

Sport Slants

by ALAN J. GOULD

Babe Ruth, who thinks he ought to be worth \$15,000 a year to the Yankees for the next three years, and Colonel Jacob Ruppert, who believes the Babe worth only \$500,000 more for no longer than a ten-year period, both may be too conservative.

"The Babe, if he takes proper care of himself, ought to be good for ten (count 'em)—ten more years of major league playing," remarked Artie McGovern, who on at least two separate occasions brought about a rejuvenation of the slinger's physical condition. The way Artie put the emphasis on his "10" however indicated that he was somewhat skeptical. He was encouraged to proceed.

"The trouble with the Babe is he tends to spend at least an hour a day on some regular exercise to keep in condition during the off-season," explained McGovern. "In fact, Ruth doesn't get enough exercise to keep his weight down even while playing. Maybe he gets three or four chances on the average in right field during a whole game. That's not enough ever to work up a perspiration. He ought to be able to do that job indefinitely, if he takes care of himself otherwise, preserves some rule of diet and avoids excesses."

"Last spring Ruth wasn't in shape and what happened? He broke down for a time and wasn't in stride until late in the summer. Naturally he is finally getting better, year by year, but he can do it only with the right amount of exercise."

Among the younger crop of professional golfers headed for the championship hole, dark-haired, dense-haired Shute unquestionably is up in the vanguard with blond-haired Horton Smith.

Although younger, Smith has gained punting start on Shute. The Missouri stylist skyrocketed from coast to coast in 1929 and he has made a fine start for 1930.

Shute also has come along fast. The Columbus, Ohio, youngster was in the running for the National open all the way last June. He came to the seventy-second hole needing a birdie three to tie Jones and Espinosa. Knowing this he pushed a treacherous drive, carrying nearly 300 yards straight

OUT OUR WAY



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WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY.

By Williams Sickness, Cold Cuts Attendance, Hilgard School

By Miss Vera Wetmore (Observer Correspondent)

HILGARD (Special)—Due to the extremely cold weather, Miss Lola Martin is staying in Hilgard. She had been driving back and forth from La Grande to her school. She reports that the attendance is about half, due to sickness and cold weather.

Miss Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rees, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wetmore and Stowell listened to King George of England open the naval conference in the House of Lords, London, England. The reception was very good, considering that it was a broadcast.

Mr. Frank Keffer and little daughter Beverly came out from Mt. Emily camp Monday afternoon to have some dental work done in La Grande.

John Thurnburn is home from the logging camp for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Foster Sims drove out from the Mt. Emily camp Saturday evening. They planned to

drive back Sunday afternoon but a much snow had fallen and drifted they could not make it. They had to leave their car in La Grande and return to camp on the logging train Monday morning.

George Wilson and Mr. Cartwright were called to La Grande Tuesday to meet with railroad officials and Mr. Stunze in regard to some land that has been used for a logging road.

Mrs. Nelson and daughter are visiting in La Grande and Baker this week.

Mr. Ralph Sullivan, of Starkey, was here for a few days returning Tuesday with the mail carrier.

Stowell Wetmore visited over the weekend with Max Baxter, of La Grande.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Thorburn and daughter Eva were in La Grande on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Conroy were in La Grande Monday on business. Mrs. Fred Olymes and children of Glover, are home again after visiting in La Grande two weeks.

Wednesday evening the road construction camp between Hilgard and Kanawa suffered the loss of their steam shovel by fire. A short-circuit in the carburetor started it, then the gas tank exploded and

spread fire over the whole machine. The heavy loss was covered by insurance.

Mrs. J. S. Williams was a La Grande visitor Thursday.

Duncan McDonald was a Hillside visitor Wednesday. He came after some horses that have been on the range.

CARNERA WILL FIGHT RIOUX FRIDAY NIGHT

CHICAGO, Jan. 27 (AP)—Primo Carnera and his retinue, including two sparring partners, his manager, and a drawing instructor, today were here to prepare for the Italian's women boxing debut with Eleanor Rioux at the Chicago Stadium Friday night.

