BOXING'S POPULARITY SEEN IN COUNTRY-WIDE DEMAND FOR WILLARD-DEMPSEY GO

With Many States Having New Ring Laws, Tex Rickard Should Have Little Trouble Staging Heavyweight Championship Battle and Breaking All Records for Gate Receipts—Boxing Now Ranked as Major Sport Due to Great Revival the Last Two Years.

By Robert Edgren.

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TWO years ago boxing was permitted in a few States in a reluctant, half-hearted way. They seemed to think it was a necessary evil. To-day it is recognized as one of America's "major sports."

Colleges that haven't it yet cry for it.

Any State that hasn't a brand new, bomb-proof boxing law is classed as a dodo and a fettered slave of the "long-hairs," which is modern American for "professional reformers."

They used to let boxers box, but barred decisions. Now boxing laws provide for the legality of decisions in all bouts. The people feel that way about it since Uncle Sam began putting on bouts by the ten thousand per working day, with decisions in every one.

Tex Rickard will have no trouble now in picking a place to toss Jess Willard and Jack Dempsey into the same ring. He can do it in Idaho, twenty-five rounds to a decision, or in Nevada for a lope over the championship route, or in Colorado or any one of half a dozen other places that are willing to see a regular fight, and offer a guarantee running into six figures.

They have made Tex offers from Texas and Louisiana, and Connecticut, and Boston, and Minnesota, and Oklahoma, and out Pike's Peak way, and nearly every point on the map except California. California State used to be the finest place in the world to hold a championship fight, but the "long-hairs" have California down and out.

The only way Willard and Dempsey could get over the State line would be by proving they are lily-white, pure-souled amateurs, who hate money and wouldn't think of accepting it in payment for ring service. After that the champion and his rival might be allowed to box four rounds, if they did it in a cellar and didn't tell anybody about it beforehand.

Fight Will Be Where Money Is.

The only questions before Rickard now are:

Where can he get the biggest gate?

How few rounds will Willard stand for when the title goes with the referee's verdict?

Of course Jess is always willing to listen to reason. If Tex Rickard offered him another $100,000 he might not need an ear trumpet to get Rickard's meaning. So, perhaps, Rickard can pick the boxing site to suit himself.

Rickard expected to draw a $500,000 gate with the Jeffries-Johnson fight when it was to have been held in San Francisco. He should beat that with Willard-Dempsey.

Willard always fancied himself as a long-distance scrapper. The night before the Havana fight with Johnson big Jess told me he wouldn't hurry the job next day. He'd hang around and keep on the strictly defensive for twenty or forty rounds before trying to slip over the title-getter.

"Johnson won't be able to put his hands up after twenty rounds," said Willard, "and I can fight all day long."

Willard learned a defensive style for the Johnson fight. He likes to block and fiddle around and take his time, and lean back from blows and turn his head and laugh to the crowd when his opponent can't reach him. He knows there's nothing so discouraging as fighting a man you can't hit. He may count on wearing out Dempsey by letting the smaller man hurl himself against an impregnable defense for twenty rounds.

The only thing that could make Willard want a short bout is lack of confidence in his own condition. Four years out of the ring, soft living, growing age and flesh may make Willard feel that it's his turn now to grow arm weary in twenty rounds. In this case he might prefer to "risk his title" in a short bout, or even hold out for eight rounds, no decision, in New Jersey. In that case the fight would lose all championship aspects and be laughed out of the big gate money class.

Should Be Not Less Than Twenty Rounds.

The real thing for Rickard, Willard and Dempsey to do, of course, is to hold the championship fight under real championship conditions, in some Western or Middle Western State. It should not be less than twenty rounds in any case, and twenty-five would be better. Rickard would have plenty of room to build an arena to hold the biggest crowd that ever saw a battle in the ring. The crowd would come from all over America. There have been no great sporting events for four years, and the country is hungry for one.

