

Lynch in Hard New York Battle Successfully Defends Bantam Title Against Midget Smith

LYNCH HOLDS CROWN BY NARROW MARGIN

Bantam Champ Gets Seven Rounds to Five, With Three Tied—Joe Uncorks Lively Left Jabs, but Just Escapes Knockout

New York, Dec. 23.—Just about this time two years ago, almost to the date, Joe Lynch, figured as a rank outsider, surprised the bantam world by winning a 15-round decision and the world's bantamweight title from Pete Herman at the Madison Square Garden.

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COAST LEAGUE IS SHORTSTOP SCHOOL

Heinie Sand Is Only One of Many Brilliants to Be Groomed There

WHEEN Art Fletcher was tendered the skippership of the foundering Phils he accepted with the understanding that his work would not take him off the bench.

He said, "Heinie Sand" and Sand was purchased, though it was necessary to give up Singleton, Lewis, Jimmy Smith, Leslie and some thousands of dollars in exchange.

Four National League shortstops made their minor league reputation in the bantam Pacific atmosphere.

There is almost as heavy a fringe of shortstops in the line-up of the American League shortstops.

It is rather peculiar that a league should so consistently furnish brilliant stars in that single field.

Most of their first basemen are of the slugging but heavy-footed type.

Through there are some outlanders of the class of Joe Evans, Jack Graney, Harry Heilmann and the two Meusers who came from the Coast.

The Pacific Coast League is not a haven for youngsters.

When the baseball season is out of the way, the Haverford athlete, Jim Reid, is a week or two to visit the Yankees' new stadium and hit a few drives over the fence just to prove that some miles or home runs would mean nothing to him.

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WILL GIVE AND TAKE MONDAY



Three Christmas boxing matinees will be held in Philadelphia. George Chaney and Benny Bass will meet Alex Hart and Tommy Murray, respectively, at the Arena.

SWARTHMORE P. TO BOOM SWIMMING

Coach Ladd to Issue Call for Tank Candidates After Holiday Season

SWIMMING will be introduced at Swarthmore Preparatory School as a sport, beginning with the New Year.

The tank team will be coached by Ladd, who was one of the star members of the Swarthmore Prep team several seasons ago.

Van Hise Leaves School

Van Hise has played on the varsity quintet for the last two years and was considered one of the best forwards that ever wore a Garner jersey.

Scrap About Scrappers

Eddie Kid Wagner, local jockey, who made quite a hit in New York, is in the hands of the Atlantic City, Christmas night.

George J. W. Binell, prominent race horse owner and trainer, died at Pittsburgh, Pa., last night.

TRI-COUNCIL FIVE WINS 8TH STRAIGHT

West Phila. "Cases" Add Colonial Ice Cream to List of Victims, 29-23

The Tri-Council basketball team turned in its eighth straight victory on the home court last night at the expense of the Colonial Ice Cream.

Playing on Colonial was Eddie Gallagher, whose foul toss in the last five seconds of Wednesday's game gave Keystone Telephone a victory over U. G. and B., and in last night's game it was Gallagher who played the stellar role.

Jack Glasgow, former star of the Atlantic City "Cases," and now the manager of the Tri-Council five, was in charge of the team.

All-American End Dies of Injuries

Kirk, Michigan Grid Star, is Auto Victim

PICKED TEAMS TO PLAY

Rival Soccer Elevens Will Clash in Christmas Exhibition Contest

Gossip of the Amateurs

Christmas Day Soccer Games

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THREE CHRISTMAS BOXING CARDS HERE

Arena, Cambria and Twentieth Century Have Each Five-Bout Program Monday

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LA TOSELLA advertisement featuring a large illustration of a cigar and text: 'Remember your friends this Christmas with a box of LA TOSELLA cigars. It will add so much to their holiday happiness and good cheer.' Includes 'EVERY man who knows good Havana—fine Sumatra and good workmanship—will like LA TOSELLA.' and 'Get a few boxes to-day for your own Christmas entertaining.'