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BAKER TO BE TRADED TO WASHINGTON RUMOR NOW ON BASEBALL ROW

Change is one of Few Breaths of News to Fans; Carpenter Said to be in Poor Condition

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(Written for the International News Service.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The sluggishness of the baseball rumor exchange is reflected in the fact that it now becomes necessary to trade Frank Baker again to provide material for headlines. It may have started on Broadway or in Washington, but anyhow a story came drifting along that the Yankees are going to trade Baker and Mike McNally to the Washington club for Stanley Harris, place that young man on second base and move Aaron Ward back to third.

All that remains for the deal to become official is for Miller Huggins to propose it, Clark Griffith to second it and Baker to consent to it. J. Franklin only last Spring declared himself in no unmistakable terms against stepping out of a championship entourage to become one of the sights of the national capital.

It would seem that the Yankees, with their formidable array of pitchers and sluggers, need no further strengthening, yet Huggins is not ready to stand pat on his infield. Scott and Ward are fixtures, but the latter's position is uncertain. Baker is always an uncertain prospect, though he has not yet announced his annual retirement. Pipp is not any too sure in his position, but it is not likely that Huggins would dispose of him without procuring a first-class man in his place.

Carpenter's Condition.
Reports of Georges Carpentier's physical decline continue to drift in from London, where the European heavyweight champion is topping off training for his bout with George Cook, Australian unknown, on January 12. Jack McAuliffe has looked the Frenchman over and finds a start-

Goodbye, Little Girl, Goodbye



Detachments of the Army of Occupation are leaving Coblenz with regularity now. And many of the doughboys are leaving their sweethearts, as you will notice here.

ling change in him. He says George is no longer the debonair, light-hearted Carpentier of Manhasset days, but seems to have lost his grip on himself through worry over his condition.

This bears out other stories of Carpentier's falling health due to the awful body punching he endured at Jack Dempsey's hands last summer.

Despite official denials, Carpenter apparently has not recovered from that beating. He has made no effort to return to America, where big purses await him. His fight with Cook may prove little, as the Australian is regarded here as a "set up" for the Frenchman.

AIRPLANES ARE FOUND SUCCESSFUL IN RIDDING TREES OF WORM PESTS

Same Method May be Used to Save Growing Crops From Insects; Ohio Experiment

DAYTON, O., Jan. 7.—(U. N. S.)—At the instance of entomologists of the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, Wooster, an airplane was used to dust a catalpa grove of 6,000 trees, which was being destroyed by caterpillars, and the experiment was such a success that a new commercial field for aviators of great possibility may be developed.

The initial experiment was conducted on the farm of Harry E. Carver, near Dayton, and an airplane from McCook Field was used for the purpose. Carver's trees had been attacked twice before by worms and was undergoing a third attack, which it was feared would wipe out the entire grove. He informed the State experts and asked for immediate help.

An army pilot was detailed to take a plane to the Carver farm, where a home-made hopper, similar to a flour-sifter, was built and attached to the fuselage of the airplane. The hopper was then loaded with one hundred pounds of arsenate of lead, and the "battle of worms began."

The pilot took off and, choosing the windward side of the grove, soared back and forth, while his observer operated the hopper. The speed of the plane created a strong wind-current, which carried the poisonous powder to the rear of the machine in a veritable cloud.

The powder thus released was sprayed over the grove and settled on the leaves of the trees. Back and forth went the machine, landing at intervals to recharge the hopper. This process continued until six hundred pounds of the poison had been distributed over the trees.

Experts were surprised to find that the pest had been eradicated with the first treatment. The trees, which had already been almost entirely defoliated, were found to be in thriving condition, and bodies of millions of dead worms littered the ground, which it was said would prove beneficial to the trees because of the elements of fertilizer which naturally followed decomposition.

Two months later another inspection was made at the grove, and this served merely to confirm the first beliefs of the entomologists. The grove contained six thousand trees, and the fact that each tree was thoroughly dusted convinced the experts that this method is applicable to not only orchards, but to growing crops which may be threatened with destruction by insects of any character.

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STORK PROVES HIMSELF PARTIAL TO KANSAS CITY

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 7.—(U. N. S.)—Kansas City can boast a marked increase in babies in 1921. According to the vital statistics bureau, Kansas City's production of babies up until December 1 showed an increase of 294 over the same period in 1920. Figures reveal that there were 6,190 births in the eleven months during 1921.

On the other hand, infant mortality figures showed a decrease. On December 1 last year 709 babies less than a year old had died, whereas this year only 580 had died.

Among the 6,190 babies born this year there were only sixty-six pairs of twins, compared to seventy-two in the totaled births of last year. One lone group of triplets was born during the year and all the trio of infants died.

The numerous visits of the stork revealed that fond parents have similar names. The most popular name was Betty for girls. Among the boys William topped the list.

815 FOR A STRADIVARIUS

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 7.—(U. N. S.)—Charles F. Rowles read of the high value placed upon Stradivarius violins and went up to his attic and dug out a fiddle that had been purchased by one of his ancestors many

AMERICANS ENJOY SNOW SPORTS WITH CANADIANS

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 7.—(U. N. S.)—Winter sports are in full swing in Algonquin Park and hundreds of tourists from Canada and the United States are holding high revel in the snow, which is deep over the 4,000 square miles of primeval wilderness comprised within the borders of this great international playground.

Snowshoeing is one of the most popular pastimes. Gay parties set off on long hikes through the forest day and night. Over the hills they make their way, along the margin of ice-sheeted lakes, through unending woods of pine, tamarack and spruce, drinking in health with every breath, returning in the twilight with ruddy cheeks and sharp appetites.

OUIJA BOARD MAY DECIDE NAME OF THIS TOWN

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—(U. N. S.)—An appeal to the old Spanish Don who christened Los Gatos may be necessary via the ouija board to settle a dispute now raging in the quiet old town that nestles at the entrance of the scenic canyon that serves as the gateway to Santa Cruz Mountains.

Los Gatos means "The Cats." Los Gatos means "The Gates." "The Cats" is how it has been known, but a number of wealthy residents are rallying to support the contention that the name is really "The Gates." They cite the fact that it is the gateway to the mountains that gave it its name. The old residents laugh at this any say that the old Spanish Don who originally named it gave it the name Los Gatos or "The Cats" because of the prevalence of wild cats in the hills. They point to the fact that there are many of them still.

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