

Additional Sports MORE RECORDS ON GRAND CIRCUIT

Darkey Hal Sets New Mark for Side Wheelers on Syracuse Track.

Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 14.—Darkey Hal, driven by H. L. Snow of Hornell, developed into the only record breaker at the second day of the fall grand circuit meeting. In the 2,365 pace Darkey Hal stepped the second best in 2:32.4, and lowered the year's race mark for side-wheelers.

Results.

2,365 class, pace, 2 in 3, purse \$1,200.—Darkey Hal won two heats. Time, 2:32.4; 2:32.4. Major Brian, Baron Whits, Texas Hooked, Green Pilot and The Friend also started. Foals of 1908, trotting, 2 in 3, purse \$1,000.—Worthy won second and third heats. Time, 2:54.4; 2:54.4. Ames A. won first heat. Time, 2:54.4. Mada Guy also started. The Oneonta, 2,364 class, pacing, 3 in 4, purse \$2,000.—George Gano won in straight heats. Time, 2:07.7; 2:07.7; 2:08. Hal Haven and Helms also started. Against time, to best 2:14 trotting.—McDougal won. Time, 2:14.9. Two attempts against time to best 2:02.5, pacing, to pole.—Hedgewood Boy and Lady Maud A. Own Brother and Sister lost. Time, mile, 2:04.4. 2:12, trotting, 2 in 3, prize a silver cup, amateur drivers, to wagon.—Willow Belle won two heats. Time, 2:12.4; 2:12.4. Paul Steel, May Kow, Mercury and Sir Arthur also started. 2:20, trotting, 2 in 3, prize a silver cup, amateur drivers, wagon.—Rondel F. won two heats. Time, 2:18.4; 2:18.4. Hazel B., Patsy Hendricks and Lucy also started. One mile, dash, harness, purse \$200 for three-year-olds and upward.—Von Lear won. Darkey Hal, George Gano, The Friend, Time, 1:41. Little Boat, Young Hanover and The Rival also started.

Gravestones Results.

