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STEALING BABE'S THUNDER

George Kelly of Giants Leading Mighty Ruth In Home-Run Swats

Written specially for The Gazette-Times

Is the mighty Babe Ruth, baseball's greatest swat king of all time, to lose his crown in the very zenith of his career?

Has the great enthusiasm for Babe's mighty home runs been the incentive to bring out mightier and mightier but swifter?

Are ball players of the future, like race horses, to be bred and born from good stock?

All the above questions—and more too—are being asked now by fans everywhere as they watch day to day the performance of "Bingo" George Kelly, first baseman of the New York Giants.

Kelly is out-Ruthing Ruth. He knocked out seven home runs to Ruth's six in the first three weeks of the season, when fans awoke to the fact that a new star had arrived.

Ruth broke all records last season when he knocked 54 home runs. He predicted that he would beat that mark this year—then along came Kelly. What will he do?

Ruth is almost a month ahead of last year's record-breaking schedule, but Kelly is ahead of him.

Kelly broke into the Giants' lineup last year, knocked out eleven home runs during the season, but played only fair baseball. This season, however, he is playing a bang-up game, and batting the same way.

Old-time baseball fans who always insisted that ball players were born, not made, are now pointing to Kelly as proof of their claim. He comes from a family of baseball players, his uncle, Bill Lange, being a great star of the big league in his day.

Ruth knocks out home runs in a lunging, powerful swing, with virtually all of his weight behind the blow. He knocks 'em high and far. He bats left-handed.

Kelly bats right-handed, as shown

SETTING PACE FOR MIGHTY RUTH



"Bingo" George Kelly, first baseman of the New York Giants, and nephew of the former big leaguer, Bill Lange, has startled baseball fans by jumping out in front of the mighty Babe Ruth in knocking home runs. Ruth, after breaking all records with 54 home runs last year, got away to a flying start this year with six circuit smashes in the first three weeks of play—but Kelly went him one better—with seven. It is a great race. Pictures show how Kelly holds the bat for a sharp, well-timed swinging blow which meets the ball squarely.

In the news picture here, and his fans get a back view of the whole blow is different from Ruth's. It is opposing team, as all players turn a sharp, well-timed, swinging blow and watch the sphere sail over the which meets the ball squarely, then fall.

Aid Farm Land Loans Urges Wisconsin Man

REPRESENTATIVE NELSON IS FOR REVOLVING FUND OF FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS

Washington, May 16.—National financial aid for the farmers is contained in a bill introduced in the House by Representative A. P. Nelson, of Wisconsin, who has enlisted for it the support of the Secretary of the Treasury Mellon and the Farm Loan Board, as well as several presidents of Federal land banks.

In this bill it is proposed that there shall be created in the Treasury a farm-loan revolving fund of fifty million dollars, which shall relieve the long-term farm-loan situation and release capital for short-term paper, so as to enable the farmers to improve their property, extend their live stock, and purchase implements.

Mr. Nelson intends that the deposits throughout the country of the \$50,000,000 fund provided by the government shall be secured by Federal farm-loan bonds or other securities to be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury in an amount equal to said deposits, such securities to bear interest at a rate which shall be one-half of one per cent in excess of the rate borne by the last bond issue of the bank in which such deposit is made.

"I know of nothing more important in national legislation at the present time than enhancing the agricultural interest of the country and carrying it over its present depressing condition," said Mr. Nelson, in explanation of the measure. "The farmer purchases 60 per cent of the manufactured articles of the nation. He cannot have purchasing power unless he has extension of credits. Private banks are running along so closely that they cannot well extend it. Therefore, the government must lend assistance. The Federal Farm Loan system has worked well, but in this emergency it cannot function unless the Republican majority in Con-

gress comes to its assistance as I have suggested, and I have met with such unqualified sympathy for the farmer and such endorsement of this project on the part of Republican leaders that I am sure something will be done."

Withdraw American Troops

Washington, May 16.—Shall American troops be withdrawn from the Rhine as an evidence of the determination of the United States to refrain from further European alliance?

Representative Fish, of New York, a Republican, says so in the following resolution:

HEALEY LEAD TIE-UP U. S. SHIPPING



Thomas B. Healey

American merchant marine shipping, the hopes of American farmers for relief through exports, received a severe jolt when the marine engineers, one of the dominating labor unions of the service, refused to accept a wage cut, thus completely tying up shipping. It was estimated that American shipping suffered a loss of \$1,000,000 a day during the strike. Thomas B. Healey, shown here, is president of the marine engineers' union.

SMILE AWHILE

FILLING STATION GOSSIP.

