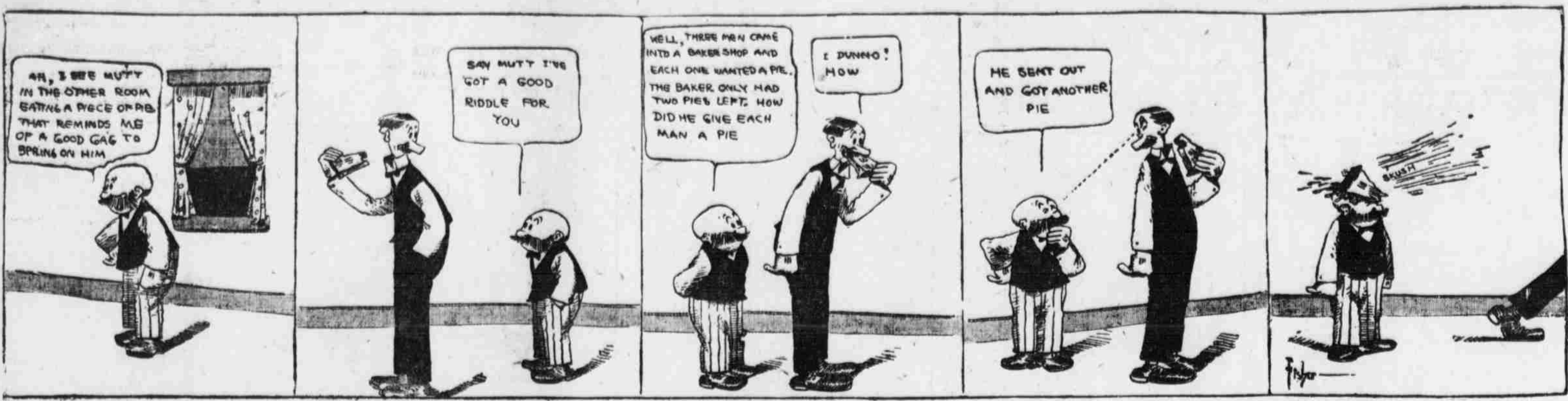


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BAKER IS TIMELIEST HITTER

Hero of Year Ago Keeps Up His Magnificent Hitting. LEADS IN AMERICAN LEAGUE

John Franklin Baker, hero of the world's series of 1911, was the timeliest hitter in the American league last season, leading the Johnnies not only in the number of runs batted in, but having also a higher percentage of runs batted in to the game than any other player in the league organization.

COBB, PERHAPS GREATEST PLAYER OF ALL TIME.



The Georgia "Peach" has announced that he will organize a club in Georgia next spring just for the purpose of handing a beating to his old rival, George Stallings, the new pilot of the Boston Nationals.

M'FARLAND BEATS MURPHY

Decisive Victory Gained Over Game and Willing Boston Man. KNOCKOUT PUNCH IS LACKING

KENOSHA, Wis., Dec. 17.—Packy McFarland of Chicago earned a decisive victory over Eddie Murphy of Boston in their ten-round fight here tonight. Murphy lost two teeth and was knocked down in the last round, his right eye got open and finished the fight a sorry spectacle.

AMONG THE LOCAL BOWLERS

Brodegaard Crowns Win Two Games from Nameless. CROWNS ROLL UP 2,529 TOTAL

Table listing bowling scores for Brodegaard Crowns, Jetter's Gold Tops, and O'Brien's Monte Cristos.

BROOKLYN'S STAR HURLER, WHO WILL ASSIST COBB.



Nap Rucker is the pitcher Ty Cobb has asked to perform for him in the star exhibition game against George Stallings' Pilgrims next spring.

CROWD FROM NORTH PLATTE

Some Future Cornhuskers Will Attend Alumni Banquet. WESTERNERS STRONG IN GAME

North Platte, a high school that had one of the best elevens of interscholastic caliber in the middle west last fall, will send ten players to the big banquet and entertainment to be given in honor of the University of Nebraska and high school foot ball elevens in Omaha January 8 by the Omaha alumni of the state university.

