

PERFECT TRIGGER FINGER

Squeezing at Right Time Is "Tackhole" Lee's Secret



(N. E. A. Staff Special.) Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 4.—The most perfect trigger finger in the world! It belongs to T. K. Lee of Birmingham. He's the best all-around shot of them all. Squeezing the trigger at the right time is his secret for hitting the bullseye. Lee shoots one firearm just about as well as another. The rifle, pistol, revolver and shotgun—they're all alike to him. He hits the bullseye so regularly it gets monotonous to the galleries, but not to him. Lee enjoys this kind of monotony.

His Records. With the small-bore rifle he holds twelve world's records; fourteen with the pistol and revolver. Here's how he hits 'em: From 1913 to 1920, inclusive, he scored 17,993 out of 17,919 in indoor rifle shooting, the bullseye being only two-thirds the size of a dime. Firing distance is 75 feet. Won revolver and pistol championships in 1919. Set world's record with pistol in indoor shooting in 1918 and equaled it in 1919. Won pocket revolver championship in 1920. Some of his scores with the rifle: 1,299 out of a possible 2,000; 4,599 out of 4,600; 2,200 perfect, and 999 out of 1,000.

Wears Cheaters. Lee wears glasses when he shoots. "I have to wear 'em," he says. "Shooting under artificial lights in indoor tournaments has weakened my eyes; but I seem to be able to locate the old bullseye just the same. "A lot of shooters think I use cheaters to keep the dust out of my eyes. Many of the big leaguers do; but it is more than dust and smoke that bothers me. "The right kind of a trigger finger more than offsets weak eyes. The pointing, you know, is largely done by instinct." He's a fancy shot, too. In exhibition shooting at Birmingham he made the smallest group record with a .22-caliber rifle at 100 yards. He put ten shots so close together that a half-dollar covered them all. Also he made the smallest official group ever recorded indoors in regular competition at twenty-five yards, putting twenty-fiveshots inside a quarter of an inch circle. At traps he hasn't won so many championships; but sixty days after taking up shotgun shooting he tied for second place in the Alabama shoot, breaking 98 out of a possible 100 clay birds. He's the only big league trap-shooter who uses a sight on a shotgun. He had to make his own sight and fit it. Factories don't make 'em for shotguns. Everything he knows about shooting he found out for himself by practice and observation. Hits Tackhole. When he was a kid neighbor boys used to shoot at the head of a tack put in the old barn door or on a tree. Lee went there one better and used the hole made by the point of the tack for a bullseye and hit it. He was nicknamed "Tackhole" Lee after that. The name still sticks. Lee is now 32. He enters all the big shoots every year. Maybe "Tackhole" Lee can't shoot! He's the best all-rounder in the world.

Wonders One Out of 5000 to Break the Monotony. ALL LEE EVER USES ON A TARGET IS THE BULL'S EYE. T.K. LEE. The new national agreement is a great thing, but the sweetest agreement of all is that club managers have agreed not to lambast each other with adverbs in public. Towel tossers don't do any business in Australia. The referee is credited with knowing when a fighter is all in. B. Leonard still carries a potato peeler on his knuckles. Perhaps Babe Ruth was too strong to play basketball. When Pete Herman stuffed Wilde limp the English fans stiffened up. The headlock, the strangle hold, the toe hold, the scissors, the wristlock—they're all in the same category of pain producers. The bright ambitious ball recruit, Fed up on pork and beans, Now yearneth to disport himself in sunny southern scenes. He's keen to have his big league trial. His appetite's immense. He yearns to put the feed bag on. At some one else's expense. The Mitchell boys have gone back home dressed in the latest styles—Pinkey got a draw for his, but Leonard, he still smells. The Perry family is running a little opposition work to the Mitchells.

Frank, brother of Jack, is ready to knock off a few middleweights. "Strangler" Ed Lewis is no relation to the original "Strangler" Lewis. The new champ's real handle is Robert Friedrich. TAKE A TIP ON CUBAN TRIP. By A. Tourist. Havana, Cuba, Feb. 3.—A welcome bird is the American tourist. The rarer he becomes the more rare his welcome. Cuban hotel proprietors lie in wait for him. They also lay in their bait for him. But the tourist is wearing his new sleeve garters on his wallet. Tight? Very—except when he's very, very tight. Speaking of swallows—the tourist comes to Cuba by way of the alimentary canal. The geography's wrong. Cuba isn't an island—it's an oasis. Snakes seem to thrive in an oasis. Cuba is full of them—safe cobras and the Garden of Eden variety. And the woods are full of stumps for political speakers. In Washington they talk politics. In Cuba they perform politics. Ranting runs to revolution. A tourist no longer knows what "Havanother" in Havana means. It might mean a mint julep; and again, it might mean a revolution. Tourists are afraid of revolutions. That's why they stick so close to the bars. Nobody goes to see Moro castle any more, but the guides are getting rich. When day breaks, the lonely pilgrim calls a guide to help him find his hotel. He tips the guide in proportion to his previous tipping. Senoritas go to tea dances without a chaperon now. They also want the vote. Maybe Cuba isn't what it used to be, but Florida is jealous. "Get out before you get to Havana." That is Florida's battlecry now. Maybe you can get IT in Florida, but you can't rest your foot on the brass rail there.

