

WEDNESDAY

Records Show League Poor In Plate Power

By JERRY LISKA
CHICAGO, Dec. 25 (AP)—Hustling George Stirnweiss' last-day photo finish triumph over ancient Foxy Cuccinello helped brighten things considerably, but still the 1945 batting race was still the American League's most dismal show of plate power in 40 seasons.

The junior circuit Saturday officially handed the hitting title to Stirnweiss, stubby New York Yankee second-sacker, for his .308 average, poorest championship mark since Elmer Dick of Cleveland won in 1905 with an all-time low of .306.

Cuccinello, who led virtually the entire campaign, finished one percentage point off the pace with .297.

Final official statistics showed the 37-year-old Chicago White Sox third baseman, wobbling an tired legs through his 4th and probably last major league season, played in only 118 games, while Stirnweiss saw action in every one of the Yankees' 152.

Stirnweiss also led the league in base hits with 166; slugging percentage for the second straight year with .48; runs scored, 107; total bases, 301; triples, 22; and most at bats, 632. Cuccinello batted .297 in 402 trips.

Manager-shortstop Lou Boudreau of the Cleveland Indians, who won the 1944 title with .327, was an unofficial third this year with .308, being limited by injury to only 97 games.

Other leaders, playing 100 or more games, included Jeff Heath, recently traded by Cleveland to Washington, and Boston's Tom McBride, .305; Johnny Dickshot of Chicago, .302; and Roberto Clement of Philadelphia, .299. All are outfielders.

Shortstop Vern Stephens of St. Louis, who led the league in home runs with 22, while Wally Piderman led in doubles with 38. Second baseman Leroy Schalk of Chicago had the most sacrifice hits, 24.

Jim Seery, Cleveland's muscular outfielder, belted three home runs on July 27, and in the same game, major league record, and with a triple in the same contest matched the modern major league mark for four long blows in one outing.

The fourth and final wartime season also took its toll. Cleveland, going to the sixth-place White Sox, won 1944 with a record of 70-83. The Detroit Tigers, pennant and world series winners, finished fifth with .566. Detroit's Al Simmons, who won second baseman Eddie Green with 365. Hammerman Hank Greenberg wound up with 311, but played in only 78 games.

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"The True Glory" 12,000 Servicemen Best 1945 Picture Sail For Canada

(By The Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 23—The National Board of Review of Motion Pictures has selected "The True Glory," an Anglo-American film account of the war in Europe, as the best picture of 1945 and named Ray Milland best actor and Joan Crawford best actress.

The board announced its selection of the 10 best motion pictures of the year Friday. They were:
1. The True Glory (Documentary).
2. The Lost Weekend (Paramount).
3. The Southerner (United Artists).
4. The Story of G.I. Joe (United Artists).
5. The Last Chance (A Swiss Production).
6. A Tree Grows in Brooklyn (20th Century-Fox).
7. The Fighting Lady (Documentary).
8. The Way Ahead (A British Production).
9. The Clock (Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer).

Milland was voted the best actor of the year for his portrayal of a diplomat in "The Lost Weekend." The House of Representatives selected best actress for her performance in the title role of "Mildred Pierce." Joan Crawford was named best director for "The Southerner."

The 10 pictures which led in box office popularity, the board said, were:
National Velvet, The Lost Weekend, The House on 92nd Street, Anchors Aweigh, The Fighting Lady, Keys of the Kingdom, The Story of G.I. Joe, A Tree Grows in Brooklyn, The True Glory and The Valley of Decision.

Meyer War Crime Trial Adjourned

AURICH, Germany, Dec. 23—(CP Cable)—The war crimes trial of Maj. Gen. Kurt Meyer before a Canadian court was adjourned Saturday, after two weeks of hearings, until Dec. 27.

YANK SOLDIERS NOT GUEAT

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 23—(CP)—Joseph M. Stack, national commander in chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, said Saturday that "most of the crimes committed in Europe by men in United States uniforms are not committed by American soldiers."

Lumber-Laden Scow Abandoned

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Dec. 23—(CP)—The motor scow, Jean, owned by the Massey Lumber Co., Ltd., Saint John, and loaded with 100,000 feet of lumber consigned to Saint John from Point Wolfe, N. B., was abandoned in sinking condition in the Bay of Fundy last night after the harbor pilot boat crew rescued the three men aboard the scow.

Submarine Seawolf Is Sold For Scrap

MONTREAL, Dec. 23—(CP)—The Royal Navy submarine Seawolf—her wartime function of familiarizing Canadian naval ships with anti-submarine tactics—has been sold by tender to Marine Industries Limited of Sorel, Que., for scrapping. It was announced Saturday by the Royal Navy for disposal. Price realized for the undersea craft, now lying off Sorel, was not disclosed.

Wall Street Fears Speculation Wave

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—(AP)—The fact that a lot of uninformed new customers are lining up every day to make their first look upon the Stock Market is worrying old-line Wall Street firms.

Montgomery Shocks Two Toronto Men

TORONTO, Dec. 23—(CP)—In a despatch to the Toronto Globe and Mail Saturday from Ottawa, Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery today how Field Marshal Sir Bernard Montgomery revealed that until now, he had never heard of the Field Marshal disclosed he had been asked to accept an honorary doctorate of science at McGill University during a proposed Canadian trip next summer.

Heavy Traffic Across Russian "Bridge of Sighs"

PRAGA, Poland, Dec. 23—(AP)—Through wind, cold, snow, rain and sleet that cuts like the stroke of a multi-bladed knife, tens of thousands of Russian and Polish men, women and children trudge from dawn until far into the night over the "Bridge of Sighs" which links Praga with Warsaw.

Christmas Brings Host Of Problems To British Wives

By DENISE DALTRUFF
Canadian Press Staff Writer
TORONTO, Dec. 23—The women of Britain, six years of vital war work finished, are hurrying back home to welcome demobilized soldiers in a pleop of broken fortunes and shattered dreams.

Advertisement for Coca-Cola featuring an illustration of a group of people in a living room. The text reads: 'Hold everything... Have a Coke... or don't feel annoyed... feel refreshed. Who cares about a minor flop, once the party's rolling? With fun! And food! And refreshment! A host makes the party when he breaks out the ice-cold Coca-Cola. For Have a Coke means it's open house—the good time is on. It says We're all friends together; let's get in the groove. Authorized Bottler of "Coca-Cola" J. & T. MORRIS LIMITED Charlottetown, P.E.I.

Occupation Troops Home Next Year?

OTTAWA, Dec. 23—A hint that Canada's Army of Occupation in Europe may come home sometime next year was given tonight in a Christmas message to the armed forces by Prime Minister Mackenzie King who said all Canadians rejoiced with those who had served and are serving, that the war now was over.

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PEOPLE OF LONDON LIVE A SPARTAN LIFE

The people of London still live a Spartan existence, but their spirit is surprisingly good, says C. E. Gray, city traffic manager for trans-Canada Air Lines at Moncton, N. B., who has just returned to Canada after establishing a traffic office in London for the trans-Atlantic air service operated by T.C.A. Notwithstanding their meagre rations, he says, the people of Britain are sharing their food and their fuel with devastated Europe.

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