New Rule Gives Batter Credit for Home Run in Ninth Inning Even After Winning Tally Crosses Plate

LEONARD FAILS TO KNOCK OUT DUNDEE

Peppers Italian at Will, but Lacks a Finishing Punch.

LOSER GAME AND WILLING

Ten Thousand See Eighth Mill Between Champion and Old Rival.

By CHARLES F. MATHISON.

Benny Leonard, world's champion lightweight, last night in the presence of a crowd of 10,000 that packed the Fourth Regiment Armory, Jersey City, made his eighth attempt to knock out Johnny Dundee, his leading challenger, and failed. Leonard won his bout on points and apparently tried desperately to put his agile opponent to sleep. The champion missed many obvious openings, but on the other hand, landed as solidly to Dundee's jaw as did Willie Jackson, but without the desired result.

That Dundee made the best fight of which he was capable, could not be denied, but Leonard out-boxed his man by a wide margin, and held the Italian at a safe from the start to finish. If Leonard was not trying his best, it could not be detected from the ring-side. It was apparent, however, that there will be no decisive result between the pair except in a longer bout.

Dundee started the bout with a series of left swings that fell short, and Leonard responded with right hooks that rocked the Italian head. Dundee forced the pace, but when Leonard got under way they mixed it furiously, with a slight advantage to the champion. Dundee came out for the second round with a menacing air, and started swinging both hands. Leonard met his opponent with a straight left to the face and a right hook to the jaw, sending the Italian back on his heels.

Leonard outboxed his man like a master would a pupil, but missed many punches by a narrow margin. Dundee's face was puffed and red at the close of the round. Leonard was all over his man in the third round peppering the Italian with a straight left and jolting him with a right hook. Both were boxing in a spirited manner.

Dundee on Ropes.

Leonard caught Dundee with a right uppercut to the chin, shortly after the opening of the fourth round, sending the Italian against the ropes. Dundee bounded off and a fierce exchange followed. Dundee, although outboxed, was very combatish and kept Leonard on his toes. Dundee combined aggressive work in the fifth and had the champion on the defensive. The Italian did nearly all the leading and landed a majority of the blows. It was Dundee's round.

Leonard apparently had Dundee in distress in the sixth round. The champion landed a right on the chin that staggered the Italian and he then peppered his man with rights and lefts to the chin, but failed to bring him to the canvas. Dundee quickly recuperated and fought back courageously, but Leonard took the honors of the round.

The champion also battered Dundee all over the ring in the seventh, but could not stop his robust opponent, who fought back gamely.

Jimmy Burns of Bridgeport opened the entertainment in sanguinary fashion by stopping young Reilly of Brooklyn in the fifth round. Reilly took a severe beating without a murmur. The boys are bantams.

Chief Half Tone, a Seneca Indian from Buffalo, outpointed Charlie De Bates, a Belgian, in a well contested six round bout. The Indian carried the fight to his man throughout. They are middleweights.

Johnny Buff of Jersey City, who recently was stopped by Mickey Delmont, reinstated himself in the good graces of his Jersey friends by outpointing Willie Spencer of Providence in a six round bout. Buff tried hard for a knockout, but Spencer was elusive.

Snider Roche, a San Francisco lightweight imported by Billy Gibson, signalized his debut in the East by beating Willie Burke, a Brooklyn lightweight, in the semi-final bout of eight rounds. Burke took a hard beating from start to finish, but was on his feet at the close. Roche is a cool performer and free hitter, but lacks knockout force. Roche is far from championship class.

LYNCH BEATS LOUISIANA.

Has Him Down for Count of Nine in Fourth.

Special to THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 9.—Joe Lynch was the master of the veteran Louisiana from start to finish of their six round setto at the Olympia A. C. to-night. Only the gameness of Louisiana prevented the contest from terminating within the six round limit.

The New York punch foundry staggered the local featherweight on numerous occasions and had him down for a count of nine in the fourth round, but was unable to finish him.

FITZSIMMONS WINS EARLY.

New York Lightweight Knocks Out Hansen in First.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 9.—Eddie Fitzsimmons, the New York lightweight, to-night knocked out Larry Hansen of Allentown in the first round.

Hansen was put down for the count in the first few seconds with a right hook to the jaw and was knocked out with a left swing to the stomach after one minute of fighting.

VALGER ILL; BOUT DELAYED.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 9.—The eight round bout between Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion of the world, and Benny Valger of New York, scheduled at Newark, N. J., for February 16, has been postponed until February 25. Advices to Kilbane to-day stated that Valger is ill with influenza.

CLINE DOESN'T TRY.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 9.—A twelve round bout between Patsy Cline, Irish welterweight champion, and Louis Bogash, New England champion, was stopped by the referee here to-night in the ninth round because Cline was not trying to fight. It was announced that Cline's share of the purse would be given to charity.