The fight would draw heavily from all cities in the West as well as from those along the Atlantic. Easterners who have been tied down by war conditions would make it a vacation trip. Willard would draw the population of Kansas and Oklahoma and a big bunch from Chicago, which is a fairly large village even when compared to New York. Dempsey would draw men from all over who like his fighting, and his chances, but particularly from the Pacific Coast. In his old home country Dempsey is regarded as the coast's third heavyweight champion Corbett and Jeffries were the other two. And although he spent some time in Salt Lake City, Jack grew up within sight of the Pacific.

The only thing necessary to a record breaking gate for this fight is that it be held according to the first announced schedule. That's why Rickard has held back all announcements about the place and the length of the fight. The change from San Francisco to Reno cost him a few hundred thousand dollars. And even Tex misses a hundred thousand taken right out of his jeans. This time he is going to have the whole thing roped, thrown and tied before he buys his lumber for the arena or makes a public announcement.

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EVERYBODY WANTS TO SEE BIG BOUT

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YANKEES CAPTURE SECOND STRAIGHT GAME IN BOSTON

Allen Russell Outpitches Sam Jones, Red Sox World's Series Hero.

BOSTON, May 3.—Allen Russell, Miller Huggins's veteran spitballer, outpitched Sam Jones, one of the heroes of last year's World's Series, in a hard fought game and the Yankees won their second straight game from the World's Champions. The score was 3 to 1.

Russell pitched a steady, careful game, kept the Red Sox hits scattered and would have scored a shut out only for a bad throw by the hustling "Muddy" Ruel, who was trying to pick an enemy runner off base.

Jones has only himself to blame for defeat, for his unsteadiness gave the Yanks a run in the first, and his wild throw paved the way for another in the second. A slashing double by Frank Baker counted large in cashing the third.

Schang and Caldwell appeared as pinch hitters in the ninth, going to the plate for Walters and Jones. They didn't frighten Russell; he struck 'em both out.

What Russ did to Ruth made the onlookers weep. Russ curved the big slugger to death. He made him roll over and play dead. In the first Babe hit an easy grounder to short; in the third he pop-fouled to Ruel; in the sixth he popped to Peck, and in the eighth he flied harmlessly to centre. Nothing like a hit all day and only one ball out of the infield!

Cannefax Has Big Lead in Billiard Match

In the second block of the billiard match between Robert Cannefax, the challenger, and Alfred de Oro, the champion, for the championship of the world in three-cushion billiards, played last night at the Friars' Club, the former won by a score of 50 points to 28, making a total of 100 points for Cannefax and 78 points for de Oro.

There were fifty-seven innings and each man had a high run of six.

The final block will be played at the Friars' Club to-night.

Giants Display O'd Kick In Opening Game Here Against the Phillies

Although First Battle Was Rather Disappointing in Matter of Attendance, Still the New York Club Gave Their Followers Plenty to Enthuse Over by the Manner They Defeated Jack Coombs's Team.

By Hugh S. Fullerton.

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NEW YORK ripped the final half of the lid off the metropolitan baseball season yesterday and spilled enthusiasm all over the island and Flatbush. Giants and Brooklyn won, while up in Boston the Yankees added new enthusiasm by whipping the Red Sox for the second time.

Altogether it was a happy occasion, and the Queen of the May, who nearly drowned on the preceding day, dried out and presented herself in her brightest colors.

The big opening, of course, was on the Polo Grounds, yet the attendance was a trifle disappointing, only about 22,000 spectators appearing. Of course the postponement of the opening had its effect, but the big deterrent was the fact that Mayor Hylan took his little pen in hand and made it legal to play baseball after 2 P. M. on the first day of the week, commonly called Sabbath.

That act caused thousands to work an extra half day yesterday and plan to spend Sunday afternoon either at the Polo Grounds or on Ebbets Field. Sunday, therefore, will be the real opening.

Already there is a little clash. Both the Giants and Brooklyn wanted to open with Boston as the opponent, but the Giants will get Boston, and Brooklyn will get a chance to welcome Jack Coombs back home as the leader of a team which is improving and hustling.

