

# :-: Sporting Gossip From Many Fields :-:

## BASKETBALL SEASON OPENS HERE TOMORROW EVENING

Passaic, N. J., Five Will Oppose Blue Ribbons in First Local Contest of Inter-State League Schedule—  
Manager Leavy Has Strong Aggregation.

## TIMES CONTINUE TO LOSE IN THE BOWLING LEAGUE

The Times Tads strengthened their hold on last place in the Newspaper Bowling League by dropping two out of three games to the Telegram Terrors last night at Connie Lewis' alleys. Rose and Plunkett's refusal to come up to form was the cause of the Fairfield avenue crowd going down further into the mire.

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### LEAGUE RECORDS.

High Single—Peterson, 109.
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High Team Single—Harps, 462.
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### TELEGRAM TERRORS.

Ecay	81	79	249
Beatty	81	79	244
Maruda	82	77	244
Timko	74	87	214
Kuehn	74	79	232
Scanlon	99	94	283
<b>Total</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>1296</b>

### TIMES TADS.

Bennetto	82	79	258
Plunkett	87	85	264
Make	82	70	224
Spears	83	77	238
Peterson	89	83	272
<b>Total</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>1192</b>

### HERALD HARPS.

F. Hargrove	106	85	31	282
Bowen	87	85	82	264
E. Hargrove	86	90	95	262
Peck	83	89	79	261
Mahoney	80	91	96	260
<b>Total</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>1345</b>

### POST PINEAPPLES.

Coates	86	84	86	256
Jablonsky	82	83	88	263
Jacob	78	81	89	248
Carley	89	82	93	277
Hafte	73	77	90	240
<b>Total</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>1274</b>

## DUETTIS IS VICTOR IN BIG \$10,000 EVENT

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 5.—The Manly Memorial Steeplechase Handicap, with a value of \$10,000, was won here yesterday by J. E. Widener's Duettis, which proved that he is quite the best cross-country performer now in training over a distance of two miles and a half. The aged fencer scored an impressive victory, taking the winner's share with an advantage of eight lengths from Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark's Poppy Nix, while third place went to the Green Stable's Dehadon. Duettis had the race in hand from the time he took command, and won easily despite the fast pace that was set throughout. His victory was popular, for he was the favorite, and had been heavily supported.

## Johnny Lisse Seeks Bout With Shugrue

Manager Al Well, representing Johnny Lisse, issued the following challenge to Johnny Shugrue: "I will appreciate it very much if you will state in your valuable columns that Johnny Lisse, the New York featherweight, is anxious to meet Johnny Shugrue in a twelve-round decision bout at one of the Bridgeport clubs and is willing to meet the Bridgeport boy at 124 pounds. Lisse has appeared a number of times in bouts throughout Connecticut and has also boxed at Philadelphia, Trenton and other Jersey clubs. He is one of the most satisfactory fighters in the ring today and if Shugrue will consent to meet him, the fight fans of your town will witness one of the best battles staged there in a long time. However, if Shugrue refuses to take Lisse on any other featherweight will do as Lisse bids no one. Address: Stillman's Gymnasium, 162 West 125th street, New York city.

Now, Mr. President, go slow. Remember that the people here several hundred thousand public employees to assist you and don't try to do the whole job yourself.

## DEMPESEY TO MEET BECKETT MARCH 17.

St. Patrick's day will be celebrated in the proper manner by having Jack Dempsey meet Joe Beckett, the English champion, at New Orleans, La. Dempsey signed an agreement for the match yesterday, according to an announcement made by Dominick Torocich, the New Orleans promoter. He declares the pair will meet on March 17 in the event that Beckett wins from Carpenter, the French champion, in their fight on December 4. It is generally conceded that Beckett will beat the Frenchman, however.

## BOB MARTIN IS NOT READY TO MEET DEMPSEY

New York, Nov. 4.—There is many a long month of hard training and audacious effort under experienced ring generals before Bob Martin, heavyweight champion of the A. E. F., and inter-allied armies, can think of battling Jack Dempsey for the world's heavyweight crown. That was the opinion of scores of prominent fight critics from every section of the country who watched the soldier champion cut Joe Bonds recently to shreds in a scheduled 15-round go which was stopped in the eleventh round by Referee Matt Hinkel of Cleveland after Martin had pounded Bonds helpless.

Martin is a good fighter. There is a future in store for him. He is an aspirant and a logical aspirant for the heavyweight title, but there is no possibility that he could successfully fight Dempsey just now. Anyone who would match him up with the title-holder would literally sentence him to a ring death.

