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Answer to Yesterday's

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FROM NORMAN DALY, CITY

WHEN DOES A MAN SIT DOWN TO A MELANCHOLY DESSERT?

ANSWER TO-MORROW!

DEMOSTHENES WOULD NOT HAVE MADE A GOOD BOXING MANAGER IN YOUTH--HE STUTTERED TOO MUCH

BOY WHO KNOCKED OUT KID WILLIAMS IS GIVEN BOUT WITH CHAMPION

If Herman Accepts Gauge Laid Down by Joe Lynch There Is Bound to Be Something Doing to Give New Life to Fighting Among the Diminutive Gladiators.

By H. C. Hamilton
NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—While the folks are fuming around about a probable match that will drag Jess Willard into a real defense of his crown, arrangements are under way for a bout for the world's bantamweight championship—a match, by the way, which will be the classiest in the tiny division since Kid Williams and Edie Campi met.

Terms have been wired to Joe Lynch by Dominick Tortorich, the New Orleans promoter, for a 20 round bout with Pete Herman, the bantam ruler. Lynch's manager has accepted. If Herman accepts the match will be staged.

Lynch's punch is a recently developed asset. Formerly he aspired to the fancy stepping, but discovered that he could hit if he tried.

Interest has rather died out of the small boys since Johnny Coulton practically retired from the ring and then returned to lose to Kid Williams. When Campi and Williams fought neither was champion, but the match excited the greatest interest all over the country.

Fohl Says Late Draft Will Allow Indians Show Up

Chicago, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—Lee Fohl, manager of the Cleveland Indians, was a visitor at San Johnson's office yesterday. He said the best news he has heard in a long while is that the second draft will not be called until late in the summer or early in the fall.

"We have lost only three players by the first draft, but if the second goes into effect before the end of the ball season we will lose at least a dozen," said Fohl.

Buck Weaver Will Play Short for Sox

Chicago, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—Buck Weaver will be found grabbing the grounders between second and third bases for the White Sox when the 1918 season opens. Manager Rowland settled the question of whether Buck would play short stop or third base by informing Weaver he was slated for the short field.

Rowland said he would stand pat on the infield as it lined up against the Giants in the last world's series.

Weaver and Joe Benz, pitcher, signed their contracts with the White Sox yesterday.

Middleweights Are Sans Sleep Wallop

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—If either Jack Osener or Al McCoy, former middleweight champion, possesses a knockout punch, they failed to show it Wednesday night before a big house at Dreamland Athletic club and the judges called a tame four round bout between the two men a draw. There crowd was disappointed.

The other bouts on the card, however, were somewhat more lively, starting out with a novice event between Jockey Spinner and Ernie Gosenman. The former was stopped in the second round. Ted Frenchie of Los Angeles and Little Joe battled toe to toe for four rounds and a draw.

Chet Neff of Seattle and Dutch Crozier of the naval training station made up the semi-final bout in the decision. The other bout on the program was between Kid Juljan and Young Brown of Los Angeles. The crowd was with Brown and hooted the draw decision given.

Brooklyn Soldiers Not Paid

New York, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—President Charles Ebbets of the Dodgers has denied a report that the Brooklyn club will keep all enlisted players on half salary this year. Returns in the baseball business do not justify such action these days, says Ebbets.

The Old Judge Is Now Able to Buy Dandy Nice Sled

Sacramento, Feb. 1.—Judge McCredie has been sent a check for \$5000 by the directors of the Sacramento club in payment for the players turned over to Sacramento by Portland. This will effectively answer McCredie's complaint that the Sacramento owners have been slow in paying up, it was said.

Albany Gun Club to Start Shoots Today

Albany, Or., Feb. 1.—The Albany Gun club will open the 1918 season today with the first of a series of shoots. These events will be held the first and third Fridays of each month. Three trophies will be given, the Albany Gun club trophy, the club badge and the H. R. Everding trophy.

The trophy, which is presented by H. R. Everding, well known Portland sportsman, is a silver cup suitably engraved. The cup is now in possession of H. B. Cusick, secretary of the local club.

Yale Athletes Are After Real Sports

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—The demands of undergraduates at Yale for something more substantial than "informal sports" may do much toward changing the policy of the university, it was believed here today. The Yale Daily News is championing the demands of the students for varsity teams in all branches of sports and intercollegiate competition.

It is expected 200 rinks will take part in the annual Winnipeg bonspiel this year.

