MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL TEAMS IN TRAINING --- BILLIARDS --- BOXING

TONEY FLAYS 'ZIM' FOR HIS AFFIDAVIT

Arrives at Texas Camp and Calls McGraw and Players to Hear Answer.

GIANTS BAG 46 RABBITS

Tropical Storm Converts Field Into Chain of Lakes and Prevents Workout.

Landis Tells Kauff to Clear Up Charges

CHICAGO, March 11.—It was learned here to-night that Judge K. M. Landis, national baseball arbiter, in his recent interview with Benny Kauff, New York Giants' outfielder, told Kauff that he would prefer that he not play baseball until charges against him have been cleared up.

This means that Kauff must have his automobile case in New York brought to trial as soon as possible.

By DANIEL.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 11.—Heinie Zimmerman, one time third baseman of the Giants, this afternoon was the subject of one of the most scathing denunciations yet made of a baseball player. The denouncer was Fred Toney, the big right hander, who arrived here late last night just aching to tell what he knew about the charges made by Zimmerman in his recent affidavit. It will be recollected that Heinie charged that Toney, Bennie Kauff and Rube Benton were implicated in the alleged throwing of games to the Cubs in Chicago toward the close of the 1918 season.

As the Giants had no workout this afternoon Toney had a full house for his "eulogy" of Zimmerman from the doorstep of the clubhouse at League Park. Though a hot sun blazed out of blue skies the New Yorks were kept idle. A tropical storm last night converted the field into a chain of lakes, which the local fire department tried to pump dry this afternoon. It is hoped to have the diamond in condition for the game with San Antonio to-morrow.

Before making his statement Toney insisted that John McGraw be present to corroborate anything which the pitcher might have to say. This the manager did. "The effrontery of Zimmerman as evidenced in his affidavit is astonishing," said Toney. "The incident in question occurred in the last series with the Cubs in Chicago in 1919. Matty was in charge of the team that day, as McGraw was ill at the hotel. I started in the box for the Giants, and in the first inning we got three runs. The Cubs came right back and got one by means of a hit into short left field, for which Zimmerman did not move any too fast, let me say.

Says Zimmy Spoke to Him.

"As the run was scored Zimmerman moved over to me and said, 'If you lose this game, Fred, there is $200 waiting for you.'

"For a moment I could not believe that he was serious; but when I saw that he really meant it I gave him a hard look and said nothing to him. I worked harder than ever to retire the side without further damage, and succeeded. When we came in to the bench I said to Matty, 'I'm through for the day, Christy. You had better put some one else in the box.'

"Matty was surprised, and replied, 'Why, what's the matter, Fred, is your arm sore?'

"'No,' I said, 'but I am sore.' And I walked to the club house to dress, for I would not pitch another ball in that game. After I had taken my shower I asked Ed Mackall, the trainer if he knew where I could find McGraw, and he said that the manager was at the hotel; so I asked Ed to get word to Mac that I wanted to see him on important business. That night I went to McGraw and informed him about Zimmerman's offer.

"McGraw got madder than a hornet, and said that Kauff had come to him only a little while before with similar information about Zimmerman. That night Zimmerman was suspended and sent back to New York. McGraw was kind enough to give him his railroad ticket. Now Zimmerman charges that Kauff and I conspired to throw a ball game which, by the way, the Giants won.

Gets Into Uniform.

"I could not get here fast enough to reply to Zimmerman's charges. I really should not have come here now, as I expect to be called back home any hour. My sister is on her deathbed in Nashville, and I wanted to be with her. I may have been a holdout, but I have accepted terms with the club. At any rate, it was not because of any differences with McGraw that I remained away from here until now."

Toney got into a uniform and threw the ball over to Earl Smith for a while. The big fellow looks fit.

While the condition of the field forced a halt in the series between the Tortillas and the Enchiladas, the players picked out dry spots on the turf and put in a more or less active afternoon. Those who still are overweight were ordered to run around the field. As they dashed about avoiding the lakes which dotted the big stretch of turf they looked like a lot of antelopes bounding from crag to crag.