Gravestone, Sept. 14.—Fitz Herbert, carrying 125 pounds, won the first special mile and a quarter feature of the opening day at Gravesend. He was a walkover, as the two fillies opposed to him were outclassed. Mexico, favorite, won the Flat Land selling stakes. First race, about six furlongs.—Besom, 3 to 1, won; Rose, 2 to 1, second; Mary Davis, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:49.4. Second race, steeplechase, about two miles.—Andrews, 10 to 1, won; John Van Around, 7 to 1, second; Almsman, 5 to 1, third. Time, 3:32. Third race, two and a half furlongs.—Mexama, 9 to 1, won; Billiard, 7 to 1, second; Intrinsic, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:07. Fourth race, mile and a quarter.—Fitz Herbert, 3 to 10, won; Affliction, 7 to 2, second; Arondack, 12 to 1, third. Time, 2:45.1. Fifth race, mile and a sixteenth.—High Private, 4 to 5, won; Dr. Holzberg, 4 to 1, second; Grania, 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:47.4. Sixth race, one mile and three-sixteenths.—Woodcraft, 7 to 5, won; Hilditch, 20 to 1, second; Quantic, 2 to 1, third. Time, 2:01.2. Montreal Entries. First race, three-quarters mile, purse—Merman, 10; Detroit, 10; Lumen, 10; Pulka, 10; Judge Lassing, 10; Jewel, 10; Fernamont, 10. Second race, mile and three-sixteenths, selling.—Hurlcock, 9; Chlova, 9; The Earl, 9; Thompson, 9; Pollock, 9; Weston, 9; Stone, 10; King Moving, 10; Vance, 10; Hlaco, 10; King Guines, 10; The Shaughraun, 10; Lexington, 10; Pollock, 10; A. A. Muskoday, 12; Eldorado, 12. Third race, three-quarters mile, handicap.—Lissy Agnes, 10; Jack Parker, 10; Charles Eastman, 10; Plute, 10; Royal Onyx, 10; Martin Doyle, 10; Colloguy, 10; Madman, 10; Pejoria, 15; Prince Aimed, 12. Fourth race, seven-eighths mile, selling.—Grande Dame, 10; Maxima, 12; Beau Brunell, 12; Klamesha, 12; Poppy Robinson, 12; St. Elmwood, 12; Ontario, 12; King Avondale, 12; Charles Eastman, 12. Fifth race, steeplechase, about two miles.—Lizzie Flat, 12; Durlan, 12; Manzano, 12; Bucara, 12; Harrington, 12; Bergoon, 12; Pritch Michael, 12; Reginald, 12. Sixth race, eleven-sixteenths mile, purse.—Lacotta, 10; Daisy, 10; Garry, 10; Kingston, 10; Patsalga, 10; Magdalen, 10; Amanda Lee, 10; Autumn Girl, 10. Seventh race, seven-eighths mile, selling.—Elfal, 10; Martha Jane, 10; Whisk Broom, 12; Be Thankful, 12; Maud Sledge, 12; Blosser, 12; Sally Preston, 12; Carthage, 14; Petulant, 15; Rara Avis, 15; Cosmopolitan, 15; Montclair, 12. Ogden Entries. First race—Four and a half furlongs, purse, four years and up. John A. Mallon, 10; Minnie's Daughter, 10; Profile, 10; Wheaton, 10; B. J. 10; Manfiero, 10; Mazayan, 10; Irish Mike, 10; Esther M., 10; Friar of Elgin, 10; Altair, 10; Second race—Four and a half furlongs, purse, four years and up. Godfather, 10; Harry Bush, 10; Bavaria, 10; Tim Hurst, 10; Bird in the Bush, 10; Senator Barrett, 10. Third race—Four furlongs, selling two-year-olds. Fausus, 10; Stanley Millard, 10; Fred Stone, 10; Roberta, 10; Sea Green, 10; Clara McCoy, 10. Fourth race—One mile, selling, three years and up. Contribution, 10; Aks-Ar-Ben, 10; Prince of Castle, 10; Altenburg, 10; Invader, 10; Balden, 10; Palsano, 10. Fifth race—Six furlongs, selling, three years and up. Annie Laurie, 10; Flying Dan, 10; Nappa, 10; Mossback, 10; Aunt Hala, 10; Cardinal Sarto, 10; Chio-Denison, 10; R. A. McFarley, 10. Sixth race—Six furlongs, selling, three years and up. Mions and Mable, 10; Figent, 10; Herman Doyle, 10; Alor, 10; Mabel Hollander, 10; Elmdale, 10; Mabel Hollander, 10; Bon Ton, 10; Alice Collins, 10; Alford, 10. \*Apprentice allowance.

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Football coaches and others who have been following closely the modern trend of the game are unanimous in the belief that the coming season will witness some radical changes in the use of the forward pass, and that the perfecting of this play will either revolutionize the game or will cause the introduction of radically new rules. This conclusion is based on the fact that last year was the first since the coming of the forward pass that coaches, in the east at least, really seized and worked out the possibilities of the play. When the forward pass was first legalized eastern coaches were almost unanimous in their opinion that the play would be a failure. It was not until the casual trick play. As a result the new offense was almost totally disregarded and during the first two years there were not a few championship games in which the play was used no more than once in a single half. So risky was it considered that coaches refused to try it in any formation until they had seen it successfully operating by some other team. Another evidence of this spirit was that until last year the forward pass was operated by only one player. But during the past season there was an awakening to its possibilities. Coaches endeavored to have at least two men who could throw the ball, with the result that the offense was greatly varied. This variation is certain to be widely extended this fall, for now the tendency will be to employ at least four men in handling the forward pass. And in this connection it may be stated that the forward pass, being equal, any team that has a combination of good running backs, all of whom can operate the forward pass in a variety of plays, will have an offense that will raise havoc with pretty nearly any defense. The perfecting of this sort of a forward passing game is bound to bring about a condition of affairs similar to that which first resulted in the legalizing of the play. The forward pass was made legal in order to weaken the defensive side of the game which had grown too strong. When this condition becomes a reality the football rules committee will have another problem on its hands. And if the signs are read aright the time is not far distant when they will be confronted once more with the situation which has now been discussed. It is well for the Johnson-Ketchel match that it is not to take place for a matter of six weeks. Fight fans forget their impressions and easily form new ones. At the ringside, while Johnson was pummeling Al Kaufman at will, there was a cloud of heads when it was mentioned that Ketchel shortly was to fight the black. Not a chance, was the unanimous opinion. Johnson was to hit him off, and beat him as he is beating Kaufman. But the next day, even, it was a somewhat different story. "At least," said some of the sport-follower, "Ketchel will bring more action than Kaufman." And by this time the crowd there will be plenty who will be ready to argue that Ketchel might win from Johnson. This fight, now the game is a curious thing. There will be no great surprise in the west if the ten-round bout between Ketchel and Sam Langford in New York, which takes place next Friday night is a fair shot of a draw. It perhaps is not right to say that there can be no draw, no win, but that's the exact state of affairs in San Francisco. Unaccustomed to the idea of a draw, and not caring for them, San Francisco are loath to believe that there will be a draw. The fact of the case between Ketchel and the Boston middleweight are agreed that the pair should make a good fight, but they are inclined to believe that the fight will end in a draw, which will tell the story of whether Ketchel is to hold the middleweight title undisputed. One thing it should do, it should make certain that the fight will be a long one, which will tell the story of whether Ketchel is to hold the middleweight title undisputed.

