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FAILURE WORRIES THE BASEBALL MAGNATES

Leading Ball Clubs Fear That Attendance at World Series This Year Will Fall Short Due to the Overdose of Sport Events—It Looks as Though Box Office Has Supplanted National Game

By HENRY L. FARRELL (United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Baseball magnates may have cause to get the fidgets when they consider the situation which caused the Leonard-Dundee fight, which had been scheduled for Friday night in the Polo Grounds stadium, to be called off.

The contest for the lightweight championship of the world, between two of the most popular fighters in New York, was postponed on September 5, when it was found that Dundee had a bad cold and could not fill the appointment.

Dundee denied that so vigorously that it was apparent there were other reasons. Recently the promoters of the fight admitted the real reason for the postponement and the final calling off of the match was the statement that the public was not interested in the fight and that it was an assured "bum."

Leonard and Dundee have the largest personal followings of any fighters appearing in New York and while they failed to interest the public it is obvious that New York has had too many opportunities to spend money on sports this summer and that too much has been spent.

Perhaps the world's series, which is a sort of sport, will suffer from an overdose of sport events, just as minor boxing bouts have suffered. Some of the baseball magnates fear the series will not draw as much as it has in the past.

There have been reasons to believe that in the past season, at least, boxing has supplanted baseball as the most popular sport with the public. It has been appar-

How They Stand

American League.

New York	93 48 560
Cleveland	74 63 540
Detroit	72 68 507
St. Louis	68 69 497
Washington	69 72 490
Chicago	63 76 453
Phila.	61 78 439
Boston	57 83 407

National League

New York	92 54 630
Cincinnati	89 59 601
Pittsburg	82 62 569
Chicago	77 68 531
St. Louis	74 70 514
Brooklyn	69 74 483
Boston	49 94 342
Phila.	46 97 333

ent for several years that professional baseball is not the "first national sport" that the club owners would have it believed, and it will be most interesting to watch how the series will draw.

Interest in baseball suffered a very noticeable slump in New York after the middle of the schedule had been passed and when fans in the country's greatest city fail to support the two best teams in the big league here must be some reason.

The fall in interest in New York affects not only the Giants and the Yankees, but practically all of the second division clubs who have depended almost for existence upon their share of the games played in the Polo Grounds and the Yankee Stadium.

Cities outside of New York have claimed for several seasons that the Giants and the Yankees were hurting baseball by the lavish expenditure of cash which made it possible for them to acquire almost unbeatable teams while the strength of the smaller and poorer clubs has steadily declined.

The runaway race in the American League certainly would have decreased interest in New York if the Yankees did not have such a tremendous drawing card in Babe Ruth, and the fans who are even fighting shy of the American League games, because opposing pitchers give Ruth such few opportunities to hit. When the fans pay money for the lone purpose of seeing Ruth do his stuff, it does not make business to have the Swat King passed every time he comes to the bat in a pinch.

If the Yankees and the Giants get into the world's series again, and it is almost certain that they will, interest may be revived in New York through the growth of the opinion that the American League champions may beat the National champs, who showed them up so badly in the past two years.

There are so wildly partisan fans in New York. The same bugs that go to the Yankee Stadium to root

Jack Johnson to Meet Siki on Monday Night

(Canadian Press) QUEBEC, Sept. 24.—Sporting circles here are agog with excitement over the forthcoming meeting between Jack Johnson, ex-heavyweight champion of the world and Battling Siki who disposed of Georges Carpentier, but will take place next Monday evening and will be a six round exhibition affair.

The two will meet again in Montreal two days later.

K. of C. Officials Installed

The annual installation of officers of the Knights of Columbus took place last evening, there being present a large attendance of members. The installation ceremony was conducted by District Deputy A. McQuaid of Souris, State Deputy L. McNeill, Summerside, was also present. The meeting closed with addresses by the newly installed officers and others.