The Giants simply romped over Coombs's team yesterday and they showed something of the old, rushing McGraw style of attack, which inspires more confidence in them than has been expressed by the experts.

They took all the kick out of Mule Watson, swarming upon his pitching in the third inning for five runs and coming back in the fourth with five more. After Lew McCarthy ripped off a home run drive into the left field seats with two on bases in the fourth there was no longer any interest in the contest, and the two managers strove to please the crowd by rushing as many youngsters into the exhibition as possible to show wares.

Barbee's pitching for the Giants worked like a machine until the result was beyond doubt, after which he eased up and saved himself and allowed the minority to make a bit more respectable report, although the chief benefit was in giving the Giant regulars a fine workout.

There has been considerable doubt expressed as to the Giant infield this season, and yesterday I studied its work as carefully as possible at first glimpse. We can throw Sicking out of the calculations, of course, because he is not for first major league club, but he is a handy utility man. I must reserve final judgment on Chase. It is doubtful whether he is merely flashing in the pan or whether he is playing baseball. He looked good, pulled off considerable fancy stuff and seemed the same old Hal.

Doyle is a surprise to me. He slowed terribly last year and it was a question whether he could come back. Yet here he is, lighter than in several years, certainly faster and covering more ground in the field, and he is hitting in the same way, with lots of judgment and the same old pep both in the field and on the bases.

That was not so much of a surprise to me as was Zimmerman. Zim last year slowed down to a ten-second man—ten seconds for ten yards. He was slower than McCarthy in passing a given point. This spring he looks lighter, faster and better in every way. Unfortunately he made a kind of exhibition of himself yesterday in failing to run out a play. He was on first when the batter (as usual with the Giants) hobbled an effort to bunt. The Phils muddled the play, let the ball drop safe and Zim wasn't running, so he was forced out at second. He probably would have been forced out anyhow, but had he run out the play he would have looked good.

Altogether the first impression of the Giants was better than I had anticipated. Barnes looks to be something of an improved pitcher, the outfield is as good or better than ever and the infield has promise of holding up in spite of age. McCarthy is the same and Smith, after he got into the game, appeared spry and clever, although unfamiliar with batters and with Barnes's style of pitching. He is a great young catcher needing experience.

It was a big day in Flatbush, with one of the greatest opening crowds ever seen there, and the Robins justified the hopes of the fans by winning handily. Pfeffer pitched another air-tight game and rubbed one more stinging defeat into the hapless Bostonians, who evidently have not yet started. They beat Dick Rudolph, and that is a feat in itself, although not as great a feat just now as it will be in August.

It is evident from the system of play evolved that Robby is using much the same style of attack that McGraw has used so effectively for years; the rushing, aggressive, "drive" system. Of course, McGraw has been compelled to use this system of recent years because of the weakness of his team at bunting (which was shown again yesterday) and to cover the pitching weakness. Robinson has no need to cover his pitching, as he has the second best pitching staff in the league. Nor is he weak in bunting, yet he is using it well, with a quick switch to the careful, old style system of one run at a time when the team gains the lead. He has the right system and seems to have the men who can carry it out.

I am surprised at the hopeful and almost confident spirit of the Robins. I met Ed Konetchy up Broadway and he is as full of pep and confidence as a youngster. He is pleased with his berth and with his teammates. On paper it would look to be a hard bunch to make harmonize, but thus far all is harmony and hope.

Huggins pulled something on the Red Sox when he sent Allen Russell to the slab. Russell was not supposed to be near his condition, yet he stopped the Red Sox utterly and held Ruth helpless, having only one troublesome inning in the game. So, altogether, it was a big day for the metropolitan teams.

Plans for the first Sunday games were laid yesterday and the prospects are that all records for attendance both at the Polo Grounds and at Ebbets Field will be broken if the weather man kindly refrains from spilling any more of that wet stuff around. From the rush of applicants for reserved seats the moment the Mayor took his pen in hand and added the final flourish to the D, every one on Manhattan Island wants to go to a ball game Sunday.

