

There was an old plunger named Knight, Who'd bet you that purple was white. If your eyesight was dim And you left it to him You had a swell chance to be right!



Don't Envy Any Sporting Guy His Merry Whirl At Night, For No Bird Ever Flew So High It Didn't Have To Light



There was an old better named Spin, Who thought at the wheel he could win. The wheels in his head Were soon black and red, And he finally died to crash in.

DARCY GETTING PANNED

Australian Will Soon Have To Fight or Get Out of This Country.

FANS ARE TIRED OF SEEING HIM AROUND

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—If Les Darcy don't make up his mind rather quickly to get on the gloves with somebody for a match of real merit, he will suddenly find himself unable to find anyone who considers him of sufficient importance to fight. Darcy's attitude upon his arrival in this country was rather "upstage," and he seemed to have an exalted opinion of his own value as a box office attraction. The result of his efforts from a theatrical standpoint would indicate that the American public is not terribly excited over the prospect of seeing him either in the ring or on the vaudeville stage, which is partly due to his attitude.

That Darcy is a clever fighter no one who has seen him box will deny, but no one will care how clever he is unless he stops his policy of stalling.

Somebody evidently gave Les poor advice when he came to this country and the Australian has taken it seriously. He really thinks that he should be a hundred thousand dollar attraction, while, as a matter of fact, if he can get \$15,000 for his first fight he is remarkably lucky. The public wants to see Darcy fight, not stall, and if he doesn't come to terms within the next week or so, there is every possibility that the promoters of any fight in which he is featured will discover that they bought a "lemon" from a financial standpoint.

SNODGRASS REFUSES TO SIGN; HAS QUIET

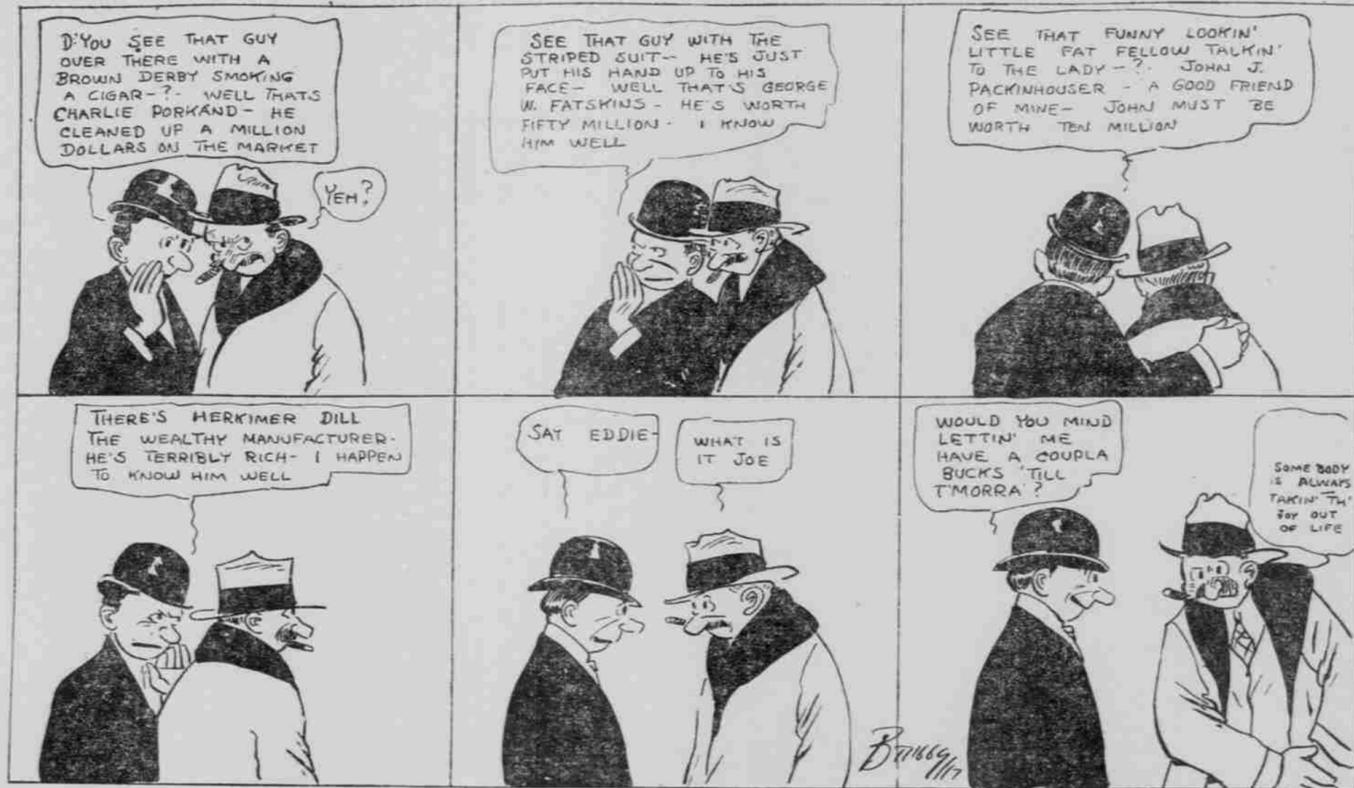
Los Angeles, Calif., Jan. 27.—Fred Snodgrass, outfielder of the Boston Nationals, announced here he refused to sign a new contract with the Braves and said he had quit the game for good to enter business. It is said the Boston club cut Snodgrass's salary from \$5000 a year to about \$4000.