TO PLAY 168 GAMES.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—The [illegible] association Baseball [illegible] to-day adopted a 168 game schedule. The season will open on April 14 with the following games:—Columbus at Louisville, Toledo at Indianapolis, Minneapolis at Kansas City and St. Paul at Milwaukee.

As Decoration Day falls on Sunday, it was decided to play holiday games on the day following and these were announced as St. Paul at Minneapolis, Toledo at Columbus, Louisville at Indianapolis and Kansas City at Milwaukee.

Noxious Pitching Will Be Barred by Leagues

Joint Baseball Rules Committee Recommends Many Changes—C. W. Murphy Brings Legal Action—Stengel Signs as Owners Arrive in Chicago.

By WILLIAM B. HANNA.

Special Despatch to THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—The New York American League Club delegates to the momentous baseball goings on scheduled for this week arrived in force this morning, and the first question put to them by natives and others was whether they brought their machine guns with them. In this party were Cols. Huston and Ruppert of the Yankees, reinforced by Harry Frazee and Ed Barrow of the Red Sox.

This afternoon Ruppert, Huston, Frazee and Charles Comiskey, the fourth member of the anti-Johnson alliance, conferred long in Comiskey's lair out at the ball park, and discussed such plans as they have for continuing the fight on Ban Johnson and his administration as president of the American League.

There are all sorts of meetings in Chicago this week, and hotels are full of players, managers, owners, umpires and persons employed in baseball in every known capacity. It is expected to be a week brimming with spicy happenings, among which the fight for a new chairman of the National Commission, which in a way is but an offshoot of the American League split, is the principal one.

There were some informal and preliminary meetings to-day, but the regular spring meetings of the major leagues are booked for to-morrow. At them the schedules will be adopted. The American League board of directors met today Ban Johnson and talked it all over in deep secrecy. This is the new board, consisting of the Detroit, Philadelphia, Washington and St. Louis clubs, and is one appointed by Johnson in New York last December when the opposing faction was steam rollered.

If anything was done at this conference beyond approving proposed changes in playing rules, the directors are not telling what it is. In the American League ruction there was only skirmishing to-day. Nobody of one side to the row went near anybody of the other side.

Discuss the Playing Rules.

The joint playing rules committee of the major leagues held long and time consuming sessions and will recommend numerous changes to their leagues, which no doubt will be adopted. Some of these changes are good and some considerably the reverse. Off in another part of the loop various minor leagues were in session, and there is a strong desire in certain minor league quarters to return to the protection of the big league via a new agreement.

As if baseball was not deeply enough involved now in legal strife, Charles Webb Murphy, owner of the Cubs when they played at the West Side Park in days more picturesque than these, is about to grapple with the National League in one. Murphy has a damage suit of some $120,000 against the present Chicago National League Club for rental of his West Side Park.

To-day summonses were served on John Heydler, National League president; on the board of directors, consisting of Messrs. Dreyfuss of Pittsburg, Stoneham of New York, Grant of Boston and Veeck of Chicago and on each of the eight clubs, to be present in the Circuit Court of Cook County on February 25. Murphy seeks to have the other clubs enjoined from playing any games whatsoever with the Cubs and to have the league restrained from publishing any schedule of games to be played by the Cubs.

The harassed baseball men stuck these summonses in their pockets and proceeded about their business with as cheerful faces as possible. Tto tell the truth, they did not seem to be greatly perturbed by this move of Murphy's and went about their business as if they had no idea that they would be enjoined from playing baseball this season.

A matter on which Col. Huston was questioned was the letter given out by Phil Ball of St. Louis, one of Johnson's faithful henchmen, an excerpt of which was quoted by the New York club in its statement announcing the $500,000 damage suit against Johnson. The letter given out by Ball changed somewhat the apparent purport of the document, and now Col. Huston says there was a good deal more to it than Ball gave out. Col. Ruppert backed up his partner and said:

"It is true that at that time last fall (when the Mays controversy arose) we said we would sell out for $600,000, but we also told Ban Johnson that if the situation was such in the American League that he could dictate how each club should be run and have all the say in the league's affairs we did not care to own a club in the league. But that was last fall. The club now is not for sale at any price, and this is a fight to a finish. Personally, I am for an open meeting here so that anybody on the outside can hear just what is going on. We are going to attend not only the joint meeting on Wednesday but the American League meeting on Tuesday and be right there in the thick of everything."

Messrs. Ruppert of the American and Baker and Veeck of the National met to-night to discuss the National commission chairmag situation. The National League is as determined as ever to put it up plainly to Johnson that a new chairman to succeed August Herrmann is wanted and wanted at once. Charles Cominskey is for Judge Kenesaw Landis for the place, but he isn't hopeful that Johnson will recede from his alleged purpose to have Herrmann or nobody. Johnson is lying low around here for the moment. Col. Ruppert says that if the National League can name a good man he'll be for him. However, Col. Ruppert would not, it is believed, oppose Comiskey's choice. This topic was threshed out at length at the Chicago-New York-Boston conference to-day.