## CAPT. MURRAY OF HARVARD HAS TEAM IN SHAPE

Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 5.—The first team that Harvard sends out on the field at Princeton on Saturday will be smooth running if constant drilling together will make it so. With no change in the line-up except that Schuyler and Hubbard alternated at left tackle, Bob Fisher held his men together first against the subs, both for offensive and defensive drill, and then rushed the team as it will stand for Saturday against the scrub team.

Against the black-jerseyed seconds there was a display of real football. The regulars, trying to get speed and dash into a series of new plays, went at the scrubs for all they were worth, but the latter were held up when they were in the line of scrimmage.

Capt. Murray is getting his backfield going in fine style. Although Casey, Burnham and Humphrey do not represent the most powerful combination the Crimson could present, they do stand as the fastest and the smoothest working arrangement.

Fred Church played with the substitutes and is the type of player to fill in for either Casey or Humphrey. Burnham's improvement has been one of the most satisfactory developments of the past week. He has come on as an interior guard and his men will fall the heaviest work of the backfield offensive at Princeton.

Sedgwick was the first choice for left tackle. If he stays in condition he may get first chance against the Telegram Terrors. He is likely to be steadier for a long stretch of play, but Sedgwick, when fresh, makes a lot of trouble. Both players are likely to have all the playing they want on Saturday.

## Signs In Stores to Tell When Baseball Games Are Postponed

New York, Nov. 4.—President Charles H. Ebbets of the Brooklyn Dodgers contemplates an innovation which greatly should interest local fans and is worthy of the serious consideration of the officials of the Giants and Yankees. The Brooklyn owner is trying to arrange with a corporation owning a string of stores operating throughout Brooklyn and Queens to carry "signs" and "No Game" signs in its windows throughout next season.

One of the disagreeable conditions that long has confronted both New York and Brooklyn fans is the inability to ascertain whether games were to be played on rainy or inclement days. Much precious time has been wasted in futile attempts to get the Polo Grounds or Ebbets Field on the telephone.

Thousands of fans have made futile trips to the ball ground only to find the game was off. The ball clubs also have been affected by the conditions, for many persons have remained away on doubtful days who would have attended the games had there been some way of knowing whether a contest was to be played.

## REALISTIC BATTLER

It may not be news that Clara Kimball Young purchased a giant cockatoo. It may not be news either that she owned a very valuable Pekinese Spaniel. But it is news that through someone's carelessness, the dog and bird met on a narrow path leading to her dressing room and now Miss Young owns neither dog nor bird. The dog is pushing daisies up through the soil, while the cockatoo is a free lance.

## Why worry about strikes? There are a lot of people in great need of a vacation.

## COAST STAR GIVES WELLING BAD BEATING

Valger Has Drummie in Bad Condition—Dundee Puts Touhey Away.

Newark, Nov. 5.—Joe Benjamin, lightweight champion of the Pacific coast, who in his Eastern debut last night before a crowd that packed the First Regiment Armory, outclassed Joe Welling, in one of the eight round bouts that featured an all star card. Benjamin made good his claim to a position in the first flight of the fighting by knocking Welling, a classic drubbing. The Californian not only outlasted and outboxed Welling, but on three occasions the coast star staggered Welling with crashing rights to the jaw, leaving the former sailor in distress.

Twice the bell came to Welling's relief in the nick of time, for a few more seconds and he would have brought the older man down. Welling showed a disposition to hold when the pace got too hot, and thus avoided many solid blows.

Benjamin had the better of every round up to the seventh, when the veteran awoke and by a series of body blows slowed the coast boy to a walk. Put Benjamin came back strong in the eighth and on handily. Benjamin will have to be considered by all the lightweight clan. Welling weighed 137 and Benjamin 134.

Benny Valger, who has been annoying Johnny Drumme with challenges for a title fight, increased the validity of his claim for recognition by the champion, by giving Johnny Drumme the lightest champion of New Jersey, one of the severest soundings the young man ever received. Valger tried hard to add one to his list of knockouts, but Drumme has a pair of nimble feet, and when situations arose that boded danger, he sprinted to safety.

It looked as though Drumme would be finished in the seventh round when Valger landed a terrific right to the jaw that staggered him. It required great activity on the part of Drumme to avoid a knockout.

Drumme took a terrific beating in the eighth and ninth rounds, but his feet. His title was tilted but still on his head.

Drumme confessed to 133 pounds, while Valger's weight was announced as 127 1/2. The punches were directed from Drumme's corner, where it was said Valger weighed 129. Valger, while showing aggressiveness and hitting with force, exhibited a slowness that prevented him from taking advantage of numerous wide openings. The French "flash" also showed poor judgment as to distance.