Undoubtedly the announcement that the bill had become a law hurt attendance at the opening yesterday, but it is a safe wager that, weather permitting, the attendance yesterday, to-day and Sunday will smash all three-day records ever made in baseball, not excepting a World's Series.

Incidentally Davy Robertson showed up yesterday ready for work. What disposition will be made of him is not yet certain. The one certainty is that he will have a hard time squeezing into the outfield now that Kauff appears to be getting into his regular stride.

Kauff, by the way, upset yesterday's game entirely by his two-base hit in the third inning. That hit is worth studying if we desire to know the real strength and the attacking power of the Giants.

BASEBALL AVERAGES

Of American and National Leagues

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AMERICAN LEAGUE FEATURES.

The six players that engaged in all games their clubs played last year have played in every game to date this season. One of them, Everett Scott, has not missed a single contest of the last 391 consecutive games played by the Red Sox. The remaining five are "Home Run" Baker and Derrill Pratt of the Yankees, Owen Bush of the Tigers, Harry Hooper of the Red Sox and Joe Gedeon of the Browns.

The following players each poled four hits in one game: Buck Weaver and Chick Gandil of the White Sox, Wallie Schang, Lawton Witt and Harry Hooper.

The Browns flashed the first triple steal in the majors this year. Sisler, Williams and Demmitt were the burglars.

The White Sox slashed 21 hits off Brownie hurlers, the most any team in their league hit in a game this season.

NATIONAL LEAGUE FEATURES.

Although seven players engaged in every tilt for their clubs last year, but five of this number have kept up their record of performing steadily to date. Of this number Fred Luderus of the Phillies easily outdistances all rivals, for Fred has not been absent from the line-up since June 1, 1916, having played 401 consecutive games for the Phillies up to now. He needs to play in the next seventy-eight games to dethrone the "King of Iron Men," Eddie Collins.

Ivy Olson is the first major leaguer to score four runs in a game. Ivy also came through with as many hits in the same contest. Cy Williams and Gavvy Cravath also tore off four safe blows during a game.

Earl Hamilton, the Pirates' hurler, who won every game he pitched last season, lost his first out this season.

The Phillies-Robins played to no decision after battling twenty innings. Only four longer games were played

American League Pitching.

Pitcher, Club.	W.	L.	P.C.	Last. W.	Last. L.
Mays, Boston	2	0	1000	2	..
Shaute, Chicago	2	0	1000	2	..
Williams, Chicago	2	0	1000	2	..
Ponsonby, New York	1	0	1000	1	..
Russell, New York	1	0	1000	1	..
Hallis, St. Louis	1	0	1000	1	..
Johnson, Philadelphia	1	0	1000	1	..
Faber, Chicago	1	0	1000	1	..
Bagby, Cleveland	1	0	1000	1	..
Jones, Boston	1	0	1000	1	..
Ellis, Cleveland	1	0	1000	1	..
Ayres, Chicago	1	0	1000	1	..
Caldwell, Boston	1	0	1000	1	..
Morton, Cleveland	1	0	1000	1	..
Bayne, Philadelphia	1	0	1000	1	..
Johnson, Washington	1	0	1000	1	..
Danforth, Detroit	1	0	1000	1	..
Ogden, New York	0	1	.000	..	1
Rogers, St. Louis	0	1	.000	..	1
Davenport, St. Louis	0	1	.000	..	1
Shaw, Washington	0	1	.000	..	1
Dauss, Detroit	0	1	.000	..	1
Boland, Detroit	0	1	.000	..	1
Danforth, Chicago	0	1	.000	..	1
Coveleskie, Cleveland	0	1	.000	..	1
Wellman, St. Louis	0	1	.000	..	1
Erickson, Detroit	0	1	.000	..	1
Watson, Philadelphia	0	1	.000	..	1
Pennock, Boston	0	1	.000	..	1
Harper, Washington	0	1	.000	..	1
Ruth, New York	0	1	.000	..	1
Osborne, St. Louis	0	1	.000	..	1
Thomas, Washington	0	1	.000	..	1
Thurston, Washington	0	1	.000	..	1
Perry, Philadelphia	0	1	.000	..	1

American League Batting.