By far the most picturesque was Rube Benton, who for several days has affected a peculiar style of dress. Rube is wearing cream colored knickers and a blue gray shirt—a combination which makes him look like one of those ball players of the Roger Connor days whose pictures they used to give away with cigarettes. If Rube had a pair of John M. Ward mustaches he would be a faithful reproduction of the old fashioned cigarette store sign. This, of course, is not to be taken as a charge that Rube is all wood.

The lay off this morning gave Frank Frisch his first chance to become a hunter hold. In company with Rose Young, Frank Snyder, Earl Smith, Phil Douglas, George Kelly and Jesse Burkett, all armed to the teeth, the Fordham Flash went out rabbit hunting. Frisch shot his first rabbit and let it go at that. In all the party accounted for forty-six rabbits.

Douglas, who is an accomplished hunter from the mountains of Tennessee, was by far the most successful, and bagged twenty-five.

"Ah wish ah had them rabbits down in mah home and had the chance to cook them the way ah like to fix 'em up. Then they would be real food, man—nothin' else." Douglas, it seems, is versatile, to say the least.

There will be games with San Antonio to-morrow and Sunday. For the contest to-morrow McGraw announced this lineup: Burns, left field; Bancroft, shortstop; Frisch, second base; Young, right field; Kelly, first base; Walker, King and Brown, centre field; Rapp, third base; Snyder, Smith, Gaston and Henline, catcher; Barnes, Ryan, Shea and Nehf, pitcher.

THE·LISTENING·POST

BY WALTER TRUMBULL

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A NEW ASSOCIATION.

A MOVEMENT is under way to establish a National Wrestling Association of the United States along the lines of the present National Boxing Association. Up to the present time Jack Curley has been generally regarded as the National Wrestling body, although he denies this, preferring to designate himself merely as the New York Chapter. Anyhow, Curley appears to be keen for the new form of organization, and, as other wrestling promoters probably will follow his lead, it is apt to go through.

The good influence of the Boxing Association is testified to by William E. Anderson, chairman of the Cincinnati Boxing Commission, who is spending a few days and his bank roll in New York. He declares that whereas many boxers used to think little of breaking contracts, they now create almost no trouble in this regard.

The tochold and the headlock
May be thrilling things to see,
But I'd rather clamp my gaze on them
Than have them clamped on me.

WEARING QUALITIES.

We have mentioned the value of accuracy in sport. There is also the value of durability.

It always, for example, was annoying to an opponent of Bat Nelson, the Durable Dane, to wallop him full-speed-ahead in the jaw, with no appreciable result outside of a busted hand.

Jim Thorpe is famous for his durability as a football player, and, in spite of a large crop of seven inning pitchers, there is such a thing as durability in baseball.

DURABILITY GUARANTEED.

The most durable team in the American League, according to last year's records, would be composed of Sisler, St. Louis, at first; Pratt, New York, at second; Gardner, St. Louis, at third; Scott, Boston, at short, and Jacobson, St. Louis; Rice, Washington, and Veach, Detroit, in the outfield.

All these men, with the exception of Rice, played in 154 games. Rice took part in 153 contests.

The battery for this team would be Bagby of Cleveland and Schalk of Chicago. Schalk caught 151 games, while Bagby pitched 340 innings.

The best wearing team in the National League would take the field with Kelly of the Giants at first, Hornsby of St. Louis at second, Stock of St. Louis at third, Bancroft of the Giants at short and Burns and Young of the Giants and Duncan of Cincinnati in the outer garden. Kelly and Stock played in 155 games, Burns and Duncan in 154, Young in 153, Bancroft in 150 and Hornsby in 149.

Ivy Wingo of Cincinnati was behind the bat in 107 games and Alexander of Chicago pitched 363 innings.

The champion durability team of the major leagues, therefore, would be composed of Kelly, Pratt, Stock, Scott, Burns, Veach, Duncan or Jacobson, Schalk and Alexander. And it would be a pretty good team at that.

There is many a man, with a gallant air,
Goes galloping to the fray;
But the valuable man is the man who's there
When the smoke has cleared away.

OPTIMISTS.

We have ventured the belief that, however his White Sox may have shrunk, Kid Gleason will not be around conceding the pennant to any other club until this year's American League race is a matter of history. The Kid is no pessimist, but neither is he any more of an optimist than others connected with the national game have been.

There is, for instance, Adrian C. Anson.