## Eddie Fitzsimmons Is Coming Lightweight Champ, Says Morgan

Dan Morgan goes into the following raptures about his protegee, Eddie Fitzsimmons: "Talking about the heavyweights of today being a poor lot, what about the merry-go-round lightweight boys? The following are a few facts: 'Benny Leonard and Eddie Fitzsimmons stand as the only two lightweights of class in the world today. A few weeks ago, Tendler agreed to meet any lightweight in Milwaukee and gave the promoter a check for \$500. Mr. Otto Zocher, president of the Cream City A. C., signed Eddie Fitzsimmons to meet Lee Tendler at 133 pounds. Ex-Tendler leaving his check behind! The promoter dropped in Chicago and tried to send Welling, or Charlie White, any weight with their own referee.

Welling and White smiled and said: 'Nothing to write that big! Then along comes Willie Jackson and Johnny Dundee, supposed contenders for Leonard's crown, and again was the promoter told that 'Little Fitz' could hit too hard and that they would have nothing to do with Eddie Fitzsimmons, the sailor boy, who is looked upon as the next in line to Leonard for the crown.

Fitzsimmons agrees to K. O. any of the contenders inside of twelve rounds, weight to be from 133-140 lbs. ringside, also Valger, who as a lightweight is trying to grab the 122 pound championship, is invited to mingle with Fitz."

## COMISKEY SAYS CHICAGO DIDN'T THROW SERIES

New York, Nov. 5.—Charles A. Comiskey, president of the White Sox, arrived in the city yesterday. He is here to attend the meeting of the Board of Directors of the American League, which will be held at the Biltmore today. It is expected that at this session the directors will vote to ask the National Commission to turn over to the Yankees the third place money they won, but which is held up because of a protest by Frank Navin, the Detroit magnate.

The Chicago magnate declared that there is no truth in the rumors that certain players on his team "pulled" to the Reds. He declared that he had investigated many sources but had been unable to discover any wrong doing on the part of the ball players.

## CHAIN ELEVEN TURNS DOWN WASH. GLEES.

The Washington Glees club eleven of New Haven, may play the American Chain team at Newfield park this season, but Manager Kearney won't cancel his game with the General Electric eleven of Schenectady, N. Y., to give the Glees a booking. The General Electric are scheduled for Newfield park next Sunday and as they are one of the best teams in the east the Chain manager refused to listen to the plea of the Glees' manager that the New York stagers should be shoved aside and the Glees given the local date for next season. Manager Kearney also refused the Glees' proposition that the Chains play one game here with the Glees and one in New Haven.

## TED LEWIS IS ATTEMPTING TO DO COME BACK

Ted Kid Lewis, the former welter-weight champion, fighting hard and often to regain his laurels lost to Jack Britton. After losing his title Lewis realized he was slipping back fast, and placed himself under the care of a physician. He was out of things a long time, several months, and returned for a bout with Steve Luzzo. It was a six round battle staged in Philadelphia. Lewis won by a narrow margin. Then followed an eight round no-decision affair with Jack Britton in which Lewis made a fair showing.

His next battle was against Mike O'Dowd, the middleweight champion, who was nearly twenty pounds heavier. Although his opponent had a great advantage in weight, Lewis made a good showing. It was his first real fight since he returned to the ring. Lewis has now won his last two contests by the knockout route and is now convinced he has made a genuine comeback. Lewis is at present in top condition and is trying to arrange another contest with Benny Leonard the lightweight title holder. Several clubs in New Jersey have offered to stage the match if it is made.

## National Eleven To Have Drill Tonight

Tonight, the National football team will hold their weekly practice at Harrah avenue and Pequonnock street and every member of the team is requested to be on hand. Mr. Merrill, ex-collegiate star and Spaulding representative, will be on hand to coach and the manager wishes all to be on hand to obtain all information possible. The following men will be expected to turn in their appearance: Neilson, C. Schwartz, "Wally" Kuntert, H. Hayes, "Jake" Ryan, Clarence, Coogan, Kennell, Joe Kane, McGraw, Garrigan, Nezy, John J. Broderick, W. Ryan, J. Prince, E. F. O'Brien, A. Hansen and anyone who may have been overlooked. The Nationals will clash with the Devon A. C. next Sunday at No. 1 diamond, Seaside, and expect to score a win.

