



SPORTS

MODERN FIGHTERS BET LITTLE COIN

KETCHEL, THE LAST GREAT BOXER TO TAKE CHANCE ON HIMSELF.

RENO SAW FEW WAGERS

"Old Sportsman" Marks Back to Days When Plungers Were Rule Rather Than Exception—Few of Present-Day Glove Artists Have Anything Down When They Are in the Ring.

(By T. P. Magilligan.)

"How many boxers bet on themselves?" repeated the old sportsman. "Boy, that is not so easy to answer, but I will say that the modern ringmen have nothing on the old-timers in this respect.

"The fact is, I have followed the game for 30 years, and I think, as a general rule, the old-timers were always willing to bet that they would win, while very few of the modern glove artists have anything of their own, running on their chances when they are in the ring.

"Stanley Ketchel, now dead and under the daisies, was the real plunger of the modern brigade. He'd bet them as high as a cat's back and he was always willing to wager his own coin.

"I don't think Ketchel ever went into the ring against anyone that he was not carrying a lot of his own money to win. He was not only the gamest of all the modern boxers from a physical standpoint, but he was also the gamest from a moral point of view. He had moral as well as physical courage, and he'd bet his last cent on himself against almost any boxer in the world.

"I remember when Ketchel boxed Papke here on a Thanksgiving day in 1908. This was shortly after Ketchel had been knocked out by Papke at Los Angeles. Very few of the wise ones gave Ketchel a chance to win, but back his title from Papke, but Ketchel was sure of himself and he started in to bet every cent he had in the world on himself. So willing was Ketchel to bet that he would beat Papke that I, myself, saw his then manager, Joe O'Connor, go into Corbett's place out on Hills street and beg Tom not to let Ketchel bet any more. Corbett generously met O'Connor's request and after that, when Ketchel sent money to bet on himself, the commissioner sent back word to Ketchel that there was no more Papke money in his place, though the truth of the matter was that there was plenty of Papke money on hand.

Reaps Rich Harvest.

"Before O'Connor got to Corbett however, Ketchel had close to \$4,000 of his own money riding on his own chances and as Ketchel won he was a big winner on that battle.

"Fact is, my boy, Ketchel won nearly as much money in wagers on himself as he did in purses. Ketchel thought himself unconquerable and he was one modern ringman who would bet his personal property down to his shoe strings on himself.

"I don't think Johnson ever bet as much as \$1,000 of his own money on himself," continued the old sportsman. "Jack, however, could always dig up an angel to get down on him and he always had an interest in such bets, but Jack rarely bet his own kale when he was boxing.

"Nelson, like Ketchel, always liked to bet on himself. But was not as heavy a plunger as the Michigan middleweight, but he always liked to have \$1,000 or so of his own money running for him when he was boxing. He lost quite a neat sum in both the Moran and Wojcjak bouts, but Nelson won on himself so often that he must be away ahead of the game from a betting standpoint.

"I never saw Jeffries bet much money on himself. Jeff generally got great purses, and as a rule he was satisfied with them. In Jeffries' first bout with Fitzsimmons, I am told he wagered \$5,000 on Fitzsimmons. This, of course, was a policy bet for Jeff realized that if he beat Fitzsimmons that he could afford to lose \$5,000, while he also calculated that if Fitz beat him the \$5,000 would be considerable haul.

"Papke and Johnny Thompson hail from small towns in Illinois, and as

JOHNSON SERVES IT ALL

San Francisco, April 15.—Jack Johnson, colored champion heavy-weight pugilist, will serve the full term of the jail sentence given him for speeding his automobile in San Francisco. Police Judge Treadwell, on information that Johnson had been accorded privileges not granted other prisoners, reconsidered his decision today cutting off eight days from the champion's sentence. The colored pugilist was to have been set free tomorrow morning.

is the usual rule with boxers from small villages, they never bet much on themselves.

Sharkey No Plunger.

"When Tom Jones was managing Papke, Tom used to bet heavily on the Keweenaw man, and the chances are that this was the reason they split. "Sharkey! Boy, Sharkey would not bet you \$8 that the sun rises in the east. When 'Tib McGrath and 'Spider' Kelly were handling Sharkey, it is said that the wily Kelly made Sharkey bet \$100 on himself once, but the 'Spider' almost had to chloroform Tom to get him to go this deep.

"In the old days the boxers would bet all they could pick up on themselves. Jack McAuliffe was an inveterate gambler. He never put on a boxing glove but that he had a good wager on himself. Dempsey and Sullivan were the same way.

"In the old days the arrangements were different. There was no winners and losers' end. The winner took all. The loser took a good lumping.

"When Sullivan fought Kilrain at Richburg, Miss., Jake didn't have a cent after the battle. Sullivan, always generous to a friend or foe, handed Jake \$500 after the battle. That was all Jake got for putting up one of the gamest bouts in the history of the ring.

