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Fanning With Farrell

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NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—(U. P.)—Only four pitchers in the National League pitched better ball last season than Senor Adolfo Luque, the Cuban hurler of the Cincinnati Reds. At the same time, only three pitchers pitched worse ball.

Sounds rather contradictory, but it remains a fact under the system of rating the pitchers a double rating.

In average runs allowed per game, which is perhaps the real way to judge ability, Luque was fifth with an average of only 3.31 runs a game.

But the Senor won only 13 games and lost 23, which from the old games won and lost system, made him twenty-third on the list with an average of .361.

Hard luck, it might be called for the Senor. He is one of several fine pitchers who have never taken the spotlight because no teams seem able to get runs for them.

Johnny Conch is a good example of the contrary. Conch is a young teammate of Luque's. He won sixteen out of twenty-five games and finished third on the list. But he was nineteenth on the list in allowing runs.

Ted Kid Lewis, European middleweight champion, successfully defended his title recently by winning a twenty-round decision from Roland Todd.

"Except for Lewis' holding and carelessness once or twice with his head, it was a clean, hard-fought contest," one of the London papers said in discussing the bout. "The result was a sore disappointment to Todd, but it might easily have gone the other way if Todd knew how to make more use of himself."

It would seem that it was a clean fight, but dirty, and that Todd would be a good fighter, if he knew how to fight.

Paint echoes are still heard of those



brave words that floated up from the southern training camps last spring. "Arm! Boy, you never saw such a arm! Thirty games for me next year, thirty games!"

Eppa Rixey, the Cincinnati Red hurler, was the only National League

MANY ACRES OF ARID LAND ARE RECLAIMED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(A. P.)—Twenty-year review of government reclamation work is contained in the annual report for the fiscal year ended last June of Director Arthur J. Davis, of the United States reclamation service, of the department of the interior, as the 17th day of June, 1922, marked the completion of 20 years of operation of the national reclamation act.

The investment of the government during this period has been in round numbers \$135,000,000, which has been accomplished the construction of works by which about 1,675,000 acres of former arid land, in the west has been furnished with a complete water supply, and about 1,100,000 additional acres in private projects has received a supplemental supply. On government projects the area comprises 21,462 farms, at an average area per farm of about 53 acres, supplying more than 20,000 families.

Build Large Dams.

With the investment mentioned the service has excavated more than 200,000,000 cubic yards of earth and rock, of which about 14,000,000 cubic yards have been placed in dams. Canals aggregating more than 12,000 miles have been built, including 27 miles of tunnels and 175 miles of flumes. Structures of all kinds and sizes, to the number of 110,000 have been erected in connection with the work.

Some of the large projects constructed are the Roosevelt Dam in Arizona which is 266 feet high; the Arrowrock dam in Idaho, 249 feet high; Elephant Butte dam in New Mexico, 266 feet high; and the Pathfinder and Shoshone dams in Wyoming, 218 and 228 feet high respectively.

Reclamation work also included the erection of many other dams, canals and tunnels, flumes, drains, power plants, transmission and telephone lines, roads, railroads, pumping plants and a variety of other classes of incidental work.

Really Added 49th State.

From an agricultural standpoint, the report said, the reclamation service has added another state to the union, equal in value to its agricultural products to that of the state of West Virginia or the combined values of the crops of Vermont and Connecticut.

The value of crops raised on farms on government projects in 1921 amounted to \$48,629,390, exclusive of about \$45,000,000 additional value on private projects which were furnished water from works erected by the service.

The value of crops grown on irrigated lands in the federal projects in 1921 averaged \$12.35 per acre, as compared with \$11.52 the average value per acre of the ten leading crops in the country as a whole in the same year. Since the government projects began the delivery of water the crops grown on reclaimed land have exceeded \$475,000,000 in value, exclusive of the crop value on private lands watered through government sources, and of the increased value produced as live stock and stock products. The increased value of the lands as a result of reclamation work by the government was placed at over \$200,000,000.

Affected by Conditions.
Director Davis pointed out that the

reclamation projects have not been exempt from the vicissitudes of industrial conditions, and that although they enjoyed high prices during 1917, 1918 and 1919, they also suffered severely from the rapid decline in values and available markets in subsequent years. Although the average irrigated undercrop has continued to increase, the actual values realized in the past two years are less than those of previous years. The need test of the industrial depression, he concluded, only the ability but the determination of nearly all of the water users to meet the payments required by law.

MINISTER T CHINA FITTED.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 12.—(A. P.)—A round of brilliant social functions marked the first visit to Shanghai of Commander V. Cerutti, who recently assumed the post of Italian minister to China. Commander Cerutti made the trip to Shanghai down the Yangtze on the Italian cruiser Libia.

Earned Her Dip



Miss Marie Murphy certainly earned this dip in the waters of Miami. From her home in Pittsburgh, Pa., she hiked all the way to the southern resort accompanied by her sister, Pauline. The hike took them two months.

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ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 12.—One swift kick for one Tennessee attorney—that probably is the vow of Joe D. Wright, who will be released from the Kentucky reformatory De-

cember 5—if he ever gets free of serving sentences.

And at that the Tennessee attorney was doing his best for Joe. He wrote a letter to the Georgia prison commission making application for full pardon of Joe D. Wright, alias James Davis. But Secretary Bell of the commission, looked high and low for one Joe Wright in prison—he couldn't be found. He did find that Joe had escaped from a Georgia chain gang July 26, 1920, and that

the commission after a fruitless search for him had closed his case. But now—thanks to Mr. Tennessee Attorney—Joe is located and when he is released from the Kentucky institution he will be met by a Georgia deputy.

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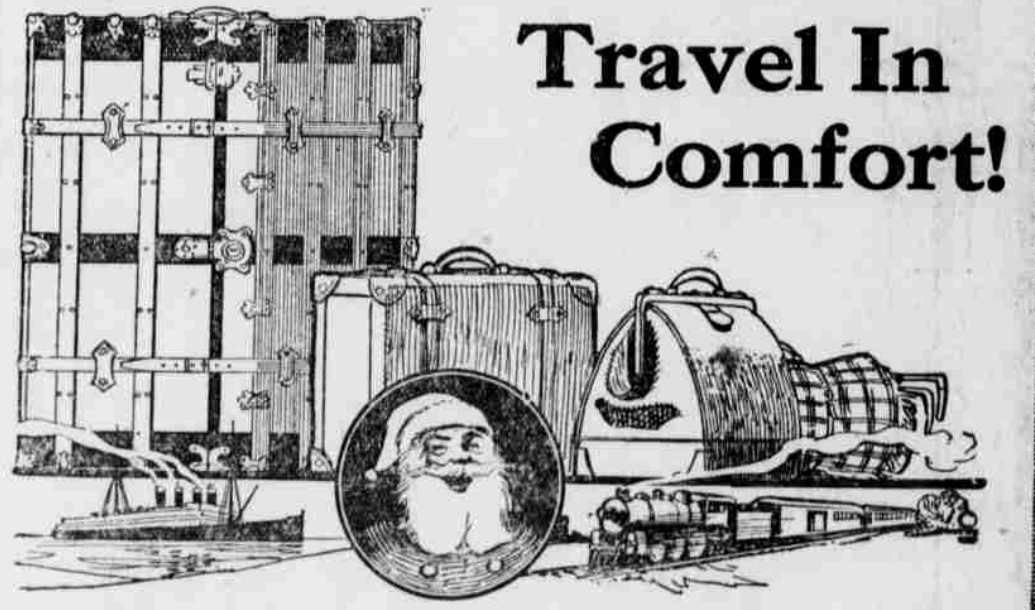
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