Timely Observations of Events Happening in the Sporting World

BIG MONEY FOR BOXING MARVEL

Willie Hoppe, Eighteen Year Old Star, Gets $58 a Minute

San Francisco, Feb. 22.—Eighteen years old and earning $58.33 1-3 a minute sounds like a pipe dream, but it's the real goods.

The lad pulling down this fairly comfortable piece of change is Willie Hoppe, king of the lightweights, in San Francisco's four-round game.

For stepping twelve minutes he receives a guarantee of $700, more than some of the champions in the early days received for fighting to a finish with the bad 'uns. Terry McGovern, Al Wolgast or any of the other fighters of the wildcat order have nothing on Hoppe. He is a whole flock of triple track action windmills when he fights, hooking, jabbing, swinging and uppercutting without a moment's let-up throughout the three minutes of every round. He fights so fast that he is almost completely exhausted at the end of each round, but the minute's rest sends him back as good as when he started.

His recuperative power is even more marvelous than his tremendous energy. Hoppe does not waste his time in boxing. He simply starts both arms going like a piece of perpetual motion machinery until the bell tells him to stop.

Less than a year ago Hoppe was fighting for $20 purses, but his performances became so sensational that all the promoters tried to secure his services, with the result that he is now star of the four-rounders and is getting the big money.

BOOST FOR KILBANE.

Willie Richie Says He is Genuine Champ of Class.

New York, Feb. 22.—I was asked to go to the Empire club to give a champions' opinion of a champions' performance, says Willie Richie, lightweight champ. So I took in the Kilbane-Kirkwood fight.

I want to say right now that what I looked upon in that ring was as business-like a job as ever I saw performed in a ring. Kilbane, a true champion, stopped Kirkwood to a standstill in six rounds, and every minute of the six was a treat. Now Kirkwood is a knocker out, and when a champion stacks his title up against a man with a kick, it is bound to be entertaining.

There are no phony champions; there never was one and there never will be one. Just look down the row. Any man who ever held a championship had something on all the rest, whether he was big or little. That goes for me in Kilbane's case. He beat the most wonderful in the world to gain his title—Abe Attell—who will live in ring history as its greatest boxer. Kilbane beat him when he was champion without question.

My hat is off to Johnny Kilbane. I wish him luck and more luck especially here in New York, where he seemed to have got off on the wrong foot.

ANNUAL MEETING TONIGHT.

Wolverine Cricket Team Will Select Officers and Delegates.

Arthur Williams, president of the Wolverine cricket club has called a meeting of the team for this evening in the Wolverine fire hall, at 4 o'clock.

Officers for the coming season, the delegates for the league meeting and the various committees will be chosen.

Last season there was but one team that defeated the champion Wolverines, which dropped one to Painesdale, but the coming season a number of the teams will be a great deal stronger by the arrival of the players from the "old country." The topic that is creating the most interest is whether the players who recently arrived from England will strengthen the teams with which they will play, enough so they might have a fighting chance for the pennant.

Gen. Powell Clayton, who recently retired as the Arkansas member of the National Republican committee, is believed to be the only man living who has sat as a delegate in every Republican national convention since the party was first organized.

WILLIAMS LIKES RULES.

Completely satisfied with the work accomplished at the recent meeting of the intercollegiate football rules committee in New York last week, Dr. H. L. Williams returned to Minneapolis today, says the Minneapolis Journal. Before leaving for the meeting, Dr. Williams declared himself as opposed to any drastic changes and the patching done met with his approval in every way.

53 MANAGERS IN TEN YEARS

Major League Clubs Have Many Pilots. Here Is the Roster

During the past ten years no less than fifty-three men have managed clubs in the American and National leagues. Fred Clarke of the Pirates, Connie Mack, of the Athletics, and John McGraw, of the Giants, are the only managers who are now piloting the same teams which they were leading in 1903. Some of the fifty-three varieties have drifted from one club to another in the same circuit, and have occasionally transferred their operations to the other league. The clubs, the managers and the order of their succession follows:

National league—New York, John McGraw; Pittsburg, Fred Clark; Chicago, Frank Selee, Frank Chance, Johnny Evers; Philadelphia, Charley Zimmer, Hugh Duffy, Billy Murray, Charley Dooin; St. Louis, Patsy Donovan, Charley Nichols, Jimmy Burke, John McCloskey, Roger Bresnahan, Miller Huggins; Cincinnati, Joe Kelley, Ned Hanlon, John Ganzel, Clark Griffith, Hank O'Day, Joe Tinker; Brooklyn, Ned Hanlon, Patsy Donovan, Harry Lumley, Bill Dahlen; Boston, Al Buckenberger, Fred Tenney, Joe Kelley, Frank Bowerman, Harry Smith, Fred Lake, Fred Tenney, John Kling, George Stallings.

American league — Philadelphia, Connie Mack; Detroit, Ed Barrows, Bill Armour, George Stallings, Hugh Jennings; Cleveland, Bill Armour, Larry Lajoie, Jim McGuire, George Stovall, George Davis, Joe Birmingham; Boston, Jimmy Collins, Chick Stahl, Bob Unglaub, George Huff, Jim McGuire, Fred Lake, Patsy Donovan, Jake Stahl; Chicago, Clark Griffith, Jimmy Callahan, Fielder Jones, Billy Sullivan, Hugh Duffy, Jimmy Callahan; Washington, Tom Loftus, Jake Stahl, Joe Cantillion, Jim McAleer, Clark Griffith; St. Louis; Jim McAleer, Jack O'Connor, Rhody Wallace, George Stovall; New York, Clark Griffith, Norman Elberfield, George Stallings, Hal Chase, Harry Wolverton, Frank Chance.

SPORTING EDITOR'S NOTES.

Evansville has dropped out of the Kitty league and will re-enter the Central league the coming season.

The Chicago Cubs will play ten games with various hotel ball teams while the team is training in Florida.

Lew McAllister, "Gabby" Street and Charley Schmidt, three old-time big league backstops, will work in the Southern league next season.

Del Gainor of the Detroit Tigers, says that Sam Crawford and others need not worry about playing first base, for he intends to do so himself next season.

Pitcher Otto Hess has signed for his second season with the Boston Nationals. Hess won eight straight games last year and also pitched a no-hit and a 19-inning game.

New York fans are discussing pro and con Hal Chase's ability to play second base. A left hander covering the keystone position of the infield will be a decided novelty.

Wirt Cannell, the well known ball player, was recently appointed coach of the Tufts college nine. He formerly played with Boston, Toledo, Allentown, Williamsport and Reading.

Jack Egan, former member of Ban Johnson's staff of umpires, is now a jewelry manufacturer at Providence, R. I. Jack claims that he is making more money selling jewelry than he did in baseball.

Back in 1900 a young man joined the Cubs as a pitcher, but was cast adrift. Next week the same young man, who is none other than "Rajah" Bresnahan, will rejoin the Cubs as the highest salaried catcher in baseball.

BOUT FOR McCARTHY.

Champ of White Heavies Signs for Quaker City Go.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 22.—Luther McCarty, heavyweight champion, will appear here the latter part of next month or the first week in April. This statement was issued from the offices of Harry Edwards, manager of the Olympia A. A., today and confirmed by Manager Billy McCarney.

McCarney said: "While on my way to New York I stopped here to see Mr. Edwards. We agreed on McCarty's appearance against some good heavyweight, and I signed a contract for McCarty to meet Bombardier Wells, Jess Willard, or Gunboat Smith."

Edwards stated that he would make a great effort to bring Bombardier Wells here.

Every year on the anniversary of his marriage Professor Palmer, of Harvard, gives something to Wellesley in memory of his wife, Alice Freeman Palmer, who was president of Wellesley.

GRIDIRON STARS SOON FORGOTTEN

Even Names of Heroes of Football Hard to Remember

The fame of football stars is short lived. With each succeeding football reason, the heroes of the gridiron are forgotten. Baseball heroes have a much stronger hold on fame than the gridiron stars. It is really surprising how quickly the footballers drop out of sight.