Player, Club.	Ga.	A.	R.	H.	2-B.	3-B.	P.C.
Chapman, Boston	3	15	2	6	0	0	.540
Wambsganss, Cleveland	4	16	1	6	0	0	.500
Jackson, Cleveland	20	76	16	25	5	1	.500
Gedeon, St. Louis	6	21	4	10	1	0	.476
Heilmann, Detroit	5	19	3	9	1	0	.474
Witt, Philadelphia	7	22	3	10	0	1	.455
Gandil, Chicago	7	30	5	13	0	0	.433
Cobb, Detroit	6	21	3	9	0	0	.429
Schalk, Chicago	6	17	2	7	0	0	.412
Crawford, Detroit	4	17	1	7	0	0	.412
Harper, Washington	6	25	1	10	0	0	.400
Chapman, Cleveland	4	16	3	6	0	0	.375
Agnew, Washington	4	8	1	3	0	0	.375
Hooper, Boston	6	24	4	8	2	0	.333
Smith, Cleveland	3	11	1	4	1	0	.364
Bush, New York	4	14	2	5	0	0	.357
E. Collins, Chicago	7	29	6	10	0	0	.345
Burns, Philadelphia	5	21	3	7	0	0	.333
Judge, Washington	6	16	1	5	0	0	.313
Stanton, Detroit	5	9	0	2	0	0	.222
Ruth, New York	2	8	1	2	0	0	.250
Wood, Cleveland	7	8	0	1	0	0	.250
Scott, New York	7	28	3	7	1	0	.250
Shaw, Washington	3	8	0	1	0	0	.250
Weaver, Chicago	7	27	3	7	0	0	.259
Williams, St. Louis	6	22	3	7	1	1	.318
Gerber, St. Louis	6	19	1	6	1	0	.316
[illegible]	4	13	1	4	0	0	.308
[illegible]	4	16	2	5	0	0	.313
Risberg, Chicago	7	26	7	8	1	0	.308
[illegible], Boston	3	11	1	3	0	0	.273
[illegible], Detroit	4	10	1	3	0	0	.300
O'Neill, Cleveland	5	10	1	3	0	0	.300
Pratt, New York	4	17	0	5	0	0	.294
[illegible]	3	14	1	4	0	0	.286
Mays, Boston	2	7	0	2	0	0	.286
[illegible]	3	12	1	3	0	0	.250
[illegible]	3	16	3	4	0	0	.250
Gardner, Cleveland	4	15	0	4	0	0	.267
[illegible]	6	23	2	6	1	0	.261
Milan, Wash.	6	23	2	6	1	0	.261
Ferrer, Boston	5	20	4	5	0	0	.250
Roth, Philadelphia	5	20	1	5	2	0	.250

National League Pitching.

Pitcher, Club.	W.	L.	P.C.	Last. W.	Last. L.
Pfeffer, Brooklyn	2	0	1000	2	..
Fisher, Cincinnati	2	0	1000	2	..
Douglas, Cincinnati	2	0	1000	2	..
Causey, New York	2	0	1000	2	..
Barnes, New York	1	0	1000	1	..
May, St. Louis	1	0	1000	1	..
Grimes, Brooklyn	1	0	1000	1	..
Eller, Cincinnati	1	0	1000	1	..
Watson, Philadelphia	1	0	1000	1	..
Weinert, Philadelphia	1	0	1000	1	..
Adams, Pittsburgh	1	0	1000	1	..
Meyer, Pittsburgh	1	0	1000	1	..
Tyler, Chicago	1	0	1000	1	..
Benbow, Cincinnati	1	0	1000	1	..
Jacobs, Philadelphia	1	1	.500	1	..
Cadore, Brooklyn	1	1	.500	1	1
Douglas, Chicago	1	1	.500	1	..
Vaughn, Chicago	1	1	.500	..	1
Smith, New York	1	1	.500	..	1
Scott, New York	0	1	.000	..	1
Prendergast, Phila	0	1	.000	..	1
Hamilton, Pittsburgh	0	1	.000	..	1
Doak, St. Louis	0	1	.000	..	1
Goodwin, St. Louis	0	1	.000	..	1
Ellington, Boston	0	1	.000	..	1
Ragan, Boston	0	1	.000	..	1
Martin, Chicago	0	1	.000	..	1
Northrup, Boston	0	1	.000	..	1
Cooper, Pittsburgh	0	1	.000	..	1
Meadows, St. Louis	0	2	.000	..	2
Shendell, St. Louis	0	2	.000	..	2
Rudolph, Boston	0	2	.000	..	2