One of the rule changes which the joint rules committee—Messrs. Dreyfuss and Veeck of the National and Mack and Griffiths of the American—will recommend for adoption is the abolition of the spitball, shineball and all kindred noxious deliveries. There is no opposition to their abolition. Those using the spitball will have a year's time in which to rid themselves of it and no new spitball throwers will be tolerated.

Two spitball specialists are all each club will be permitted to carry, and ten days before the season opens each manager must submit the names of his damp ball deceivers. Another rule which will be adopted will credit a batter making a drive over the fence or into the stand in the last half of the ninth with two out with a home run, whether or not so doing puts the home team more than one run ahead. This is a radical departure, and it is by no means a sure thing that it was based on sound reasoning.

Credited With Proportionate Hit.

Another change, and to my way of thinking, an unfair and illogical one, is this: If in the last half of the ninth, with two out and a man or men on bases, the batter drives in a run he shall be credited with a hit of proportionate size to the distance he bring the base runners. If he bring in a runner from first he gets a three bagger, and so on.

A dropped third strike which permits a batter to reach first is to be scored as a fielding and not a battery error, and those farcicial steals when no effort is made to retire the runner are no longer to be scored as such. Forfeited games are to count in the records and so are the wins and losses and earned runs off pitchers. When a batter in trying to avoid an inaccurately pitched ball hits the ball with his bat it shall count as nothing at all and not as a strike as heretofore. Various other changes were made, the discussion of some of which were not worth the time wasted on them.

A manager conspicuous by his absence in the large influx of gentlemen of that ilk was Miller Huggins. The Yankee pilot is expected, however. George Stallings let it be known that the Giants had no more chance of getting Maranville from the Braves than he (Stallings) had of jumping across Lake Michigan, which is a right smart jump.

"I've been chiselled out of all the good ball players I'm going to be," said George with fire in his eye, "and hereafter we build up, not tear down."

Magistrate McQuade, of the Giants, let fall remarks which made it appear that Stallings was saying a mouthful. "I haven't the faintest idea we shall get Maranville," said the New Yorker, who is here with Charles Stoneham, main owner of the Giants. "The subject never has been broached between the two clubs. However, McGraw will be in New York soon. He has changed his mind and will come up for a few days before reporting time in Texas. He may start things to moving when he arrives."

Gabby Cravath of the Phillies and his boss, W. F. Baker, cornered Casey Stengel in a quiet, cozey corner and to their persuasive talk and oily words Casey succumbed. The terms of contracts have been somewhat distasteful to Casey of late, but to-day he signed with the Phillies for the coming season. Which was one of the few real things accomplished during the day.

HINKEL TRIES TO BUY THE RED SOX

Boxing Promoter Says Offer Is Business Proposition.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—Matt Hinkle, Cleveland boxing promotor to-day negotiated with Harry Frazee for the purchase of the Boston American League Club, but the deal to-night was said to have fallen through.

Frazee indicated that he was open to an offer, but declared he would sell the club only under the condition that the owner support Jacob Ruppert of the New York Americans, and Charles Comiskey, president of the Chicago White Sox, in their war against Ban Johnson, president of the American League.

Hinkel said his offer was a straight business proposition, and that he did not care to enter into a baseball war. No price was named by Hinkel.

THREE I EXPANDED.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—The Three I League was expanded from a six club to an eight club league to-day at the annual meeting of the organization. Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Rock Island, Illinois, were given franchises. Applications also came from Cairo, Ill.; Hannibal, Mo.; Quincy, Ill., Racine, Wis., and Paducah, Ky.

The league decided to play a schedule of 140 games, opening April 20. The opening games will be at Peoria, Terre Haute, Evansville and Bloomington.

Al Tearney was reelected president, secretary and treasurer for a term of five years, and J. J. Cleary was elected vice president for a like term. The 1919 pennant was awarded to Bloomington.

$12,000 FOR SOCCER PLAYER.

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GLASGOW, Feb. 9.—George Brewster, the crack centre half-back of Aberdeen, has been transferred to Everton for $12,000, which is a record price for a Scottish league player.

AUSTRALIA IN OLYMPICS.

MELBOURNE, Feb. 9.—Australia is to be represented at the Olympic Games in Antwerp next summer, it was officially announced to-day.

LANNIN AND FRAZEE IN LEGAL DISPUTE

Legal Action Grows Out of Sale of Red Sox.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Action looking toward the sale of auction of 3,000 shares of the capital stock of the Fenway Realty Trust, owners of Fenway Park, home of the Boston Americans, was announced to-night by attorneys for Joseph J. Lannin, former owner of the Red Sox. The ownership of the baseball club is not involved.