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A coast wise one in the fight game has this to say about the important fight: His strength also was a power that was perhaps too lightly passed by. Look back over the fight those of you who were present and you will recall the ease with which Johnson manipulated Kaufman. It was not skillful boxing, although by such means he could have maneuvered his opponent. It was mere physical strength opposed to the strength of Kaufman that allowed the colored fighter to hold the white man where he pleased, to place him in almost any spot in the ring that he may have desired. "Move him around Jack," called one enterprising newspaper photographer to Johnson, who was clinching with Kaufman. "I want to get a good picture." And the ease with which Johnson turned the trick was proof positive how he could handle Al. Kaufman is not to be compared with Johnson. Johnson is a puncher, and he is a strong fellow. He is a powerful man, with arms that will be a match for any man's. It is quite within reason that he would damage Jeffries' wind, slow him down, and then persistently and carefully wear him down. Has Johnson a punch commensurate with his size? That's hard to say. He didn't give much evidence of it in this fight, but there is said in defense that it is a question whether he tried his hardest. Ring fans who have seen him in motion many times say that it is characteristic of Johnson that he never plants a blow with the full force of his body behind it. He is said to be able to clean his present style in his best punch. It is his right uppercut. It is not a particularly hard punch or one calculated to knock out an adversary, but one can readily appreciate that continued use of it would wear down an opponent. There is an inclination to underestimate the force of the left jab to the stomach and heart that Johnson used repeatedly in this fight. It is another punch that is not particularly spectacular, but none the less effective. Kaufman was worn down by the body punching more than by such means. And after all, with this discussion of the respective merits of the two heavyweights, there still remains to be seen whether Jeffries will really connect with Ketchel. It is well for the Johnson-Ketchel match that it is not to take place for a matter of six weeks. Fight fans forget their impressions and easily form new ones. At the ringside, while Johnson was pummeling Al Kaufman at will, there was a cloud of heads when it was mentioned that Ketchel shortly was to fight the black. Not a chance, was the unanimous opinion. Johnson was to hit him off, and beat him as he is beating Kaufman. But the next day, even, it was a somewhat different story. "At least," said some of the sport-follower, "Ketchel will bring more action than Kaufman." And by this time the crowd there will be plenty who will be ready to argue that Ketchel might win from Johnson. This fight, now the game is a curious thing. There will be no great surprise in the west if the ten-round bout between Ketchel and Sam Langford in New York, which takes place next Friday night is a fair shot of a draw. It perhaps is not right to say that there can be no draw, no win, but that's the exact state of affairs in San Francisco. Unaccustomed to the idea of a draw, and not caring for them, San Francisco are loath to believe that there will be a draw. The fact of the case between Ketchel and the Boston middleweight are agreed that the pair should make a good fight, but they are inclined to believe that the fight will end in a draw, which will tell the story of whether Ketchel is to hold the middleweight title undisputed. One thing it should do, it should make certain that the fight will be a long one, which will tell the story of whether Ketchel is to hold the middleweight title undisputed.

