

PLACED IN STRANGE BATTLES
Herr Placke Most Peculiar of All
WTS THREE ROUNDS
Champion of Germany and the
Largest Prize
Herr Placke, a German boxer, is
famous for his peculiar style of
fighting. He is known for his
unorthodox tactics and his ability
to win fights in a very short
time. He has won several titles
and is considered one of the
great boxers of his time.

In 1923 he was second with 375,
in 1924 third with the same mark,
and last year he closed at 359,
once more in third place.
Zach developed into one of the
National League's best pitchers
after he joined the Robins in 1909.
He had an average of only .245 as
a member of the Mobile club in the
Southern association. In 24 games
near the close of the major league
season he pitched 100 innings and
an average of .264, but in 1916 and
1917 he slipped back below the .250
mark.
A stretch of three seasons slightly
above .300 followed, only to be
interrupted with his poorest year
in 1919, when he slumped to .258.
Brooklyn fans began to fear an
early ending to his career, but
again he came back with three suc-
cessive seasons above .300, the
rate of .318 bringing his best fig-
ure, .335, up to that point.
After hitting .297 in 1919, Wheat
began the greatest stretch of bat-
ting in his long record, hitting suc-
cessively for averages of .328, .320,
.325, .375, .376, and .357.
His 31 years ago at Hamilton,
Mo., Wheat has for 17 summers
played left field for Brooklyn.
Wheat came to baseball from a
Missouri farm, and as soon as the
spring rules out the first batter
of the National League season, the
Brooklyn veteran returns to the
scenes of boyhood labor.

GEORGIA PEACH ADDS TO HIS RECORD ON DIAMOND
Individual Batting Performance Sets Mark
(Correspondence of the Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Jan. 30.—Tyus Raymond Cobb, the Georgia Peach, holder of more baseball records than any man in the game, added further distinction by the greatest individual batting performance in the American league during the season of 1925, official statistics reveal.
The fiery Detroit leader had his "field day" in a contest between the Tigers and Browns at St. Louis, on May 5.
Cobb went to bat six times on that date and smashed out three home runs, a double and two singles, for a total of 16 bases. During this performance he was credited with being responsible for eight of the fourteen runs scored by his club.
His first homer came in the first, off Joe Bush, and with one runner on base, he pitched the way to the second and Cobb hit his second circuit blow, again with a runner on base. In the fourth frame, Tyus hit a two-bagger and got singles in the sixth and ninth. His third home run was in the eighth, with Gaston pitching.
Cobb's total of 16 bases hit for in a single game set a new American league record, the previous mark having been 13, made by Eddie Gharrity, of the Washington team, on June 23, 1915. Cobb's six hits in six times up tied the American league record set by Frank Brower with Cleveland on April 22, 1922.
Next day, Cobb continued his hitting by getting two more home runs and setting a new record of five home runs by one batter in two consecutive days. Then on May 6, he made the one hundredth home run of his career in the American league.
Goose Goslin, of the Senators, hit three home runs in a game at Cleveland, but he had the twelve innings of an overtime contest to do it in. His third homer, in the twelfth, gave Washington the game.
Keeps Horse-Parking Space
Lincoln, Kan., has passed an ordinance setting aside a block in the downtown district where only teams can be parked. Motor cars are not allowed in the block and a sign advises motorists: "This space reserved for horses."
Charles T. Fisher, vice-president of the Fisher Body corporation will serve as a member of the govern- ment's central committee on luncheon standards. It was stated at the office of Secretary of Commerce Hoover.
Evolution: We have the "In- telligence" now instead of the old-fashioned "smart Alec."—Charles- ton Courier.
Epitaph: "Here lies a Propa- gandist, as Usual."—Paris News.

THREE PITCHERS EMERGE FROM BENCH TO STARDOM
They Play Parts in Finishes of Cards and Braves
SMITH FAILED AT SECOND
Sherdel Received First Chance to Pitch Regularly Under Hornsby's Direction Last Season
(Correspondence of the Associated Press)
NEW YORK.—Three pitchers, two of whom rose from utility positions to stardom in strong finishes by St. Louis and Boston under the pressure of emergencies last year, have drawn important roles for the National league pennant drive of 1926.
Bob Smith, of the Boston Braves, an infielder who failed at second base only to reach pitching heights late in the season will enter the coming race as one of the most unusual finds of baseball. Way- land Dean newly purchased from the Giants by the Phillies, and Bill Sherdel of the Cardinals hold similarly important roles. Early in his career, Smith, who came to the Braves from New Orleans of the Southern league in 1923, was told by Manager Dave Bancroft he would never make good as an in- fielder.
"Why not try pitching?" suggested Bancroft.
The erstwhile utility second base- man received his first stab oppor- tunity in July against Pittsburgh. He beat the Pirates, 2 to 1, and then completed the season with a record of five victories and three defeats.
Smith, Georgia boy, showed enough in the last half of the cam- paign to convince Bancroft that his reconstructed second baseman had developed into a real pitch- ing find, one to share with his two brilliant youngsters, Cooney and Genewick, the mound burden of a 1926 campaign which looks with bright prospects for the Hub or- ganization.
Veteran Sherdel Makes Good
A veteran of twelve seasons— four in the minors and eight in St. Louis—Sherdel received his first chance to pitch regularly under Hornsby last season. He had come to the Cardinals as a fast ball pitcher from Milwaukee for the modest sum of \$750. But his fast ball was not to the liking of Branch Rickey, former St. Louis pilot. Rickey encouraged him to put the brakes on speed and de- velop a slow curve ball, with the result that the league's leading twirler in games won and lost last year pitched his way to success on the wings of a "floater."
The Phillies, third in batting last season, but only half a game from the cellar because Manager Arthur Fletcher could not obtain consistently good pitching, are pre- pared to place much dependence in young Dean. The \$50,000 hurler, purchased by the Giants from Louisville in 1923, last year began to show pitching promise and his marked variety of curves is con- sidered to hold great possibilities for the Quakers.
Fletcher also has added Bent- ley, pitcher and first baseman, and Pearce, Willoughby and Mar- to his slab string. From this corps the Philadelphia manager sees hopes of producing the pitch-