The auction sale is set for March 3. It is the result of a dispute between Lannin and Harry H. Frazee, president of the Red Sox, over the terms of the sale of the club by Lannin to Frazee and Hugh J. Ward in November, 1916.

In a statement to-night Fowler, Bauer & Kenney, attorneys for Lannin, said Lannin took as part of the purchase money the note of Messrs. Frazee and Ward for $262,000, secured by a pledge of the entire issue of the capital stock of the Fenway Realty Trust, subject to mortgage bonds aggregating $125,000. The note became due on November 1 last.

Thomas J. Barry, attorney for Frazee made a statement to-night that Lannin gave to Frazee a guarantee that all debts were paid in connection with the Red Sox at the time Lannin sold. Lannin agreed to idemnify Frazee from debts due in November 1916.

"Mr. Frazee says that there are outstanding debts for which he is liable of approximately $60,000, which Lannin will not admit. Mr. Frazee will endeavor to enjoin Mr. Lannin from selling until there is an accounting between them. Any time Lannin is willing to concede to Frazee the amount that is due Frazee is ready to pay."

BOXING BILL UP NEXT WEEK.

ALBANY, Feb. 9.—Senator James J. Walker, introducer of the Army, Navy and Civilian Board bill for legalizing boxing in New York State, announced tonight that a hearing on the measure has been fixed for Tuesday, February 17. Major A. Drexel Biddle and Gutson Borglum, the sculptor, are among those who will come to ask the Legislature to pass the bill. It is apparent that some form of boxing bill will be passed at this session.

S. G. STICKNEY HAS BEST MEDAL ROUND

St. Louis Golfer Leads on Palm Beach Links With 75.

ARTIMUS HOLMES SECOND

New York Player Makes 77, but Has to Withdraw From Match Play.

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PALM BEACH, Fla., Feb. 9.—The largest field ever entered in a Palm Beach golf tournament turned out to-day in competition for the medal score of the south Florida championship. There were 162 players and five sixteens qualified.

S. G. Stickney of the St. Louis Country Club won the medal with a card of 75. Artimus Holmes, New York, was runner up with a 77, but withdrew, as he was obliged to leave for home tonight on account of illness in his family.

There were many new faces in the list and scores throughout were high. H. C. Clark, Myopia, present holder of the title, turned in an 80. C. M. Amory, Myopia, who had a medal score of 72 when he won the Lake Worth title ten days ago, was but one under Clark.

The tourney saw the return of a former south Florida champion, James R. Hyde of South Shore Country Club, who has not played in tournaments here in two years and was consistently off his game last winter. Hyde was out in 37 and in in 42, and his card of 79 got him fourth place. H. P. Bingham, runner up in the Lake Worth tourney, when his medal score was 76, to-day found 80 the best he could do. J. B. Elwell, Apawamis, showed up in the first division with an 81.

The scores:

First Sixteen—Stuart G. Stickney, St. Louis, 37, 38—75; M. K. Wilson, Glen View, 36, 43—78; W. L. Richard, Engineers, 39, 39—78; James R. Hyde, South Shore, 37, 42—79; C. M. Amory, Myopia, 40, 38—79; Vauder G. Longley, National, 37, 43—80; H. C. Clark, Myopia, 42, 38—80; H. P. Bingham, New York, 36, 44—80; L. P. Ordway, Whitberry, 40, 41—81; J. B. Elwell, Apawamis, 37, 44—81; Quintin F. Feltner, South Shore, 42, 39—81; H. L. Willoughby, Jr., Merion, 41, 40—81; Channing Wiley, New York, 38, 43—81; C. B. Grier, Royal Montreal, 38, 43—81; A. P. Clapp, Colt, New York, 43, 43—81; H. B. Newton, Whitemarsh, 39, 42—81.

Second Sixteen—J. C. Hutchinson, Jr., Balls, 37, 45—82; George W. Shaw, Boston, 40, 42—82; J. A. Roberts, Kansas City, 41, 41—82; A. D. Allen, Longville, 40, 42—82; E. J. Northwood, Scarborough, 40, 42—82; Russell G. Colt, New York, 38, 46—84; B. V. Becker, Lake Shore, 40, 44—84; D. W. Taney, Wood Hill, 42, 42—84; M. B. Nelson, Mission Hill, 39, 45—84; F. V. Skiff, Baltusrol, 42, 42—84; W. W. Forrester, Flossmoor, 40, 46—86; D. L. Luke, Siwanoy, 41, 44—85; G. A. Easton, Engineers, 40, 45—85; John Maxwell, Merion, 43, 42—85; George L. Kingsland, Lenox, 43, 42—85; J. J. Daly, Woodlawn, 39, 47—86.