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For instance, Glenn Warner of the Carlisle Indians insists with good reason that the field goal kicking is something that can be developed with the same certainty as other scoring devices, and that if other colleges would devote more attention to coaching their goal kickers, the team would have an undue advantage. There is no doubt that the kicking game is sadly neglected, indeed it would be pertinent to ask if the committee would not be doing the game a service if it increased rather than decreased the value of the field goal. Better for Defense. No student of the game can have any doubts but that the improvement of the rule makers in giving the defending side the option of a kick out or putting the ball in play by scrimmage on a twenty-five yard line. A single instance of the injustice of the old rule compelling the kick out would be sufficient to show the change will make. In the game between Pennsylvania and Cornell in 1908 a very strong wind was blowing down the field. 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CUB OWNER HAS A PLAN.

Wants Big Meeting This Fall for Baseball Reform.

If the plans that Charles W. Murphy, president of the Chicago Nationals, advocates, are put into effect, there will be a revolution this fall in organized baseball. The new plans include a monster meeting during the winter of all men interested in the national sport, and the chocking of all the war talk that is being discussed by the American association. President Murphy admitted that there were other prominent baseball men that knew of his plan and were in favor of it. Among these are John T. Brush of the New York Giants and former President Hart of the Cubs. The idea is to assemble all the men financially interested in the game, and it is expected that all the owners of both the minor and major league teams will be in attendance at the meeting planned by President Murphy. Everyone immediately interested will then be represented at the gathering to sit as a court to adjust all grievances coming before it. Among the reforms planned are: Proposed Reforms. Increasing the membership of the national commission from three to seven. Representation on that commission by the minor leagues. Every member on the commission to be paid a salary. Meetings at stipulated times, with a docket where all cases for hearing will be set. Open sessions of the commission, that everybody may attend. Right of ball players to be represented by an advocate so long as the representative is not a player. Fixing of a certain and set sum for all ball players who participate in a world's series, so that the players may devote all their attention to winning the series instead of keeping one eye on the box office.

CASE OF CORDIAL HATRED.

(Katsias City Independence.) An Irishman was sitting in a depot smoking when a woman came and, sitting down beside him, remarked: "Sir, if you were a gentleman you would not smoke here." "Mum," he said, "ye wuz a lady ye'd sit further away." "Pretty soon the woman burst out again: "If you were my husband I'd give you poison." "Well, mum," returned the Irishman, as he puffed away at his pipe, "if you wuz me wife I'd take it."

NATIONAL GOLF PLAY.

Big Field of Entries for Western Open Championship.

(Chicago, Sept. 14.—) Fifty-six entries are listed for the western open golf championship, which will be held on the Skokie country club links on Thursday and Friday. One of the entrants is George H. Sargent, national open champion, of Hyde Manor club, Vermont. National Champion Sargent arrived at the Skokie club yesterday and for the first time out registered a creditable 75. Will Anderson, however, had the best score, those who appeared for practice, registering a 72. Otto Hackback of St. Louis, in making a 75, reached the 35 yard sixth green, in a drive and an iron shot. AT THE BALL GAME. Ten thousand people cheering, ten thousand people glad, ten thousand people happy, ten thousand people sad, ten thousand people waiting with nerves hitching and tense, ten thousand people yelling: "O drive it to the fence!" One hope for those ten thousand, for all one common aim; ten thousand people praying the Tigers may win the game. One thousand grief they suffered, when ten thousand faces clouded when the Athletics led, ten thousand voices shouted when Cobb and Crawford hit, among ten thousand people not one was in cool and passive manner; that multitude, as one, stood up and yelled and hooted, like men with reason gone. O, where was battle witnessed on land or on the sea, where men and women waited with such expectancy? With common hope united one side alone to cheer, one moment faces beaming, the next all beribboned and ragged, urchin and man of fame. The self-same views expressing—and words as a basal game, ten thousand people cheering, ten thousand people sad, ten thousand mournful, ten thousand people glad.—Detroit Free Press.

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