strength which would make his team a serious pennant contender.
O. A. C. GETS CONTEST
WRESTLING MEET WILL BE HELD IN CORVALLIS
(By The Associated Press)
CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 29.— Oregon Agricultural college has been definitely designated to hold this year's national amateur ath- letic union wrestling meet. Tele- graphic acceptance of the offer made by the college to stage the meet was received today by Robin Reed, local wrestling coach, from C. M. Brett, of Birmingham, Ala., chairman of the A. A. U. wrestling committee. April 15, 16 and 17 are dates decided on for the meet.
Eight colleges and amateur clubs have already sent word that they would be represented by full teams if the meet were held at O. A. C. All parts of the United States are expected to be represented in the meet here.
FORD CO. BUILDS PLANES
TWO AIR TRANSPORT LINES IN OPERATION
During Year 1925 the Company Put Two Ships into Coastwise and European Service
A notable development in the activities of the Ford Motor company during the year 1925, was its en- trance into the manufacture of air- planes. The first step in air ac- tivities came with the establish- ment of a line between Detroit and Chicago. This was followed by the opening of another air transport line between Detroit and Cleve- land. Subsequently, the company acquired the Stout Metal Airplane company and began manufacture of all-metal commercial airplanes at the Ford Airport, Dearborn, Mich. Expansion in this new division of the company is seen in contracts which have just been let for an additional hangar at Dear- born and a new hangar at Cleve- land, the two having a total ca- pacity for ten planes and covering over an acre of ground.
During the year the company put two ships into coastwise and European service and a big ocean freighter, the East Indian, which

has been reconditioned, will go into service early in January. In ad- dition to those the company acquired a number of trucks for towing the fleet of vessels recently purchased from the government for scrap- ping.
At its Highland Park plant the company during the year com- pleted the largest electric locomotive in the world for use on the electrified Detroit and Ironton rail- road.
Power development during the year was also a big feature. Two large turbine generators were erected in the River Rouge house and these together with other power units installed at mines and branches bring the total increase for the year 1925 alone up to 170,000 horse power.
The close of the year 1925 finds a total of 151,948 employees in the Ford organization throughout the United States, which includes all Ford activities, as compared with 142,352 a year ago, an increase of \$9,596 employees.
Robbers Leave Auto
(By The Associated Press)
SALEM, Ore., Jan. 29.—Rob- bers, who were frightened away from the general store of C. M. Smith at Marion near here early Thursday, left standing in front of the store an automobile stolen from Roseburg, Ore. The car is owned by B. W. Manning of Oak- land, Ore. The robbers had de- posited a considerable quantity of loot in the car when they were scared away by a passerby.

Briefs of Oregon Life
The gross value of farm produce from lands in the central Oregon irrigation district during 1925 was \$1,760,090, or approximately \$49 an acre, according to a report received at the offices of the state engineer. The project is in De- schutes county and comprises an ir- rigable area of 45,497 acres.
The sign of the Ancient Order of the Double Cross was burned across the breast of a speedster of America's national bird at Pendle- ton recently when a big eagle was electrocuted on the high power lines of the Pacific Light and Pow- er company near Unadilla. The bird was caught on the double crosswires and shortly the circuit. Several times this year eagles thus have been killed.
In view of the opening of north- eastern Oregon to new settlers, keen interest is manifested by the Blue mountain region counties in land settlement work for the en- suing year, according to Arthur Foster, manager of the land settle- ment department of the Portland chamber of commerce, who has just returned from a three-day trip into that section.
There is now but a thin coating of snow on the Santiam pass, not more than five or six inches deep at any point, Supervisor C. C. Hall of the Santiam national forest re- ports. Supervisor Hall's informa- tion comes from Harvey Davis, Sweet Home, a local employe, who has made a survey of the pass within the last week.
Plans for the finances and building of the proposed new Cloud Cap Inn, near the site of the old inn of that name on Mount Hood, were discussed at a meeting of the Cloud Cap Inn committee at noon Tuesday in Washington street Hazelwood, Portland.
Silverton chamber of commerce has field men at work interviewing farmers in regard to growing flax, a scutching plant being assured if 500 acres are put in flax. At a community meeting of those inter- ested over 100 acres were signed.
Decision to fight referendum bill No. 413, which would place a pri- vilege tax on motor buses and trucks of the state, was made Wednesday night by directors of the Oregon Motor Stage associa- tion at a meeting in the Portland hotel.
Mrs. Pannie Jeffs, 553, Haw- thorne avenue, Portland, Tuesday celebrated her 101st birthday an- niversary. She is a native of En- gland and was born in Kiddermin- ster. She came to the United States in 1889, when she was 61 years old and with her husband settled in Rockford, Ill. They moved to Oregon City in 1893. She was married at the age of 45.

