

## George Boehler Sets Mark for **Most Victories**

**Carl East Hammers Sphere for** Total of 433 Bases, Beating His Former Mark of 418 Made in '22.

When Joe Berger and his wallop ing Witches wrecked nearly every batting record in the Western league in 1921, it was predicted there never again would be such a massacre of pitching in this circuit. It didn't seem possible that any aggregation ever would be able to hammer the ball as hard as it was pounded that year.

But events of the 1922 season proved that nothing is impossible in the slugging line in the Western According to the official league. records which have just made their appearance, a score of records went tumbling, most of them team and league marks.

A new record was set in the num ber of men, who went to bat, 47,001 being charged with walking to the plate and failing to draw a base on balls, get hit or sacrifice. The former record was 46,362 in 1921.

A new record was set in the number of runs made-8,004 against 7,421 in 1921. A new record was set in number

of hits-14,172, as compared to 13,719 in 1021.

Home Run Mark Set.

A new record was set in number football-the forward pass-has just of two-baggers-3,024, as compared to 2,677 in 1921. A new record was set in number Michigan. Twenty-five years ago,

of home runs-682, as compared to 555 in 1921. A new record was set in number spiral throw, using it first at Ohio of total bases-20,276, as compared to Wesleyan university to teach punt-19,051 in 1921. ers how to kick a spiral.

A new record was set in batting Using his hand instead of his foot, percentage-.301, as compared to .296 for Yost says he was a poor punter. he explained to his squad how to in 1921, and it was the first time .n the history of the league that it was impart a whirling motion to the oval. a .300 circuit. to give it speed and direction.

Tulsa set a new league record by many years he used this trick in having 6,029 men charged with a coaching his backfield, and in 1905, the year before the present day fortime at bat, the previous record being 5,940, made by Wichita in 1921. ward pass, he published in a book on Tulsa set a new league record by football, illustrations of his method of getting off the spiral throw. making 1,954 hits. Wichita with "In executing the spiral throw," 1.907, also bested her previous record of 1,892 made in 1921. Yost said in his 1905 article, "place

### East Breaks Record.

tration. The ball should lie diago-Wichita set a new league record by nally across the palm from the base chasing in 1,190 runs as compared to of the thumb to the end of the little the previous record set by the same finger. The arm should be brought club in 1921 which was 1,180. Tulsa around forward in a horizontal line also bested the former mark by put- and, just as the ball leaves the hand, ting over 1,184. it should be caused to revolve on its Tulsa set a new league record by axis by suddenly jerking the hand

mashing out 461 two-baggers as com- around the ball and to the left. The pared to 419 made by Wichita in 1921, oval will thus be made to rotate like a the former record. Wichita and Sloux spriral kick. The end of the ball that City also bettered the previous mark is ahead in the picture must be kept with 436 and 423 respectively.

**Players' Union** 

spokesman lawyer, Cannon.

ahead all the time. The ball in this Four teams batted above the 300 manner can be thrown with ease from mark, the first time in the history of 30 to 40 yards. The revolution of the

**End Running** for Failing to Grasp Chances

One reason for the scarcity of good | left-hander was a more glaring illusball players is the inability of some of tration than any other that might be the good ones to stay good. selected. But he furnishes a timely Generally speaking, there are three hint to the future greats who have yet

groups of players, today's stars, yes- to fight and win the battle to keep terday's luminaries (more commonly prosperity from mastering them. known as "has-beens) and the great Two Chances at Greatness. army of "never-wases." Sprinkled

Mails had two chances at greatness, through the first two groups are but only partially grasped one of many performers who might have them, and was too indifferent to sucbeen, could have been, or would have cess to hang on. He broke into the been great, if- More often than otherwise, that "if" is their own fault. majors in the fall if 1915 with Brooklyn, pitching a couple of games so promising that Charley Ebbets' en-The foregoing reflections were prompted by a four-line item, almost thuslasm about him impressed itself buried at the bottom of a sporting on the memories of any one who page, telling of the release of Walter chanced to converse with the veteran Mails by the Cleveland club to a minor magnate during the following winter and spring. Mails was given every league team. Not that the tall Indian

chance to live up to his lithographs in 1916, but in spite of repeated tryouts he did not realize expectations Not until near the end of that sea-**Discoverer** of son did Ebbets give up hope regarding Mails. Barney Dreyfus thought well enough of the young southpaw Forward Pass to save him from going back to the minors in 1917, then came the world war, into which Mails was drafted.