Following were the officers installed last night: Grand Knight—J. A. McDonald, Deputy Grand Knight—P. A. Smith, Chancellor—Rev. J. C. McMillan, Treasurer—W. E. Trainor, Financial Secretary—W. H. Higgins, Recording Secretary—J. Stewart, Wardens—Wilfred Coyle, Advocate—J. H. Blanchard, Inside Guard—P. C. Trainor, Outside Guard—Samuel Burgess, Trustee—L. B. McMillan.

Many Praise Offer Of New Dictionary

Language Guide Should Keep Apace With Flow of Added Words.

Distributing a new dictionary has brought this paper many complimentary remarks. One subscriber who presented coupons yesterday for half a dozen dictionaries for different employees and members of his family said he deemed it necessary that a dictionary should progress with the language just as a newspaper does. The world moves rapidly these days and only The New Universities is apace with today's growth of the language.

The department handling this great educational offer are being kept busy handing out the books. More reserves had to be rushed last night to fill up the rapidly depleted stock. At this rate the first and limited edition will soon be exhausted.

While readers are eager for the book on account of its being authoritative and complete its absence nowness appeals to thousands. It has been many a long year since an actually new dictionary was given to the public. The New Universities Dictionary is new in all the word implies—new in contents new in type, new in arrangements of helps to word study. Particularly is it new in making the study of today's English easy for young people who are so situated that they cannot attend schools and obtain individual instruction. Unaided, a young man or woman employed may learn the correct use of the English of modern business and society if they but follow the directions of the great university teachers whose articles on "Standard English," "Practical Syntax" (which means: How to make good sentences), "Punctuation" and "Etymology" appear, plainly written in simple English, in this book.

Even the word "Etymology," which looks harsh and forbidding to a beginner, is made simple if one reads the article by Clark S. Northup, Ph.D., instructor in English in Cornell University. Professor Northup's article tells how to learn where our words were found why we adopted them and how we changed them to mean what we wanted to say. That's what Etymology is and this paper distributes this dictionary because it wants every reader to know all about the language.

John R Braden Equals Fast Time Made By Single G.

GORHAM, Maine, Sept. 24.—John R. Braden, the Presque Isle pacer, broke the Maine track record and equalled the all Down East record today when he stepped the last heat of the free-for-all at the Cumberland county fair in the last state record was 2:05 1/2, made by Margaret Dillon in 1921 at Presque Isle and equalled this year at Caribou by Braden.

Single G. stepped in 2:04 3/4 at Fredericton, N. E. this week.

The new mark was made after two rather slow miles, in 2:08 1/2 and 2:08 3/4. Braden taking both heats, which were slower than the track record made earlier in the week by the old Grand Circuit pacer R. H. Brett, and the crowd appeared displeased. The starter announced from the stand that the track was at least two seconds slow on account of the soft footing from the recent heavy rain.

Dan Hedgewood the Woodstock Driving Club entry, finished second, ahead of Jackson Grattan in both heats: When the horses got away for the third heat, Ralph Burrill, behind Jackson Grattan, took the pole and it was a drive all the way. The field swung into the stretch on even terms and it was a terrific rush for the finish. Braden just nosing out the Grattan horse. Driver and horse were given a great ovation when the time was announced. The time by quarters was 30 1/2, 1:01 1/2, 1:36 3/4 and 2:04 3/4.

Calgary Earl, who has been purchased by Irving Pottle, the Portland reinsman and was driven by him, was close up in all three heats.

John Willard was behind the Halifax mare, Miss Simmissee, in the 2:15 class but she acted badly

Is Golf Costly? Canadians Spend \$500,000 Yearly

TORONTO, Ont., Sept. 24.—In the Dominion of Canada there are 356 golf clubs. Some of these are large organizations, and some are quite the opposite. There are several clubs in Canada with an investment in land, club-house, furniture and general equipment running all the way from \$500,000 up to nearly \$1,000,000. There are many clubs with investments running from \$100,000 to \$250,000. There are scores where the capital expenditure represents \$50,000 to \$100,000. Conservatively speaking, there are in Canada golf courses, club-houses, furniture, machinery, plants, etc., totalling \$50,000,000.