HYMENEAL

Cravens-Stecher. Miss Anna Stecher, daughter of Anton Stecher, and James Cravens were married by Rev. Charles W. Scavidge at his residence Monday afternoon.



"Some day I'll run one." "Future delivery"—one of the many accommodations which the efficient service in this men's store provides for Christmas shoppers.

We'll hold your purchases and send them in attractive Christmas boxes anywhere, to anyone, whenever you want them sent. House-coats, neckwear, gloves, fur caps, mufflers, leather novelties, suit cases and bags—attractive assortments of gifts he will like at prices you will like.

Table listing records of timely hitters in the American league for 1912.

Mayor Buys Bunch of Tickets for the Charity Wrestle

Mayor James C. Dahlen has purchased \$5 worth of tickets for the charity wrestling carnival to be held in the Auditorium Friday night for the benefit of the City mission.

Chance Not Able to Come East Just Now

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Negotiations for the engagement of Frank Chance as manager of the New York American league base ball team were further delayed today when a message was received from Chance saying that he would be unable to meet Frank Farrell, the owner of the team, in Chicago on Thursday.

State Billiard Tournament Opens With Interesting Game.

Cahn Takes Side After First Few Innings and Then Emphatically Outclasses His Opponent—Other Games During Week.

Prince Katsura Will Form New Cabinet

TOKIO, Dec. 17.—The emperor of Japan today issued a rescript ordering Prince Taro Katsura to form a cabinet to take the place of the ministry under the Marquis Satou, which resigned on December 4.

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Be true to yourself! Get what you pay for!

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Not until assured she was, would he consider his own condition. He died on a special train that was rushing him to Oakland.

"Tip" O'Neill Says League Owners Have Final Say

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 17.—Norris L. (Tip) O'Neill, president of the Western Base Ball league, arrived in Lincoln today to appear on the witness stand in federal court in defense of a suit filed against the organization by Guy W. Green, former owner of the Lincoln franchise. Speaking of Western league politics, President O'Neill said:

BELLEVUE FOOT BALL SQUAD IS BANQUETED

The annual foot ball banquet for the Bellevue squad is to be held this evening at the University club. The banquet is an annual occurrence and the entire team are to be guests of the alumni and ex-students.

BASE BALL BIGGEST FACTOR FOR GOOD AMONG CHINESE

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 17.—Base ball is the greatest single factor for good among the Chinese," declared President (emeritus) Charles W. Eliot of Harvard university at the students' meeting today.

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LONDON, Dec. 17.—Fred Welch, the English fighter, successfully defended his title of lightweight champion of England tonight against Hugh Mehegan, the Australian lightweight champion. The contest went the twenty rounds. Welch won the decision on points.

MAIDEN GIVEN \$3,000 FOR WIFE'S AFFECTIONS

MITCHELL, S. D., Dec. 17.—(Special.)—The case of John Maiden against James Boyd was decided Monday by a jury in circuit court, which awarded Maiden \$3,000 damages for the alienation of his wife's affections. Maiden brought suit to recover \$10,000. Both parties came here from Iowa three years ago, where the trouble first started. Mrs. Maiden's father was the strongest witness that Maiden had, and the elderly gentleman told on the stand how he refused to go to his daughter's house until she had agreed to break with Boyd, but she steadfastly refused to do so. The trial lasted three days.

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Miller Wins Handicap

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Eugene Miller, of Salina, Kan., won his handicap wrestling match here tonight by throwing five legal men in twenty minutes. He averaged 100 lbs. he could throw them in an hour. Red Senger of Lincoln and Ed Wheeler of Beatrice gave a five-round boxing match so decision being rendered. The closing bout was a fifteen-minute wrestling exhibition between George Glen of Aurora, Neb., and Jack Miller of Salina. Neither man scored a fall.

Yamada Defeats Morinagata

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 17.—In the first game of a tournament here, Kolo Yamada, the Japanese player, defeated Ora Morinagata of Pittsburgh, 60 to 52 in thirty-one innings. A purse of \$1,000 has been offered for an 18-in. line billiard game between Yamada, Morinagata and George Blomson. Yamada's average tonight was 12.50 to 11.50.

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