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New Masters Depose Old in the Background of Cue Title Match

NEW YORK (AP)—History repeats itself in sports, but seldom with more dramatic effect than in the series of events that bring to the fore young Jake Schaefer and Walter Cochran. In November 19, 19 and 21 in a match for the world's professional 14.1 billiards championship.

Years ago in the back room of his father's shop in a little town up the Hudson river a child, by name Willie Hoppe, stood on an empty packing case playing pocket billiards, with an ambition to become a great master like the man whose name he read in the papers—old Jake Schaefer.

Some years later this youth stood beside a table covered with green baize, pined in the pit at Orchestra Hall, Chicago, and carried off the points that deposited the champion Schaefer and made Willie Hoppe the titleholder.

At that time another child, the namesake of the champion Hoppe, had dreamed, was also making a name for himself in the billiard world with an ambition to become as great as his sire. When the youngster was in his teens his father, helped at all sportsman, passed on the cue stick, the ball and the mallet of the father, wondering if the son would ever rise to the heights.

Then in 1916, in the very same pit in Orchestra Hall where the youthful Hoppe had taken the championship from old Jake, the young Jake, now tall and slender, struck off in mastery fashion the points that brought back the title to the Schaefer clan. Hoppe, undefeated for the time in ten years, gave way to a new master.

One of the spectators that night was another youngster, a native of Madison, Wis., who had only a short time before graduated from a parking car class. This was young Walter Cochran, a shining youth with an ambition to be great like Schaefer and Hoppe.

Cochran was then, under the tutelage of "St. Patrick," the famous billiard master of Chicago, who had brought out Charlie Demarest, another great cueist.

"You see, my boy," Perkins told Cochran, "it is as necessary for you to have perfect control over the nerves as well as those three ivory balls. These two fellows, Hoppe and Schaefer, are like two nerves of steel. Right now you can make them as well as they can."

you'll never win a championship until you become a nerve of steel. In 1924, in Chicago, history repeated itself and Cochran, as like a piece of steel as any human can be, went through the international championship tournament in a blaze of glory, "out-fencing" Hoppe and Schaefer, the American, Edgard Hoernemann, the Belgian, and Eric Higginbotham, the oldest German.

Higginbotham finished second and Schaefer third, and by right of tournament rules Higginbotham was permitted to challenge first. He met Cochran in Chicago recently and when they chalked their cues for the final shot, the youthful Cochran (he is 24, but looks 18) was 238 points behind the German. Thus Higginbotham needed 500 points and Cochran 744.

Then Cochran found himself and in exactly eight innings he counted the 744 points, making a high run of 487 in one inning and winning with an unfinished run of 155, leading Higginbotham by only a few points.

Now it's Schaefer's turn to challenge. Young Jake has twice held the title. He ranks with Cochran and Hoppe as the greatest "shot makers" of all time. He is the holder of the world's record high run in competition, a string of 412, made in Chicago in 1924 in a challenge match with Hoernemann. The previous record, 314, was made by Cochran in the tournament in Chicago in 1921.

Football Player Dies of Injuries

McCOOK, Neb., Nov. 17 (AP)—Jack Murray, McCook high school student, died today from injuries received in a football game with Trenton high school last Friday.

GRIDDERS PAINT FEET

PORTLAND, Ore. — Football players of the University of Oregon are using paint. There is nothing happy about it, for it is applied to the feet. The paint, prescribed by William H. Fletcher, is a diluted variety of ordinary furniture polish, used to protect the feet, especially from blisters.

Oregon Staters Will Play Idaho Next Saturday

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis, Nov. 17.—The Oregon State eleven is preparing for the clash with the University of Idaho in Portland Saturday in probably the best physical condition that it has been in at any time this season. Few injuries were received in the game with Oregon and these are not of a serious nature.

Gilmer, Gillback, and Montgomery, quarter, were hurt but will be recovered in time to face the Yandean. Custom Whitlock, right halfback, and mainly as a punter for Coach Paul J. Schaefer, had to sit on the bench during the Oregon tilt and wore an injured shoulder. He was probably all right for the Idaho tilt which is very nice in view of the fact that Idaho has one of the best kickers on the coast in Darville Hargrave and someone will be needed to boot the ball here, which otherwise is a desperate situation if any one is.

Light, brief practice periods in the program for the Oregon squad this week. There will be no heavy scrimmages, the usual sporting meet of the time so stated practice with dummy punting and passing scrimmages.



There sure are a heap of differences in people, the man who lives yesterday and wanted to know if we had some slack coal that he could burn in his furnace. We told him we did and we asked him how he burned it. He said, "I put my kindling in straight up and down in the front, shoved my slack coal over in the back of the stove and the kindling ignited the coal and loaves a good draft." He said that he gets better results out of slack coal than he did out of big lump, but he says you never want to put slack coal in on top of a hot bed of coals, because if you do it will blow your lids off.

Another man scratched into the office last night and asked if we had any big lumps. We told him we did and he said that he believes it pays to pay more money and buy the big lump coal. Lots of differences in opinion, but there's some of our customers at the oil and coal, but all of our customers aren't nutty.