Third Sixteen—D. W. Paige, Belmont, 41, 45—86; George Wright, Wallaston, 41, 45—86; N. W. Peters, Englewood, 39, 47—86; Nelson L. Buck, Evanston, 41, 45—86; G. W. Bartlett, Hangar Hill, London, 41, 46—87; A. F. Huston, St. Davids, 45, 42—87; C. P. Erdman, Princeton, 43, 45—88; E. Sanders, Atlantic City, 43, 45—88; W. J. Glidden, Westwood, 42, 46—88; D. W. Whitmore, Jr., Siwanoy, 41, 47—88; F. J. Wetzel, Trenton, 42, 46—88; J. A. Hull, Siwanoy, 42, 46—88; George Salant, Inwood, 44, 44—88; C. B. Clafford, Minikahda, Minn., 40, 48—88; Rodman Wanamaker, 24, Philadelphia, 47, 42—89; J. C. Hutchinson, Jr., Balls, 42, 47—89.

SILVER FOILS ARE BUSY.

Mrs. Donald Parson Makes the Leading Card.

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PINEHURST, N. C., Feb. 9.—The Silver Foils turned out about thirty strong for a worst holes tourney on the No. 1 course to-day, Mrs. Donald Parson of Youngstown winning the first prize with a score of 73—5—68. Mrs. John D. Chapman of Greenwich, playing from scratch, took the low gross honors at 69. Mrs. E. W. Alexander of Santa Barbara, Cal., annexed the prize in the high handicap class with a net 66. The leading scores:

Class A—Mrs. Donald Parsons, Youngstown, 73—5, 68; Mrs. J. D. Chapman, Greenwich, 69—0, 69; Mrs. Spencer Waters, Apawamis, 75—5, 70; Mrs. F. S. Danforth, Northfork, 77—5, 72; Miss Louise Patterson, Plainfield, 81—8, 73.

Class B—Mrs. E. W. Alexander, Santa Barbara, 75—9, 66; Mrs. J. H. Horner, Pittsburg, 82—14, 69; Mrs. J. F. Reynolds, South Bend, 81—8, 73; Mrs. L. F. Wanner, Hempstead, 82—8, 74.

YANKEES WANT MORE TIME.

Ask Court for Delay in Examination of Cleveland Officers.

Before Justice Nathan Bijur in the Supreme Court yesterday Charles H. Tuttle, attorney for Cols. Ruppert and Huston of the New York American League Baseball Club, applied for an extension of time from February 15 until March 15 to return the testimony of the commission named to take the oral testimony of officers of the Cleveland club. By consent the hearing of the argument was set down for to-morrow morning.

On the 30th of January Justice Vernon M. Davis granted an order directing that oral testimony be taken before Justice of the Peace Basil F. Johnson of Cleveland to be given by James C. Dunn, president; Walter McNichols, secretary, and E. S. Barnard, business manager, of the Cleveland club in the action of the New York club against Ban Johnson. The order directed the return of the testimony not later than February 15.

In his application for the extension of time Tuttle said that because of the distance of Cleveland from New York and the fact that the Justice had not signed the order promptly on its presentation to him it had been physically impossible to complete the examination and have the testimony ready for presentation to the court on the date specified.

RUTH WANTS BONUS.

Says Red Sox Should Pay Him at Least $15,000.

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BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 9.—"Babe" Ruth, who is in town attending to his cigar business, expects to go to New York to-morrow or Wednesday. He says he has no fault to find with his treatment by the Yankee owners, but says he believes the Red Sox should pay him at least $15,000 bonus on account of his drawing power here in Boston last year.

The heavy hitter predicted he would exceed his home run record of last year with the assistance of the short right field at the Polo Grounds.

YOUNG TO COACH CRIMSON CUBS

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 9.—Dr. William B. Young, former varsity catcher at Harvard, has been appointed coach of this year's Crimson freshmen baseball team. He was first string catcher in his senior year and before entering the service two years ago, was successful as coach of the Winchester High School team. Claude B. Davidson, former third baseman for Brown University, and who played with Washington late last year after previously having been with the Athletics, Cincinnati, St. Paul and New Haven, will assist Slattery with the Harvard scrub team.

CONNECTICUT HOLDS UP GOLF SCHEDULE

Women Powerless to Act Until Nutmeg State Selects Title Links.

JIMMIE WEST HAS IDEA

Rockaway Hunt "Pro" Suggests Club Pairs Tourney for Long Island Section.

By KERR N. PETRIE.

Until the Connecticut State Golf Association decides whether it is going to hold this year's championship tournament over the Greenwich or Brooklawn links there will be no selection of dates made by the Women's Metropolitan Golf Association. That at least is about how the situation looks at present.

At their annual meeting held recently the golfers fair agreed upon the course of the Greenwich Country Club as the venue for this year's championship. That matter was easy enough to decide, but when the officials of the W. M. G. A. came to look over the schedule they found that unless they selected the third week in June they would run into a conflict of dates with the New Jersey State and Westchester County associations, which have settled on the first week in June, or the Men's Metropolitan Golf Association, which is to take place the second week of that month.