"After the Corbett-Sullivan bout, John L. didn't have a cent. That bout was for the championship of the world, a purse of \$25,000 and a side bet of \$20,000. Sullivan left the ring broken in spirit and purse. They had to give John a benefit later to keep him up.

Betting Days Past.

"No, boy, barring Ketchel and Nelson and Tom Jones they do not bet nowadays like they did a score of years ago. And for that matter, lad, they do not wager on boxing contests like they used to. I don't think there are five men in the country today who will bet as much as \$5,000 on a bout. Twenty years ago there was always five or six men in every large city who would go twice as strong as this."

"But," observed a listener, "look at all the large bets that were made or the Jeffries-Johnson bout up at Reno." "My lad," concluded the old sportsman, "I was up at Reno, and I watched all the large bets. There were a few good bettors up there, but most of the large bets you have heard about were newspaper bets, bets by actors, wine agents or promoters, and nearly all those bets, made with conversation money, and good for so many lines of guff in the public prints.

"I don't think there were three individual bets as big as \$5,000 each made on the Jeffries-Johnson contest. The rest were mind bets, my boy, mind bets."

COLLEGE BASEBALL.

At Chicago—University of Chicago, 3; Northwestern, 2.
At Nashville—Vanderbilt, 4; Michigan, 6.

At Atlantic City—University of Pennsylvania-Darmouth game declared off; rain.
At Bloomington, Ind.—Indiana university, 8; Rose Poly, 3.

At West Point, N. Y.—West Point, 3; Tufts, 2.
At St. Louis—St. Louis University 4, Missouri State university 3.
At Baltimore—Harvard 8, Johns Hopkins 3.

SCHOOL TEAM WINS.

The baseball teams of the west side school and the Knickerbockers mixed yesterday afternoon on the school diamond in a game that proved disastrous to the latter team. The school boys winning by a score of 18 to 16. The game called out all of the juvenile fans of the west side and was hotly contested. Wesley Williams received the hot shots from Pitcher Harry Larson for the school team, while Eller Sparks pitched and Kalker Grant caught for the Knickerbockers.

McCAFFERTY STARTS.

(Bloomington Pantagraph.)
Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCafferty left yesterday afternoon for Ogden, Utah, where the baseball team of Missoula, Mont., is practicing. "Mac" has been working as motorman on the Illinois traction system for several months and is in the pink of condition. He expects to have a successful season with the western team.

POOR AMOS.

Seattle, April 15.—Amos Rusie, once the most famous baseball pitcher in the United States, has been engaged as ticket taker at the gate of the Seattle baseball park of the Northwest league.

CROSS-COUNTRY WINNER.

St. Louis, April 15.—Joseph Erxleben of the Missouri Athletic club won the national western A. A. U. cross-country championship today. The course of 4 1/2 miles was covered in 38 minutes and 25 1/2 seconds, a new record.

MASONIC FUNERAL FOR PITCHER

ADDIE JOSS, FAMOUS BASEBALL PLAYER, WILL BE BURIED TODAY AT TOLEDO.

Toledo, O., April 15.—Funeral services for the late Addie Joss, the Cleveland baseball pitcher, will be held tomorrow. Joss died suddenly Friday morning at his home here.

The funeral service will be held in the Masonic Temple. The body will lie in state from noon until 2 o'clock, when the Scottish rite Masons and Knights Templars of which Joss was a member, will escort the body to the cemetery and conduct services there.

Joss joined the Cleveland American club in 1903, under the management of William R. Armour, present owner of the Toledo club. He became one of the premier pitchers of the country and had the honor of pitching a no-hit, no-run game against the Chicago White Sox in 1908, his opponent being Walsh.

Last year Joss' pitching arm became injured while he was in Philadelphia. He was sent home and specialists found that the trouble was in the elbow. He continued having it treated, and for a time it looked as if he would recover the use of his arm.

He was pronounced able to take up his position this spring with the Cleveland club.

Joss began his baseball career in Juneau, Wis., in 1894, with a semi-professional team. He was "discovered" by Charles J. Strobel, at that time owner of the Toledo club in the interstate league. Joss joined the Toledo club and was immediately one of the star twirlers of the league.

BASEBALL

STANDING OF CLUBS.

