



SUMMER

SPORTS

KETCHEL'S WORK IS CAUSING TALK

New York, July 20.—Stanley Ketchel's failure to knock Bill Papke out inside of twenty rounds at Colma recently will probably be discussed for some time to come. Sporting men, as a rule, still regard Ketchel as a phenomenal pugilist and predict that if he takes proper care of himself and is absolutely fit when he meets Jack Johnson in October he will stand an excellent chance of winning. But Ketchel's showing with Papke will not be passed over lightly, even though some critics are inclined to throw the fight out of their calculations, just as horse fends treat erratic performances of racing thoroughbreds. The fact that both of Ketchel's hands were injured is sufficient reason why he did not stop Papke. The fight up to the twelfth round proved that Ketchel was easily the master, for Papke received a terrific wallop and was in much distress. But with both hands crippled it was not at all strange that Ketchel's attack gradually became less dangerous, until Papke did not fear to take chances. Papke is a tough customer anyway. Ketchel is the only man that has ever defeated him, and yet Papke is the only pugilist that has ever put the Michigan lion away. At middleweights they seem to be pretty evenly matched, therefore, with this important exception Papke can make 150 pounds any time without weakening his physical condition, while Ketchel finds this task a positive hardship.

It is a matter of fact that Papke is always close to the middle weight and has never been compelled to do any great amount of hard work to keep his avocations down to that mark. For this mill Papke was ready for more than a week, his training consisting of light exercise to keep his wind and limbs in proper condition. Ketchel, on the other hand, after a trip by easy stages from this city to Frisco, which consumed more than a week, took on so much weight that he was forced to indulge in strenuous road work right up to weighing in time in order to scale at 155. For this reason ring experts in California say that Ketchel weakened himself and could not have been in the same trim which enabled him to stop Jack O'Brien in his time. They use as proof of this statement the fact that Ketchel began to show signs of weariness after three rounds had been fought, which, in their opinion, was an indication of staleness. Ketchel had been in active training without letup except during the trip to California from the first of March, so that the argument that he may have been overtrained is worthy of notice.

If Ketchel is wise he will never attempt to reduce to the middleweight limit again. By taking a rest until the first of September it is believed that he can then begin training for the Johnson fight with the prospect of being in better physical shape than even before. Two months of leisure, it is thought, will put so much weight upon Ketchel's powerful frame that he can get into the ring with the big negro weighing at least 175 pounds, perhaps more. Ketchel, according to good judges, should have the physique and stamina of Tom Sharkey when he meets Johnson with greater hitting power than the famous sailor possessed when he went twenty-five rounds with Jeffries at Coney Island. Weight and strength mean everything in a pugilist's makeup, and in a fight with Johnson, Ketchel will need plenty of both.

Thunderbolt Can Punch.
Profound respect for Papke's terrific punches probably made Ketchel unusually cautious, for the Michigan lion did not adopt the aggressive rushing tactics shown in his second bout with O'Brien. Competent ring judges do not regard Johnson as in Papke's class as a puncher, and consequently they see no reason why Ketchel should adopt dilatory tactics when he hooks up with the colored champion. Johnson's unwillingness to fight more than twenty rounds with Ketchel, in view of the latter's mill with Papke, seems to be well understood now. The negro, because of his superior height and weight undoubtedly believes that he can stall with Ketchel and receive a decision on points. Whether he can or not it may be said that if Ketchel weighs 175 or 180 pounds and his hands do not go back on his, Johnson will be subjected to the most severe test he has ever experienced. It is a difficult matter to knock out a man whose sole purpose in the ring is to defend himself against an attack of this kind. Papke evidently made up his mind that he would take no chances, for he clinched and covered up whenever Ketchel reached him with a staggering punch in the early rounds. That Johnson will adopt similar tactics appears to be a foregone conclusion, for that was his policy in the fight with Burns in Australia.