Perhaps the best explanation of this condition is that the average career of a football player never exceeds four years, and very often he does not develop into a real star until his last year at college. On the other hand the career of the baseball player depends entirely on his ability to deliver. Football players retire from the game usually when at their best, while baseball stars refuse to quit as a rule until released. Ty Cobb was a star in 1906, and is still a star. Now he is very much before the public because of his demand of $15,000 from the Detroit club.

Another good reason for the fleeting fame of the gridiron star is the shortness of the playing season, also the fact that only one game a week is the rule. Baseball on the other hand calls for a game a day for six months, and in the off season the scribes seem able to find something of interest to write about the big men in baseball. Unquestionably, the publicity given baseball men by the press, keeps them in the memory of fandom.

A few years ago Coy, Dewitt, Wendell, Sprackling, McGovern, and a host of other football heroes were much in the public eye. Finishing their careers at college, entering into some other field, their athletic prowness was soon forgotten.

McLEAN BREAKS ARM.

Former Cincinnati Catcher in Billiard Hall Rumpus.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 22.—Larry McLean, former Cincinnati catcher who signed a contract to play with the St. Louis Cardinals this season, is at the home of his brother in NewPort, Ky. with a fracture of the left arm, received as he was attempting to act as peacemaker during a general fight in a billiard hall here. At least, that's what Larry said he was trying to do.

McLean was in the hall when the fight started. He was in the midst of a shower of cue sticks and billiard balls. A cue wielded by one of the fighters struck the tall catcher full on the arm just below the elbow, causing the fracture.

After the police had cleared the place McLean's brother and two other men were taken into custody. They were released later on bond.

MAY MANAGE VIRGINIA.

"Newt." Randall of Milwaukee Club May Return to Minors.

Virginia, Minn., Feb. 22.—It is reported that Virginia may secure the services of "Newt" Randall, the famous center fielder of Milwaukee, for the coming season. It is stated that Randall has been interviewed with regard to taking the management of the Virginia team and signified his willingness to accept the proposition if the Milwaukee manager can be "bought off."

Randall is well known in Calumet, having appeared with the Duluth team in the old Northern League.

W. MILLER ON STAGE.

Walter Miller, welterweight champion of the world's wrestlers, today received an offer from Art Moeller, manager of Sam Rice's "Daffodils," now playing at Washington, D. C., asking him to join that company at Washington next Wednesday evening, appearing in exhibitions against all comers. Miller is guaranteed travelling expenses and a good retainer and because of the approaching inauguration, he may decide to accept. He has appeared with this troupe before very successfully.

CUBS HARD AT WORK.

Tampa, Fla., Feb. 22.—The Cub pitchers and catchers had a good workout under a hot sun this morning, but a heavy rainstorm in the afternoon prevented the scheduled general practice. Jimmy Lavendar, who arrived last night, showed much speed in the morning workout. He is twenty pounds heavier than he was last year.

GRIFFITH AFTER YOUNG PLAYERS

In Mack's Class as "Cradle Robber". Gets 16 Year Old Cuban

Clarke Griffith, having cracked and demolished precedent by tearing the Washington club out of the second division last year and past the Athletics into second place, is determined to grasped and cuddle unto himself other laurels.

For years Connie Mack has been sole guardian and holder of the title of "cradle robber of the baseball world." It has been said of Connie that if the youths of a tender age whom he has under control should ever descend upon Quakertown the streets would be so congested that business would be at a standstill.

Connie gets 'em from the cradle age up.

Griffith hasn't gone quite that far yet, but only yesterday he received the signed contract of a 16-year old Cuban whom, of course, they say is "as fast as Cobb, with an arm like Speaker and the ability to field like Cobb, Milan and Speaker combined."

Those youthful phenoms are always labeled thus. This Cuban's nom de plum is Baldomera Acosta, Jr.

Acosta is the second Cuban to fall into Griffith's net. The other is Jecinto Calvo, the crack outfielder of the Almendarez team, of whom Chief Bender, on returning from the recent trip of the Athletics said:

"I never saw a faster outfielder in my life. He can hit, too, and looks for all the world like a high class ball player. He is green about some things, as is to be expected, but with a little experience he ought to make a wonderful player. If Griffith has signed him he will never regret it, for there is no chance for him to be a failure."

