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RUTH JOINS TEAM AND GETS GREAT WELCOME FROM CHEERING CROWD

Throng Greets Babe at Train and Escorts Him to Room at Hotel; Given Great Reception

SHREVEPORT, La., March 12.—"That's him!" shouted one of Shreveport's most prominent citizens who was all dolled up in his Sunday best, at 4:40 o'clock, at the Union Station last Sunday. "Let's give him a real welcome and a mighty cheer!" said one of the fairest sex of this community. And a thunderous roar swept across the station and out into the warm evening breeze.

Suddenly the crowd began moving closer to the station gate, through which the incoming passengers pass. Everybody who was at the station seemed anxious to get a "close up" of the recipient of their cheers. But there was no need for any crowding as he towered above them all, and his big cap, his black hair and the big black cigar that was stuck in the corner of his mouth was plainly in view of all those present.

while the crowd was edging closer to him. He bent over the register and wrote: "George"—hesitated, then finished, "BABE RUTH!"

He was assigned to a room, and before he took off his coat there came a knock at the door. Outside were nine "kids," all under ten years of age.

"We want to speak to Babe Ruth," said the spokesman of the party. "Well, sonny, you're speaking to him now." And Babe shook hands with all of the youngsters, who quickly rushed down the stairs—they didn't even wait for the elevator—to tell the other kids in the town of their great adventure.

That is how Babe Ruth, the greatest of all homerun makers, entered the "Yankees" training camp. The fans here began mobilizing at Union station long before train time. They came in automobiles of all sizes and shapes on bicycles, on street cars and even in the one-horse shay. They said the crowd that welcomed Babe to Shreveport was even bigger than the one that greeted President Harding.

The three weeks of training at Hot Springs had reduced Babe's waistline several pounds, but he has at least fifteen more pounds to take off before he is down to playing weight. He said on his arrival that he had lost 16 or 12 pounds at Hot Springs and that he expected to be in good condition when the season begins.

Just now Babe is nursing a slightly torn ligament in his right ankle as the result of the walks he took over the mountains at the health resort. He walked from 15 to 18 miles every day, in addition to playing golf and baseball.

OREGON OPTIFIED GAME. EUGENE, Ore., March 12.—(A. P.)—University of Oregon has been offered a football contest with Fordham University in New York city Thanksgiving day at the Polo grounds, but indications are the game cannot be played owing to the close proximity of the University's game with the Oregon Agricultural College, November 19.

'DOUBLE CROSS' IS WORKED OVERTIME IN BASEBALL CONSPIRACY

Trial of Indicted White Sox Players up Monday; Charles Comiskey Loses Heaviest.

CHICAGO, March 12.—The trial of Chicago White Sox baseball players, charged with throwing the 1919 world series, which begins Monday before Judge William E. Dever of the county court, is expected to bring forth evidence that almost everyone connected with the alleged conspiracy was double crossed in some way.

The loss of Charles A. Comiskey, owner of the club, of his championship team and of players valued collectively as high as \$200,000, was looked upon at the time of the jury investigation as a double crossing unparalleled in baseball history. Testimony given before the grand jury and which probably will be introduced during the trial, indicated that the alleged plans of the gamblers charged with fixing the series and of players charged with throwing it, also went astray in several respects.

This testimony, given by witnesses, was to the effect that the gamblers double crossed certain players by not making good on promised bribes, certain players in return double crossed the gamblers by winning a game on which the gamblers had pyramided previous winners and thus lost many thousands of dollars for the fixers, and that some players even double crossed each other.

Chicago lost the first two games of the series and on these two games various gamblers were said to have won many thousands of dollars. Claude Williams and Joe Jackson, in their grand jury confessions, said that the players were promised a certain amount of money after each game, but only Cioetto, Jackson and Williams confessed to receiving money. According to some of the evidence, certain players became very angry when the gamblers failed to make good on the promise of payments after each game and having thus been double crossed by the gamblers, did their best to win the third game of the series.

The gamblers, it was said, pyramided their bets, betting on the second game against Chicago—all they had won the first. The combined winnings were placed on Cincinnati to win the third game and when Dick Kerr came through with a 3 to 0 victory, in which he was aided by indicted players, the gamblers lost everything.

Felsch, Weaver, Hiseberg and McMullin, maintained that they never entered the conspiracy and never received money. Jackson and Williams confessed to receiving money, although admitting they received money. Cioetto confessed to receiving money and to one intentional misplay. Gandil has never surrendered, but in press statements was quoted as denying that he took any part in the deal. He was named by Williams as the man who gave him \$10,000, however, \$5000 for himself and \$5000 for Jackson.

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SPORT BULLETINS

SALEM BEATS EUGENE. SALEM, Ore., March 12.—(A. P.)—By defeating Eugene high in the semi-finals of the state inter-scholastic basketball tournament here yesterday afternoon by a score of 25 to 21, Salem high school won the right to battle for the state championship in the final game tonight. Other scores in the afternoon series of semi-finals yesterday were: McNamara 22, Marshfield 14; Baker 22, Franklin high (Portland) 15.

BENNY MAY NOT PLAY. SAN ANTONIO, Texas, March 12.—(A. P.)—When asked regarding a report that Benny Kauff, outfielder of the New York Yankees who was recently called before Judge K. M. Landis, baseball arbitrator, would not be in the Giants lineup when the season opened, Manager J. J. McGraw said he did not know. "The case is in the hands of Judge Landis," McGraw said, "and I do not know what decision he has taken."

ESTABLISHED NEW RECORD. NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 12.—(A. P.)—Edward Blaney, swimmer of Yale, established a new inter-collegiate record for the 50 yard swim in the meet between Yale and College of the City of New York here last night. His time was 24 1-5, clipping 1-5 second off the intercollegiate mark, which he made on March 29, 1920. Blaney also swam in the 40-yard event a few minutes afterward and equalled the intercollegiate record of 15 seconds, held jointly by himself, Earl of University of Chicago, and Kammann, United States naval academy.

MEET AT TOLEDO. BUFFALO, N. Y., March 12.—(A. P.)—American Bowling congress delegates held their 21st annual business meeting here yesterday and selected Toledo, O., as the city for the 1922 tournament. President J. T. Smith of Buffalo and Vice-President E. C. Dyer of Toledo, C. C. Ryan of Kenosha, Wis., and W. D. Alexander of Cincinnati, were re-elected. Prize money for winners in this year's tournament totals \$43,984, according to the official prize list, the largest amount ever distributed in an

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A. B. C. tournament. The total to be distributed in team prizes is \$14,884, with \$1999 for high score, 13,509 in two-man prizes with \$500 for the winning pair and the individual prize list totals \$13,292. The individual champion this year will receive \$1900.

ARABIAN CALIFORNIA TRIP. CORVALLIS, Ore., March 12.—(A. P.)—Plans for a trip to California by the baseball team of the Oregon Agricultural College have been abandoned. Games had been proposed with the Portland Coast League team in training at Santa Maria, and with the University of California and Stanford University. The plans were cancelled following receipt of advices that money for the expenses of the trip from Monterey to Santa Maria would not be forthcoming.

JAPAN OUTLINES PROGRAM. TOKIO, March 12.—(U. P.)—Japanese naval program is declared to be the most ambitious ever undertaken in peace times by a modern nation, by Japanese advertiser in an English language newspaper. The paper carried detailed analysis of the naval plans.

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