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Ball Made Triple Play.
Cleveland, O., July 20.—Cleveland and Boston broke even, Cleveland winning the first 6 to 1, and Boston the second 8 to 2. Cleveland won the first game easily, Young outpitching Chech. Collins, a college pitcher, replaced Chech and did good work.

Ball's playing was a decided feature. He made an unassisted triple play in the second inning and when he came to bat in the same inning he hit a home run to deep center. He had three more putouts than either the first baseman or catcher. Ball's feat in making an unassisted triple play is the first of its kind in a major league in thirty-one years. Hines, of Providence, made a triple play in 1878, when Providence was in the National league.

The second game was easy for Boston, errors by Bradley, Stovall and Perring allowing Boston to score seven runs in the second and third innings. Four runs were made in the third without the semblance of a hit. The scores:
First Game—R. H. E.
Cleveland 6 10 2
Boston 1 8 3
Batteries—Young and Easterly; Chech, Collins and Donohue.

Second Game—R. H. E.
Cleveland 2 6 6
Boston 8 8 3
Batteries—Rhoades, Leibold and Easterly; Arelanes and Donohue.

Leaders Lost.

Detroit, July 20.—Detroit played loosely behind Lelivelt, its Southern league recruit, and New York won rather handily. Wilson was hit hard by the fifth, when a single by McIntyre, triple by Crawford and a home run by Cobb cost three tallies. The home team mixed bad ball with brilliant, pulling off four double plays. Kiehn's hitting featured. Score:
R. H. E.
Detroit 3 9 3
New York 5 9 0
Batteries—Lelivelt and Stange; Wilson and Kiehn.

Athletics Won.

St. Louis, July 20.—Philadelphia won by scoring twice in the ninth inning, making the count 6 to 2. Davis' home run to the score board was the longest drive of the local season. It tied the score. Then Stone lost Barger's fly in the sun, giving the batter two bases and Thomas' single sent him home. Score:
R. H. E.
St. Louis 3 9 2
Philadelphia 4 8 2
Batteries—Graham, Criger and Stephens; Coombs and Thomas.

One Sided Game.

Chicago, July 20.—Chicago defeated Washington 12 to 2 in a poorly played game. Score:
R. H. E.
Chicago 12 12 2
Washington 2 4 5
Batteries—Scott, Smith, Suter and Owens; Sullivan, Fromme, Havelick, Witherup and Street, Blankenship.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	W.	L.	P. C.
Pittsburg	57	21	.731
Chicago	51	27	.654
New York	46	30	.605
Cincinnati	41	39	.513
Philadelphia	33	44	.429
St. Louis	32	44	.421
Brooklyn	28	51	.354
Boston	23	55	.295

Long Double Header.

New York, July 20.—New York and St. Louis divided a double-header, the first game, which went sixteen innings, equalling a record established on the Polo grounds last year. This contest, which the visitors won 4 to 3, was the second 16-inning ever played by major league teams here and the first ever decided as the 1908 struggle between Pittsburg and New York, which was of similar length, resulted in a 2 and 2 draw. Harmon, recently of Shreveport, Texas league team, was St. Louis pitcher in the long event, and after the third inning New York could not score on him. He outclassed Raymond, who in the sixteenth inning, hit Konechky. Konechky took second on Delehan's out, and scored the winning run on Tenney's error on Huls-wit.

In the second game Ames was in splendid form and his pitching enabled New York to break even on the day. He fanned eight men in seven innings, four of his strike-outs being in succession. Score:
R. H. E.
First Game—
New York 3 10 2
St. Louis 4 9 0
Batteries—Raymond and Schiel; Harmon and Philips.

Second Game—

R. H. E.
New York 3 11 1
St. Louis 0 8 2
Batteries—Ames and Myers; Beckman and Philips.

Brown's Great Work.

Brooklyn, July 20.—Brown held Brooklyn to two hits, Chicago winning by 2 to 0. With two out in the sixth, Clements failed to try for Schulte's short single in left, then followed two more singles, two stolen bases and Marshall's wild throw for two tallies.