STARS OF TRACK WORLD WILL COMPETE TONIGHT

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 27.—Stars of the track world will compete here tonight in the feature events of the indoor track and field meet of the Second Illinois Infantry. Ted Meredith, formerly of the University of Pennsylvania; Bing A. Diamond, negro runner of the University of Chicago; Jo Loomis and Andy Ward, of the Chicago A. C.; Jule Ray, of the Illinois Athletic club; Ray Morse, of Brooklyn; Sol Butler, of Dubuque German college; and Irwin Mahl, of the Columbia A. C., St. Louis, are among the entrants. Special interest is manifested in the 440-yard invitation in which Meredith and Diamond are entered. In the 50-yard dash, another feature event, Mahl, Morse, Butler and Ward are to be started.

A dollar saved by buying goods produced elsewhere is a dollar thrown at your neighbor's birds.

SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE - - By BRIGGS



Nifty Prizes For Houston Meet Golfers to Compete For Honors

HOUSTON, Tex., Jan. 27.—Though no state championship honors are to be at stake in the annual midwinter golf tournament of the Houston Country club, February 21, 22, 23 and 24, most attractive prizes in the form of cups, medals and plates will be awarded. The prizes will cost the club several hundred dollars and will be numerous enough to make the competition easily worth while. Letters from various Texas golfers inquiring about the tournament are now reaching the tournament committee and the secretary of the Country club. Some of these communications indicate that several El Paso devotees will come to Houston for the February classic. Golf in that border city has undergone a revival since the stationing of army and national guard

officers there. The game has also received a boost at other border points. Where there have been no links, impromptu courses have been constructed. Jesse H. Jones, president of the country club, and Harry Attwell, chairman of the tournament committee, look for not less than 150 entries for the February tournament. Of these, at least 70 will be from veterans in tournament play. Included in this 70 are the present and past state champions and the runners-up for years back. The veterans, however, need not expect a walkover, for the younger element in Texas golf has been rubbing to the front. Dallas, Waco and San Antonio have youngsters in the game shooting honey regularly and Houston this time will have a corking good juvenile in the field. In the past youngsters at other cities have lorded it over the kids of Houston, notably the

BINGHAM GOING WEST REAL SOON

Boston, Mass., Jan. 27.—Bill Bingham, who last year captained the Harvard track team and is at present one of the Boston Athletic association stars, will leave the association within the next few days to begin a business career in the west. Bingham's loss will be keenly felt by local athletic circles, as he was an enthusiastic supporter of field and track events.

Terrant boys of San Antonio, Clarence Mangham of San Antonio and young Hobby of Waco. Golfers of all the younger clubs of the state are urged to take part in the February events in Houston and by so doing become acquainted with the older Texas players. By playing through a February meeting these beginners will get experience that will prove valuable to them in the state championship tournament later in the year. Luncheon will be served at the club house during tournament week and an auto service will take the visitors to and from the club. A special committee to attend to the wishes of the visitors will be named in advance.

Minors Not In Diamond War Majors Alone Are Battling

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 27.—Minor league players do not enter into the threatened strike of the Baseball Players' Fraternity, as at first believed. The members of the fraternity in the major leagues are not taking their stand in sympathy with the smaller fry, but solely to prevent a wholesale cutting of salaries that is taking place. This was ascertained from a trustworthy source, which also disclosed the fact that the aim is to have the wartime contracts continued. Few clubs, if any in either the National or American league broke better than even last season, because of the exorbitant salaries paid the men. The Chicago club did not make any money. It was impossible, with the \$145,000 salary that president Weechman had. Brooklyn, New York and Philadelphia are the only teams in Tenes's circuit that had a deficit at the close of the year, and there were not many more teams in the American league. This is why it is necessary to reduce the contracts of the athletes.

Cannot Let Players Dictate. More money is being paid players in the history of salaries than ever before in the history of the game, and yet those in the ranks are dissatisfied. They believe they are underpaid and are making unreasonable demands on the managers. They have been given a foot and are now asking for a thousand feet. But they are not going to get it if the club owners remain firm in their determination to pay their players what they think they are worth and not a cent more.

WAR IS COMIC OPERA

That's the Way the Eastern Scribes Figure Baseball Tangle Right Now.

THEY'LL BE THERE WHEN BELL RINGS

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The baseball war between the armies of Gen. Dave von Foltz and field marshal Dan Johnson seems to be one of the comic opera variety. Both armies being on the offensive, it looks as if a clash of note ought to be scheduled for the near future, but if these two enthusiasts don't stop calling each other names and making dire threats of what they are going to do to each other, both may find that the baseball season has arrived and the round iron men are being diverted into other channels.

Foltz now claims that the wage scale of the magnates is ridiculous and advocates a standard wage scale for baseball players. To support his contention he states that the experiences of the White Hats of America in a similar condition among the vaudeville fraternity resulted in just such an arrangement. He cites the fact that De Wolf Hopper does not have to work for a chorus girl's salary, but overlooks the fact that the theatrical profession is no more crowded with De Wolf Hoppers than the baseball field is crowded with star ball tossers.

Johnson, in reply to the arguments of Foltz, reiterates his determination to drive Foltz out of existence, and so the war goes on without any particular rhyme or reason. Meantime many of Dave Foltz's ball players are signing contracts, convinced that being a patriot is all right in history, but that a salary in the hand is worth two in the bush league.

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The first of these will take place on Monday, February 5, Thursday, February 8 and Tuesday, February 12. Nearly all of last year's team men are expected to appear for these last days. In addition there will be several new stars. Among the new men who are expected to play will be Otto Becker, Horace Briggs, Henry Fletcher, Ray Gilbert, Ray Sawyer, Ray Warran, Elliott Chess, Lamar Thomas and Chas. Warren.

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