Lew McCall says that motorists who come through Columbus enroute for Kansas City have about the following conversation when they stop at the filling station there: If it is a Cadillac, the driver says: "How far is it to Kansas City?" "One hundred and forty miles," is the reply. "Gimme twenty gallons of gas and a gallon of oil," says the driver. Then comes a Buick and the chauffeur says: "How far is it to Kansas City?" "One hundred and forty miles." "Gimme ten gallons of gas



and a half gallon of oil," and he drives on. Along comes a Buick and the driver uncrams himself, gets out and stretches and asks: "How far is it to Kansas City?" "Oh, about 140 miles." "Is that all? Gimme two quarts of water and a bottle of '3 in 1,' and hold this son-of-a-gun until I get in."—Columbus Advocate.

FIRST HAND INFORMATION.

There had been a tie-up on a southern railroad, and the travelers were bored hanging around the country station. One of them in desperation started up a conversation with one of the villagers.

"That boy over there," he said, pointing to a native youth, "looks as awkward as a lame mule."

"He is," agreed the resident. "He's a shiftless, no account, lym' rascal, too lazy to walk up hill."

"How do you happen to know so much about him?"

"Who, me? Well, I'd oughter. I'm his father."

HIS SENSE OF HUMOR.

A minister spoke very strongly against betting. One of the wealthiest members of the congregation was a great gambler, and some one told the preacher about this. After the service he went up to the gambler, and said, "I'm afraid I must have offended you today but—" "Oh, don't mention it," was the reply. "It's a mighty poor sermon that doesn't hit me somewhere."

Farmers Can Combine For Market Advantage

REPUBLICAN MAJORITY IN HOUSE BY VOTE OF 294 TO 49 GIVES THEM THAT RIGHT

Washington, May 16.—By a vote of 294 to 49 the Republican majority in the House has passed a bill permitting farmers to combine in associations for marketing purposes.

"This bill," said Representative Volstead, chairman of the Judiciary Committee, in explanation, "aims to authorize cooperative associations among farmers for the purpose of marketing their products. There are a great many of these associations today scattered all over this country. There are a great many of them in Europe. In this country they have been constantly threatened with prosecution. Many states have modified their laws so as to legalize these organizations, and the last national conventions of the two great parties, Republicans and Democrats, passed resolutions indorsing legislation of this kind. There is, as I understand, a general demand for it among the far-

mers, and their organizations have practically agreed upon this form of a bill. "The objection made to these organizations at present is that they violate the Sherman Anti-Trust Act, and that is upon the theory that each farmer is a separate business entity. When he combines with his neighbor for the purpose of securing better treatment in the disposal of his crops, he is charged with a conspiracy or combination contrary to the Sherman Anti-Trust Act. Business men can combine by putting their money into corporations, but it is impractical for farmers to combine their farms into similar corporate form. The object of this bill is to modify the laws under which business organizations are now formed, so that farmers may take advantage of the form of organization that is used by business concerns. It is objected in some quarters that this repeals the Sherman Anti-Trust Act as to farmers. That is not true any more than it is true that a combination of two or three corporations violates the act."

FOR PARTIES



To the Miss who expects to attend at least one elaborate party this summer, this evening wrap will appeal. It is made of deep orange taffeta ribbon with ostrich tips of deeper orange hue trimmings. It is worn over a white frock with scalloped hem and sash of orange velvet matching the hue of the ostrich tips on the wrap. Babe Stanton, bobbed hair beauty is wearing it as shown here.

REAVIS FOR FARMERS.

Representative Frank Reavis, of Nebraska, one of the Republican leaders of the House, is decidedly for the farmer. In defending the bill permitting agricultural associations under the law, he said: "I come from a district that is almost exclusively agricultural. I favor this proposition because I believe, in the first instance, it will prove beneficial to those whom I represent. I favor it because I hope that it will increase the price of their products. "The gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. Walsh) is no more unselfish in his opposition to this than I am in approving it. The very reason which excites my favor is the reason why he opposes it. I favor an increase in the value of farm products because my people sell them. He disapproves of the increase in price of farm products because his people buy them, and we are both on the same footing, so far as the purpose which prompts our action on this bill is concerned. But it goes beyond that, gentlemen. Agriculture and the interests of the farmer lie at the very foundation of this nation's prosperity."

Uncle John's Josh

MOTHER'S ALWAYS LOOKING FOR THINGS SHE DOESN'T WANT TO FIND—HOLES IN THE SOCKS.



THIS LITTLE GIRL NEVER EVEN HAD A FIRST NAME

And doesn't know how old she is—White Barbarians within sight of World's Biggest City



Fifty miles from New York City, in the historic Ramapo Hills, the authorities found a white family in rags and tatters—man, wife and four kiddies. They knew themselves as Thompson, but none had a first name. The little girl in the above picture was the oldest child. Kind folks have taken her in hand, given her the name "Ella" and are teaching her. The family are not idiots but they are nearly as backward as savages.