

FRANK CROSETTI SHOWING PROMISE

Coast League Recruit in Yankee Camp Collects Extra-Base Hits.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Mar. 22 (AP)—Frank Crosetti, Pacific coast star, came to the New York Yankees with a reputation as a "chop" hitter but he has been taking a full cut at the ball in the training season.

He clubbed a home run yesterday to maintain his record for at least one extra-base hit in every exhibition game he's played with the Yankees.

ALL NOT WELL WITH CRITZ LOS ANGELES, Mar. 22 (AP)—There are signs and portents that all is not well with the ailing arm of Eugene Critz, little second baseman of the New York Giants.

Critz has been doing little but lobbing the ball around the diamond in the games he has played so far and there is some fear that his arm never will be able to stand the strain of a quick, hard throw.

HACK HITTING HARD CLEARWATER, Fla., Mar. 22 (AP)—If Hack Wilson can keep up the good work the Brooklyn Dodgers may not miss Babe Herman so much after all.

Wilson leads the club in batting so far with an average of .480. He has collected 12 hits in 25 times at bat. He has clubbed three home runs and batted in 13 runs in eight games.

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Sarazen, At Top of Game, Hopes To Snare North And South Tourney

JACK DEMPSEY FIGHTS BEFORE NINE THOUSAND

TORONTO, Ont., Mar. 22 (AP)—Fair weather or foul, old Jack Dempsey still is the ace box office attraction of the boxing business.

A crowd of 9000 fans braved the snow storm of the season to see Dempsey floor young Joe Doctor of Buffalo three times in a four round exhibition no decision bout here last night.

After battering Doctor about the head and body in the first round, Dempsey floored the youngster with a left hook early in the second round. Before the round ended Doctor went on the canvas twice more, each time for counts of nine.

Dempsey dealt out heavy punishment through the last two rounds but Doctor stood up under the fire gamely and declined to go down again.

Dempsey weighed 191 pounds; Doctor 184.

Plenty of Prizes Upwards of \$5000 in cash prizes awaits the low scorers, while hotel accommodations offered the invited professionals boost the tournament into the \$10,000 class.

More than 100 players are expected to participate in the two-day 72-hole medal contest starting Mar. 24, the 30th renewal of this tournament, which had its inception in 1903 when D. J. Ross, the designer, won.

The fairways of this 6553 yard par 71 course are of tightly-knit grass and the sand greens are hard as rock. Few players attempt a pitch to these greens, but generally chip short and roll on or use a bunker club shot, entirely from any distance under 35 yards.

Johnny Barr Again Johnny Farrell, the former open champion and Sarazen's partner in the barnstorming tours, is another front rank golfer who has never struck his full stride on these Carolina sand hills and who may be a real contender.

Wifly Cox, Brooklyn municipal course star, will defend the crown he won last year from Joe Turney, the slender Elmford, N. Y., Italian, in a play-off.

Billie Burke, the national opening, who won his first major honors on this layout in 1928; Walter Hagen, three times winner here; Paul Runyan, the young surprise winner of 1930, and Macdonald Smith, who took first place in 1926, will be among the contestants.

"Hail" After Comeback Sir Walter, whose putting was so poor last year that he picked up in the second round, now is playing well. Burke shot great golf to win the Belleair open and Runyan won the season's fastest tournament, the Gasparilla open at Tampa.

The Pinehurst tournament will offer Smith his last test before he embarks for Scotland and the British open. Smith's wood shots are giving more distance than ever before and his putting and work with the irons is generally admitted to be on a par with the best.

Tommy Armour, another master of the irons, and Tom Creavy, the I. G. A. titleholder, also will play, as will Al Hophous, Willie Macfarlane, Tony Manero and others.

The Canadian, an indoor champion, York American and New York champion, George Maugin of Newark, 7-9, 8-4, 6-3, 6-4, in the opening engagement but Borotra came through with a brilliant victory over Frank Shields, 6-8, 6-1, 6-3, 6-2.

American Tennis Team Gets Even Break in Singles

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Mangun played erratically in the first set but settled down thereafter and Bousquet really was threatening Shields, on the other hand, played his best tennis in the opening set against Borotra but after that the French veteran easily was his master.

After tonight's doubles match, the series will wind up tomorrow night with two singles matches, Mangun playing Borotra and Shields meeting Bousquet.

Babe Herman Signs With Cincinnati TAMPA, Fla., Mar. 22 (AP)—Babe Herman, the well-known holdout, became a full fledged Cincinnati Red today, emerging smiling from an early morning conference in which he was understood to have signed a contract paying him \$16,500 a year.