National League.			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Louis	1	0	1000
Philadelphia	2	1	.667
Brooklyn	2	2	.500
Pittsburg	1	1	.500
Cincinnati	1	1	.500
Boston	2	2	.500
New York	1	2	.333
Chicago	0	1	.000

American League.			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
Detroit	3	0	1000
New York	3	0	1000
Washington	2	1	.667
St. Louis	2	2	.500
Cleveland	2	2	.500
Boston	1	2	.333
Chicago	0	3	.000
Philadelphia	0	3	.000

American Association.			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
Kansas City	2	0	1000
Columbus	1	0	1000
Minneapolis	3	1	.750
Indianapolis	2	2	.500
Milwaukee	2	2	.500
Toledo	1	3	.250
St. Paul	0	1	.000
Louisville	0	2	.000

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Brown Pitchers Hit Hard.
St. Louis, April 15.—Cleveland won from St. Louis today 7 to 3. Powell and Bailey were hit hard by the visitors. Falkenberg was effective at all times.

Score: R. H. E.
St. Louis..... 2 9 2
Cleveland..... 7 10 2
Batteries—Powell, Bailey and Clarke; Falkenberg and Smith.

Cobb Spoils Scott's Work.
Detroit, April 15.—Ty Cobb's daring base running off-set Scott's brilliant pitching today and Detroit defeated Chicago 2 to 0. Works was erratic, but received sensational support. A snowstorm which began in the sixth stopped the game in the last half of the eighth with Detroit players on second and third and one out.

Score: R. H. E.
Chicago..... 2 9 2
Detroit..... 2 4 0
Batteries—Scott and Sullivan; Works and Stange.

Errors Help Johnson Lose.
Washington, April 15.—Washington bunched three errors today in the sixth inning on top of two hits by Boston, and the latter won handily, 6 to 2. Walter Johnson made his season's debut and was hit hard. A sensational line catch by Williams was the feature.

Score: R. H. E.
Washington..... 2 5 4
Boston..... 6 10 2
Batteries—Johnson and Ainsmith; Collins and Madden.

Can't Stop Those Yankees.
Philadelphia, April 15.—New York made it three straight over the world's champions by winning today's game in the 10th inning by 7 to 4. Seven pitchers were used, four by the home team and three by New York. An error by Chase in the ninth inning enabled Philadelphia to tie the score, but New York won in the tenth on two bases on balls off Collamore and singles by Chase, Knight and Johnson.

Score: R. H. E.
New York..... 7 13 2
Philadelphia..... 6 10 1
Batteries—Caldor, Quinn, Ford and Blair, Sweeney; Krause, Morgan, Russell, Collamore and Thomas, Lapp.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Cubs and Cards Again Tie.
Chicago, April 15.—St. Louis and Chicago played their second game to a tie here today, darkness closing the contest at the end of the sixth inning with the score 3 to 3. Toney was hit hard and retired in favor of Ritchie, as the visitors had scored three runs. Two hits and an error gave Chicago one run, a pair of hits and a like number of bases on balls netted another, while the third run resulted from a double and an out, a long fly. The weather was chilly and the pitch-

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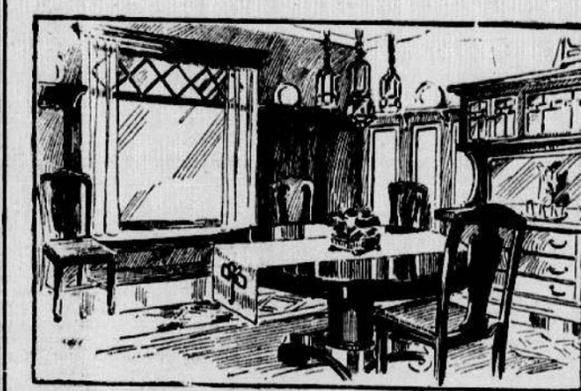
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BAY STATE AGGIES IN RIFLE TIE

MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGE AND IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY HAVE SAME SCORE.

Washington, April 15.—With only one match to be shot in the intercollegiate rifle shooting league, Massachusetts Agricultural college and Iowa State university are tied for first place with 14 victories. Results this week are:

Massachusetts Agricultural defeated Purdue 1,999 to 1,795.
Iowa defeated Louisiana 1,847 to 0, by default.
Missouri defeated North Dakota Agricultural 1,787 to 1,750.
Washington State defeated New Hampshire 1,765 to 1,767.
Princeton defeated Rhode Island State 1,718 to 1,701.
Dartmouth defeated Arizona, 1,763 to 1,721.
Minnesota defeated Columbia 1,763 to 1,760.
Cornell defeated California 1,752 to 0, by default.

NEW YORK SCHOOL LEADS SHOOT

DEWITT CLINTON STILL AT HEAD OF INTERSCHOLASTIC RIFLE LEAGUE.

