

**M. E. Palmer, Back From Kansas City, Reports New Firestone Building Biggest Ever.**



Mr. Palmer returned from Kansas City today having attended the opening of the new Firestone branch building on Thursday.

Mr. Palmer says that he was impressed not only with the size and extent of the facilities provided in this new building, but with the spirit of the Firestone organization.

Mr. Palmer reports that the Firestone big authorities, from Akron, O., were present including Mr. H. S. Firestone, the president; Mr. J. J. Firestone, the sales manager and other executives.

"It was not only a business meeting, but a good fellowship meeting," said Mr. Palmer.

"I was really astonished at the uniformly high character of dealers all over the territory. We had great times together, comparing notes on conditions throughout this territory. From everyone of them I learned that Firestone tires are becoming stronger every day with the very best type of motorists. The public is realizing more and more that MOST MILES PER DOLLAR means just what it says and that the Firestone company will go to any length in order to hold and strengthen their reputation for giving the greatest value for the money.

"The new Firestone branch building is a wonderful thing. It is the largest distributing depot in the south-west for that matter. The tremendous stock carried at all times will enable Firestone dealers to make more prompt deliveries than ever before and supply the constantly growing demand promptly.

"I want to announce to my customers that I am more than ever a Firestone dealer and can give them better service as well as tires which will satisfy them in every particular.

"I have always felt that Firestone tires led the industry that I am so proud of Firestone enthusiasm now, that I defy any motorist now to get away from me if he will listen to a few of the facts that I have to present to him.

"It was an inspiration to be one of four hundred dealers all engaged in furthering the sale of a tire that has so many good qualities.

"And the spirit of not only the dealers, but the branch organization and the men who came on from Akron, O., was really amazing.

"I was surprised at the frank way in which the relations of the company and the dealers to the public were discussed. I never imagined that big business could be conducted so openly and that difficulties could be discussed in such a frank manner. It goes to show big business is really built on the satisfaction of the consumer.

"From the time of the reception at the branch he had a group picture until the last speech at the banquet at the Hotel Muehlebach in the evening, there was not a moment that did not impress me with the advantage both for me and my customers in working with an organization of this kind.

"There was lots of fun connected with it. We had a group picture—a big luncheon at the Harvey House—an automobile parade, followed by a business meeting in the afternoon at which the principal Firestone executives spoke to us. The final event of the day was the banquet.

"All of it, while it was very enjoyable, was at the same time extremely impressive and has given me more confidence in the Firestone company and in the tires they make than I have ever had before."

**GOLF TAME GAME**

It's Not in Same Class With Other Athletic Sports.

Tennis, Baseball and Boxing Are All Superior to It.

BY FRANK G. MENKE.

New York, Sept. 16.—The golfing persons kidded themselves into believing that theirs is the only game that requires temperament of a certain sort, steady nerves, unflinching courage, brains, concentration, and like qualities.

Poor dears!

The linkists have written reams and reams dwelling on the intricacies of their sport; they have talked themselves hoarse and hoarse still on the same subject. They have written and talked so much about it that they have come to believe that a good golfer is a superior being; that only great men play golf; that tennis, billiards, baseball and the other sports are indulged in only by rough necks.

Poor deluded gollufers!

Tennis Greater Than Golf.

It seems to be the way of editors of golfing magazines to dwell long and lovingly upon the greatness of their game, to the belittling of other sports. But what will they say now in face of what Bobby Jones, of Atlanta, accomplished in the recent national amateur tournament. "Bobby," aged fourteen, went right into the affairs, worked his way into match play, beat a former champion, defeated another star golfer and gave the 1915 champion a bad scare.

Who will say that at fourteen or fifteen, temperament and brains are developed; that one has acquired poise, patience, steady nerves and calm judgment at such an age? Yet a boy, undeveloped, beat some of the greatest golfing stars in America. Does that show that golf is the greatest game, or is it just a game that anyone can play if he gets sufficient practice?

Golfers who term their game the greatest probably never indulged in tennis. If they had they wouldn't talk as they do. Tennis requires everything that golf requires—and much more. Tennis summons courage, steady nerves, concentration, endurance, and a brain a thousand times faster than in golf. A golfer can take an hour or more, if he wishes, to map out his next play; a net artist must think and act in a lightning flash. A golfer can play the game at any speed that pleases him; a tennis player must be a human whirlwind; he must be here, there and everywhere.

And yet some golfers belittle tennis.

Baseball's Demand Greater.

Baseball makes a greater demand on the brain, the body and the nerve forces than does golf. It, too, requires courage, concentration, a stout heart and brains. Golfers elaborate on the terrific strain they are under when they are called upon to hole a five or ten or fifteen foot putt or lose a match. Does the strain compare with that of a pitcher in a three-innings situation? Does it exceed the nervous tension that comes to a batter when it is up to him to hit or lose the game for his club; a contest that may decide a pennant fight or win or lose a world's championship?

Is golf greater than baseball?