Don't You Believe All You Hear About Dogs!
By W. W. McCORMACK
One day last week a very flash- ily dressed man came to my ken- nels and inquired the price of a dog. Of the proposed moving picture colony. My helper gave him the necessary directions and mentally I checked off seventeen of the self- same queries as one item in the morning routine. Then after a disor- derly "thousand times," which made a total of seventeen thousand for that day, he swept the kennels with a lack-luster eye, lighted a highly perfumed cigarette and pro- ceeded to launch his dissertation on dogs in general and the ones he had owned and raised in particular. Yes, he knew all about the genus dog and, what's more, he admitted it.
Sure thing, he had raised and trained a lot of 'em and, believe him, all his dogs had worked one hundred percent at all times. He also confided in me with a precocious flourish of his ro- mantic "pill" the reason why he owned not a solitary dog was that at the present time there were now two kiddies in the home and, of course, the children would spoil the dogs for all practical purposes. He paused here in his learned dis- course in order to let his state- ment sink in, then looked from me to the other of us for confirma- tion of his views. Finally in ap- preciation of our act in pointing the way to the colony site he pro- fered a formula as a sure cure for the secret. He said first to gather up a lot of old shoes, put them into a bucket, then set the "kicks" on fire and force the afflicted dog to inhale the fumes. With a smug, insidious smile he maneuvered up the hill just in time to prevent me from committing mayhem or some other violent act of reprisal. How would you like it while suf- fering with the "flu" to have the nurse shove your nose into a bucket reeking of the aroma of burning shoes at one time full of "stron" feet?
As for children spoiling a dog, this man's contention is the veriest twaddle. I call to mind St. A. Habb's bird dog, Porter, to dis- prove this fallacy. He was the constant companion of Helden on Hay's son was a toddling little mite in short dresses. Porter was content to remain on the premises and took great delight in gambol- ing about the yard with his little boy playmate. And yet, no bet- ter dog in the field or about the house ever lived than this old fel- low. There he is the dog Tico, owned by J. W. Seavey. I raised this animal. My little niece dragged him around the yard on the end of a rope during six months of his puppyhood, then he dragged her around for the next six months. He is probably the best duck dog in Oregon today.
The Oregon field trials were held at Eugene last fall. The big event of this meet was the Northwest futurity. In this feature the own- ers enter their dogs before they are born. This was won by J. W. Vaughan of Washington, owning and handling La Bell Mohawk, a beautiful English setter. I talked with Mr. Vaughan just after this race and tried to induce him to stay over for a trip up the Mc- Kenzie. He told me he was in a hurry to return home as that morn- ing he had received a letter from his little girl and they were gone some for the dog which is their especial pet.
There are some dogs that are just naturally not so good as others and out of a thousand there has to be the best one. When a fancier gets a dog and keeps it around the house all the time playing with the kiddies and never takes it to the field for a chance to work out he cannot expect that dog to be as good as one that is trained reg- ularly. Jim Watson, Harry Reed or any other of the professionals do not develop their dogs at the end of a chain. The more you associate with your dog the more they learn and, in lots of cases, the more you love them. I do not mean you should teach your bird dogs a lot of silly parlor tricks, for nothing is more disgusting than to see a fine setter or pointer doing this stuff.
There are a lot of people who carry around a bunch of second- hand information and continually pass- ing it off for facts without knowing anything about the subject. They will tell you Irish setters are hard- headed and you have to break them over every year, also that Gordon setters are the most easily handled dogs, virtually leaving the thought in their heads that they have no spirit. They will tell you pointer will not work the brush and that setters will not work the high ground be- cause of the absence of water. They will tell you pheasants will ruin your gun and retrieving birds will spoil it too.
Yes, these wisecracks will tell you a lot of outlandish and preposter- ous things in case you give ear to their ravings.
If you, I will tell you one thing: If you will spoil a bird dog I would

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Pilcher's Shopping News

Hosiery
Women's Full fashioned Chiffon Hose, all new shades for spring—
\$1.49
Women's Heavy Silk full fashioned service hose in all the new shades—
\$1.69

Pride
Conceit is boasting about something which one has not. Pride is feeling happy over something which one has. Conceit is in- excusable pride, justifi- cable and necessary. We are proud of our institu- tion—proud of our mer- chandise and the service we believe we are ren- dering the community.

Princess Slips
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\$2.19
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Children's Spring Coats
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