National League Batting.

Player, Club.	Ga.	A.	R.	H.	2-B.	3-B.	P.C.
Cravath, Philadelphia	4	7	3	6	0	0	.857
Barber, Chicago	2	4	4	4	1	0	.800
Raridge, Boston	2	7	0	4	0	0	.571
Williams, Philadelphia	5	20	7	14	1	1	.538
Hornsby, Cincinnati	3	8	1	4	0	0	.500
Neis, Boston	3	4	1	2	0	0	.500
Miller, Boston	4	4	2	2	0	0	.500
Cooper, Pittsburgh	2	4	0	2	0	0	.500
Wheat, Philadelphia	2	4	0	2	0	1	.500
Burns, New York	2	18	8	8	3	0	.444
Konetchy, Brooklyn	4	18	3	8	0	0	.444
Rariden, Chicago	5	16	2	7	0	0	.438
Griffith, Brooklyn	6	20	6	8	0	0	.400
Neale, Cincinnati	4	21	3	9	0	0	.429
Park, Chicago	6	20	0	8	4	0	.400
Young, New York	5	19	2	8	1	0	.421
Schultz, St. Louis	5	18	0	6	0	0	.333
Olson, Brooklyn	6	23	6	8	1	0	.364
Kopf, Cincinnati	6	22	2	8	1	0	.364
Beck, Chicago	6	25	3	9	1	0	.360
Duke, Boston	5	17	1	6	0	0	.353
Bengough, New York	5	21	3	7	2	0	.333
Kauff, Chicago	6	27	3	9	1	0	.333
Roth, Cincinnati	6	21	0	7	0	0	.333
Herzog, Boston	5	20	2	7	0	0	.350
Meusel, Brooklyn	6	25	0	8	0	0	.320
Rousch, N. York	5	19	1	6	1	0	.316
[illegible], Philadelphia	6	26	5	8	0	0	.308
Malone, Brooklyn	6	30	4	9	0	0	.300
Bancroft, Philadelphia	6	27	3	8	1	0	.296
Baird, Philadelphia	6	27	3	8	1	0	.296
Kreuger, Brooklyn	5	17	0	5	0	0	.294
Gilhooley, Philadelphia	6	24	4	7	0	0	.292
Paskert, St. Louis	5	17	0	5	1	0	.294
McCarty, New York	6	14	3	4	0	0	.286
Fletcher, New York	2	7	0	2	0	0	.286
Southworth, St. Louis	5	27	3	8	0	1	.296
Smith, Boston	5	28	2	8	0	0	.286
Hollocher, Chicago	6	25	1	7	0	0	.280
Sicking, New York	6	11	0	3	0	0	.273
Magee, Brooklyn	4	22	3	6	0	0	.273
Fisher, St. Louis	3	11	0	3	0	0	.273
Cutshaw, Pittsburgh	5	19	0	5	0	0	.263
S. Magee, Cincinnati	6	19	2	5	0	0	.263
Groh, Cincinnati	6	19	3	5	1	0	.263
Bigbee, Pittsburgh	5	19	0	5	1	0	.263
E. Smith, New York	2	4	1	1	0	0	.250
Merkle, Chicago	6	24	2	6	1	0	.250
Adams, Philadelphia	4	12	0	3	0	0	.250
Pearce, Philadelphia	6	20	1	5	1	0	.250

GIANTS TO-DAY with Philadelphia, 3 P. M., Polo Grounds. Admission 50c.—Advt.

