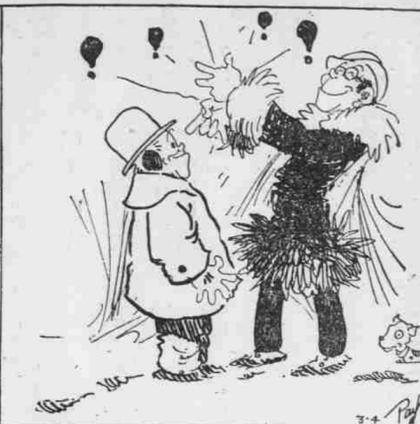


# TIMES SPORTING PAGE

But What if the Dog Is Deaf, Too?



## Schupp Rounds Out a Powerful Pitching Staff

### Giants Well Supplied With Seasoned Twirlers and Good Prospects for Coming Season.

New York, March 4—When John J. McGraw obtained the signature of Ferdinand Schupp to a contract at Louisville on Friday night he assured the New York Giants the strongest pitching staff in the National League, if "form" is anything in baseball. For class there are not three better southpaws in the entire league than Schupp, Salter and Benton, and their presence on one team gives it a preponderance of effectiveness of the port side variety that cannot be underestimated over a stretch of 154 games.

Even if George (Poll) Perrit "runs out" the Giants' right handers are not a corps to be sneezed at when in form. Jeff Tesreau and Fred Anderson are as good a pair of spitball twirlers as ever slapped a slippery elmed pellet over the pan, the latter only needing a little more staying power to be a star. Al Demaree is a dependable boxman, cool and crafty.

But the pride of McGraw's right handers this year will be, unless all signs fail, a massive youth from the Boston Braves, Jess Barnes. Jess is an iron man of the McGinnity type. He pitched in fifty games last year and of his full contests won thirteen, losing twenty-one; this for a losing, weak hitting team. McGraw says he will be disappointed if Barnes does not win twenty-five games this season, and those who have closely studied him in action declare he is certain to do it with the support that the Giants can give him in the field and at the bat.

## EASTERN OWNERS OPEN ARMS TO PROVIDENCE

President Dan O'Neil of the Eastern League is smiling broad smiles, and narrow smiles, and all other kinds of smiles today, just as are the club owners in the Eastern circuit, over the decision of the Providence club to enter the O'Neil circuit this season. On that decision practically hinged the Eastern League question. Providence was loath to give up Class A ball for the brand B, but the outlook for play in the International was so dubious that the stockholders of the Providence club saw the inevitable and rather than go without their summer amusement, they gladly gave up what was generally predicted, decided to lock horns with O'Neil's organization.

## LINDSEY ARRIVES FOR BOWLING MEET

Cincinnati, O., March 4—Mort Lindsey of Bridgeport, Conn., of New England nine-pin bowlers, has arrived here for his annual assault upon American Bowling Congress records. While Lindsey appeared fit and fine, he complained of a boil under his right arm, which might give him trouble by the time he mounts the strips on Wednesday. His arrival announced the coming of Al Johnson's Colts who are due here today.

Lee Johns, manager of the Sweeney-Hyton alleys, Detroit, yesterday invited Lindsey to enter the big individual tournament which is to be held here Saturday after the local Congress. Johns took the matter under advisement, stating that his appearance at Detroit depends entirely upon his showing here.

Lindsey made no predictions regarding the possible score to be chalked up by the New Haven team with which he is playing. He said that the team, for the most part, is composed of recruits who are lacking in tournament experience. He expects to cut quite a swath in the individual standing, however.

SWEET PEAS, VIOLETS, TULIPS, DAFFODILS. JOHN RECK & SON.

## OFFER \$25,000 FOR DEMPSEY AND FULTON

New York, March 4—It developed Saturday that the Leblang brothers, Joe and Hugh, have offered a purse of \$25,000 for a bout between Fred Fulton, the Minnesota heavyweight, and Jack Dempsey of Salt Lake City. The Leblang brothers are angling for a 15-round bout to a decision to be promoted within easy traveling distance of New York, possibly at New Haven or Baltimore.