If the ordinary man knew that he was going to be forced into a match with a lion he would strive to calm himself long enough to make his will. Capt. Anson, under the same conditions, might worry a little as to whether to use the lion's skin for a rug or hang it on the wall.

When Anson was leading the Chicago club he one day decided to try out a young twirler he considered promising. The opposing club welcomed him. From the grandstand the movement of runners around the base paths gave somewhat the impression of a busy electric fan. After something like eleven runners had crossed the plate Anson decided that was enough head start to give anybody and sent in Clarke Griffith—his star pitcher—to save the game.

Barney Dreyfuss tells a story of a recruit that a major league manager found himself forced to use at short. The first inning that he played he had five chances and made five errors. But was he downcast? Not at all. When the side finally was retired he came happily in from his position and said cheerfully to the somewhat irate manager:

"If you leave me in there long enough and they keep hitting 'em at me I'll get one yet."

There was optimism for you! The manager? Well, it is sometimes the voice with the smile that helps to increase the population of padded cells.

We see by the papers, as Mr. Dooley was once wont to remark, that Col. Jake Ruppert just paid $330 for an early English escritoire.

Looks like a waste of money. We don't see how that's going to help his pitching staff.

COCHRAN'S LEAD IS CUT BY HOREMANS

Belgian Cueist Now 211 Points Behind Leader in Balkline Match.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

DETROIT, March 11.—Edouard Horemans came back to his normally brilliant stride in this afternoon's block of his 3,600 point 18.2 balkline match with Welker Cochran and scored 659 points before the young American tallied his 300.

Cochran gained some consolation by adding 58 in his first turn to last night's unfinished run of 234, giving him 292 for his high sequence of the match, as against 297 for the European champion.

The gap between the two players widened during the evening block. Cochran collecting his 300 while Horemans counted only 187, making the total score 3,000 to 2,789, with Cochran leading by 211 points.

The New Yorker started off with a run of 103, his best showing for the evening. Outside of that and a cluster of 91 in his third inning his runs were comparatively small. He had three blanks in his eleven innings, Horemans taking two in ten innings. The scores:

AFTERNOON GAME.

Horemans—0, 91, 107, 156, 70, 1, 0, 0, 10, 34, 67, 20, 34, 63. Total, 659. High run, 156. Average, 50.67.

Cochran—58, 80, 10, 9, 36, 1, 0, 0, 1, 6, 2, 38, 43, 40—Total, 300. High run, 58. Average, 21.42.

NIGHT SCORE.

Cochran—103, 0, 91, 12, 0, 31, 1, 0, 12, 30, 20; total, 300; high run, 103; average, 27.27.

Horemans—1, 27, 12, 0, 0, 0, 38, 26, 2, 3, total, 187; high run, 95; average, 18.70.

Grand totals—Cochran, 3,000; high run, 295; high average, 150; grand average, 38.46. Horemans, 2,789; high run, 297; high average, 72.56; grand average, 36.22.

SHOEMAKER RETAINS POCKET CUE TITLE

CHICAGO, March 11.—J. Howard Shoemaker of New York to-night successfully defended his pocket billiard championship title for the eighth consecutive year, defeating C. A. Vaughn of Chicago, the runner up in the Chicago Athletic Association's national pocket billiard championship tournament, 125 to 73.

Shoemaker played a safe game throughout, using twenty safety shots in the thirty-five innings. Vaughn played a brilliant game and led until the eighth inning, running 14 in the second. Shoemaker in the eighth went to the front with a run of 7, retaining a safe lead until the end of the game.

Shoemaker defeated W. H. Lee of Rockford, Ill., in the semi-final round in the afternoon, 125 to 97, in twenty-eight innings. Shoemaker had a high run of 23 and Lee of 15.

DECISION FOR MONTREAL.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 11.—Young Montreal of Providence was awarded the judge's decision over Paul Demers of New Bedford in a fast twelve round bout here to-night.

Missouri Governor Gets Baseball Bribery Bill

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 11.—The House to-day passed a Senate bill which would make bribery of baseball players a felony, punishable by imprisonment from two to five years. The player accepting a bribe also would be liable under provisions of the bill. The measure now goes to the Governor.

JAKE SCHAEFER WINS MATCH FROM CUTLER

Results of Other Local Billiard Games.

