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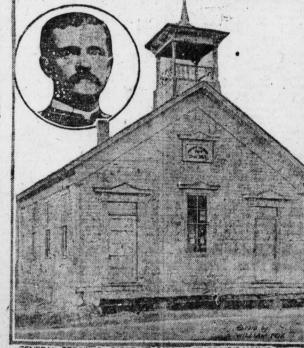
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When Rufe Turner was knocking them all dead in Stockton, Cal., a fellow showed up in the gymnasium one day and asked that Rufe don the gloves with him. Rufe, who always had trouble find-ing a sparring partner when his reg-ular man, Bob Langley, the red-headed negro, wasn't around, was glad to avail himself of the fellow's services.

giad to avail himself of the fellow's services. "Hit as hard as you want," the stranger said to Rufe. "The harder you hit the better I'll like it." Pretty soon Rufe let go one for the chin and the fellow fell like he'd been hit with a brick. Rufe was very sorry. He helped rub the stranger and bring him too. "Too bad, old man," said Rufe, when the stranger opened his eyes, "I ought to have been more careful." "That's all right," said the fellow. "That's all right, "said the fellow. I'm \$20 ahead. I bet a chap that you'd score five straight knockouts. I'm the fifth."

I'm the fifth." Cincinnati is the toughest town ever known for a baseball manager. Now they are blaming Matty for the direct loss of twelve games during the season. The critics have Matty's mistake down to where they know exactly the number of games Chris lost, and they blame it all on his re-fusal to act as a relief pitcher. Per-haps had Matty played such a role his work would have been responsible for 24 defeats instead of a mere dozen.

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