## NEW YORK'S NEW CATCHER BEAR FOR WORK

Manager Miller Huggins of the New York Yankees, has three catchers upon whom he is expected to depend for the coming season. Two of them, Al Walters and Harold Ruel, are the midgets among big league backstops, while the third, Harry (Truck) Hannah, is one of the real giants of the catching end of the game. And yet, if Huggins carries out his plans—and unless circumstances catch him by surprise—he will spend most of his time on the bench while the little fellows do the work for Walters and Ruel are looked upon as favorites for the first and second string jobs.

An idle season will be something of a novelty for Hannah. Out in the Pacific Coast League he has been a glutton for work. Last year with Eugene's 100 contests this year he will be George Gibson's record of being a century performer behind the bat for six seasons, and he already has equalled Chief Meyer's exploit of catching more than 100 games five years in a row. Schalk was constantly in the three figure class from 1913 to 1917. Meyers was in this section from 1910 to 1914.

Johnny Kling and George Gibson each caught more than 100 games during four successive years, while Billy Sullivan, Sam Agnew, Steve O'Neill, Jimmy Archer and Hank Gowdy each was a century performer in three consecutive campaigns.

Men who caught more than 100 games two years in succession were Gabby Street, Oscar Stange, Walter Schmidt, Ivey Wingo, Tom Clark, Billy Rariden and Charley Doolin.

The list of major league backstops who have caught more than 100 games in a season isn't a very long one, containing 36 games (19 from the American League and 17 from the National). Here it is:

Caught 100 Games in Six Seasons—Gibson of Pirates.

## YALE TO ENTER "Terrible Terry" McGovern, Greatest of Featherweights

A patriotic national regatta between the colleges, to take the place of the cancelled Poughkeepsie, New London and American Henley races, was decided upon by the executive committee of the American Rowing Association in a meeting at Columbia College on Saturday. The event will be held at Annapolis, but as yet no date has been selected. It will, however, probably be held May 25.

Cornell was not represented but it was announced that the Ithacans would be invited to compete. Columbia, Princeton, Yale, Pennsylvania and Annapolis already have assured the committee that they would enter crews, and other colleges in the East will be invited to take part. A race between freshmen will be added to the program, should a sufficient number of entries be received.

It was said that the crews which take part in the patriotic meet will not be permitted to arrive at Annapolis until the day before the race. Lieutenant-Commander Guyler of Annapolis said the Middle's rowing shells would be at the disposal of the crews.

Although Harvard was not represented it was said that the plan would be approved by the Crimson athletic authorities. There will be no change in the eligibility rules. The representatives on hand were: Columbia, C. Halstead Mapes, H. S. Fisher and Francis S. Bangs; Princeton, Dean William McManahan; Pennsylvania, Thomas Reath; Yale, Frederick Allen and Julian Curtis; Annapolis, Lieutenant-Commander Guyler. Among the colleges invited to compete are Cornell, Harvard, Columbia, Syracuse, Yale, Annapolis, Princeton and Pennsylvania.