Jake Schaefer, the only American billiard player to defeat Edouard Horemans, the European balkline champion, last night triumphed over Albert Cutler in the final block of their balkline match in the National Recreation of Brooklyn, and won by 1,200 to 357 in the three days' play.

Schaefer collected his final 400 points in six innings, while his opponent could only garner 13. Schaefer required thirty frames in which to roll up his 1,200 points. He returned a grand average of 40, while Cutler's average was 11.37-30. Schaefer's best run last night was 119.

In the American Amateur Billiard Association's championship pocket billiard tournament in Jack Doyle's room last night E. Wiley defeated Leon Davidson, 75 to 43. Each had a high run of 12. In the English championship tournament in the same room William Waldron triumphed over Jackson Wood, 200 to 77. In defeating Wood Waldron played the best game seen thus far in the event. Wood had a high break of 38, while Waldron's was two less than his rival's.

John Layton, world's three cushion champion, came to life in his match with Bob Cannefax at the Strand Billiard Academy yesterday afternoon and scored 78 points to Cannefax's 60 in sixty-nine innings. Both players started slowly in their ninth performance, scoring only a few points in the first twenty innings, with the score 13 to 6 in favor of Layton at that period. The champion showed plenty of class for the remaining forty-nine innings, by scoring 65 points to his opponent's 54.

The night game between Cannefax and Layton ended in a tie. Each player garnered 60 points in 68 innings. The grand total now is: Cannefax, 600 points; Layton, 597.

NATIONAL UMPIRE DEAD.

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y., March 11.—Peter A. Harrison, National League umpire, died of tuberculosis here last night. He lived in Youngstown, Ohio.

Mr. Harrison came here less than a month ago. His condition at the time was reported as critical, but he progressed for a while, only to suffer a relapse. Before becoming a National League official Mr. Harrison had been an umpire in the International and New York State leagues.

RUTH GETS FLORAL BAT FROM PUPILS

Makes Felicitous Reply to Shreveport Children as Rain Stops Yanks' Practice.

By WILLIAM B. HANNA.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

SHREVEPORT, La., March 11.—Rain pelted all of Shreveport and the Yankee training grounds most of to-day, and the Yankees had the experience of seeing most of the day go to waste. They were out in the morning, but not long enough to do more than bunt a few bunts and toss a few tosses. It was a lost day and the first of the kind here.

Roger Peckinpaugh did not put on a uniform at all. He hasn't settled his differences with the New York club yet, though that wasn't the reason he didn't dress for action. The reason was he didn't want to start on a wet, raw day.

Huggins lined up a squad of recruits for a foot race. He has some fast ones, and the novelty of seeing speed on the Yanks, even though among recruits, none of whom may make the team, was a novelty indeed. Hawks, the Calgary recruit, who is an active, hustling kid, won the sprints. First he won a hundred yard dash, in which all started from scratch, then he won a hundred yard dash in which he gave handicaps to all the rest.

Skinner, the Georgia lad, and Cault, the Philadelphia semi-pro and candidate for catcher, tied for second place, with Tom Connelly, the Tulsa outfielder, fourth. The regrettable part of it is none of these lads are likely to become regulars this year, but they will be put where the Yankee management can have an eye on them.

Ruth went out to the Shreveport High School and became the central figure in a ceremony there. The high school pupils, boys and girls, several hundred of them, massed around the front steps of the building, and with the illustrious Babe facing them, presented him with a floral bat.

"I'm not much of a speaker," orated the Babe in response, with head bared to the rain drops and dark curls tossed by the fitful wind, an opening which had a familiar ring, "but here's where I make an extra effort." Then he went on to say that the gift would inspire him to greater deeds this year than ever before. It was a felicitous response, though it won't strike American League pitchers that way.

Ping Bodie is trying a new batting position. He isn't turning his party front to the pitcher as much as formerly. He thinks maybe he can get a harder and more profitable wallop at the ball the new way. If not, well, he always got a fairly hard and profitable wallop at the ball the old way, and can go back to it.

Huggins expects to lineup his team to-morrow against the Shreveport Texas Leaguers for their first game of the year as follows: Fewster, second base; Roth, right field; Ruth, first base; Wingo, left field; Bodie, centre field; Ward, third base; Mitchell, shortstop; Hofmann, catcher; Piercy and Ferguson, pitchers.