BUCKS FIGHT FILM LAW. (N. E. A. Staff Special.) Milwaukee, Feb. 3.—Can fight pictures be shipped from one state to another? The present interstate law says no. Attorney Ray Cannon of this city says yes. Cannon will test the law. He plans to have the Dempsey-Brennan pictures shipped from New York to Milwaukee. They'll be advertised and shown here. As soon as they're flashed on the screen the proprietor of the theater will be pinched. Legal Canon. Then Cannon will fire his first legal guns. Here's his argument: The United States congress has no right to pass laws governing separate states. Each state has the right to enact laws governing its own morals. The court exceeded its limit when it ruled against transportation of fight pictures between states. "It's my intention to use the Dempsey-Brennan fight pictures for a test," says Cannon. Set's Court Record. Cannon recently gained wide legal fame by winning 100 consecutive jury cases. Veteran jurists say his is a record. He was Dempsey's lawyer in the John Reiser case. He's just 27, but he's had a lot of legal fights. Battling the fight-picture law will be his toughest.

TURKISH MOSQUE GERMANY RECALLS KAISER AMBITION. Wuensdorf, Germany, Feb. 4.—A reminder of the time when former Emperor William attempted to pose as a leader in the Moslem world remains here in the form of a Mohammedan mosque, which was erected by the kaiser in the first years of the world war. Eight hundred orthodox adherents of the teachings of the Koran regularly worship in it. It is the only mosque in Germany and William II built it for the benefit of the Cossack and Kirghis Tartar war prisoners who were captured while serving with the Russians and French. An internment camp surrounds it. Under the law of the Koran the mosque must never be destroyed. There has been considerable criticism of the former Emperor for having erected it and of the present government for maintaining it. In reply the officials declare, it is their duty to give the interned Tartars an opportunity to worship according to the dictates of their faith. They point out that destruction of the mosque would be a serious offense in the eyes of all Mohammedans. An air mail and passenger service between Manila and other large ports of the Philippine islands will soon be begun. Pennsylvania avenue in Washington was graded during the administration of Thomas Jefferson at a cost of \$14,000. The "stovepipe hat" style for men began in 1815 in France.

HUNT ON FOR REAL CHAMPS. (N. E. A. Staff Special.) New York, Feb. 3.—Real army and navy champs! The National Boxing association is hunting 'em. Secretary Tex O'Rourke of the newly-organized body plans a series of elimination bouts in army and navy camps all over the country. Failure of doughboy and middy boxers to stand up against their British cousins was a disappointment to military officials. In bouts recently held here the Britons proved superior to the Americans. Tex believes that their failure was due to hurried selections and that they weren't Uncle Sam's best. Following a set of elimination bouts the winners will go to England and try to win back lost laurels. Tex is also seeking boxing champions of the major industries. He's arranging elimination bouts and a final windup tourney for boxers among lumber camps, steel mills, shipbuilding yards and other industries. "These rough fellows show more real whole-hearted fighting than most professionals," says Tex. The National Boxing association, which now embraces seventeen states, will attempt to line up all states where boxing laws exist, according to Tex. At Ashland, Ore., a supply of water for use during the summer is being stored by means of a dam of ice. The annual cost of maintaining troops in Ireland is \$250,000,000.

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The Insider Says. Mitchell was no setup for Leonard. He was a knockdown bargain. Speaker will lead his Indians against Lee Figh's Brown in the opener at St. Louis coincidence! Not everyone in England is opposed to the staging the Dempsey-Carpentier match in Blighty. Cochran, the English promoter who represents one-third of the syndicate back of the match, wants it. The baseball magnates haven't buried the well-known hatchet. The handle merely got too hot for 'em to hold. Kid Gleason's bidding \$80,000 for three star players is no sign the White Sox will be strengthened before the first robin comes. The Kid didn't land 'em. The Atlanta Crackers drew 17 Saturday games out of the Southern League schedule assignment. Columbus Senators will break in Ranger, Tex., as a baseball training camp. A few moons ago Ranger was a mere hitching post. Oil was struck and the burg has 16,000 people now. We'll find out more inside stuff when the "game throwers" come up for trial in February. Ban Johnson has a lot of stuff on his chest yet. Babe Ruth challenges the guy who broke the "Babe Ruth Broke" yarn to a hostile game of craps. "Bo" McMillin prefers to keep his name free from the taint of profes-