With signing, he became Cincinnati's ace, the keystone of the baseball arch the Reds hope to crown with a pennant.

For the first time since training began, the Reds roster is complete. Stripp and Cucchiello, two troublesome non-signers, went to Brooklyn in the trade that brought the slugger Herman here, and with his Ernest Lombardi and Wally Gilbert, the latter already looked upon as likely to grab a regular infield berth.

Herman reached camp yesterday. President Sidney Hillman, back from Fort Myers to meet him, and they went into a three-hour conference that ended in early morning smiles.

SEATTLE, Mar. 22 (AP)—Thirty-five aquatic stars, headed by Helen Madison, world famous Seattle swimmer, were entered today in the annual Pacific Northwest open swimming and diving championships to be held in the Washington Athletic club pool here Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Visiting entries include Al Van Giese, Herbert Dishorn, Edward Ralston, Leslie Richards, Victor Smith, John Anderson, Herbert Eismann and Harry Johnson of Oregon State college; Mary Lou Perry, Penelope King, Preston Foreman and Leo Nicholson of the Women's Athletic club of Spokane; Bob Needham, University of Oregon; Paul Laferty, Multnomah Athletic club, Portland; and Kenneth Lawrence, Bernard Fisch, Jack Levy and Sidney Hendy, Portland National Swimming club, Portland.

EL PASO, Tex., March 22 (AP)—The romance of a nurse and a 6-foot ball star was one of 23 marriages put through the one day divorce mill of Juarez, Chihuahua, by one attorney it was revealed today.

The new divorce law does not require residence and permits divorces by mail without, either party appearing in court.

Martha Skipper Mahoney, former El Paso nurse, was divorced from John Michael Mahoney of Bend, Ore., former football star of Oregon State. She charged incompatibility. They were married here last fall after Mahoney had been treated in a hospital where she was a nurse.

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BABY CHICKS—Now is the time to buy baby chicks. Nampa Hatchery Chicks are B. W. D. tested. Five leading breeds. Highest quality. Reasonable prices. Send for Catalog. The Nampa Hatchery, Nampa, Idaho. 3-18-10 tp

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SAW DUST 16 and 4 ft. slab wood. Ray McCarroll, 1027. 2-24-1 m.

FOR SALE—Only \$300.00 down, 15 acres, improved, joining golf links. Balance long time. See J. R. Martin, 1104 Penn. Ave. Phone 494-M. 1-21-1 f.

DRY COARSE WOOD from Union—\$4.25 and \$4.50 per load. Phone Archie Conley, 137 A. 1-16-1 m.

BLOUSES AND JACKETS MADE OF LIGHT LACE PAINE (S) — Light lace blouses and jackets are a feature of spring styles. A number of black crepe frocks have blouses of heavy white or cream lace incrustated over the black background. Black and navy blue sath frocks are designed with short coats of ivory-hued lace the openwork weave of which shows the dark color beneath.

Professional Directory Hospitals DR. LEE B. BOUVY Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital 525 5th Floor Foley Bldg.—Ph. Main 16.

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LOST HAWTHORNE Flyer bicycle, Saturday. Notify Observer. Liberal reward. 3-21-4 t.

CHURCH ON WATERSHED DANA, N. O. (S)—A church here stands on the dividing line between the Atlantic ocean and the Missisippi river. Situated atop the Blue ridge mountain, the water falling from the east side of the building finds its way to the Atlantic, while that running from the other side goes to the ocean via the Missisippi.

PRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS Poor Oscar! By Blosser

SEE...WILLIE GOES AN' GIVES ME THE KEY TO CLUB HOUSE, AN' NOW I'VE LOST IT... I'LL HAFTA TELL DOODLE !!

I'VE LOST THE KEY TO THE DOODLES CLUB HOUSE... I BETCHA SOMEBODY DOGGED ME OF IT WHEN I WAS IN THAT JAM ON THE STREET CAR !!

YSR—THAT'S JUST WHAT HAPPENED. NOW THAT I COME TO THINK OF IT !!

WELL...IF IT'S GONE, IT'S GONE... NO USE CRYIN' OVER SPILLED MILK !!

DIDNT YOU FEEL A HAND IN YOUR POCKET WHEN THEY WERE TAKIN' IT ?

YES, BUT I THOUGHT IT WAS MY OWN !!

REPARATIONS FOR THE BIG PARADE, TO TAKE PLACE SHORTLY, ARE GETTING UNDER !!