BENNY KAUFF, star centerfielder of the New York National league team, who has been placed in class 1 of the selective draft. If Kauff is drafted it will be a severe blow to John McGraw's pennant hopes for the coming season.



15,000 CUBANS SEE SUN GOD AND OL' HANS LOBERT

Havana, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—Red Cross day drew a crowd of 15,000 spectators to the Oriente park race course yesterday afternoon. It was the largest crowd that ever witnessed the running races in Cuba.

President Menocal and representatives of all the allied nations occupied boxes in the grandstand.

In the "President Menocal Handicap," the feature, Sun God beat Olga Star a length and a half. The winner's portion was \$1640.

Hans Lobert, the ex-Giant, won the novelty race. He beat one motorcycle on an inch. Lobert threw himself across the winning mark and collapsed, but quickly recovered his wind. He was embraced by his old pal, John J. McGraw, who roared like an Indian for Lobert to last long enough.

Demaree Gets Early Start

Chicago, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—Al Demaree began getting the kinks out of his arm today. He was at the central Y. M. C. A. here tossing a medicine ball, and won't require much more conditioning before reporting to Manager McGraw in March.

Ten Giants Are Unsigned

New York, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—Only 10 members of the New York Giants remained unsigned today following the receipt at Giant headquarters of the signed contracts of Catcher McCarty and Outfielder Wilhoit. The Giants have more players under contract than any club in the National league.

Every investor in War Savings is driving another nail in Germany's coffin.

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The resignation will become effective as soon as the county court meets next Wednesday in regular session, and it is understood that Mrs. Alberta Dunn, daughter of the present incumbent, and who has been connected with the office ever since her father was first elected, will be named as his successor.

from the local school. The game was close throughout, Jay Willard, center, shooting the winning basket in the last few seconds of play.

BLUE-GOLD WILL MEET STANFORD

California Universities' Athletic Councils to Discuss Resumption of Football Relations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—Athletic representatives of Stanford and California will meet here tomorrow to consider immediate resumption of athletic relations between the two universities. A compromise proposition, whereby the two institutions will meet in both American and Rugby football, is said to have been framed by the Stanford board of athletics to be presented to the Berkeleyites tomorrow.

Stanford will propose that both universities abolish the paid coach system. The Cardinals will also urge a gentlemen's agreement whereby Stanford will not use freshmen in any contests with California.

Stanford and California severed relations in 1915, when California decided to substitute American football for Rugby and to insist on the rule barring freshmen from competition. Since then the alumni of the two universities have been trying to bring them together, but without success.

CHI'S BACKYARD SCENE OF BOUTS WITH VERDICTS

City Killed by Gans-McGovern Fake Gets Chance at Fort Sheridan.

Chicago, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—This city, one of the greatest fighting towns in the country till Joe Gans and Terry McGovern ruled their famous frame-up and whipped it off the mat, threatens again to take the foremost place in the boxing game. Not so much because boxing is not being tolerated in our own backyard, but because we have 10 round fights to a decision. Fort Sheridan is just a hop-skip-and-jump over the city limits.

Boxing is being conducted in various cities throughout the country, but the boxer must trust his name and reputation to the popular verdict. This means that he can win, lose or draw all in the same fight, depending on how the men of the press see the contest.

"There are critics who are such because they know, others because they are made such because of employment. At Fort Sheridan all fights will be decided by one man, the third man in the ring and as capable a judge as ever officiated. This referee will be Ed W. Smith. He has been officially made third man. His reputation has gone before him and when he renders a decision it is as fair as could be rendered by an expert.

Tennis Stars Will Play for Army Corps

New York, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—Theodore Roosevelt Pell, Harold Taylor, Vincent Richards, S. Howard Voshell, Harold Throckmorton, Frederick B. Alexander, Dr. William Rosenbaum and other stars will take part in an indoor tennis tournament to be held at the Seventh Regiment armory here February 12, 16 and 22, it was announced here today. Receipts will go to the committee on training camp activities.

International Club Owners Meet Feb. 11

New York, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—The annual schedule meeting of the International league will be held at the Hotel Imperial on February 11, it was announced today. International managers have much important business before them, for in addition to electing a successor to Ed Barrow, resigned president, they must decide whether representatives shall continue intact or run with less clubs. Montreal, Rochester and Richmond are said to be through.