TAFT'S NEW PASTOR FOR SUNDAY SPORT

Beverly, Mass., July 20.—The Rev. P. H. Drake, pastor of the First Universalist church, which the Taft family attends, has created a sensation in this staid old Puritan town by declaring himself in favor of Sunday baseball and other sports, such as tennis, or golf, in the afternoon.

"I would urge that as good a way as any to spend Sunday would be that everyone attend at least some good undogmatic church, just as a suggestion for self-improvement," he says, "and then go home and read or go to the beach or play baseball, croquet, tennis or golf, and be just as happy as it is possible to be."

The Rev. Mr. Drake is a young man and the Beverly church is one of his first charges. He is a graduate of Tufts, and has always taken a keen interest in athletics. "Sunday is the safety valve of the civilized world," he says.

McALEER GOOD MANAGER.

John McCloskey Says He Deserves Better Support From the Critics.
Manager John J. McCloskey, of the Milwaukee club is of the opinion that Jimmy McAleer, manager of the St. Louis Browns, is deserving of more support than he is receiving in the mound city, even though his team is down in the race. Speaking of St. Louis and the building up of baseball teams, Manager McCloskey said:

"When a ball team is run down the best way to do is to start at the bottom and reconstruct the whole business. There is only one way to get a winning ball team and that is, to get hold of young players and develop them as you go along."

"It takes from two to three years and some times four to develop these young players and whip them into championship form. The trouble at St. Louis has been or at least was when I was there, with Mr. Robinson himself. Stanley Robinson was the head of the club, but he wanted to run things himself. If he had kept away and left things alone and in my hands I think the result would have been different. I do not say that I would have been away up in the race at that time. But I do claim that I was getting to that point where I had a team that would be fighting for the pennant. To prove that, look at the men whom I developed from youngsters."

"There was Jimmy Murray, Raymond, Fromme, Konechky, Byrne, Salley, Charley Shaw and Delehan, all youngsters who proved themselves stars of the first magnitude. Had these men been kept together and a little strength added, why the team would have been one of the best in the National league. The Boston Americans were shot to pieces when the old members began to fall away and the same can be said of the Philadelphia Athletics. You will notice that Connie Mack has built up the Athletics with young players and Boston has done the same. These teams are now among the strongest in the American league."

BASEBALL WAR MAY COME NEXT SEASON

New York, July 20.—The American association has supplied the baseball world with a great deal of winter gossip ever since it was organized in 1902. It was supposed that when the two fighting factions in the association were brought together last year and harmony was brought about with the big league, that peace would reign for some time to come. But it is evident that the association will be the storm center again next winter. There have been reports from time to time that property had been purchased in Chicago by American association magnates for the purpose of putting in a club in that city and invading the territory of the major leagues. The rumors have been denied and President O'Brien of the American association has also denied this. But the talk that is coming out from different points along the A. A. circuit it seems very evident that there will be something doing.

The association had an opportunity to get into Chicago a year ago, and had it done so at that time it is a hundred-to-one shot that the major leagues would not have opposed it. In fact, it was whispered around that if the association magnates had been a little more diplomatic in their dealings they could have obtained permission

PAPKE WANTS FIFTH FIGHT WITH KETCHEL

Los Angeles, July 20.—The husky Papke team, Billy and Ed, left for Chicago. Their most important bits of luggage were a fat pocketbook and a well-worn whisk broom. The latter will be used again in Chicago, where the Kewanee knight will sweep up \$800 for one week's stage engagement.

That Billy entirely is satisfied with the showing he made during his last stay in California is shown by his present slogan, which is, "I want Ketchel." Brother Ed telephoned these words to all the local newspapers before leaving.

"We want another fight with Ketchel, and we want it to be a finish affair," said Ed. "I still maintain that the Colma decision was wrong, no matter what the press may say. The only way Billy could have won would have been for him to knock Ketchel cold. Billy outboxed and outfought Ketchel, and the moving pictures will prove all we claim. There were small chances for Billy to get the decision. All Ketchel had to do to win was to be on his feet at the finish. You mark my words, those moving pictures will cause a sensation when they are shown in the east. The films will prove that Billy got the rawest kind of a raw deal."