WILSON WILL TAKE TAFT'S PLACE AS THE FIRST GOLFER

Golfers need not become alarmed about the future of the ancient and honorable game in official circles at Washington.

Many feared when President Taft left the White House the links at Chevy Chase would be deserted by the men who rule the destinies of the nation. But it has developed that President-elect Wilson is a golfer and has been at it longer that Mr. Taft.

So the little ball will still be propeled through the air at Washington by the first citizen of the land.

INSURE GOLF COURSES.

London, Feb. 22.—The recent outrages by suffragists in destroying golf courses has led to the opening of a new form of insurance by Lloyd's. The company now takes risks on golf links at 2 per cent premium. Many golf clubs have availed themselves of the new offer to insure their courses.

NEW YORK BOXER HERE.

"Cyclone" Raphael, a New York lightweight boxer arrived in Calumet this morning, and may be signed up in the near future, to meet "Dummy" Mehelchich, the local boxer. Raphael fights at 132 pounds and has been giving numerous exhibitions en route to the copper country, where he was to have participated in one of the preliminaries for the Caponi-Perkins bout at Hancock this evening. The opponent selected for him has declined to appear, however.

Patronizing Papa.

Father—Upon my word, you children are getting too dainty for anything. Jam and butter on the same piece of bread, indeed! Why, when I was your age I was glad to get enough dry bread to eat. Bobby—You have a much better time living with us, don't you, father?—National Monthly.

Comforting.

Wife—Why did you tell the Batsons that you married me because I was such a good cook, when you know I can't even boil a potato? Hubby—I had to make some excuse, my dear, and I didn't know what else to say.—London Opinion.

His Advantage.

"An aviator has one big advantage over other men."

"Most of his advantages are over men, but what is this special one?"

"He can want the earth without being called grasping."—Baltimore American.

Economical.

Johnny—Mamma, will you wash my face? Mamma—Why, Johnny, can't you do that? Johnny—Yes, but I'll have to wet my hands, and they don't need it.—Lippincott's.

Dr. Johnson and His Dinner.

Dr. Johnson, who was a lover of good cookery, used to assert that when ever a dinner was ill got it was because of poverty, avarice or stupidity. One day he was eloquent on this subject when his hostess (Mrs. Thrale) asked him "if he ever huffed his wife about his dinner."

"So often," he replied, "that at last she called to me and said:

"'Nay, hold, Mr. Johnson. Do not make a farce of thanking God for a dinner which in a few minutes you will protest is not eatable.'"

Don't You.

We kept tabs at the theater. The hero carefully said, "Don't you," the low comedian said, "Dontcher," and the assistant varied it to "Dontcha." The heroine was a purist. She said, "Don't chew," as if she were advising against the use of tobacco.—Exchange.

His Only Chance.

Mrs. Yeast—Going over to the hall tonight?

Mr. Yeast—What's going on?

"Oh, Professor Meeks is going to talk."

"He is? Why, is his wife away?"—Yonkers Statesman.

Laurium Department

FAST MEN FOR RUNNING TEAM

Meeting to Organize Will Be Held in Coming Week

Candidates for the running team which will represent the Laurium fire department in the upper peninsula tournament in Red Jacket this summer, likely will be asked to meet the latter part of next week and discuss the outlook. Before spring arrives, it is planned to have the team well organized, a captain and trainer elected and provision made for regular practice at the Laurium park. It is planned to condition the men gradually up to a few weeks before the tournament, when hard work will be indulged in.

"Laurium will have a running team no one need be ashamed of," according to Harry Hermann, one of the committee of firemen who have this matter in charge. "Already most of the best known athletes in Calumet have agreed to join the department and work out with the team and we will have the veteran timber to choose from. The team will be a credit to Laurium and to the copper country."

Mr. Hermann looks for some pretty stiff competition in the coming tournament, for Mohawk is almost sure to have a team and Lake Linden and one of the Portage Lake towns are looked upon as possibilities. In addition some of the iron country towns likely will have teams and the winning team will have to be a good one.

TO OBSERVE MOTHERS' DAY

Date to Be Solemnized This Year Will Be Sunday, May 11.

