



SOCCER LEAGUE URGED BY FANS FOR THIS CITY

Plan to Make Four Club Organization to Play at Rio Grande Park.

MANY TEAMS ARE ALREADY FORMED

ENCOURAGED by the formation of a number of soccer teams among troops of the border patrol and at least one crack team in El Paso, soccer football fans are inquiring why a soccer league cannot be organized in this city to play games during the cold months.

Already teams from the 24th infantry, 44th infantry and the United Empire club of El Paso have been organized and they are anxious to enlist the aid of other fans who will assist in the formation of either a four or six team league. Soccer football is played extensively in the east during the winter months and it has become a game second in popularity to rugby among many universities.

In eastern Texas, teams have been organized in Fort Worth and Dallas, and are planning the formation of leagues of the order of the one proposed for this city.

Why Not High School?
Why is it that the Y. M. C. A. and high school are not represented by fast teams, just the same as these two institutions are in the east and the country? One soccer enthusiast inquired Monday: "I have little doubt but that the High school in particular could put a good team in the field if the athletes were so disposed, while the Y. M. C. A. is known to have a number of good players in its membership rolls."

It would certainly be a great thing if a soccer league could be formed in this city, and in the event that the league is not formed the teams could play independently.

For several seasons past the United Empire club has put a team in the field in El Paso. The leaving of many of its members to join the allies in the war has caused a difficulty in the matter of procuring players, however, but supporters declare that it will be just as fast as in former years. The team dropped a close game Sunday afternoon at Fort Bliss to the 5th infantry and are going out next Sunday prepared for vengeance.

CRACK FIGHTERS TRAINING HARD

One-round Norman and Kid Hoo, fast boxers under the care of R. M. Allen, Monday took a hike to Valera, as a part of their training for several bouts in the near future. The two boxers covered the distance in three hours and 24 minutes, and declare that it was excellent training. They also boxed three rounds with their sparring partners. Mr. Allen has a challenge-out for any man at 125-135 pounds for Kid Hoo and 120-125 for Kid Norman. He would like to hear from boxers in this district. Joe Kable, Charley Short and Benny Corcoran preferred.

Rufus Williams, champion of the 5th infantry, and Cannon Bill Haden will clash at Columbus, N. M., in the near future, according to word received by Allen. The bout is expected to be one of the best witnessed of some time, inasmuch as both boxers are known to be fast and snappy. It will be over the 15 round bout.

JOHNSON GIVES ADVICE

Sam Johnson's suggestion as to what the minor leagues should do to save themselves are put in rhyme by a Louisville writer. He reads off: "Adjust or bust—minors must; That first line seems to express it. Now for a sensible agreement on the policy of adjustment."

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WRESTLERS ARE BEGGING BIG CASH IN EAST

Wrigglers Make Big Hit With Fans and Shows Are Being Put On.

MOST STRENUOUS OF ALL SPORTS

WRESTLING is one of the most strenuous of all sports. It demands the utmost in strength and endurance and agility. The mat game is the severest and most exhaustive form of exercise—yet take a look over the wrestlers. They last longer than any other athletes.

Ball players, tennis players, boxers, runners and jumpers, swimmers and athletes are usually through as athletes at the age of 25—most of them earlier than this.

Wrestlers are just reaching their best at this age. And most of them are good for at least ten years more.

Gotch retired a world's champion at the age of 45—and then only because he suffered a broken leg. Who thought Gotch an old man? Yet we always speak of Hans Wagner as an antique, and he is only 42.

John Gilt, the famous Olympic wrestling champion and the first man to defeat Stecher, is over 40. So are Madral and Charley Cutler about the same age.

Is Not Thrown.
Abner, the Greco-Roman champion of the world in 1905, is nearly 45. Abner has not lost a single fall in the last 12 years either.

Dr. Hoot who is known all over the country, is over 48.
Tom Jenkins, the former champion, wrestled continuously for 31 years. Stanislas Zyzosko had been wrestling 27 years before he was taken prisoner by the Russians on the break of the war. He is still one of the most formidable men in the game, and will doubt be taken to contend with after the war.

Anton Pierre, the Greek, died two years ago, but he was a good man up to the year of his death.

The most remarkable athlete in the world is probably Patoubsky, the Russian giant. Patoubsky is 23 years old and all the wrestlers in the world are afraid of him. Let us add that Patoubsky is also seven feet tall and weighs over 200 pounds.