Primo's first workout in Chicago was on his schedule for today, the giant having spent yesterday afternoon after his arrival from New York in pouring ten for a delegation of his countrymen, looking over his training quarters, and taking a lesson from his drawing teacher, Carnera, who conquered Big Boy Peterson in less than a round in New York Friday night, he on the same bill with

Bruce Flowers, New Rochelle, N. Y., lightweight, and "King" Tunough Minneapolis puncher, who meet in a return match at the Chicago stadium.

FISCHER TO MEET BARBOLA

CHICAGO, Jan. 27 (AP)—Charles (Midget) Fischer, of Butte, Mont., Wis., claimant of the world middleweight wrestling championship, will meet Emil Barbola, of Milwaukee, at the Rainbo Jai Alot Fronton tonight.

Every man has a price, says a magazine writer. And if he isn't bought, frequently he is sold.

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down the middle from the 18th tee. It was all or nothing on the next shot. Shute played for the pin on the sloping green with a daring shot but it was a trifle too strong, bounding over the back edge and finally costing him a five. He showed his courage, nevertheless, under pressure and with about 10,000 fans swarming around to see him finish.

Shute's triumph over Smith and a flock of stars in the rich Los Angeles open has given him a great gateway along the winter resort trail. Smith was only four strokes behind, tied for second place, and it will be interesting to see how these two youngsters compare in the remaining important open events of the Southern campaign.

One of the ancients of the prize ring, whose name was up around the top no longer than six years ago, was induced recently to simulate a "div" for a mere \$500.

Came the night of the bout, as the novelties say, and the old warrior climbed in to do his stuff. At the bell, he made a few menacing gestures to make it look good. Whereupon his opponent, a Spaniard, paled and went down, apparently from sheer apprehension, after breaking out of a clinch and taking only the mildest of blows.

To make matters worse for the Spaniard's manager the winner kept the \$500.

DID YOU KNOW THAT—
Tom McArde rates Phil Scott as fourth among the heavyweights putting Sharkey, Schmeling, and Griffith above him, in that order.

He puts Eddy below Scott, ... then come Campolo, von Porat, Tommy Loughran, Johnny Hisko and Ernie Schauf, ... The trotting track at Phoenix, Ariz., is one of the fastest in the country ... and the pacing mare, Gilda Gray, 2:01 2/4, is to be given a whirl there in an effort to set a new record. ... Kid Chocolate is due for a battle Feb. 14 against "an unnamed opponent" ... suppose it's Carnara? ... Dan Howley has been in several good brawls, but one of

the best was at Reading four years ago. ... Dan was catching for Toronto and started a row with an umpire ... then he took on four police, one of whom socked him above the eye with his club, leaving a scar. ... Dan got 5 days and \$100 for that one.

Washington—Rear Admiral William Wirt Kimball, retired, commander of Nicaraguan expeditionary squadron in 1909, dies.

Alameda, Calif.—Norman A. Goddard, air school head, killed by 3000 foot fall of glider into estuary.

Oklahoma City—Government witness in big liquor case dies mysteriously.

FOREIGN
London—Stimson confers with MacDonald; other American delegates confer with French.

Bombay—Communists riot at Chowpatty sea face independence day meeting; seek to hold red flag in place of independence banner.

Madrid—Primo de Rivera calls on heads of army, navy and civil guards to decide whether he shall resign.

Athens—Earthquakes destroy homes on Aegean sea islands of Psaros and Anti-Psaros.

Berlin—Communists stage minor riots in various communities near Berlin; several wounded, many arrested.

Dunby, N. S.—Four die, two coast steamers tossed on rocks in storm.

Guatemala City—American surgeons with aero-medical expedition perform brain and bone operations before Guatemalan medical group.

BISHOP IS WEAKER
CHICAGO, Jan. 27 (AP)—The most Rev. Charles Palmerston Anderson, presiding bishop of the Episcopal church in America, who has been critically ill since last Tuesday, from a heart attack was reported in a somewhat weaker condition in a doctor's bulletin issued today. There had been a slight improvement in the prelate's condition yesterday.

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