

SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 17, 1920.

SPORTS AFFAIRS & AFFILIATE

WEAK IN BATTING

Millers Need Strengthening in Several Departments of the Game.

MORE SLAB ARTISTS WANTED

Other Teams in American Association Are Putting Up Fast Article of Ball.

Although the Minneapolis team has made an extremely poor getaway in the American association race, the majority of the fans have confidence that Wilnot will pull his men together and give an exhibition of real ball playing.

STEAM HEAT IS COSTLY

WHITNEY'S STABLE A FAILURE

Grand String of Three-Year-Olds Breaks Down Before Season Opens.

William C. Whitney's experiment of a steam-heated stable for race horses appears to have cost him dear. Last fall Mr. Whitney thought he held the 3-year-old situation for 1920 in the hollow of his hand. So thought nearly everyone who knew anything of racing.

INTEREST IS KEEN

New Enthusiasm Aroused in Yachting at Minnetonka.

TRIBUTE TO LAKE DESIGNERS

Wealthy New York Yachtsmen Learn Seamanship at a Regular Training College.

With Memorial Day and the opening regatta only two weeks away, and the yachting season unofficially open, the Minnetonka Yachtsmen are eagerly awaiting the boom of the starting guns. Interest in the sport has been stimulated this year by the building of the ten catboats, made on the same model, rigged exactly alike, each of which is to be sailed by ten skippers in turn, thus making seamanship the sole test in the series of races.

PIGEONS WILL FLY GOLF SEASON LATE

Twin City Homing Club Holds First Race Sunday.

SPORT GROWS IN POPULARITY

Elaborate Program of Speed Contests Has Been Arranged for the Season.

Pigeon racing, although a comparatively new sport in Minneapolis, is rapidly achieving popularity. Last summer a number of races were held under the auspices of the Twin City Homing club, which is a member of the National Federation of American Homing Pigeon racers, and this year a more elaborate program of contests has been arranged.



J. W. WICKLEY AND HIS FOUR HORSE STEAM RIG

UNFAVORABLE WEATHER HINDERS PLAY

on Links in Minneapolis.

Unfavorable weather has greatly retarded the opening of the golf season in Minneapolis, and to-day marks the real beginning of play in both the Minkakha and Bryn Mawr clubs.

SMITH PLAYS FAST GOLF

Chicago Man Excites Admiration of All Sides.

The great golf of Walter B. Smith, of the Onwentaia club, of Chicago, is the occasion of much comment. Smith gets as far invariably in two strokes as average players do in three. There is but one place on the Onwentaia course where a 150-yard approach being made with the mallet, and most of them scoring so high on the green.

COLLEGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Eastern Track Teams Will Meet at Berkeley Oval May 30.

The preliminary heats of the college championships take place at Berkeley Oval Friday, May 30, and the day after will decide the champions for this season. The struggle for first place promises to be very close, and it is generally conceded that the issue rests between Yale and Harvard.

WANT RECORD BREAKERS

FAST AUTOS ARE IN DEMAND

Eastern Chauffeurs Strive to Get Machines Faster Than That of Vanderbilt.

To own the fastest automobile in the world is the ambition of many automobilists, and extravagant prices are sure to be offered for any machine that can furnish high speed. So keen has this competition become among the wealthy operators of the eastern cities that special commissioners are being sent abroad to get machines that can travel faster than the new record owned by K. Vanderbilt, Jr. It is not improbable that some of the new purchases will be brought to this country in time for the mile record trials at New York, May 31.

COMPLIMENT TO WIVES

Americans are not the reputation of Europeans for gallant speeches, yet there are many occasions when they earn the envy of the people who are more given to saying pretentious things. A recent private dinner at which Seth Low and his wife were guests of the diners said to the new mayor:

TRIALS TO BE HELD

Try to Break Auto Record.

The fastest automobiles in the country will make a supreme effort to break the mile record May 31, over the famous Staten Island boulevard in New York. The course lies at New York and is believed to be the best in the world for this purpose. The record of 61.45, held by Fournier, is in jeopardy.