Washington, April 15.—Dewitt Clinton high school of New York still leads in the interscholastic rifle shooting league with 11 wins and one loss. Results this week are:

St. Johns, military academy, Delaware, Wis., defeated Polytechnic preparatory, Brooklyn, N. Y., 888 to 790.
Culver, Ind., military, defeated Ogden high school, 916 to 804.
Morris high, New York, defeated Central high, Philadelphia, 932 to 812.
Deering high, Portland, Me., defeated McKinley manual, Washington, D. C., 914 to 809.
Dewitt Clinton high, New York, defeated Marist college, Atlanta, Ga., 945 to 817.
Harvard school, Los Angeles, defeated Kentucky, Euzatalla, Fla., 903 to 814.
Western high, Washington, D. C., defeated Harry Hill academy, Wilkes-barre, Pa., 963 to 636.
Salt Lake City high defeated Baltimore polytechnic, 893 to 799.
Portland, Me., high defeated St. Matthews, Burlington, Cal., 880 to 0 by default.

GIANT VICTORY DUE TO CRANDALL.

New York, April 15.—The New York Nationals, playing on the grounds of the New York American league club, registered their first victory of the 1911 campaign today, defeating Brooklyn, 6 to 3. Otis Crandall was largely responsible for the Giants' success. He made two triples and kept the Superbas from scoring after relieving Drucker. Pitcher Burger of Brooklyn had a finer on his pitching hand split in the first inning while trying to stop Doyle's liner. Score:

Score: R. H. E.
Brooklyn..... 3 8 0
New York..... 6 10 1
Batteries—Barger, Kneizer and Bergen; Drucker, Crandall and Meyers.

McQUILLAN HAS A SHADE.

Cincinnati, April 15.—Cincinnati won a hard-fought contest from Pittsburg today 3 to 2. It was a pitchers' battle in which McQuillan had a shade over Leifield. Errors on both sides proved costly, as did two of the bases on balls awarded by Leifield.

Score: R. H. E.
Pittsburg..... 2 7 3
Cincinnati..... 3 6 1
Batteries—Leifield and Gibson; McQuillan and McLean.

BOSTON OVERCOMES PHILIES' LEAD.

Boston, April 15.—After Philadelphia had secured a good lead in today's game, Boston tied the score in the eighth by bashing hits and won out in the tenth. Curtis was taken out of the box after the first inning. Both Pfeffer and Alexander were hit freely.

Score: R. H. E.
Philadelphia..... 4 8 3
Boston..... 5 7 2
Batteries—Alexander and Birdson; Curtis, Pfeffer and Birdson.

COAST LEAGUE.

At Sacramento.
Score: R. H. E.
Los Angeles..... 3 6 3
Sacramento..... 9 13 1
Batteries—Couchman and Smith; McLeod and Thomas.

At San Francisco.
Score: R. H. E.
Portland..... 11 15 1
Oakland..... 2 7 2
Batteries—Stein and Murray; Christian and Mitze.

At Los Angeles.
Score: R. H. E.
Vernon..... 5 9 6
San Francisco..... 9 15 0
Batteries—Hitt, Willett, Gipe and Hogan, Sheehan; Henley, Meikle and Berry.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

At Columbus—Minneapolis, 1; Columbus, 2. (10 innings).
At Louisville—Milwaukee, 4; Louisville, 2.
At Toledo—St. Paul, 0; Toledo, 3. (Called end third inning; rain.)
At Indianapolis—Kansas City, 8; Indianapolis, 2.

BASEBALL NOTES

"Kid" Elberfeld, the Washington infielder, says that he intends to raise earnings when his ball playing days are over. It wasn't carnations that he used to raise with the umpires.

In his new ball park at Newark, N. J. Manager Joe McGinly will fit up a cozy retiring room for women, with a matron in charge. There is still some class to the old "Iron Boy."

The Athletics and the Quakers will play a series of ten games to decide the championship of Philadelphia.

Because Cincinnati and Boston refused to waive on Steinfeldt, the Cubs will keep the third baseman.

The Cincinnati Reds have scheduled exhibition games with the New York, Detroit and Cleveland teams of the American league.

Catcher "Peaches" Graham is holding out for more money. There is more than one National league club that would like to sign the Boston star.

The Saginaw team of the South Michigan league will be almost an all-Boston nine, if the six Boston youngsters that Manager Kittredge has signed make good.

The Appalachian Baseball league has been organized with teams in Knoxville, Bristol, Johnson City, Morrisville and Cleveland, Tenn., and Asheville, N. C.

GOOD NAG SOLD.

Lexington, Ky., April 15.—Alan-a-Dale winner of the Kentucky derby and who has been raced successfully on all the big tracks in the country has been sold by his owner, Thomas C. McDowell to Watson Webb of New York. The price was not announced. The horse which has already sired several good racers, will be used to head a stud for breeding cross country runners and hunters.

ASTHMA KILLS CHAMP.

Philadelphia, April 15.—Dr. John A. Miskey, former national racquet champion, died yesterday at Overbrook, near here, from asthma. He was 31 years old and long had been prominent in athletics.

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