At its conclusion he was allowed to Famous Mentor Used Spiral gravitate to the level from which he Throw to Teach Punters How to Put Whirling

## Motion on Ball.

**Fielding Yost** 

last month of the American league Chicago, Dec. 30 .- (By A. P.)-The discoverer of the play chiefly responsible for the modern-day style of Brooklyn players did not worry about been found. He is Fielding H. Yost. Mails in advance of the world's chamveteran coach at the University of pionship combat. They knew his disposition and his failings and anticinine years before the forward pass pated no trouble in beating him. And was used in football, he introduced the those of the scribes who knew Mails the best underestimated in advance his importance in the big series.

Speaker Not Sure of Mails. Prosperity and not had time to get in its work. Even Speaker was not sure of Mails and did not start him in any of the first three games played For in Brooklyn. But he sent the southpaw into a losing scrap in the third encounter and Mails stopped the slaughter of Caldwell, then shut the Robins out until relieved by a pinch

hitter just before the final round. In the sixth game of the series Mails shut Brooklyn out with three hits in nine innings and did it under the the ball on the hand as in the illusnervous strain of having to pitch a whitewash game because the Indians made only one run off Sherrod Smith.

His work that fall made it appar ently certain Mails was destined to take the place along with Eddie Plank and Doc White among the southpaws of the American league But the following season, 1921, was fraught with much disappointment for Tris Speaker. He called on Mails for a lot of work that year, but it was inconsistent and spotty. Out of 34 games in which the left hander took the section. Vanderbilt won its part only 11 of them were complete southern games in commanding heaving horror of an explo games. And he had pitched in seven full games in four weeks at the end igan was one of its season's accomof the previous American league sea-Speaker was ready to quit on Mails in the fall of that year, but the big southpaw promised to be good and feated. Both were represented by take the game seriously. Tris knew his man could be very good if he wanted to, so gave him another **Gaining Strength** chance only to be disappointed again.

# **Fullback Now Grid Necessity**

**Development of Game Changes** Style of Play-Fullbacks Can't Get by on Line Playing Alone.

The 1922 football season, one of the reatest in history, emphasized the osolute necessity of developing fullbacks who can run the ends as well as drive through the line. The same as the quarterback position is a feature of the past because of direct passing, so has the new game placed reater imoprtance on the fullback. In the old days the leading quali-

fication of a fullback was his line olunging ability. Regardless of his ther capabilities, he was considered a fixture on any team if he could buck through an opposing line for the ards which resulted in first downs. He was supposed to be an average interferer and defensive player.

## Owen and Locke Examples.

The end-running fullback is now matter of dire necessity. Harvard showed what could be accomplished When Tris Speaker brought Mails with such a player by the way George into the limelight in 1920 in plenty of Owen, one of the greatest backs in time to make him eligible to the the country, plunged hrough the line world's series, the southpaw at once and ran the ends. The same conmade good. His brilliant work in the dition was true in the middle west where Gordon Locke of Iowa did pracrace was a big factor in giving the tically the same thing. In the Mis Ohio metropolis the first pennant in souri Valley conference Capt. Hartits history. In spite of that, the ley of Nebraska was used for the same purpose, while Morrison of California did the same thing on the coast.

The same sort of tactics were used at Princeton where Cleaves skirted the ends of all oppoents on the fabetween two clods at the plague-pitted mous Tiger sweeps. In fact, this player is deserving of a lot of credit for Princeton's great record on the gridiron this last fall. The Tigers last on a clump of broken tree boles were one of the undefeated elevens a half mile away. He tilted the muzthe country and many critics in zle of his weapon until its sweep and the east have stated it was the most range satisfied him. powerful in the s.cticn. At any rate Princeton achieved what it has tried to his left. A number of men were accomplish year in and year out and that was to defeat both Yale and crouching and stumbling and disap Harvard in the same season

Cornell, Army, Undefeated.

Cornell was another undefeated leven of the far east, as was the The Cadets, however, were Army. held to a tie score by Notre Dame, which afterward was defeated by Ne- diers were retreating, singly, in tiny braska. This is the only blot on the Army's record, but its victory over also, remained isolated men, rear lyzed, the Navy was the morsel most cher- guard sacrifices for the withdrawing

ished every year. In the south West Virginia and Mars and destined presently to be Vanderbilt stood out prominently. The Mountaineers were every bit as the blood red ink of nothingness. strong as any eleven in the east and are entitled to national championship consideration They defeated Pitts burgh and Washington and Jefferson, two of the really powerful elevens of der-fire-wounds-fear-Death!