BEWARE OF FOREIGN MACHINES

In conversation the other day, a well-known dealer brought up the question of French machines, and intimated that before long the foreigners might attempt to send inferior automobiles to this country, knowing that the demand was in excess of the supply. The dealer warned a number of bystanders against buying any foreign machines unless it had a good reputation. Simply because a machine comes from France or England does not guarantee it to be of good quality.

OTHER TEAMS ARE STRONG

Taking the American association teams as a whole, they seem a pretty fair lot, quite as good as the Western league of three years ago. That is a comparatively strong statement. The American league, Indianapolis, and Columbus in 1919 is considered, but so far the showing of the American league, Boston, Philadelphia, and St. Louis in the National, have been badly gutted by the American league teams. In the last two years Brooklyn has lost the pitching staff, besides Day and Lave Cross and Jennings from the infield, McGuire and Farrell, the veteran catchers, and Jones from the outfield; in short practically every man save Keeler and Kelley, who made the grand teams of 1919 and 1920 what they were. St. Louis has suffered even more in the loss of Heidrick, Burkett, Wallace, Donlin, Harper and Powell, not to mention men of lesser ability.

THE TWO BIG LEAGUES

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ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED FOR WEST POINT-ANNAPOLIS GAME

Arrangements have just been concluded for the annual football game between West Point and Annapolis, to be played at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, on Saturday, Sept. 12. This will be the fourth time that the army and navy will have met on the grounds of the University of Pennsylvania. The arrangements for the contest were made by Captain R. P. Davis, of West Point, Lieutenant A. N. Grant of Annapolis, and Dr. J. William White of the University of Pennsylvania. The game is of national importance and ranks with the big university football games, both in point of attendance and general interest. Invariably attracts a crowd of 25,000 or 30,000, including many prominent statesmen and government officials. Last year the game was attended by President Roosevelt, who, it is expected, will again be present.

WHITESOX A DISAPPOINTMENT

The feature of the American league race up to date has been the poor showing made by the Whitesox. On paper Gamble appeared to have an all-star team. He had strengthened his infield by the addition of Davis, Daly and Strong, and added Green to the outfield. With Sullivan and McFarland behind the bat, and such a corps of pitchers as Griffith, Callahan, Patterson and Kattell, it looked like another runaway race for the pennant, even making allowance for the increased strength of the other teams in the league.

THE STAGE AND THE PULPIT

Stuart Robson, the actor, says he believes the stage is capable of exerting a greater power for good than the pulpit. Perhaps Mr. Robson's theory is that the pulpit, being practically limited to dealing with the women, is deprived of the chance to do good, whereas the stage, by its wide appeal, is able to reach a larger audience in this way as long as there are "Liberty Bells" and other shows requiring the use of tight-lipped elevators.

BECKARD NO LONGER CHAMPION

Beckard is no longer the champion "baseball" of the baseball world.

Y. M. C. A. FIELD MEET

Score of Associations Will Be Represented on Northrop Field.

BIG ENTRY LIST EXPECTED

Contests May 31 Will Be Open to All Members in the State.

College, high school and Y. M. C. A. athletes from all parts of the state will be represented in the track and field meet to be held on Northrop field Saturday afternoon, May 31, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. of this city.

The program includes a 100-yard dash, high jump, pole vault, 120-yard hurdle, quarter mile run, twelve-pound shot put, mile bicycle race, 100-yard dash for grammar school boys, and seventy-five yard dash for Y. M. C. A. boys under 16 years of age.

The 100-yard dash will be open to all members of Young Men's Christian associations, including the college associations. The high jump will be open to all school and college athletes. The 100-yard dash for school boys will be open to all grammar school boys under 16 years of age, and the seventy-five-yard dash for boys to all boys of the requisite age who are members of the Y. M. C. A. The other events will be open only to members of the local Y. M. C. A.

Representatives of these associations, together with the high school and grammar school boys who will take part, will probably form the largest field that have ever faced a starter in Minnesota. An entrance fee of 25 cents will be charged for the meet. Entries should be sent as early as possible to Professor R. L. Weston, Y. M. C. A. building, Minneapolis.

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