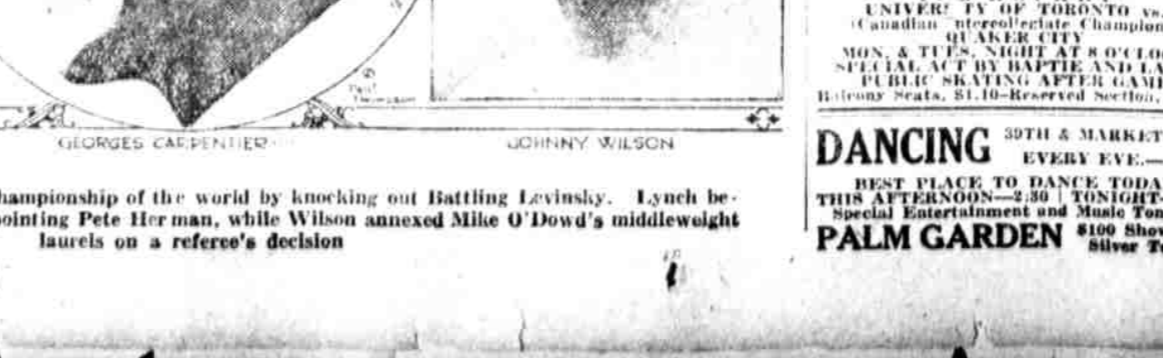
WORLD'S PROFESSIONAL Heavyweight—Jimmy Wilde, Pontiac, Mich. Middleweight—Joe Lynch, New York. Featherweight—Johnny Kilbane, Philadelphia. Lightweight—Benny Leonard, New York. Welterweight—Jack Britton, New York. Middleweight—Johnnie Wilson, Boston. Heavyweight—George Carpentier, Paris, France. Heavyweight—Bert Wilson, Philadelphia, Pa.

WORLD'S AMATEUR Heavyweight—F. de Gennar, New York. Middleweight—Walter, South Africa. Featherweight—F. de Gennar, New York. Lightweight—F. de Gennar, New York. Welterweight—F. de Gennar, New York. Middleweight—F. de Gennar, New York. Heavyweight—F. de Gennar, New York.

Central Ready for West Phila. Crimson and Gold Will Send Fast Basketball Team Against Speedboys

Scraps About Scappers Mark Wilson is boasting Al Johnson as a future great in the ring. He is a former champion and has a record of 100 wins and 10 losses.

Ring Champions Crowned in 1920 St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 1.—Announcement made by the National Amateur Athletic Union that the champions for 1920 were crowned in St. Joseph, Mo., on Jan. 1.



G. RICE TELLS HOW EVERY ONE MAY HIT LONG DRIVES IN '21

In Rhythmic Mood He Starts the Year, Telling Athletes How to Steer—His Advice to Fat and Lean Is Play the Game and Play It Clean

By GRANTLAND RICE New Year Resolutions LISTEN, my children, and you shall hear. Some worthy resolves for the fiscal year. Whatever your sea or your humble lot, whatever you're married or whether you're not.

The Golfer WHEN I have finished up a round, no matter what my score may be, though I have creaked a lot of ground, and found nine bunkers from the tee.

The Fight Manager OUTSIDE of the ropes I'll whoop it up and when the scrap is done, no matter what the decision is, of course I'll say that we won.

The Ball Player I'll be right there with the hit and run, back in the P. of O., I'll play the G. of my I. again, gather it straight from me.

The Fighter I know my prices have been high, I know I've gathered too much kale, I've had more than my share of pie, when there was any ticket sale.

Eight White Sox OUR resolutions' firmly fixed—in further games we'll not be mixed; we'll turn in mask and glove and bat and leave the silly pastime flat.

Soccer Is Played by Thousands in Philadelphia And there are thousands of others who would like to learn the game.

Pratt Won't Sign Former Yankee Player Says He Has Abandoned "Pro" Baseball

Pitt Five Beats Yale Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 1.—The Pitt basketball team defeated Yale last night by a score of 40 to 26 in a fact game.

Phil. Jack O'Brien Wishes You a Healthful Happy New Year The Largest Health and Athletic Institute in the world, costing \$500,000, will open early in January.

NATIONAL A. A. Special New Year's Show This Afternoon Matty Detcher vs. Bobby Whitgait Johnny Paxton vs. Al Reynolds Kid Wolfe vs. Jack Perry Kid Wagner vs. Tommy Cleary Len Rawlins vs. Frankie Maguire