A message from Frank Baker's doctor in Trappe, Md., says Baker has a sore throat and won't be able to leave for camp for several days yet. Doesn't look as if Baker, Peck or Pipp would be in the lineup against the Cardinals next week, but if not good men will be in their places.

Between weather and a sore thumb Waite Hoyt is fretting. He has had little chance to turn up his arm.

POM IS SENSATION OF CLEVELAND SHOW

Mrs. G. H. Kemp's Wee Dot o' Mine Scores Heavily.

By FRANK F. DOLE.

CLEVELAND, March 11.—The last day of the Western Reserve Kennel Club Dog Show was largely attended and judging went with a rush. It looked as if Vinton Breeze, the well known expert of New York, had been given too much work, as he practically put in ten hours without leaving the ring.

The sensation of the day was the winning Pomeranian bitch Wee Dot o' Mine, owned by Mrs. G. H. Kemp. She is a marvellous little black Pom, weighing only a pound and a half, ten months old, and went straight through from puppy to winners. The winning dog was Mrs. Margaret McFadden's Cheekee Wee Bunty, a grand orange sable of four pounds weight, shown in full bloom, and afterward defeated the winning bitch for the special. Russian wolfhounds had a large entry. They were judged by Mrs. J. C. Hadley of Erie, Pa. The winning dog was H. V. Webley's Kirlenko, in good form, and won handily from Mrs. L. H. Coney's Romo of Romanoff. In bitches the winner was P. S. Haring's Incan of Pennwood. The best wolfhound in the show was Miss Winifred G. Merrill's Vronia. She is a wonderful specimen of the breed and was splendidly shown.

Pekingese were the best entry seen in the West. The winner was Mrs. Frank Crandall's Weebean. This is a nice Peke, good head and short face, shown in good coat. The winning bitch was M. A. P. S. Richardson's Young Shi of Henlefield.

Mrs. Frank Crandall's Tiny Man won in the toy poodle class. In Boston terrier bitches the winner was Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Peltzch's Fascinator Surprise, and she certainly did prove a surprise. She went through her classes and beat the best lot of Boston terrier bitches shown in recent Western affairs. She defeated the winnig dog and several champion Boston terriers shown for special only. She is a beautiful dark brindle, perfect markings, with a wonderful head, and sound all over.

HIGGINS COLUMBIA CAPTAIN.

Walter Higgins, one of the greatest runners ever developed on Morningside Heights, was yesterday elected to captain the Blue and White track team for the coming outdoor season. The new election was necessitated by the fact that Harold J. Hudson, former leader of the squad, left college to enter the business world.

Higgins first came into prominence in track activities at Morris High School. While running for the Bronx institution he captured the interscholastic cross-country championship. Last fall he twice broke the intercollegiate cross-country record for the Van Cortlandt Park course, but finished second to Johnny Romig of Penn State in the intercollegiates.

P. S. A. L. RIFLE SHOOT TO-DAY.

The annual indoor rifle matches of the Public Schools Athletic League will be conducted on the Brooklyn athletic field rifle range, Avenue K and East Seventeenth street, Brooklyn, starting this morning. These matches were inaugurated at this place last year and proved most successful. Thousands of boys availed themselves of the opportunity of becoming proficient in the art of rifle shooting in the various contests held during the last year.

NEBRASKA WRESTLERS LEAD.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., March 11.—Nebraska University's wrestling team secured the edge on third place in the Western Intercollegiate Conference wrestling meet here this afternoon by winning six points in the contest for that place.

BROOKLYN CHAMPS WIN BY 5-2 SCORE

Clinch Game Against Near Champs With Two Runs in Eighth Inning.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

NEW ORLEANS, March 11.—The series between the champs nad the near champs was resumed in the Brooklyn training camp here this afternoon, and the struggle resulted in a 5 to 2 victory for the champs. The game lasted eight innings and Leon Cadore pitched the first five innings for the losers. He was opposed by Hank Schreiber.

John Miljus and Ralph Phelps finished the contest. Phelps is a left hander, and in the three innings he worked against the near champs not a hit was made off his delivery. During Cadore's stay on the mound the champs looked at a bunch of curves and protested to Manager Robinson. Cadore's pitching did not trouble Big Ed Koney, who made a triple and a single off it. Koney made a two bagger off Miljus in his last time at bat.