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Blues to Train in State

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—The Kansas City Blues will not forego their spring training camp because of the war. The Blues, managed by Harry Wood, with the Parsons, Kan. Chamber of Commerce, where the Blues will get their spring workout for the next two seasons.

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Who Is Most Valuable Player? All Points To Be Considered

By Jack Velock
New York, Jan. 30.—(U. P.)—Who is the best third baseman in the business today? That effect had only Chicago fans will shout the name of Buck Weaver. Philly bugs will warble Milton Stock.

The same variance of opinion is found everywhere. Ask a score of fans to name the best players in all positions and you would get a score of different answers. The baseball bug sets up his idols and worships them. His opinions will not parallel your own.

Cobb and Alexander have national reputations. They are recognized stars. But there are many others, not as widely advertised, but just as valuable in many ways for their consistency.

Hitting, fielding and base running ability must be balanced in a ball player to make him highly valuable. Great hitters cannot field or run. A player of much value except as pinch performer at the bat. And the player who cannot hit, but as a curly woff in the field seldom sticks in the big show unless his club is blessed with unusual hitting strength and can afford to carry one weak hitter for his fielding prowess.

All in all the most valuable player combines all the arts of the game and the habit of being "in there" every day, doing his bit consistently to win ball games.

To Compare Stars

Of the many players in the majors today, which is the most valuable in each position? Who's who among the shortstops, catchers or fielders?

For the sake of comparison we have taken nine outstanding players for each position and ranked them, to the best of our judgment, all the while remembering that, in the case of pitchers, the slabbier who can stand lots of work and turn in the greatest number of victories is the most valuable to any man's club; that the fielder or catcher who deserves most credit is the one whose all-around ability would make him a valuable asset to any one of the 16 major league clubs.

Starting with the pitchers in the next article, the players selected for each position will be taken up.

Tener Would End Offering Large Sums for Stars

New York, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—President John K. Tener will make an attempt at the meeting of the National league directors here February 12 to halt offerings of huge sums for players by rival club-owners. The attempt of Charles Weeghman of Chicago to purchase Roger Hornsby of St. Louis is the cause.

Tener will offer an amendment to the league's constitution.

Youth Is Arrested On Serious Charge

Facing a charge of contributing to the delinquency of two 14-year-old girls, Emil Watson, aged 19, was bound over to the grand jury in Municipal Judge Rossmann's court yesterday afternoon. His bail was placed at \$500.

It is alleged that for several weeks Watson has contributed to the delinquency of one young girl, residing on the East Side. It is also charged that through his influence the girl induced another to run away from her home in Seattle last week, which caused the police to look far and wide for her before she was found in the Portland girl's home.

Watson was arrested with another young man by Police Inspectors Hillyer and Graves, but the second youth was exonerated.

Coincidence in Sudden Demise

Aberdeen, Wash., Feb. 1.—Within a fortnight two bachelors of Cosmopolis have died suddenly, each leaving a considerable estate. Thomas Tait, a blacksmith, died at his forge. His property will amount to \$15,000 and his heirs are two brothers in Scotland. Paul Reubens died from the effects of a fall, and leaves an estate valued at \$10,000, which will go to relatives in Roseburg, Or. Each was about 55 years of age.

Boys Need Home

Oregon City, Feb. 1.—Deserted by their own mother, who was then divorced by her husband, their step-father, Joe and Lawrence Carr, two bright lads, aged 11 and 7 years, respectively, have been adjudged dependents by County Judge H. S. Anderson, who is now seeking homes for the boys. The boy's mother was Mrs. Conrad Thomas, and Mr. Thomas has five children of his own blood to care for, and asked the county court to look after the welfare of the little fellows.

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EDDIE PLANK IS THROUGH BY HIS OWN ADMISSION

Manager Huggins Plans Trip to Gettysburg to Talk With Pitcher.

New York, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—Eddie Plank, veteran southpaw, recently secured by the Yankees from the St. Louis Browns, has officially notified the New York club of his retirement.

The former Athletic hurler has threatened to withdraw to the seclusion of his Gettysburg farm for several days, but information to that effect had only reached the officials of the New York club through the newspapers. Contracts have been mailed to both Plank and Derrill Pratt, second baseman, secured by the same deal.

Pratt has also stated that he will not sign up until his suit with Phil Ball, president of the St. Louis club is settled, but he has expressed his willingness to play with the Yankees.

Manager Huggins probably will go to Gettysburg and have a talk with Plank.

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