"About the Flynn fight, we haven't any kick to make on the draw decision. Billy gave away a big lot of weight to Flynn, who is one of the biggest rough-house fighters in the world. It was to Billy's credit that he used his brains, and not only cut Flynn all to pieces, but prevented the husky fireman from so much as putting a scratch on him in return. Turn Flynn loose in a bar-room with a bottle in either hand and I will back him to whip a regiment. That's where he shines."

Billy let Ed do most of the talking, but when Ketchel's name is mentioned the lightweight gets interested. "There's one man that I can whip," said Billy quietly. "They slipped it to me in San Francisco, but the next time it will be a different story." Huh, another Papke-Ketchel fight? It's worse than a ha-it—it's an epidemic.

Big Jim Barry, the Learyweight, arrived in Los Angeles tonight. Fourteen days ago Barry left Paris, and he has been traveling continually ever since. "I am going to challenge Al Kaufman for a ten or twenty-round fight on a winner-take-all basis," said Barry. "That's what I came to the coast for."

LANGFORD MUST ACCEPT.

Hall Threatens to Withdraw Offer for Middleweight Fighter.
Ely, Nev., July 20.—Tex Hall, who recently offered a purse of \$30,000 for a meeting between Sam Langford and Stanley Ketchel in Ely on Labor day, announced today that unless Langford accepts the proposition by midnight tonight, Hall's forfeit will be withdrawn.

Hall offered Ketchel \$25,000 and Langford \$5,000, but the black man so far has declined to sign a contract. He wants more money. Hall says unless Langford signs up the match will be declared off and two other bouts will be arranged instead.

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DR. RUDOLPH MENN CONFIRMS STORY REGARDING SUICIDE OF BARON ROTHSCHILD.

Chicago, July 20.—Dr. Rudolph Menn of this city tonight placed an authoritative seal upon the story that Baron Oscar Rothschild, the youngest son of Baron Albert Rothschild of Vienna, had killed himself because of his family's opposition to his marriage with Olga Menn, the physician's young and beautiful daughter.

The doctor told of his daughter's meeting with the young baron when he arrived in Chicago with a party of friends en route to Europe from the Orient a few weeks ago. A friend of the nobleman was taken ill and was sent to the German hospital, where Dr. Menn is a staff physician. The baron met the doctor's daughter and from that first meeting they were together much of the time that the young man was in Chicago.

Not more than a week after meeting Miss Menn, the doctor said, Rothschild made a proposal of marriage to his daughter. He was accepted and left soon afterward for Vienna with the promise that Miss Menn and her mother would follow. He expected to allow his father not to consent to his marriage with an American girl, but thought that the young woman's beauty would win him over.

The baron cabled his father, but the reply was not encouraging. Young Rothschild then wanted to marry Miss Menn at once, but Dr. Menn refused to allow this, and the baron sailed for Europe to plead with his father. A short time ago the girl and her mother sailed.

"You can realize what a shock the news of her fiancé's death was to my daughter," said the doctor. "Olga was expecting Baron Oscar to join her at Hamburg and take her and her mother on to Vienna. They were there to be introduced to the baron's family. They expected to go with the Rothschilds to their summer home in the south of Austria and they were to be entertained, according to the young man's plans."

"They were an ideal couple, he with his manly grace and bearing and she with her soft, delicate beauty. Now it is all over. A young girl's life is ruined and a fine young man lies in a suicide's grave. I am quite sure that the father of the young baron who shot himself rather than live without his daughter now grieves over his opposition to the marriage. I fully expect that he will meet my wife and daughter and take care of them until I can reach the other side. The girl is desperate and cannot be consoled. I do not believe Olga will ever outlive this great sorrow. Her mother cables that she has given herself up to grief."

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