Buster Caton, former Pirate, reported to Robinson this morning and took part in the game. The little fellow covered second for the near champs and fielded his position faultlessly. He made a single and got a pass in three trips to the plate. Caton says his boils have disappeared nad he is ready for a good season. Umpire Bill Klem, who with Moorlarity will officiate in the Yankee-Brooklyn series, also appeared this morning. Bill is ready for work and will get into condition by officiating in to-morrow's game with the Pelicans, which will open Brooklyn's exhibition series here.

The Near Champs got off to a good start in to-day's game by pushing a run over the plate in the first round. It was the result of a pass and singles by Mitchell and Schmandt. The score was tied in the second when Koney tripled and scored on a single by Bernie Neis. In the third frame the Near Champs forged to the front. Keeles walked, stole second with the aid of a short passed ball and scored on Mitchell's two bagger to right.

The Champs evened the count in the next session when Cadore received poor support from Mohart, who was converted into a middle gardener for the afternoon. Koney and Lamar, the first two men up, drove flies to Mohart's territory and he muffed both. The second error enabled Koney to reach third, where he scored on a force out at second.

The Champs scored another tally in the fifth after Olson, the first man up, was retired. Johnston singled past third and Griffith drew a pass. Koney followed with a single to left and Johnston dented the home plate with his spikes.

In the eighth frame the Champs bunched three hits off Miljus and scored their last pair of runs. Griffith singled and ran to third on Koney's third hit of the game, a double to right. Lamar raised a pop fly to Caton, who made a running catch near the mound. Neis then singled past first and Griffith and Koney scored.

Walter Ruether, the southpaw, has not yet arrived. He is on his way to the camp and is due to-day. Nothing has been heard from Wheat, Myers and Grimes the three prominent holdouts of the club.

Score by innings:

Champs	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	—5
Near Champs	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	—2

Batteries—Schreiber, Phelps and Taylor; Cadore, Miljus and Miller. Umpires—Tucker and Reed.

LOCAL BOYS WIN AT N. Y. A. C.

Willie O'Connell and Sam Lagonia were the stars of the intercity tournament held in the gymnasium of the New York A. C. last night.

O'Connell was pitted against a tough little boy from Boston by the name of Thomas Fall, whom he defeated after four rounds of the best fighting seen at the New York A. C. in many months. The first three rounds looked as if Willie had a shade the best, but the judges disagreed and referee Dan Hickey ordered an extra round. In this round the New York lad won all the way.

Sam Lagonia, national middleweight champion, stopped Joe Carey of Boston in the second round. Carey held on to Sam from the opening until he was dropped with a right to the heart about ten seconds after the second round had started.

It was announced from the ring that a return match has been arranged for to-night between Jack Zivic and Martin Smith. The boys met two weeks ago at the Winged Foot Club and Zivic won with little to spare.

The summaries:

108 Pound Class—Willie O'Connell, Paulist A. C., defeated Thomas Fall, Boston, four rounds, judges' decision; Max McCalpin, Pittsburgh, defeated Jack Rafferty, Paulist A. C., three rounds, judges' decision.

125 Pound Class—Harold Evans, Holy Cross Lyceum, defeated Whitey Glazner, Pittsburgh, three rounds, judges' decision; Bernie Sawyer, Boston, defeated Robert Nathan, Clark House A. A., three rounds, judges' decision.

135 Pound Class—Ed Crosier, Bronxdale Club, defeated Peter Penovitch, Pittsburgh, three rounds, judges' decision; Frank Hyland, Paulist A. C., defeated Charles Donovan, Boston, three rounds, judges' decision.

145 Pound Class—Joe Garvey, Ozanam Club, defeated Eddie Waters, Boston, four rounds; judges' decision.

158 Pound Class—J. Flanagan, Ozanam Club, defeated M. Garcia, Pittsburgh, three rounds, judges' decision; Sam Lagonia, Bronxdale Club, stopped Joe Carey, Boston, in second round.

BLOOM WHIPS MOHR.

Phil Bloom last night received the judges' decision over Walter Mohr in a fifteen round bout in the Flatbush Sporting Club in Brooklyn.

In a ten round bout Johnny Donnelly was awarded the judges' verdict over Bushy Graham.