While overlaps and conflicts such as these are unavoidable in a busy season the women are anxious to do their part toward keeping the schedule from getting into a tangle so far as the title events are concerned at least. Should the Nutmeg State golfers go to Brooklawn this would open up the way for the women playing their tourney at Greenwich the third week in June, but if, on the other hand, Greenwich should be the Connecticut linksmen's selection there will be nothing for the golfers feminine to do but hold their title event during the days that the Westchester and New Jersey championships are being decided, and this for the very simple reason that the third week of June already has been booked by Connecticut.

As the matter now stands the women are helpless to move one way or the other unless they should decide to take the championship away from Greenwich altogether and give it to some other course in the Westchester section, such as Siwanoy, which appears to be the second choice. It is considered to be an odd move on the part of the Connecticut Golf Association to select the dates for the title tournament and leave the matter of venue so long undecided, and it is hoped that once they know how the situation stands prompt action will be taken. In the meantime the women are to be commended for the efforts they are making to keep the schedule free from an overlapping of fixtures.

Suggests Long Island Tourney.

Jimmy West, the Rockaway Hunt Club's golf professional, has an idea which, if it ever crystallizes, will aid considerably to the gayety of the golfers of the Long Island section during the coming season. West's scheme is to have the clubs in this particular neck of the woods inaugurate a team pairs tournament in which the sides will be composed of the professional and an amateur from the various organizations entering. According to West's way of thinking, there is room in Long Island for more tournaments than are now decided there during the course of a year and such an event as he suggests would prove popular.

If this tourney is arranged and carried through on the plans outlined by West it will in no way interfere with the regular tournament schedule, for it is the intention to devote as much time as is necessary to it, possibly a month, and to play it off by gradual stages much in the way that purely intraclub competitions are now decided.

West would have the teams drawn for the matches in the usual way, that one in every match coming first out of the hat to have the privilege of determining the course over which the contest is to take place. A date for the playing of each contest agreeable to both sides ould be arranged and a time limit set for the various rounds of, say, a week.

The outcome of such a championship forms an interesting speculation and although off hand it looks as though Nassau with its professional Jimmie Maiden and its amateur and club champion Gardiner White would be well up in the running, providing the event should draw a representative Long Island entry and not be confined to the Rockaway district, even this is not so certain. In a best ball event many strange things have been known to happen, for the lowest best ball score is not always made by the air carrying the highest rating.

Paddy Doyle Back Again.

Patrick Doyle, the Deal golf professional, has returned to the United States after a flying trip to Ireland. It seems only a week or so since Pat was deploring the poor luck he was having in convincing the authorities in Washington that they ought to hurry on his passports, but nevertheless it appears that the Deal long driver has contrived to sandwich into his "vacation" a serious illness. Doyle returned on Sunday by the Adriatic and was accompanied by Martin Sikes of Hollywood, who also has been paying a visit to the land were he first learned to drive, approach and putt.

Between now and the opening of the Northern season it is likely that Doyle will see a good deal of the courses of the South. Although thoroughly recovered, he feels that he needs a little toning up. Moreover, Doyle recalls many profitable hours spent in the tournaments decided on the other side of the Mason and Dixon line and was more than interested to hear that there is such money to be won as that which Jack Hutchinson picked up the other day at Bellearir when he defeated Davie Robertson of Pittsburg by 3 up and 2 to play.

FOR BRITISH GOLF TITLE.

Open Qualifying Play to Be at St. George's Hill.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The St. George's Hill course at Weybridge has been selected as the veune for the qualifying rounds of the open golf championship. The settlement of the dates has been left in the hands of the Royal and Ancient Club, but it is understood the week commencing June 14, will be agreed upon. The championship proper has been provisionally arranged for the Royal Cinque Ports Course, Deal, in the week commencing June 21.

SOCCER SCANDAL ABROAD.

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LONDON, Feb. 9.—The Football Association Committee in investigating the recent Portsmouth-Bristol Rovers Southern League game found that two players of the former club had divided $750 paid to them by a bookmaker. Both players have been permanently suspended.

HIGH LIGHTS AND SHADOWS IN ALL SPHERES OF SPORT

By DANIEL.

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THE eight round fistic exchange between Benny Leonard and Johnny Dundee in Jersey City last night was the cleverest thing of its kind we yet have seen. Probably it was the cleverest thing of its kind yet seen in an American ring.

Leonard won by a big margin—just as big a margin as he chose to make it. Dundee tried his hardest. He hit Leonard with all the strength and all the cleverness and all the enthusiasm which he could muster, but at no time did he have Leonard really ruffled. Leonard hit Dundee very hard—harder than ever before in their series—and Dundee took some harder punches than we thought he could assimilate.