## FOREIGN RIDERS TO TAKE PART IN 6 DAY RACE

New York, Nov. 5.—For the first time in these years bike fans will see all the leading foreign riders competing in the six-day race at Madison Square Garden the week of November 20-26. The promoters are now negotiating for entries of the sensational Swiss champion, Oscar Egg, Thys and Dupuy, winners of the recent Brussels race, Brocco, the popular Italian, and Francesco Verri.

In his last start here in 1914, Egg caused a sensation by riding three hours at top speed after losing his partner Peter Drobach. He won the race the previous year by stealing a lap the last night of the race with his partner Marcel Dupuy.

## Roy Moore Claims Flyweight Title Now

Leo F. Flynn, the demon New York manager, sends in the following letter about Roy Moore: "Roy Moore of St. Paul, won the 15 round referee decision over Frankie Mason of Fort Wayne, Ind., last week, thereby winning the flyweight championship of America, and the right to meet Jimmy Wilde, the English title holder. Moore has beaten Pete Herman, Johnny Erie, John Burns, and Earl Duryear, and has always been forced to give away weight like the English champion had to do. Moore stands ready to meet the English champion, at any weight that will suit the Englishman, in a decision or no decision bout, and can get \$10,000 in Baltimore, where Moore received the referee decision over Frankie Mason."

## MORAN'S RECENT BOUT DID NOT SHOW IMPROVEMENT

New York, Nov. 5.—Frank Moran's return to the ring the other night in Pittsburgh, where he knocked out Jack Geier in the eighth round, did not boost the sorrel top's proprosanda for a bout with Jack Dempsey. Geier, who is even a worse has-been boxer than the Frank, step some and delivered some pretty hard wallops. Moran was slower than ever and very wild. It may be that Moran will get another opportunity at an early date to show his wares in New Jersey. He always is popular with boxing followers and against some dub might prove a success. But Moran's talk of fighting Dempsey should be stopped. Such a meeting would have to be preceded by the appointment of a coroner's jury.

## "CUPID" BLACK RETURNS TO YALE TO COACH LINEMEN

Former Captain Will Pay Attention to Guards and Strengthen Defense—Capt. Callahan Back At Center in Good Shape Again.

New Haven, Nov. 5.—Prominent among the largest coaching staff that has worked with the Yale eleven this year was Clinton R. Black, the famous "Cupid" captain of Yale's 1914 champion team. He was in uniform and worked out with Galt, while Pudge Hoffinger, also decidedly on deck, took charge of Accata, the other guard.

Black promises to get into the scrub line before the end of the week, along with Hoffinger. It is safe to say that these powerful men will either make or break the Yale guards for the Brown game.

Callahan played practically the entire scrimmage season, being replaced late in the afternoon by Galt, his regular understudy. The Ell leader is displaying his old time light and the splendid defence put up by thearsity failed to yield a first down to a strong second team combination.

After the scrubs quit the varsity took on the college team. Leon Walker blocked a punt and recovered in the course of Election Day festivities, scrimmage. The ball was given to the collegiate team first on the 40, then on the 30 and finally on the 20 yard line. It failed to make its distance on every occasion, despite extra downs that were allowed under the Sharpe rule out of a new backfield. Kempton, who was allowed to rest, was replaced by Chet La Roche. The backbacks were French and Joe Neville, who had been out of the game, but did not show up as strong as Welles. Both were returning to scrimmage after an absence of two weeks due to injuries to their legs.

The varsity line was Reinhardt, left end; Dickson, left tackle; Accata, left guard; Callahan, center; Galt, right guard; Walker, right tackle; Allen, right end; La Roche, quarterback; Neville, left halfback; French, right halfback and Braden, fullback.

## SYRACUSE WINS FROM RUTGERS IN GREAT GAME

New York, Nov. 5.—George Foster Sanford's "rationally developed" football team was beaten by Syracuse in the course of Election Day festivities at the Polo Grounds yesterday afternoon.

The Rutgers eleven, in jerseys that flamed as giddily as the shirts of a veteran fire hose company, reduced the rationality of their defense to practical terms, but their offense soared blithely in the realm of theory and never was brought to earth. Buck O'Neil's warping kicked out two touchdowns and called it a game with the score at 14 to 0.

After a scoreless first half in which the Orange found the opposition impregnable, the smashing, Ackley, Abbott and Schwartz, started a flashing series of passes, combining the lateral with the forward to such good purpose that the piskin was across the goal line before the second half was two minutes old.

A 30-yard heave by Ackley, standing on the 40-yard line, gave the ball to Schwarzler, who was camping under the shadow of the goal posts. The Syracuse end had a free romp to a seven point tally.