NEW YORK BOWLERS SIXTH.

BUFFALO, March 11.—With an even 100 pairs of bowlers competing in the national doubles event to-day only two shot good enough to win a place among the ten leaders. A. Harris and H. Servas of New York city were the high rollers, with a total of 1,210 pins, placing them sixth. The other pair was J. Klingman and C. Cadker of Dayton, Ohio, with a total of 1,195. They hold tenth place.

The leaders are:

Five Man Event—Northern Paper Mills, Green Bay, Wis., 2,831; Threms, Toledo, 2,805; Mineralites, Chicago, 2,803; Cable Piano Company, Detroit, 2,844; Wade Drugs, Sandusky, 2,837; University No. 1, New York, 2,791; Metropolitans, New York, 2,790; Rose Gregories, Buffalo, 2,787; Metropolitan Clothes, Dayton, 2,777; Hudson Blues, New York, 2,769.

Two Man Event—L. Weygand-B. Paulson, Erie, 1,259; J. Stuberwall-B. Weaver, Detroit, 1,233; W. Drexler-J. Feineer, Buffalo, 1,219; F. Beholts-G. Rodems, Buffalo, 1,118; J. Miller-S. Smith, Buffalo, 1,217; A. Harris-H. Servas, New York, 1,210; F. Tiffi,-A. Green, Kalamazoo, 1,203; C. Payne-O. Gerber, Buffalo, 1,201; A. Wethernew-W. Weydig, New York, 1,198; J. Klingman-C. Cadker, Dayton, 1,195.

Individual Event—Fred Smith, Detroit, 702; Joseph Gilligan, Buffalo, 683; B. Weaver, Detroit, 650; B. Masse, Green Bay, 647; H. Steers, Chicago, 646; G. Kolb, Rochester, 645; P. Rosenthal, Erie, 642; G. Roehner, Buffalo, 640; D. Kaiserbach, Erie, 639; Burkhardt, Buffalo, 638.

All Events—Fred Smith, Detroit, 1,889; G. Schiller, Sandusky, 1,874; J. Klingman, Dayton, 1,871; B. Weaver, Detroit, 1,819; E. Sperber, Cleveland, 1,808; O. Geyber, Buffalo, 1,804; E. Herman, Cleveland, 1,803; S. Thoma, Chicago, 1,795; H. Ralston, Detroit, 1,788; H. Erdman, Chicago, 1,779.

Foul Blow Rule to Be Interpreted by Board

Question Brought to the Fore by the Chip-Ortega Contest.

By CHARLES P. MATHISON.

There was an interesting discussion at the offices of the Boxing Commission yesterday afternoon in which Commissioner Hooke and Harry Stout, referee, were the chief speakers. Stout had been invited to call and explain his action during the bout between Battling Ortega and George Chip. At a time when Chip was weak and groggy he struck Ortega below the belt and knocked him down. The blow apparently was not intentionally foul, and Referee Stout inquired of Ortega if he was hurt or if he thought he could continue. Ortega decided he could continue, and after a slight rest resumed the contest.

The question at issue is whether a man who strikes a foul blow that floors an opponent or disables him so that he is compelled temporarily to cease boxing should be disqualified at once, or the injured man receive time in which to recover from the effects of the punch.

Stout took the latter course and defended his ruling. He insisted that as Ortega was not entirely disabled and was able to continue there was no necessity to penalize Chip.

Th rule on the point is explicit, and the subject of debate is as to the powers of the referee in interpreting the law. Under the rules the referee must "disqualify at once in case of a deliberate foul."

"After one warning the referee shall disqualify a boxer who hits an unintentional foul."

"In the case of actual injury, even though unintentional, the referee must disqualify at once."

The question in the mind of Referee Stout and Commissioner Hooke is as to the construction to be placed on the term "actual injury." The opinion seems to prevail that the referee should be the judge as to the degree of injury suffered by the victim of a foul blow.

In the opinion of the writer "actual injury" does not mean physical damage that will send a man to the hospital. Weak as Chip was he was able to strike a blow that brought the rugged Ortega to the floor and he was unable to rise for several seconds. That constituted actual injury. A boxer who is hit below the belt with enough force to double him with pain and compel him to cease boxing for a time also is actually injured, and disqualification should be the penalty.