But Leonard did not always follow up his advantage. He did not hit Dundee with all his strength and all his cleverness and all his enthusiasm when to have done so would have ended the bout. But it was an interesting bout—a very clever one. Talk of Dundee's having been within one thousand nautical miles of the popular verdict is foolish.

The Great Gama, Hindu Wonder, Said to Be World's Greatest Wrestler.

We are in receipt of an interesting letter from an Englishman who spent a good many years in India, and who takes exception to our statement that Joe Stecher is the catch-as-catch-can wrestling champion of the world. Our correspondent declares that Stecher cannot have a clear claim to the title until he has disposed of the Great Gama. It seems that the Great Gama is a Hindu wonder who some years ago appeared in Europe and knocked all the experts cold with an exhibition of all around prowess. "To the Occidental the world too often is the Occident," writes our British correspondent. "Of course, it is not often that the Orient can challenge the Occident in matters athletic, but in this par-

Being without any data concerning the achievements of the Great Gama we can neither affirm nor deny the allegations of the man from India. It may be that the Hindu really is the goods. But there is no way of proving it unless he comes here and takes issue with the best we have. Many a great wrestler has come here from other shores. Youssif, the Terrible Turk, no doubt was the best of these. Bauer, Whistler, Hackenschmidt, the two Zbyszkos and many others have shown us a few new tricks. But we also have had some awful dubs foisted on us. They came here heralded as wonders but soon petered out to the comparative size of a windfall chestnut. The original German oak; the more recent Siegfried, the German oak; Pierre Le Colosse, the French wonder; Raicevich, the Italian marvel; these and a few more ponderous gentry from other shores have shown here, but have contributed little to the science of wrestling or the dissemination of the knowledge thereof. So while the Great Gama may be the greatest that ever worked a half Nelson or gouged out an opponent's eye, the Occident waits to be shown.

Some Salient Decisions of the Tennis Association.

The annual meeting of the United States Lawn Tennis Association has gone down into history. In its wake comes the realization that while the rules committee did not receive the beating which the opponents of its suggestions expected to give it the committee also did not triumph. But we believe that the committee did far better than it had hoped for. It got a new foot fault rule, not unlike the one it sponsored, into the books, and it obtained a year's grace in the matter of a final decision on the new scoring method and the handicap system. A lot may happen in a year. By next February we may not hear so much about disturbing tradition; so much defence of "love" (as a scoring term); so much concern as to whether England and France would like us to do this or that.

It is true that the English Tennis Association asked us to wait for the International Federation to change the rules. But it is interesting to know that the rank and file in British tennis approved of the suggestions of the American rules committee and that it has little respect for the British governing body. But more of that anon.

Aside from questions of rules and political structures the most important decision arrived at last Friday night was to challenge for the Davis cup. This came as no surprise. That we would challenge had been taken for granted. Now to prepare ourselves adequately. Let us not delude ourselves with any feeling that we have the greatest players in the world. This may be true in singles, but in order to make our position strong we must develop a doubles team which can defeat Patterson and Brookes. We have the material in Johnston and Tilden. A month of playing together may turn the trick. But it is a big question.

Simms, Owner of Eternal, Now Has Biggest Stable.

Edward F. Simms, the Texas oil man who spends a good deal of his time in this city, now owns one of the biggest racing stables in the world. Simms purchased most of the animals offered at John E. Madden's sale at Hamburg Place last week. We think that it is now time to let the cat out of the bag in regard to the ownership of Eternal. The famous colt is registered in the name of James W. McClelland, but in reality Simms is the man who owns him.

Simms had the biggest stable at Saratoga last summer and had to lease the Whitney farm in order to accommodate his thoroughbreds. Next summer he will bring to the Spa no doubt the biggest collection of racers yet gathered by any owner at any track. The string requires the services of two trainers—Kimball Patterson and Fred Bellew. Simms expected great things of Eternal as a three-year-old. He thought that the colt would excel his two-year-old form, but Eternal showed that he could not go a distance and that he was not a star for all conditions. However, Simms is not the sort of man who becomes discouraged easily. He is coming back stronger than ever in 1920.

About This and That in the Merry Whirl.

America's chances in the Olympic games may suffer because of the retirement of Howard Berry. But when a schoolboy, Douglass of Exeter, can do 4.24 2-5 for the mile off 50 yards on the ring-around-rosie track in the Mechanics Building in Boston, and two young high jumpers tie at 6 feet 3¾ inches, the outlook begins to perk up a bit.

Blink McCloskey, the one-eyed American who has been boxing in Europe these many years, has scored a knockout! Blink's victim, an Italian named Spallo, thereby gained an unenviable distinction and McCloskey demonstrated that no man is so bad that somewhere on this earth there is not a worse one.