THE NEW FANGLES (Mom'n Pop) J. Fuller Ayer Arrives! By Cowan

WELL, WELL, MR. AYER! I'M MIGHTY GLAD TO SEE YOU LOOKING SO FINE!

HELLO, AFFEL, HOW ARE YOU? I WANT YOU TO MEET MY DAUGHTER, AGUSTA

WHY, THAT'S FUNNY! I THOUGHT SHE WAS RIGHT BEHIND ME !!

SHE PROBABLY STOPPED IN THE OUTER OFFICE.

RIGHT OUT THIS WAY, MR. AYER.

I BROUGHT HER ALONG, JUST TIGHT HER AWAY FROM A COUPLE OF YOUNG PESTS, WHO ALWAYS ARE HANGING AROUND.

THIS CERTAINLY IS A PLEASANT SURPRISE, MISS AYER.

HOW LONG DO YOU EXPECT TO STAY?

Sport Slants

By Alan J. Gould (Associated Press Sports Editor)

The story was told with considerable detail last season, but the method by which Bill Killefer aroused the Browns to a real fighting pitch against the Athletics, with the result that the champions were whipped four straight, still stands as an example of what may be done on the ball fields with old-fashioned methods.

The background was laid in an early season series when the A's became insistently over-bearing in the process of taking the Browns over the hurdles. As Killefer tells it:

"Big George Earnshaw, in one game, walked around the infield loudly asking any of the A's if they wanted to pitch. As a crowning insult, Connie Mack sent Eddie Rommel, the old pitcher, in to play second base.

"I was fit to be tied. I was so mad. When we got back to St. Louis for a home stand, with the A's coming to town, I told all my players I would fine any one of them I caught even talking with the Mackmen. I gave 'em an old fashioned fight talk, with the result we went out all fired up.

The A's were not prepared for such tactics, in the first place. They won the first game, with Grove in the box, but they were back on their heels and the Browns took the next four in a row, at a time when the Athletics were being hard pressed by Washington.

"After we had beaten them to a standstill, Earnshaw had the courage to come over and congratulate me, and tell me he wished there was more of that kind of spirit in baseball."

BLASTED GROVE The Browns handed another wallop to the A's later in the season when they stopped Lefty Grove's record winning streak, after 16 straight, with Dick Coffman in the box.

Coffman a short time before had blanked the White Sox with one hit, a single by Kerr in the middle of the game. When the A's came to town and it was Grove's turn to pitch, Coffman personally asked for the assignment against the famous southpaw.

"I just felt I might as well take the tough spot while I was going good," recalled Coffman when I talked with him in the Browns' camp at West Palm Beach. "Grove pitched another great game but I had a little edge on him all the way, allowing only three hits. We might have been pitching yet, however, but for a misjudged fly that helped us get the only run of the game."

COFFMAN JINX I asked Coffman which of the big hitters he found the toughest to work against.

"Al Simmons and Babe Ruth are always tough," he replied, "because they can hit anything but the fellows who give me the most trouble are Alexander of Detroit, Larry of the Yankees and Cronin of the Senators. It seems to me I can never get that Alexander out. Cronin is one of the smartest hitters in the game, always dangerous, especially in a pinch."

This Game of Golf

By O. B. Keeler

Denny Shute, who used to be Densmore Shute in the days when his name was prefixed by "Mr." in the open tournaments, got into the winter tournament spin a bit late, but in the last few weeks he has been making up for lost time.

With half as many medal rounds in the book as Sarazen and a third as many as Harry Cooper, Denny at the last available reports was leading the list in medal averages—his figure was just under an average of 72; to be exact, 71.12-13, for 13 rounds.

Horton Smith, with an average based on the two rounds played before his accident, was leading with 71.5, but, as in baseball batting averages, the actual leader really has to show sufficient reliability over a properly long route.

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THIS CURIOUS WORLD

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"BIG BEAR" A GIANT GRIZZLY KILLED OVER 125 CATTLE DURING THE YEARS OF 1898 TO 1912. SEVERAL HUNTERS WERE OAD TO SPEND THEIR ENTIRE TIME TRAILING THIS ONE ANIMAL.

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HELEN KELLER IMPROVES NEW YORK, March 22 (AP)—Helen Keller, noted blind lecturer, was reported "resting easier" today. She was stricken Thursday by a gall bladder affliction and is confined to her home.

Georgia paid \$1,622,966 to Confederate veterans in pensions during 1931.

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