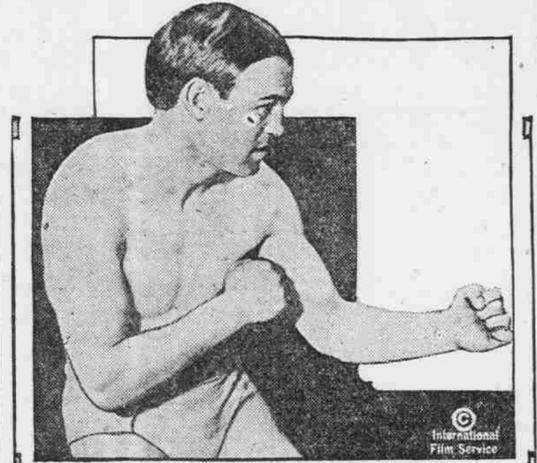
## MARSANS LOOKS GOOD TO HIS MANAGER

Manager Miller Huggins of the New York Yankees, whole confessing that his outfield is not all he would desire makes it clear that he feels perfectly safe and satisfied with his outer works insofar as Armando Marsans is concerned. Huggins not only has a high regard for Marsans' ability, and a strong belief that he will come back and show it, but he has a warm personal admiration for him. In fact, Huggins and Marsans are a sort of little happy family between themselves. The friendship grows from the days of the war with the Reds, when Huggins tried to secure Marsans for the Cardinals. He failed, because of legal entanglements and other circumstances, but he and the Cuban formed an acquaintance that led to a mutual admiration society. Now Fate has thrown them together on the same ball team and both are happy. Hug thinks Marsans one of the greatest ever when he extends himself, and the Cuban, thinking Hug about the greatest ever also, is bound to let out a few kinks for his new manager. Such conditions have much to do with success in baseball.

Armando Marsans' broken leg has not handicapped him. He looks for some wonderful work from him that made him famous five or six years back.

## RYAN-WEST BATTLE

Tommy Ryan defeated Tommy West in seventeen rounds at Louisville, on March 4, 1901, just seventeen years ago today. The two Tomms were of about the same age and weight; but Ryan was still at the height of his powers, while West was declining rapidly. Ryan and West had fought once before, Ryan winning in fourteen rounds. Ryan was a big, powerful, and was outclassed. He fought gamely, and it was not until the seventeenth round that he gave up the losing fight. After his defeat by the Syracuse warrior West was matched with Marvin Hart, the Kentucky middleweight, and the battle was staged at Louisville a few weeks later. Hart knocked West out in the sixteenth round, and Tommy then decided to quit the game. West was a Welshman, a cherubic, quiet little fellow who had none of the appearance of the scrapper, but when he was right he could fight like a demon. He bested Joe Wase, "the Black Demon" ... West was about the only man of his weight that Walcott was afraid of. The squat black warrior seemed to have been built to West's order, and he seemed to realize it, for, although Walcott was always ready to tackle the biggest and most dangerous men, he had great respect for Tommy's prowess.



Terry McGovern, one-time world's champion featherweight and considered by many the greatest little fighter that ever lived, died in the King's County hospital, Brooklyn, N.Y. He won the featherweight title from George Dixon in 1900 and a year later lost it in his memorable bout with Young Corbett.

McGovern was 39 years old. In his career he amassed and spent a fortune of \$200,000.

## LARRY LAJOIE TO TAKE REINS OF INDIANAPOLIS

Indianapolis, March 4—Larry Lajoie, former major league star and manager of the Toronto International League club, will play first base and manage the Indianapolis American Association team the coming season, provided he can obtain his release from Toronto, it was announced here Saturday. Lajoie and James C. McGill, owner of the Indianapolis franchise met here and after the conference Mr. McGill stated that an agreement on terms had been reached with Lajoie and that in all probability the veteran would pilot the Indians, succeeding Jack Hendricks, who is now manager of the St. Louis Nationals.

## TESREAU HAD A TOUGH TIME ADVANCING

Few of the modern diamond stars have had such a hard time breaking into the game as big Jeff Tesreau, the Cincinnati twirler. Charles M., to give him the name conferred upon him by his parents, will be twenty-nine years old tomorrow. He was born March 1, 1889, at Ironton, in the Ozark region of southern Missouri. Jeff says he can't remember a time when he was less than six feet high. Early in life he started out with the ambition to beat the altitude record of the neighboring Iron mountain. As a kid he played on a team in his home town, but when he was seventeen he was told to beat it because he was too big and clumsy. Jeff went to Perryville, Mo., and got a job in the lead mines, and was afterward hired to twirl for a local semi-pro team. A scout for the Austin club of the Texas League called Jeff to higher fields, but when he landed in the Lone Star State he found that Austin had dropped out of the circuit. Tesreau then went to Houston, where he lasted only a short time, the manager telling him that he wasn't any good, and advising him to go back to Missouri. Jeff stuck around, playing with Galveston, San Antonio and Sireveport. In the Louisiana city he began to make a name for himself, and McGraw, after seeing the Missouri mammoth at work, offered him berth with the Giants. In 1911 McGraw sent Jeff to Toronto, but recalled him the following year. In 1912 Tesreau won seventeen consecutive games, proving conclusively that he belonged in high class baseball society.

