

Local Happenings

LATEST THING IN SPORTS

Outside Observations

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M'LOUGHLIN IN TENNIS FINALS WITH JOHNSTON

San Francisco, Cal., July 16.—Maurice McLaughlin will play William F. Johnston in the finals of the Panama-Pacific Exposition singles tournament...

In addition to the singles semi-finals, G. M. Church and Dean Mathey, the Eastern doubles, are qualified to play in the exposition finals...

GOOD THING THAT CHICAGO DID NOT GET FRANK BAKER

"It's a good thing for baseball that the White Sox didn't get Frank Baker with him on their team they might have broken up the American League."

This surprising declaration emanated from Charles W. Somers, president of the Cleveland Indians, after watching Rowland and his men perform in a seven-game series in his city...

President Somers had daily conferences with Rowland in Cleveland last week and became a warm admirer of the Sox leader. He also watched Comiskey's rehabilitated club trample over his youngsters in the longest series ever played in the American League.

There is no gamer looser or truer sportsman in baseball than Somers, think followers of the national pastime in all parts of the United States who have the honor of his acquaintance.

No one in baseball knows what he needs in the way of a ball club and a manager more than does this same magnate, who was one of the fathers of the American League.

In Rowland, Somers sees an ideal leader—one who combines the qualities that bring results in the big league. The Sox leader has the faculty of getting the best results out of his players, his knack of developing raw materials, according to the owner of the Indians.

Comiskey's new managerial "find" has taken the league as he commends and made a great ball club of it, the way Somers, sees it, and if Frank Baker had been bought by Comiskey when the Old Roman was angling for this heavy hitter, the White Sox might have made a runaway affair in the younger major circuit, he believes.

Leo Sohl may eventually prove that he is a man before the type of the last year's Connie Mack, but he has failed to supply the needs of the club in his first incumbency.

ENRIGHT, HARVARD FOOTBALL STAR, TO PLAY SUMMER BALL

Boston, July 16.—Tom Enright, Harvard's star football athlete last year and captain of the Harvard freshman eleven, is to play with the newly formed Fall River Independents...

ROBINSON HAPPY AT SHOWING MADE BY BROOKLYN NATIONALS



WILBERT ROBINSON

Wilbert Robinson, manager of the Brooklyn Nationals, has worked wonders with the team this year. In ten days the team jumped from last place to within a few points of the lead.

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EVERS DENIES HE SAID FLAG RACE IS FIXED

Boston, July 16.—Remarks alleged to have been made from the side lines by Captain Evers of the Boston Braves during last Tuesday's baseball game with the St. Louis Cardinals are the subject of the investigation which President Tener will make here tonight...

The Braves' captain, taking exception to a question by Umpire Rigler, who declared Bescher safe at the plate on a close play, was quoted in a newspaper as having shouted: "They're trying to get the crowd out, they've ordered a close race; leave them alone boys; they're only following instructions."

Evers later expressed indignation because his remarks had been interpreted as a claim that the National League race was "fixed." He said: "I claim no such thing. I've been in baseball long enough to know better."

"There is absolutely no truth in the story that Captain Evers said that the National League race was fixed," declared Manager Stallings of the Braves. "I have personally made a thorough investigation of the report and find it to be false."

Evers has devoted the best years of his life to organized baseball, and it is absurd to suppose that he would now attempt to tear it down. A few years ago he had an opportunity to jump to the outlaws. Instead he stayed by the original organization, and is now, as ever, one of its most loyal members.

UMPIRE REBUKES FAN FOR PANNING ROGER BRESNAHAN

New York, July 16.—The Chicago Cubs slipped the Giants a 5 to 2 defeat on the parched Polo lawn yesterday, thereby halving the first four games of the series. However, the ball game was but incidental to a series of suspicious incidents between fans and umpires which caused many throbs as an afternoon in the trenches.

Always someone was picking on someone else. Just as soon as the smoke of a pitched battle between fans and the Giants ended with a big victory for the lordly Lord Byron Roger Bresnahan became involved in a fierce war of words with a fiery fan.

A few minutes later our old friend Mal Dason made signs from around the first base coaching box for some reason or other. The Giants were in a speedy departure. No one moved, and Mal walked slowly to the bench and asked John McGraw to take the afternoon off.

In the third inning, with the Giants in a field, which cleared out the entire bench, and chased eleven McGraw chatters to the hot meadows of Warm-upville. Matty was sitting on the overflow ledge, hiding behind Henry Falman. It looked as though the grand old man of the Old Major League was to be used in a board instead of a bat.