Every other day brings the news from Paris that Carpentier is headed for America. We note that each fresh cable follows close in the wake of another drop in foreign exchange. If the pound and the franc do not rally soon we may expect all the foreign fighters over on this side.

There is no question that by acquiring Red Smith from the Braves the Yankees have gained in color.

Of interest to those who clamored for a meeting of Jack Dempsey and Willie Meehan in Newark will be the news that the venerable Gunboat Smith not only whipped Meehan the other day but treated Willie to a trip to the canvas.

HAS LOW GROSS, BUT FAILS TO QUALIFY

P. W. Whittemore Out of Luck at Pinehurst.

Special to THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD.

PINEHURST, N. C., Feb. 9.—The qualifying round of the Tin Whistles' annual three ball tournament was played at Pinehurst to-day. Sixty-six contestants took part and twenty-seven qualified for three days of match play to follow on the six point system.

Parker Whittemore of Brookline took the low gross honors with a round of 77 on the No. 2 course but failed to qualify. Whittemore's plus three handicap gave him a net 80, and nobody cap gave him a net 80, and nobody qualified over 78.

Fred A. Danforth of North Fork led the qualifiers with a gross 78 and W. Lane Verlenden of Lansdowne won the net prize with a net 68.

Those who will continue in the tournament finished in the following order at club handicaps:

W. L. Verlenden, Lansdowne, 68; P. B. O'Brien, Detroit Golf, 69; J. I. Heiansen, Tedesco, 73; C. B. Fownes, Oakmont, 73; G. W. Baker, St. Albans, 74; F. S. Danforth, North Fork, 75; H. J. Frost, Siwanoy, 75; P. W. Thomson, St. Johns, 75; H. F. Noyes, Richmond County, 75; F. H. Mahan, St. Davids, 75; H. H. Rackham, Detroit Golf, 75; J. L. Weller, Hamilton, 76; C. H. Ley, Wanango, 76; F. T. Keating, Spring Lake, 76; P. P. Hotchkiss, New Haven, 76; J. R. Bowker, Woodland, 76; W. B. Merrill, Brookline, 76; C. K. Tiller, Quaker Heights, 76; R. C. Blancke, Montclair, 76; C. F. Watson, Jr., National, 76; J. D. Chapman, Greenwich, 77; H. N. Spaulding, Brooklina, 77; C. B. Hudson, North Fork, 77; C. R. Corwin, Bracburn, 78; J. E. Pushee, Bracburn, 78; W. T. Barr, Deering Harbor, 78; T. Dunlap, Canoe Brook, 78.

WRESTLING FOR DARTMOUTH.

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HANOVER, N. H., Feb. 9.—Three meets have been arranged for the Dartmouth wrestling team which introduces the sport into local circles for the first time, as follows: Norwich at Northfield, Vt., February 14; Springfield Y. M. C. A. College at Springfield, March 6, and the New England Intercollege at Springfield, March 19 and 20.

GIVES $65,000 FOR MIDDLEBURY SPORTS

Donor Aims to Encourage Football and Baseball.

MIDDLEBURY, Vt., Feb. 9.—A gift of $65,000 by A. Barton Hepburn of New York to Middlebury College for the encouragement of major athletics was announced by President John M. Thomas to-day. Mr. Hepburn was graduated from Middlebury in 1871. The income of the fund is to be expended by a committee of alumni and students. In a letter explaining his gift Mr. Hepburn said:

"By major athletics I mean football and baseball. Football as it is now played did not exist at the time I was at Middlebury. Other games may succeed baseball and football as time goes by. This fund being for all time, I desire to grant to its administration sufficient discretionary leeway to best carry out my idea of appealing to the athletic instincts of young men.

"I have always had great respect for the old Roman adage of a sound mind in a sound body. I believe in physical culture, and I particularly believe in successful athletics."

TOM GARGAN ENTERS N. Y. U.

Announcement was made at the New Yoork University Athletic Association's headquarters yesterday afternoon that Tom Gargan, the Hamilton Institute all-around athlete and star football player, had entered the freshmen class and would study through the summer and be eligible for varsity football in the fall. Young Gargan is the brother of Frank Gargan, the head coach of the Violet football team.

BRITISH FOOTBALL RESULTS.

LONDON, Feb 9.—Additional results of Saturday's football games are:

Scottish Cup—St. Johnstone, 1; Morton, 1; Lochgelly, 2; Royal Albert, 1; East Stirling, 1; Raith Rovers, 0.

Scottish League—Clyde Bank, 2; Clyde, 3; Albion, 1; Dumbarton, 2.

Southern League—Exeter, 3; Walford, 0 (substitute for last night's score).

ST. ANDREWS WINS THE GORDON MEDAL

New York Curlers Are Victorious in Competition Against Other Strong Teams.

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SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Feb. 9.—The Gordon Memorial medal curling match to-day at the Mohawk Golf Club grounds, under the direction of the National Curling Club of America,