A man just poked his head into the office door and said, "What do you ask a gallon for that 100 percent pure Monarch's paint?" We told him so much. He said, "I'll be back."

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TIGER FLOWERS DIES IN GOTHAM

Death Comes Suddenly in New York Hospital After Miñor Operation

NEW YORK, Nov. 17 (AP)—With a prayer on his lips Theodore ("Tiger") Flowers the "praying doorman" of the prize ring, died in a hospital last night after a minor operation.

Dead in the "bers" bathhouse bearing the huge yellow head of a jungle cat across the shoulders—a familiar sight to rings all over the country—the famous Georgia brawler who once held the world's middle weight championship went to the operating room in the institution at 17 W. 57th street to undergo an operation for a growth over his right eye.

Prayer on Lips
As the anesthetic was being administered the "tiger" a doctor in the church at Atlanta, Ga., murmured:
"If I should die before I wake,
I pray the Lord my soul to take."
Without regaining consciousness after the operation, performed by Dr. Frank Flowers, died suddenly at 10:15 p. m. when his heart quit after he had been thought out of danger.

Little more than a year ago, Harry Greb, who lost his title to Paavola in a decision in Chicago Aug. 2, 1924, was the "colored tiger" whose title career extended over nine years. He had been a unique fighter in ring history. A clever, speedy southpaw, with an attack that never once slackened despite attacks.

Death Sudden
He said the doctor was in a special condition before the operation and had called well. Death occurred as suddenly, Dr. Frank Flowers said, that he was unable to reach the patient's side from another room at the end of a second physician before the end had come.

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Third Title?



If Mickey Walker, former middleweight champion and former welter champion, gets the light heavyweight championship, he will be one of the few fighters ever to hold the championship of three classes. His chance to do that thing seems very good, especially so after his victory over McTigue.

He fought 174 fights before winning the 166-pound title. He was 22 years old and fought all the leading middle weight of his time, many light heavyweights and a few heavyweights.

In the last year, he fought ten times without loss in a campaign to force Mickey Walker back into the ring for another title match. Only yesterday, Madison Square Garden substitution served notice on Mickey Walker that he must agree to meet Flowers under terms of an old contract or legal measures would be taken to honor about the match.

It was in preparation for this bout at the title that the tiger attacked yesterday's opponent, Walker Miller, his manager, said. Years of campaigning had left Mickey Walker's eye and, he said, as well as a slightly "ruffled" right eye, which was required by Freddie Powers was born in Franklin, Ga., August 2, 1905. He wound up a ring career that stretched through almost 100 battles. Last Saturday night here with a four-round knockout of Leo Gates, Indiana heavyweight. Only a few nights before he had fought Mattie Rosenbloom, New York, middleweight, to a draw in Detroit.

Eligibility of Star Questioned

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 17 (AP)—There was considerable talk in the student body at Grant High school, and intense activity among the members of the Portland Intercollegiate football league, because eligibility of William Head, star fullback of the league-leading Grant High school team, had been questioned.

An unestablished rumor came to the league's attention that previous to the three years he spent in Arlington, Ore., high school he had played on a high school team while still a grammar school student.

If this should be found true, Charles Fry, principal of Roosevelt and president of the league, said Head would be ruled ineligible.

Ira DeRn Defeats O'Dale in Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 17 (AP)—Ira DeRn, Salt Lake City wrestler, won two out of three falls from O'Dale, of Cedar Rapids, in the feature event of a wrestling program here last night. They are heavyweights. DeRn took the first fall in 21 seconds, 11 seconds. O'Dale won the second in 24 minutes 44 seconds and DeRn won the match on the third in 20 seconds.

Armour Playing Portland Course

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 17 (AP)—Tommy Armour, national open golf champion was among the first to tee off today in the Oregon open, championship tournament at the Waverly country club. There were about 100 entries and they started today in three-omnes. Noted professional and amateurs of the Pacific northwest were in the list of entries.

CONNIE STILL HUNTING

NEW YORK—Every time Connie Tomlinson goes to town, she takes an automobile ride with a man now she finds amusement in warning him that they will be reported outraged. Nevertheless she is still making the best man.

Observer Will Not Sponsor An All-Star Team

For the last three years the La Grande Observer has presented what was generally regarded as the most authentic all Eastern Oregon football team, selected late in November each year by George L. "Woody" Dutton, Mr. Dutton, who received a great share of the high school games, was in a position to make an accurate selection and therefore his teams were generally regarded as authoritative.

This year, however, Mr. Dutton has moved to Portland and will not be longer in a position to select an all-star team. The Observer will not present mythical selections.

One reason is that it is generally supposed that there is no one in this territory who is rated by experience to take Mr. Dutton's place in making the selections. Another is that all-star teams, while filling a purpose, are becoming more and more to be regarded as a doubtful influence upon the athletes selected.

Mr. Dutton's teams were always selected at the request of the sports department of the Observer. This year no records will be made for any week selection and if an all-star team is printed by the Observer, it will not be sponsored by the newspaper, but will be presented merely as an item of news, to be taken at face value by the interested public.

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