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It is reported that the major leagues will have another secret draft this season. Last year they withheld the names of players drafted from the majors in order that the Federal might not tempt the youngsters with contracts.

Joe Higgins, the Holy Cross sprinter, who is to compete in the games at the Panama exposition, will carry his own drinking water. He has found that the drinking water in strange cities upsets his stomach. We have heard of men carrying their own ales, wines, beers, liquors and cigars but water is something new under the sun.

Waterbury, July 16.—Red Ames, the Hartford ironworker, outpointed Knock-Out Palitz of New London in a six-round bout before the National A. C. at the Auditorium here last night. Ames gained only one round, the second, while Ames took the fourth and fifth by wide margins, scoring a knock down in the fifth. The other three were even.

In the main bout Wild Bill Fleming of Old Town, Maine, handled a terrific lacing to One-round Nolan of this city in a session which went the limit of twelve rounds.

James Powell, a conductor of this city, narrowly escaped serious injury Wednesday evening when he was struck, while standing on the running board of a trolley car at Greens Farms, by a headlight of an automobile. His uniform was torn, but he himself received merely a few scratches. Had he not clung tenaciously to the car he might have been fatally injured.

Secretary Redfield left Washington for a six weeks' vacation.

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No thoughtful fan will take seriously the remarks made by Johnny Evers in Boston recently when he declared the sagas had ordered a close race in the National league to bring out the crowds. Evers' remarks were made in the heat of a game when he was sore at the umpire. He afterward said he didn't mean to imply the race had been fixed.

Managers who have millions invested in baseball would not dare to endanger their investments by allowing suspicion to come into the pastime. If there was anything crooked in baseball do you suppose the Giants would have been trailing all season? The New York club is one of the mainstays of the National league. Good crowds there mean profits for visiting clubs and if baseball wasn't honest the Giants would be among the leaders now instead of wallowing in the second division.

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ATHLETES ON WAY WEST TO 'FRISCO MEET

New York, July 16.—Under the watchful eye of Lawson Robertson, twelve of the Eastern athletes who are going to San Francisco to compete in the national track and field championships next month left New York for the west yesterday morning.

Besides Robertson the party included Pat Ryan, Abel Kiviat, George Bronder, Matt McGrath, Hannes Kolehmainen, Jim Duncan and Pat O'Connor of the Irish-American A. C. Ted Meredith of the University of Pennsylvania and Eddie Rens of the Mohawk A. C. Alvah Meyer will leave on Thursday and will pick up Robertson at St. Paul next Monday.

The itinerary calls for several stops. The boys will be entertained at St. Paul, Minn.; Aberdeen, N. D.; Butte, Mont.; and Seattle, Wash. where there will be stopovers and games. The party is due to arrive in San Francisco on August 2. The championships will be held on August 6 and 7.

ANNIVERSARIES OF RING BATTLES

1898—Gus Ruhlin knocked out Jack McCormick in 2th round at Brooklyn. Gus and Jack were prominent among the heavyweight runners-up. Ruhlin, a tall and lank Canadian, fought a draw with Jim Jeffries in 1897, and defeated Joe Goddard, Peter Maher, Tom Sharkey and other good heavyweights. Jack McCormick was one of the first opponents of Jack Johnson, and was twice defeated by the black gladiator. McCormick also had the distinction of being knocked out by Tom Sharkey. McCormick's most noteworthy victory was his knockout of Kid McCoy at Chicago. The Hoosier held Jack too cheaply, and was careless, with the result that McCormick dropped him in the first round. McCoy fought McCormick at a later date and clearly outpointed him. Ruhlin quit the ring after knocking out Jim McCormick, the Galveston heavyweight, in the 15th round at Clona, ten years ago. Gus then opened a bar in Brooklyn, where he died a few years ago.

1900—Terry McGovern knocked out Frank Erne in 3rd round at New York.

LOG CABIN IN WHICH JEFFERSON COLLEGE STARTED SAVED BY "FRAT" MEMBERS

Canonburg, Pa., July 15.—The Phi Gamma Delta college fraternity, which has the custody of the old McMullan Log Cabin in which Jefferson college was established here, has saved the structure by repairs that will soon be completed. The building was erected in 1758 by Rev. Dr. John McMillan, who there conducted the first classical school west of the Alleghenies.

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