Little Freddy Reel, who threw Big Tom Jenkins 15 years ago, is as good today as ever. So is Tom Cannon, the Englishman.

Bother Still Good.
George Bother, who held the lightweight title, is nearly 45. At this time, is a remarkable example of the good athletes can do. Bother is 33 years old—and even now he is a very active five-hour draw with a lanky young rival by the name of Dick.

Will Dineen, the 110-lb. wrestler, is 42—and never better. Dineen is a small man and has never been a trouble with his matches, too.

William Muldoon, the daddy of the world, is 47. He is a snow white hair, and a lot of money now, but can still give the best of them a struggle. Muldoon was in his prime over 20 years ago. He was a high-class fighter, a gentleman and a great wrestler.

IT HAPPENS IN THE BEST REGULATED FAMILIES



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Downey Is Coming Boxer; Commission Put on Pan

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 12.—There may be a tighter proposition somewhere in the universe than the Boxing Commission that chaperones the fight game in Columbus, O., but if there is it is keeping itself pretty well concealed. This Columbus commission is the real wonder of the boxing world. Not even Wisconsin, which boasts a nice tight little commission of its own, can match the Columbus article.

There are three members of the Columbus commission, appointed by the mayor. Their authority covers only the corporate limits of Columbus, but within those limits they are the real bosses of the works. The commission is the supreme court, the court of last appeal. There is nothing whatever beyond.

Peculiar Body.
Here is a brief sketch of the way this commission works: It is the king pin of the commission and it receives all bouts held in Columbus. His commission has a railroad man and a stockman. Hughes is regarded as a capable referee.

The commission is empowered to charge a permit fee of \$25 from all promoters, and no license for a boxing show is issued until the fee is paid. A further fee of 3 per cent of the gross receipts of all shows is charged, this to cover the personal expenses of the commission. The fees thus secured are split three ways by the commission after each boxing entertainment.

The mayor told the members of the commission he required them to see to it that the very highest class of boxing is offered, which served the double purpose of raising the standard of boxing in Columbus and added to the amusement accruing to the members of the commission by virtue of the 3 per cent, for high grade shows undoubtedly produce a larger "gate" than those of the mediocre variety.

Walter Hughes is refereeing the bouts, one of the other members of the commission guards the purses. The third member keeps charge of the books. It is very little that goes by this commission, and it is getting results.

It is not often that one family produces two boxers who achieve fame, and cases where three scrappers have come from one family are rare. There are Mike and Tom Gibbons, of course, and both of these lads are mighty nifty mitt wielders. Monte and Abe Attell also were members of one fighting family who demonstrated a lot of fighting ability.

The Downey family, hailing from Ohio, seems about to make a bid for fame by turning out three heavyweights of class. First, there is Bryant Downey, the welterweight, who has been making quite a name lately and looks up as a likely challenger of Ted Lewis, holder of the welterweight crown. Bryant has been boxing regularly of late, though more or less of a "freelance" fighter, has demonstrated that he is no mean adversary for any contender in the welterweight ranks.

1917 World Series Proof That Balance Wins Games

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—The result of the world's series this year was the strongest kind of an argument in support of the theory that a ball club with balance is better than a ball club composed of individual stars.

Scan the roster of the Giants. McGraw's team is made up of the pick of National League players and a few who were combed out of the defunct Federal League.

Are Team of Stars.
Compared to the White Sox the Giants are a team of stars, and being a team of stars they are full of temperament. With the exception of two or three members of the Giants, McGraw's players are out there fighting for personal glory. It isn't that they "can't" to do for each other, or that they do not want to pull together. They simply can't do it.

They go up to the plate with a dealer to drive home any run that may be on the bases, but they all want to hit the ball a mile, and once they take a lead there will orders to push a swinging hit past Urban Faber.

Kauff is one of the outstanding stars of the Giants. He is a catcher in the Bowland machine with the exception of two or three members of the Giants, McGraw's players are out there fighting for personal glory. It isn't that they "can't" to do for each other, or that they do not want to pull together. They simply can't do it.

FRISCO FORMS AN AMBULANCE CORPS
San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 12.—Formation of a "tennis section" of the United States army ambulance corps is just about completed, according to information received here.

The section is being organized through the efforts of the National Lawn Tennis association, and includes thus far Frank Wilson, whose residence is given as Los Angeles, and Francis Brown, Wm. Wells, Fred Riven, Ernest Padmore and Wm. Noble, all from Honolulu. Two more Honolulu men are reported on the way to Alhambra, Fla., where the unit is forming. The eastern tennis courts will be represented.