If the referees are to be permitted to decide what constitutes actual injury the door will be opened to a succession of foul blows. The rule against foul hitting was framed not only to protect boxers from physical injury but also to prevent foul hitters from weakening opponents by illegal punches.

The argument has been advanced that the Ortega-Chip bout was not important, and therefore the glossing over of the foul was the best plan. On the contrary, the humblest four round preliminary boxer is entitled to as much protection in his rights under the rules as a world's champion. If a champion and a near rival were in the ring in a championship match and the titleholder hit the challenger low and put him on the floor the title would change hands in a hurry on a decision of foul. There also is a natural disinclination on the part of referees to stop a bout because the spectators may be disappointed. It is high time the referees ceased to trim their sails to catch the breeze of popular approval and decided according to the rules.

Rocky Kansas and his manager are aggrieved because Tex Rickard declined to accede to their demands for a bout with Jackson. They were phoning from Buffalo yesterday to the Boxing Commission in quest of justice. As no contracts had been signed, it is difficult to perceive what redress the Buffalo men have. Commissioner Hooke told Rocky to put his plaint in writing and it would receive consideration.

Out of town boxing commissions are following the lead of New York as to boxing regulations. This applies particularly to decisions in all bouts. Mayor William S. Fitzgerald of Cleveland has approved the Cleveland Boxing Commission's recommendation for twelve to fifteen round decision bouts. Only decisionless bouts, limited to ten rounds, have been held there.

Colorado is still behind the times. A District Attorney of Denver has caused warrants to be issued for the arrest of two promoters and two principals in bouts there. The men named in the warrants are Jack Kanner and John Corbett, local promoters, and Frank Cull of Denver and Jack Shirley of Denver, boxers.

Boxing Bouts To-night

Commonwealth Sporting Club—Johnny Murray vs. Jimmie Sullivan, 15 rounds; Johnny Harvey vs. Mike Smith, 10 rounds.

Pioneer Sporting Club—Bobby Doyle vs. Joe Dillon, 12 rounds; Jimmy Tunesuia vs. Philly Franchini, 12 rounds; K. O. Eggers vs. Jimmy Blute, 10 rounds.

Ridgewood Grove Sporting Club—Eddie Wallace vs. Al McKee, 15 rounds.

Woodhaven Sporting Club (Dexter Park) Willie Kohler vs. Kid Dube, 15 rounds; Kid Sullivan vs. Young Limbo, 10 rounds.

COLUMBIA FENCERS BEAT DARTMOUTH

Philip Farley Responsible for the Blue and White's Close Victory.

Columbia emerged victorious from a fencing meet with Dartmouth in the Blue and White gymnasium yesterday afternoon by one of the narrowest of margins that has separated rival teams in a long while. The score of bouts in foils, sabres and duelling swords was 7 to 7, but Columbia had the better of both the foils and duelling sword competitions and consequently earned the victory.

Philip Farley, the Blue and White swordsman, made the win possible for Columbia by carrying off all of his three bouts with the foils. Two of his bouts were gained by the scant margin of one point, Capt. Weld and Hartzberg each falling by an 8 to 7 score. Denis Bencoe, the diminutive foilsman, ably aided Farley, defeating both Weld and Liao, the latter a Chinaman, Nahon lost all his bouts.

Foils—Farley, Columbia, defeated Capt. Weld, Dartmouth, 8 to 7; Hertzberg, 8 to 7; Liao, 9 to 5. Bencoe, Columbia, defeated Weld, Dartmouth, 7 to 4; Liao, 9 to 3. Hertzberg, Dartmouth, defeated Bencoe, Columbia, 8 to 6; Nahon, 6 to 4. Weld, Dartmouth, defeated Nahon, Columbia, 7 to 4; Liao, Dartmouth, defeated Nahon, Columbia, 13 to 11.

Sabres—Hertzberg, Dartmouth, defeated Capt. Reaves, Columbia, 7 to 5; Ferreira, 8 to 6. Weld, Dartmouth, defeated Ferreira, Columbia, 7 to 4; Reaves, Columbia, defeated Cooke, Dartmouth, 7 to 5.

Duelling Sword—Capt. Reaves, Columbia, defeated Capt. Weld, Dartmouth, 1 to 0.