## NEW HAVEN TO SEE JACKSON AND DUNDEE

New York, March 4—Vincent Reina, representing the Italian-Riverside Athletic club of New Haven, Conn., last night completed arrangements whereby Johnny Dundee and Willie Jackson, two of the foremost lightweights in the country, will come together in the Elmo City on the night of March 25. The bout will be a decision affair of 15 rounds. George Monroe, former bantamweight star, was declared acceptable to both principals as referee.

This bout looms up as one of the best arranged for New Haven in several years. Dundee and Jackson have long been bitter rivals and the fans are divided in their opinions as to which is the better boy over the 15-round route. Jackson first sprung into prominence by scoring a knockout over Dundee in Philadelphia nearly two years ago. Dundee later scored a popular decision over his rival in a 10-round bout in this city. The battle is expected to draw heavily from Gotham's fight enthusiasts.

## MEL COOGAN TO BOX WITH MARTIN

New Haven, March 4—Mel Coogan, boxing instructor at the Newport Naval Training station, has been matched to box Johnny Martin of New Haven in the star bout of 12 rounds on the card to be presented under the auspices of the Italian-American Athletic club at Music Hall on the night of March 15. In the semi-final bout of 10 rounds, Joe Currie and George Proto, both of New Haven, will mingle at 122 pounds at 8 o'clock. Both bouts were arranged late Saturday night.

## MATCH M'GOVERN AND DAVE ASTEY

New York, March 4—Dave Astey, the American bantamweight boxer, who is matched to meet Jimmy Wilde of England for the world's championship in Liverpool on May 6, was matched yesterday by his manager, Joe Jacobs, to box Young McGovern at the National A. C. of Philadelphia next Saturday night.

## TODAY IN PUGILISTIC ANNALS

1910—Sallor Burke and Jack (Twin) Sullivan fought a 10-round draw at New York.

1911—Luther McCarty knocked out Al Withers in the 13 round at Fargo, N. D.

1912—Joe Jeannette knocked out Black Bill in the 2nd round at Lewiston, Me.

The names of one American gassed, one seriously ill and one who died was contained in the Canadian casualties list.

SWEET PEAS, VIOLETS, TULIPS, DAFFODILS. JOHN RECK & SON.

## Training Season for Big Leagues Opens This Week

## TRACK STARS OF 1918 "Y"

New Haven, March 4—Members of the Yale track team, it was announced last night by the athletic council of the university, will be awarded the "Y" this season. This is the first team concerning which such an announcement has been made since the abandoning of formal athletics at Yale on account of the war.

## Talk Of Sports

Cleve Hawkins, the colored light heavyweight of North Adams, knocked out Jim Smith of New York Saturday night in the 11th round. Hawkins ran out of a bout with Larry Williams of this city a short time ago.

Fred Fulton put Jim Harper of Kansas City away in the third round of an eight-round bout at Chattanooga the other night. Fred settled it with a right uppercut and Harper was out for five minutes.

Billy DeFoe clashes with Frankie Britt in Boston tonight in a ten-round bout. If Billy makes good there is talk of matching him with Johnny Dundee as he is very popular up that way.

Coach Eddie Dollard's Syracuse basketball team made it 15 straight by defeating Colgate the other night. They played before a crowd of 2,000 showing collegiate basketball is one of the coming major sports.

The St. Louis Cards have signed Robert Laramore, a high school boy, who has in St. Louis a reputation of being a combination of Ty Cobb and George Sisler. He is six feet tall and weighs 180 pounds but is noted for his speed in spite of this weight.

Joe Welling and Johnny Griffiths of Akron, O., will meet tonight in a 10-round bout at Buffalo. Griffiths having a big advantage in weight.

The Phillies, as usual, will have the pleasure of training under the watchful eye of their boss, President William F. Baker. He will be prominent among "these present" at St. Petersburg, Fla., this spring.

Clark Griffith has certainly pruned down his pitching staff to the limit. Four twirlers is all Griffith thinks is necessary, which makes the Senators' staff the smallest in the circuit.