The annual amount of money spent by golf clubs and golfers in the Dominion can only be arrived at approximately. In one or two clubs the annual revenue, and expenditure is well toward \$100,000 while many have balance sheets of \$50,000 and ranging as low as \$20,000. Entrance and annual fees in many clubs now go into hundreds of dollars. Stock shares in several large clubs are quoted at four or five times their par value. Caddie fees are up also.

It is estimated that golf clubs and golfers in Canada spend annually at least \$5,000,000 in pursuit of the game. Who will deny that golf has not made a tremendous hit in Canada? The city of Toronto is sometimes referred to as the "town of golf." Seven or eight famous golf clubs dot the main roads into Toronto.

Japan herself is about three times the size of New York State, and with all her colonies and dependencies is about one-fourth larger than France.

Wednesday's Horse Races

Wednesday's horse races should prove a big drawing card at the Provincial Fair Grounds, as three excellent classes have been provided, namely, the 2:18 Pace the 2:20 Trot and the 2:40 Trot. These three classes are all well filled with fast trotters and pacers and some remarkable contests are bound to occur.

New horses are arriving tonight and tomorrow and it is expected that upwards of 65 horses will be on the grounds to take part in the races. This is the largest number that has ever competed here and makes it a certainty that the races will be the best in the history of the track.

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Do You Know?

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Q. Were the Yankees ever victims of a no-hit no-run game? If so, by whom and when? W. B. S. A. The Yankees have been held hitless in three games, although the records at hand do not specify whether they were also shut out or not. June 30, 1908, by Young of Boston; Sept. 10, 1919, by Caldwell of Cleveland. On Sept. 11 of this year Ehmske of Boston held the Yankees to one hit, an infield scratch.

Q. Where and when was Willie Hoppe born? A. William F. Hoppe was born at Cornwall, N. Y., on Oct. 11, 1887.

Q. Are there any records showing that outfielders have thrown batters out at first base on safe hits? L. J. R. A. Yes. This has been done about ten times in the major leagues, and right fielders only have accomplished this feat. Two players, Joe Jackson and Tom Griffith, have robbed batters of hits in this fashion twice.

Q. Who pitched the first no-hit no-run no man reach first base game in the major leagues? K. W. R. A. G. W. Bradley, St. Louis, against Hartford, National League, July 15, 1876.

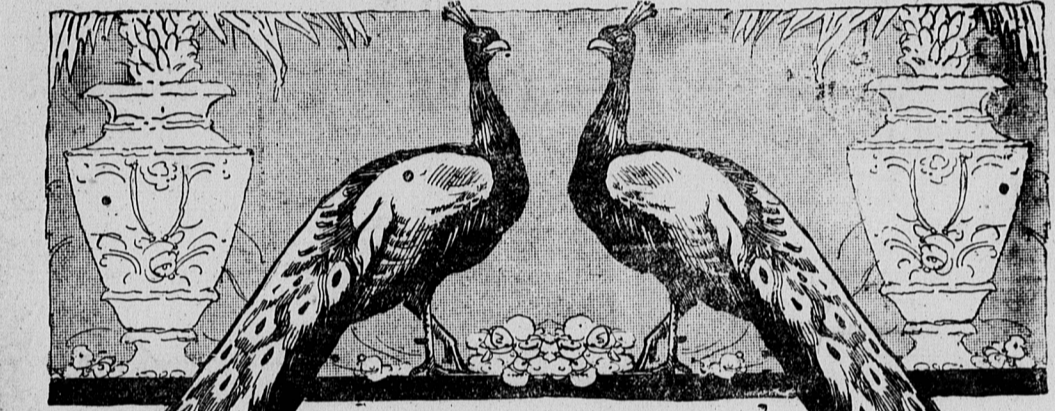
Steamer Ashore Off Seal Island

(Canadian Press) YARMOUTH, Sept. 24.—Norwegian steamer Mirjam went ashore on Black Ledge, Seal Island last night about ten o'clock in a fog. She was bound from Portland Maine for Newfoundland. The tug Mary Cann left for the scene and will be followed by others later.

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