Just as the fourth quarter opened two long end runs, one by Abbott and another by Erwis, one by a double pass, took the piskin from Syracuse's 40-yard line to Rutgers' 15-yard mark and a series of strenuous linemen pushed the ball over, Erwig getting the touchdown.

Syracuse did not show the power which had been led to expect after receiving all the glowing reports that had filtered down from up-state. While outplaying Rutgers, gaining 152 yards by rushing to 53 for Sanford's team, there was nothing dynamic about the assault. The Orange failed to develop a sustained rushing attack on the Rutgers' ramparts as it was compelled to fall back on epistolary tactics.

## BROOKLYN CLUB HAS SIGNED SIX FOR NEXT YEAR

President Charles H. Ebbets of the Robins' evidently is not wasting any time getting his players signed for next season. So far he has received the signed contracts of six members of the Flatbush outfit. The players who have agreed to terms are Rube Marquard, Jimmy Johnston, Clarence Mitchell, Raymond Schmandt, Ivan Olsen, and Chuck Ward. Several days ago it was announced that Wilber Robinson had signed to manage the club next summer. A few days before the 1916 campaign closed President Ebbets went to Philadelphia, where the club was playing a series, and he talked over terms with nearly every member of the club.

## DUNDEE SCORES KNOCKOUT.

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## ALLEN DOESN'T WANT TITLE AS PRESENT

Johnny Red-Allen, one of the strongest contenders for the state lightweight title that has been resting on the brow of Battling Kunz, the former South Norwalk liquor dealer, for the past two years, comes out with the statement that he doesn't want any title given to him gratuitously, as Kunz decided to do when he thought of giving up the ring game.

Red says if Kunz is going to retire let him consent to one last bout, and defend his title against him. And if some promoter can sign them, Allen claims that there will be no need of giving the title to him as he will put the South Norwalk boy to sleep inside of ten rounds.

Red wants a clean claim on the title and if he can get a match with the present title holder, he says he will put all the howlers who have been claiming the title out of the ring, by giving them a chance at any time.

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## DA RTMOUTH IN GOOD TRIM FOR PENN SATURDAY

Hanover, N. H., Nov. 5.—After a day of complete rest, the Dartmouth squad took the field yesterday afternoon for a stiff signal workout, which was followed by a short scrimmage. The men that took part in the hard game condition, the team was in first class condition for Saturday's game.

Coach Spears held his men in the gymnasium for a long talk on plays for the first part of the afternoon, then took them out for a hard workout.

The lay-off of Monday and the fact that the team leaves on Thursday makes the time short in which to work up anything new to be used against the Red and Blue. A departure from the usual training plans for the Dartmouth team was announced by the Athletic Council. It is planned to have the team leave Hanover on Thursday morning and to stay over night at the New York Athletic Club house at Travers Island.

This is being done because of the fact that, if the team is taken to a New York hotel, there will be too much excitement for the men on the eve of the game. The coaches want no repetition of the season that terminated with the fatal Carlisle game at the Polo Grounds.

## Pete Hartley Will Meet Benny Valger in New Haven Show

New Haven, Nov. 5.—Pete Hartley, the durable Dane, and Benny Valger, the French Flash, were matched yesterday to appear in the star bout of 15 rounds, to be staged under the direction of the Arena Amusement Co. at the Arena a week from Friday night. The boys will battle 15 rounds to a referee's decision. The promoters had been angling for the services of Johnny Dundee as a possible opponent for Valger, but yesterday the Scotch Wop sent along word that it would be impossible for him to fill the date.

Hartley's last appearance in this state was three months ago, when he put Chic Brown of this city to sleep in Derby.

The only other bout thus far arranged by the Arena people will be Joe Curry, the capable local scrapper exchanging commitments with Frankie Wilson of Bridgeport. They are slated to battle 15 rounds to a decision in the semi-final bout.

## Players League Was Organized In 1889

This is the anniversary of the formation of the Player's League, that mighty upheaval which threatened for a while to demolish the whole baseball structure and which ended so miserably. It was Nov. 4, 1889. Players declared war and announced the launching of the new league which was to elevate the players and put the National League on the blink. As finally organized, the Player's League had clubs in New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Brooklyn, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Buffalo. Although nearly all the stars of the game cast in their lot with the Brotherhood circuit and some of the National League clubs were reduced to mere ciphers, the Player's League didn't connect with enough coils to keep going, and threw up the sponge at the end of the season. The Pittsburgh club of the National League was the hardest hit of all. First and last the club had about fifty different players, and they managed to lose 113 games, including 23 in a row.

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