Who will say that golf requires more of a man in the matter of infinite care, concentration, nerve control and "brains" than "Millard's" Boxing demands more of its devotees than does golf. It calls for concentration; the brainier he is the greater the fighter. Calm judgment and controlled nerves are essential. A golfer doesn't need to have endurance, nor ability to take punishment. But a fighter does.

**OLD MAN MERKLE IS HELP TO BROOKLYN**



Fred Merkle.

It seems that Robinson's trade of young Lew McCarty for Fred Merkle was a wise deal and though Fred is another vet to join Robbie's home for old men he has steadied the Dodger infield no trifle already. Merkle does valuable work with an ease that makes it seem trivial and his ability and experience more than make up for the loss of so good a youngster as McCarty.

**CHASE IN FRONT**

"Old Hal" Is Now the Leading Hitter in National League.

Speaker Appears to Have Safe Lead on Ty Cobb.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 16.—Hal Chase has taken the lead in the race for the National league batting championship, according to figures published here today which include the records of last Wednesday's games. Jake Daubert, long the leader, has dropped to third place, into a tie with Hornsby, while Wheat went into second place. Leading batters who have played in half or more of their club's games:

Chase, Cincinnati...	332	Wheat, Brooklyn...	320
Daubert, Brooklyn...	317	Hornsby, St. Louis...	317
Wagner, Pittsburgh...	312	Hinchman, Pittsburgh...	309
Robertson, New York...	305	Stack, Philadelphia...	296
Whitted, Philadelphia...	291	Long, St. Louis...	281

Leading pitchers for twenty-three games:

Hughes, Boston...	16	9	812	2.33
Alexander, Phila...	28	19	737	1.54
Rixey, Philadelphia...	19	8	704	2.21
Pfeffer, Brooklyn...	21	10	674	2.69
Marquard, Brooklyn...	10	5	597	1.70
Mannan, Pittsburgh...	19	10	597	2.27
Cheney, Brooklyn...	16	9	640	1.91
Rudolph, Boston...	16	9	640	2.31
Beaton, New York...	12	7	631	2.32
Perritt, New York...	17	10	629	2.75

**THE GIANTS OUGHT TO HAVE A WINNER IN 1917**

The best that the Giants can do is to look forward to next season. In young Holke they apparently have a find, in Fletcher a first class shortstop, in Zimmerman a slugging third baseman and in Herzog the most valuable all around infielder in the league. The outfield certainly compares favorably with any in the game, and McCarty and Raridon form a strong catching combination. It looks, therefore, as if McGraw had very little more to do before leading his team to the heights again.

**FOOD FOR FANS**

(BY GEORGE E. PHAIR.)

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The Pinch Hitter.

It is easy enough for an athlete to come to bat when the pitcher is in a pinch. But the player worth while comes to bat with a smile.

And wallops the ball in a pinch.

A 300 hitter who cannot hit in a pinch is almost as useful as an iceberg in the Arctic Ocean.

Joe Mandot, we are told, does not take his work seriously. And yet, the fellow he got from Frankie Russell was no joke.

Vers Libre.

Jack and Jill went up the hill To get a pail of water. It happened on a Wednesday day And water was all they could get.

Monte Carlo is organizing a baseball team, in spite of the fact that a good Yankee would knock the ball out of the country.

Occasionally "Chick" vans takes a day off and refrains from winning a championship.

"Anderson Slugs With Fulton" avers a headline. To tell the truth we'd rather hear them slug than see them fight.

Jack Dillon can wallop all the heavyweights, but can't whip a man of his own size. Figuring along that line of dope, Johnny Coulton ought to be able to knock his block off.

Turf war threatened in New Orleans.

**TWO MORE IN NET**

Witnesses to Dilworth Murder Found by Police.

Man and Woman Riding Thru Park in Automobile.

MANY ARE BEING WATCHED

Suspect Existence of Jekyll and Hyde Personage.

Lawyer's Many Love Affairs May Have Brought Death.

New York, Sept. 16.—The identity of two mysterious witnesses in the Dilworth murder case which now threatens to develop along new and sensational lines, has been discovered.

They are Miss E. C. Ballard of No. 507 West One Hundred and Thirtieth street, and Hymen Mendelsohn, whose home is in the Bronx.

Miss Ballard has told the police that she was one of the passengers in a touring car that was close to that of Dwight Dilworth in Lover's Lane, Van Cortlandt park when the lawyer was shot in the presence of his companion, Miss Mary MacNiff.

It was not willingly that she gave this information. When first questioned on the subject by the police, she refused to admit that she had been near the place. Under pressure, however, she went as far as to reveal the fact, it was a fact, that she had actually witnessed the shooting.

Another eye witness, according to her narrative, was Hymen Mendelsohn, who she said had been her companion in the touring car.

Mendelsohn vehemently denied having witnessed the murder or having ridden in the park that night with Miss Ballard. Nevertheless, the police regard them both as important witnesses and are confident of uncovering a series of important facts which will give the case an entirely new complexion.