Mothers' day will be celebrated this year on Sunday, May 11. All the churches of Calumet and Laurium and the various religious organizations and societies will join in the observance of the day.

The second Sunday in May, "Mothers' day" will be celebrated this year for the fourth time, and the white carnation, symbolizing the purity of mother love, will be worn by thousands of copper country residents, as well as by other observers in the United States and Great Britain.

Six years ago, while Miss Anna Jarvis, the originator of the day, was commemorating the death of her own mother on the second Sunday in May, it occurred to her that the day, falling as it does in a season of blue sky and blossoms, might well be set aside as an annual festival upon which due tribute of affection and remembrance should be rendered to all mothers.

Miss Jarvis, though naturally a modest and retiring person, pleaded her cause so eloquently with leading clergymen and public men that on May 10, 1910, Mothers' day was celebrated for the first time, not only in Philadelphia, her home city, but also in many other places throughout the entire country.

EXPECT PLOW NEXT WEEK.

Device Being Secured by Village is Distinct Innovation.

The new snow plow ordered by the Laurium council from the Baker Manufacturing company of Chicago, is expected here next week and its arrival is eagerly awaited. The plow is a distinct innovation, it being the only one of its kind in use in the copper country so far as is known. Besides being equipped with wings for opening up the roads, it has an attachment consisting of knives and scrapers, the purpose of which is to cut down the ridges left in the roads so that they will be left smooth. Such a plow is now in operation in Escanaba and is said to be giving great satisfaction.

TO HOUGHTON TUESDAY.

The Calumet hockey team will go to Houghton Tuesday evening to meet the Houghton team in the second of a series of three games to decide the copper country honors. As Calumet won the first game at the Palestra Thursday evening, only one more victory will be necessary to give the local team the championship.

Princeton reports some college boys paying their way by earning money as bootblacks.

LAURIUM BREVITIES.

The stewards of the Laurium M. E. church will entertain at a Washington's birthday social in the church parlors this evening.

The stores of Laurium are not closed today, Washington's birthday. The day was observed as a legal holiday by the banks, postoffice and brokerage offices, however.

Preparations are already being made for Easter programs in the churches of Calumet. An especially interesting Easter program is being prepared for the Sacred Heart church.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Ananstasia Dooley was held this morning with services in the Sacred Heart church. Rev. Fr. Bede officiated at solemn requiem high mass, assisted by Rev. Fr. Erasmus Dooley, son of the deceased, and Rev. Fr. Alden. Interment took place in Lake View cemetery.

A Very Frank Lawyer.

Joseph W. Folk said that while governor of Missouri he received the following application from a young attorney for commutation of sentence of death from Pemiscott county:

"This was my first case as a lawyer, and I admit that I didn't know very much about defending a man for murder. I believe that if this negro had had a real lawyer to defend him he would have been acquitted. I don't believe you ought to let him hang for my ignorance."

Folk looked over the record in the case, thoroughly agreed with the lawyer regarding the manner in which the case had been handled and commuted the sentence.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Crude Cannon.

Of the early cannon, the larger ones were made by taking bars of iron and binding them together with hoops, leaving a hole in the middle. The shot consisted of scraps of iron and often small stones. If they got too much powder in the gun the barrel would explode, and there would be the deuce to pay. The enemy were not the only ones that were in danger in those days. The gunner took his life in his hand every time he applied a match to the touchhole. But, with all that, many battles in early times were decided by cannon.—Exchange.

Free Medical Advice.

Want some free medical advice? Here it is, from Dr. Strickland Goodall of London, and it is for business men who advertise and hence are busy, see? Thus: Devote one hour to each meal, avoiding all business talk. Have no fads in food. Be moderate. Probably the last is the key to the whole—"Be moderate."

Good, easy advice, don't you think?—Detroit Free Press.

All In a Line.

"He's my ideal and I'm his idol," said the girl.

"And your love affair?"

"Is an idyl."

"And your fiance?"

"Papa says he is idle."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Well Posted.

Teacher (in lesson on Holland)—Why, Willie, don't you know what country the geography lesson is about? Think hard. Who were the people who made war on skates? Willie—De Anti-saloon league.—Judge.