VARSITY SEASON QUIET.
Boston, Mass., Nov. 12.—The winter intercollegiate sport season will not be especially lively, Harvard will not attempt to organize a varsity seven. Yale will not go in for university hockey or basketball, but it seems likely that she will be represented by a university five or six team. Princeton has not as yet decided about hockey and basketball, but it seems likely that she will be represented by a university five or six team. Princeton has not as yet decided about hockey and basketball, but it seems likely that she will be represented by a university five or six team.

ROBY BOB WILL STRENGTHEN NOW

Great Heavyweight Who Died Recently Was One of Fastest Men in Ring.

EX-CHAMP UNLIKE OTHER FIGHTERS

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—Old Bob Fitzsimmons is gone, but the memory of him still lives and always will as long as there is boxing or records of boxing.

There was never another fighter like Fitz. No one who ever drew on the padded mittens before he braced into the ring or since he hung up his gloves for the last time has ever been like him, for he was the greatest in heavyweight history, and at one and the same time a freak of the ring.

Those who knew him best remember him for his love of a good joke as much as anything else, for though Fitz was a "warrior" by birth, he was a war from being reserved and stolid by nature.

Among the greatest of heavyweight champions—Sullivan, Jeffries and Corbett—there was always a tendency toward groutiness when they were training for an important bout. They went about their training seriously, and when they became finely conditioned they were just about as sociable as a grizzly bear. But it was not so with Fitz. He was ever cheerful, full of smiles, and, as Jack Skelly has put it, "The very old devil himself."

Was Battered Around.
He often allowed sparring partners to batter him all over the ring in training, and he would come out of the ring with a black eye and a swollen nose, but he would stare in open-mouthed amazement and remark how bad Fitz looked in the ring. Then after the sparring partner had had his fling, old Bob would step out with that deft and deadly left hand of his and things would begin to happen.

One square punch to the jaw would send his sparring partner into dreamland, and Bob would hit out of the ring, chucking to himself, and beat it for the shower.

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Makes Fun of Boxers.
Fitz used to get a lot of fun out of demonstrating his famous solar plexus punch to the one with which he beat Jim Corbett at Carson City. He would pick up some big husky, dance about him for a moment or two, pulling all the muscles of his face, and then he would let 'er go.

The recipient of the punch would gasp and bite his lip, for Fitz would merely knock the wind out of his man. Then old Robby would laugh till the tears rolled down his cheeks. Fitz always enjoyed that particular stunt.

While admitting that a new contract will not be offered George Stearns, president of the National League, says he will not sign a new manager until after the first of the year. He may make a trip east and confer with baseball men before reaching a final decision.

Second String Men.
Another new phase of modern football is the amount of attention now being given to second string men to individual stars as they used to. The individual stars are getting less attention from a majority of grill men.

In the old days the defensive strength of a football team was more important than its offense.

Today the offense of a team is what counts, and the defensive side of football is being neglected, but with the individual stars in vogue and the opportunities much greater, the offense must be developed first.

In the old days every player on a football team is important. A modern eleven is built like a machine, with every man a cog and every cog dependent upon every other cog in the perfect running of the show. This is why every player, be he a lineman, a back-field man or a player on either wing position, gets as much amount of attention from the coaches.

Why The Small Business Needs a Highest Grade Truck

The strain upon truck service will soon be severe. War conditions congest transportation. Armies of troops must be moved. Munitions and supplies will keep railroads busy. Motor trucks will have to take over a bigger share of commercial traffic; they will have to bear the brunt of the short haul by rail.

There may not be enough trucks to go round. Drivers will be short. Millions of men will be drafted. Each truck unit in operation will be called upon to do faster and heavier work.

It will be a question of endurance. The truck which cannot stand up under high pressure operation will fail in the most vital respect—uninterrupted work. It will depreciate rapidly, with ever-diminishing efficiency and ever-increasing repairs. Time off duty will be extremely expensive.

Big concerns look ahead. They see what is coming and fortify their delivery service with fleets of the most efficient trucks money can buy. They know from experience that a high grade truck will outlast two or more of cheaper make. It can be worked to the limit and stay in active service.

If it is important to the large truck user, with his own repair facilities and "extra" truck units in reserve, how much more so will it be to the small truck user, with one, two, three or even half a dozen trucks, who has very limited shop facilities and no chance to "substitute" when a truck is laid up.

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