Police Commissioner Arthur Woods has taken personal charge of the investigation and assigned to it twelve capable detectives who are working night and day to uncover all the workings of what they now believe to have been an elaborate murder plot promoted by jealousy.

Four Under Observation.

Four persons, it was learned further, are now being kept under constant surveillance by the police. Two are women and two men.

Another mysterious person, the son of a wealthy and well known family, may be called as a witness. The precise nature of his connection with the case is being kept secret by the police. There are indications, however, that he is believed to have been leading a Jekyll and Hyde existence.

While his associates by day have been above suspicion, he is said to have had unexplainable relations by night with lawless characters of the type commonly known as gamblers. In fact, there are many reasons for believing that the Dilworth murder was another crime traceable to hired gangsters provided with an automobile and commissioned to take a human life for a price provided by others of much higher position in the social scale.

Not Wisely But Too Well.

Lawyer Dilworth's activities in the pursuit of the fair sex furnished the basis of the motive that the police are seeking to establish for the plot to kill and kill him. He had been attentive to and more than one young woman, and in one or more of his sentimental affairs had crossed the pay barrier sufficiently infatuate with a woman to go to the last extreme in the pursuit of vengeance.

Only in a fragmentary way can it be indicated at this time what success the police have had in their complex labor of building up a sound theory of the crime and finding the plot to follow it. It is known that they are prepared to confirm part of the testimony of Miss Ballard with that of at least one other witness.

Steps are being taken to trace her movements immediately after leaving, as she says, the scene of the murder.

Besides Miss Ballard and Mendelsohn, there will be witnesses well known in the dancing studios and restaurants of the city. One playwright is said to be the subject of the police roster, also a woman well known in the motion picture world.

**MEXICANS CELEBRATE**

Bells, Fireworks and Much Fireworks Today Below Border.

Junarez, Mexico, Sept. 16.—Throughout Mexico the national independence day is being observed today with historical ceremonies. Last night at 11 o'clock the celebration began in this city with the ringing of bells in commemoration of the day when the liberty bell by the priest-patriot, Hidalgo, in the village of Dolores, Guanajuato, in 1810.

Close watch was kept on all gatherings by officials of the de facto government.

Impatient cusses! Trying to commit suicide with one foot on the grave.

Hymn of Love.

I love the village joker, Who always takes his stand Behind me playing poker. And rubbers at my elbow.

I love the art who tells me A story old and lame And manly and almost folks me While telling me the same.

I love the scribe who borrows My lone tobacco sack And, spite of all my sorrows, Forgets to hand it back.

I love all fellow creatures, Except the movie fan, Who sits behind me and lets every one within the hearing of his nose know that he has seen the film before; that it was Montgomery Mash, not Luke Ladyfinger, who stole the papers that I'm not really dead, but is lying imprisoned in Montgomery's pretzel mine; that Thimble here Glavin is the real heir to the Barons Vermont's millions, and that she will marry Luke in the last scene.

Oh gosh, I hate that man!

Harry Harper Gets Layoff.

Chicago, Sept. 16.—Manager Clark Griffith, of the Washington Americans, has announced that Harry Harper, his star left-handed pitcher, will not pitch any more games this season. Harper's arm is sore and Griffith said he did not care to take any chances with him as he expected Harper to be one of the best left-handed pitchers in the league next season.

**MILLION TO JAP WIDOW**

William D. Morgan Left Bulk of Estate to His Wife.

New York, Sept. 16.—The will of William D. Morgan, a cousin of J. P. Morgan, Jr., has been admitted to probate in the surrogate's court here. The testator left the bulk of his estate, estimated at over \$1,000,000, to his Japanese widow, Yuki Kato Morgan, of Paris.

Mr. Morgan died in Spain nearly a year ago. There was a long delay in probating the will as the testimony of several witnesses dwelling in widely separated places was needed.

**TO RESCUE REFUGEES**

U. S. Cruiser Des Moines Will Pick Up Americans in Syria.

Washington, Sept. 16.—The United States cruiser Des Moines will leave Barcelona, Spain, immediately for a Syrian port to take on 65 American women and children refugees.

It is expected that they will embark at Jaffa for some Egyptian or Italian port where they will sail for the United States.

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I firmly believe that three times \$250,000 is returned to the cash drawer of the Chalmers Company every year through such a policy. It certainly makes selling a Chalmers car anything but a difficult matter. And that accounts for the "run" on the car. For "run" it surely is. I am handling from three to five times as many Chalmers cars as this territory ever absorbed before. Last November the Chalmers Dealers bought \$22,000,000 worth of 3400 r. p. m. Chalmers in forty minutes. These Cars were all made and delivered before summer rolled around. Then 10,000 more were added. These were taken up during the summer months. Now 20,000 more are coming through. That means that this model will be continued without change in design into next season. It also means a \$56,000,000 business. Which is twice more than the most optimistic Chalmers executive ever dared dream. The quality in the car is the answer. Drive one a mile, and you won't be able to get your monogram painted on the doors quick enough.

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