Manager Rowland of the White Sox is hustling around looking for a boxman to replace Urban Faber, who has been placed in Class I of the draft.

## DUTCH CONSUL HAS 10 NATIONS' CARES TO KEEP IN MIND

The Hague, March 4—Many of neutral Holland's diplomatic representatives abroad are hard worked in temporarily looking after the interests of warring nations on both sides. The record is so far held by P. H. Hotz, Dutch consul-general at Beyrouth, Syria, who has in his care the affairs of ten nations besides those of his own, including those of the United States.

## PARIS CITY DEBT 8,000,000 FRANCS

Paris, March 4—The budget of the city of Paris for 1918 is 568,369,298 francs, which is about 110,000,000 in excess of last year's expenditures. Besides a floating debt of 350 millions there were deficits bringing the city's debt balance up to about 800 million francs, to cover which a new loan is proposed.

The municipal council is considering ways and means of raising 54,000,000 francs additional this year.

## 200 REGISTRANTS ACCEPTED.

Approximately 200 men of "Class I" were accepted for general military service by boards One, Two and Six at the High school, yesterday. The cases of 231 registrants were referred to the Medical Advisory Board for decision and 86 were rejected outright. The rest of "Class I" registrants will be called for examination next Sunday.

## Many Players Remain Unsigned as Teams Prepare to Embark for Camps—Holdouts May Be Allowed to Accompany Teams.

New York, March 4—When thousands of our boys are in training camps, getting ready for their big job of knocking the Kaiser out of the box, the baseball-training camp becomes rather a tame affair if not a side issue. But it, too, has its purpose. Experiences abroad have tended to prove that "all war and no play doesn't help the morale of the population back home." Furthermore, despite smashups in many minor leagues and the fact that several big league clubs are skating on thin ice, this war has brought baseball to the forefront as nothing else in the history of the game.

Today at Hot Springs nine of the leading members of the Giants are slated to take the baths and take light training intended to fit them for the more strenuous work at the regular camp at Marlin later in the month. The New York National League team is the first of the big league clubs to start training, though the work of the men now at Hot Springs is supposed to be only of an unofficial nature. During the week the battery men of the Boston Braves will visit Stallings' plantation at Haddock, Ga., as the Big Chief's guests for the purpose of knocking around for a week and getting their muscles limbered up for the Braves' training trip.

Alexander and several other pitchers of the Cubs also are taking the baths at Hot Springs for the purpose of getting boiled out before accompanying the Chicago club to Chicago.

The Giants are one of the few clubs with practically a unified lineup. At present only Fletcher, Robertson, Ferritt and Thorpe remain as holdouts, and McGraw expects to sign Fletcher today and Robertson later in the week.

It must be admitted that few clubs are pursuing the tactics of the Giants and going after their players. The general policy of the clubs appears to be "no compromise; take it or leave it" policy. Huggins says the reason so many players are unsigned is that they got used to having the clubs come after them, but with few exceptions this no longer is being done. Huggins did visit Beck and intends to drop in on Plank at Gettysburg, but he will not "chase after" any of the others.

A policy of permitting unsigned players to train this season may help settle the difficulty. President Frazee of the Red Sox has announced that any unsigned players on his team will visit the training camps at their own expense, but it is understood the Yankees will make no such ruling. Last year there was a strict order against unsigned players being taken to training camps, but last week Tener announced, as far as the National League was concerned, it was up to the individual clubs whether or not they would have unsigned players at their training camps.

While some of the leading players may be able to arrange salary compromises with their club owners, from present indication it looks as though the players will have to surrender.

Objection has been registered in certain sections, notably Pittsburgh, to these unofficial training parties, but Tener has given them his sanction. Saying he looked at the visit of the Giant battery men to Hot Springs the same as though a bunch of ball players went to a Northern gymnasium to get their muscles hardened for the training season.

By another week, however, the regular training season will be in full bloom. The first detachment of the Yankees, headed by the new manager, Miller Huggins, and including a bunch of rookies, will leave here next Friday for Macon. The Yankee regulars will report at Macon on March 14 giving the youngsters only five days to themselves.