Dodgers Look Like Coming Champions in Opening Battle

Robbie's Men a Much Improved Team Over Bunch That Met Yanks Recently.

By Richard Freyer.

WITH the able assistance of old man Jupe Pluvius the Brooklyn ball team opened their home season at Ebbets Field yesterday afternoon. A large attendance of fans saw the Dodgers come out on top of a 3 to 0 score, the Boston Braves being on the short end.

The Dodgers played good ball and did not look like the team that played the Yankees an exhibition game at Ebbets Field a short while ago. There is no doubt but that Magee on second and Konetchy on first have strengthened the nine to a considerable extent.

Two errors were charged against the home team, and they were both bad throws, one by Olson and the other by Pfeffer. The latter pitched a grand game, and while he was in a tight pinch several times he tightened up and did not allow a visiting player to cross the plate. The Boston team was able to get but four hits off the big pitcher, and he made five fan the breeze.

If Brooklyn continues playing the brand of ball they furnished yesterday the borough across the river can safely consider itself in the running for the pennant.

'Twas a perfect day for Squire Ebbets.

Just before the contest Al. Mamaux of the home team was called to home plate and presented with a traveling bag by a host of his admirers. The pitcher gave three smiles and four handshakes in return.

The batting hero of the day was Krueger, the Dodger catcher. In the eighth inning, with Wheat on second and Konetchy on first, he slammed the ball to deep centre for three bases. This sewed up the pastime. Brooklyn scored their other run in the fourth inning when Zack Wheat walked, went to second on a neat sacrifice by Myers and crossed the home plate on Malone's one base hit to centre.

Sherrod Smith, who helped Uncle Sam out of his trouble with Kaiser Bill, practised with the Dodgers. When the Brooklyn pitcher was asked how he liked the war he replied:

"I'm in perfect condition and expect to have a great season. Robbie can rely on me to add some points to the won column. I never felt better in my life. Thank you."

The game of yesterday was Pfeffer's third start of the season and third win. Boston bowed to the big pitcher in two contests and Philadelphia in one. Incidentally, Boston has been defeated in all their starts. Six straight.

Hy Myers, hero of the 20-inning Philadelphia contest, received a big hand from the fans as he stepped to the plate in the second inning. The fielder responded with an single to left field. In four trips to the plate Myers made two hits and sacrificed twice. This gave him a 1,000 per cent. average for the day.

Moran, who gave decisions on the bases, did not seem to have his eye on the ball. He was guilty of three bad verdicts at first and the crowd let Mr. Moran know what they thought of him. Umpiring is no business.

Latest News of the Links

Pro Championship In August Will Be Great Tryout for Engineers' Club Course.

By William Abbott

THE annual championship of the Professional Golfers' Association will be played over the new course of the Engineers' Club during the week of Aug. 25. This tournament regularly brings together the strongest pro talent in the country and it is an exceptional course that can resist the skill of these professional experts.

Members of the Engineers' Club made special efforts to secure the big pro tournament this season through curiosity to see how their new links will "stand up" under a thorough test. This is the usual custom with most golfers. They'll cheerfully chip in thousands of dollars to have their course strengthened and brought to the last word of golf architecture and will then quickly invite the leading stars to discover a way to beat the artificial barriers.

The Engineers' Club course down at Long Island, designed and laid out by Herbert Strong, was opened last year. It has many new wrinkles, especially greens that will defy all but the most capable putters.

Shackamaxon Club golfers won't lack for action this season, according to the club schedule just announced. The annual fixtures provide plenty of recreation for the most ambitious players. Included in the season's events is a novelty tournament to be known as the Splash Cup Handicap. This is to be competed for during 1919 and 1920. The contestant must put in the kitty a ball for every time he plays into the water at the sixth, seventh, ninth, tenth and seventeenth holes. If a lie is such that the ball may be successfully played out no penalty will be exacted for the stroke. Winner for each week takes in the collection of balls and retains possession of the cup until it is won by another member. This novelty, as well as the season's schedule, was arranged by Chairman Walter B. Mehl and Herbert E. Buchanan, William H. Yawger and John H. Tennant. The Tournament Committee mapped out several unusual features for women players when arranging the annual schedule, which is attractive for its varied events. The schedule follows:

May 10—Open handicap for men; eighteen-hole medal play; two-ball foursomes. Player to drive two balls at each tee, select best lie and drop other ball within club's length of it, continuing to play both balls until holed out. Score [illegible]. This event is open to non-members with club handicap. Award for the low net score presented by Edward P. Meeker. Ball [illegible] handicap tournaments to be arranged during the season for all Saturdays. Entrance fee, one ball. One-half aggregate balls for best net score, one-third for next best score, and one-sixth to third best score.

May 17—Mixed foursome, 3 o'clock; eighteen-hole medal play handicap; first and second awards presented by Fred L. Pillod.

May 24—Women's flag tournament, 3 o'clock; eighteen-hole handicap basis, medal play. Award to winner presented by George A. Allaire jr.

May 30—Selected score competition; players to select their best eighteen holes out of thirty-six; first and second awards presented by William R. Townsend. Women approaching and putting contest, 4 o'clock; first and second awards presented by Stacy Sawyer.

May 31—Non-members' and members' tournament. A cordial invitation is extended to members of clubs of Union County to participate in an eighteen-hole medal play handicap tournament; non-members competing must register with the tournament committee one week previous to the date of the tournament, at the same time stating handicaps with home clubs. Appropriate awards presented by the club.

June 7—President's Cup, qualification round; eighteen-hole medal play handicap; sixteen lowest net scores to continue at match play Saturday; final round July 12. Women's spring handicap tournament; qualification round, eighteen-hole medal play; nine lowest net scores to continue at match play on Saturdays after 2 o'clock. Awards presented by C. P. Soule and C. R. Murray.

June 14—Club team match, winners to be entertained at dinner by the losers; best individual net score of each team to receive prize.

June 21—Two-ball foursome, eighteen-hole medal play handicap; teams to be paired off by chairman of handicap committee; members fifty years and over are eligible. Awards presented by Japanese members of the club.

June 28—Vice-President's Cup, qualification round; eighteen-hole medal play handicap, sixteen lowest net scores to continue at match play Saturday. Open to members with handicaps of eighteen or more.

July 3, 4 and 5—Privilege of the course from July 1 to July 6, inclusive, to contestants in the fifth annual Invitation tournament. Thursday morning, qualification round, eighteen holes; afternoon, first match round; Friday morning, second round; afternoon, third round; Saturday morning, final round. Eighteen-hole medal play handicap in afternoon, with a prize for best net score.

July 12—Foursome, eighteen-hole medal play handicap; each player to receive his individual handicap; strokes to be taken at holes as indicated on score card; best selected score of each pair to be taken as net match score; first eighteen holes to count; prizes presented by Japanese members.

July 19—Tombstone Golf, open to players with handicaps of eighteen or over. Prize presented by Franz M. Schulz.

July 26—Women's putting contest, 4.30 P. M. First and second awards presented by Willard H. Wood. Green Committee Handicap, qualifying round, eighteen-hole medal play; sixteen lowest scores to continue at match play on Saturday; open to both classes; awards presented by Greens Committee.

Aug. 2—Duffers' Handicap, eighteen-hole medal play; contestants to select own handicap; first and second prizes presented by Oswald Schraubstadter.

Aug. 9—Women's handicap tournament, 3 P. M. Eighteen-hole medal play; prizes presented by Theodore O. Rudenbach.

Aug. 16—Match play against par; prizes presented by Sheldon Sperry.

Aug. 23—Women's putting contest, 5 P. M. Prizes given by Harry McMahon.

Aug. 30—Selected score competition; contestants may turn in best eighteen holes out of thirty-six. First and second prizes given by Louis Pelletier. Men's putting contest, 4.30 P. M. Event to be played on old No. 1