McGraw Pays Huge Prices for Stars Because Fans Demand It

of lawn tennis stadium building New York, Dec. 30.—"The orgy of That was because they were the appears destined to enter into pending fabulous sums of money for wealthiest and could better afford it. its period of greatest activity just minor league players is nearly at an There has been intense rivalry be after the annual meeting of the United end," John J. McGraw, manager of tween the Giants and the Yankees States Lawn Tennis association in end." John J. the New York Glants, says. He con- during the past few years. Both New February. The British got the jump

War Responsible.

dal of 1919 played an important part

n it. Comiskey always had a great

club, and when that case shook the

pillars of the national game the 'Old

"This talk about buying the cream

"Sometimes the fans do not under-

stand the facts in the case. For in-

fesses he was instrumental in start-ing it with the purchase of Rube O'Connell, of the San Francisco club at Wimbledon, London, and two or Marquard in 1908 from the Indianof the Pacific Coast league and we three other of the centers of English finally landed him for the record- lawn tennis last season. Followers of apolis club of the American association for the then record-breaking sum breaking sum, up to that time, of the courts returning to this country of \$11,000. \$75.000.

"That was the advent of this wild spending by the magnates," remarked the Giants' manager. "It has coninued up to the present time, with clubs that are better able to spend the money doing the bulk of it-that financing for minor league players. is, the Chicago White Sox, the Giants

and the Yankees. \$100,000 Top Price. "Most of the spirited bidding has been between the two New York clubs. dearth of real stars. That was one of the contributing factors for all this spending. Then the White Sox scan-

Percy Cove—Too 'Wise' to Become **Ring Champion** Fighter Who Wouldn't Listen

to Manager's Advice Fell on Battlefield of France-Couldn't Be Hit.

Hugh McQuillan last season. Well, New York is the largest baseball town This is the second of a series of articles about remarkable boxers who failed to be, come champions in their respective divi-sions through lack of some one indispen-sable quality, sometimes difficult to ascer-tain and often difficult to describe. in the country. The people pay to see good baseball and we have to give the \$100,000 to is in greater need of A wizened, skinny wisp of a man sat behind a Lewis gun. He peered

terrain undulating away to the north-English Soccer Referees

league stars.

east, his sharp gray eye resting at Then he rolled a cigaret and glanced walking slowly toward the west, eree's decision. pearing into shattered trenches and

between hummocks. Behind them were several other men adjusting ma-

hands hanging at his sides. With the lithe twist of a stalking cat he chine guns and gazing to the east. On the right of the emaciated little had simply moved his head a trifle figure, other British and Canadian soland coiled around the black lightweight. Moore turned and raised his groups, and in waves. Back of them hands-and the house looked on para-Percy had lifted his left, moved it

troops, human entries in the ledger of out and up, and dropped it swiftly on Johnny's nose. Then he drew his wiped off, their accounts balanced in hand back three inches and shot It forward; then six inches down and Last Count for Great Fighter. R-R-R-R-R-R-R - rip-rip-rip-z-z-z-

up; then back, and again it snapped in letters to the United States Lawn to Moore's mouth. Without a return without moving his feet, without z-zip-zip-zing-zing - zing - boomsraising his right hand from where court stars outlining their plans for made more or less frequently in the bang-rip - crash-agony-terror . thunit rested easily on his hip, that phe. next summer. Cosmos collepsed and the coagulated

Japan is planning to challenge nomenal left played a riveting machine's tattoo on Moore's features, And never a blow traveled more than arrival of Kumagae and Kashio will have been than those in the National six inches! Yet there it was, on the have a formidable team available for is shown by the composite standing colored boy's nose, in one eye and then the other, on his mouth, and The Nipponese are looking further page. ahead than this, however, for they

Be Built in U.S. **Giants Set Pace** New York, Dec. 30. - The era for 20 Seasons

> Composite Standing of Two Major Leagues Show Teams Have Been More Evenly **Balanced in American.**

New York has dominated the Na remarked that Uncle Sam might have "Since then that figure has been the greatest players but the Britons ional league during the last two decbeaten by Charles Comiskey, who pur had built the show places of the world ades as completely as it does the base ball world today. Although not continuously champions of their league for 20 years McGraw's men led all competitors by a wide margin in quantity of games won during that period. Chicago's White Sox led the American league in the composite standing of in Mixed Bout teams for 20 seasons, but by a slender margin compared to that of the Giants in the older league.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 30 .- Ed For quite a spell Boston topped the 'Strangler'' Lewis, champion wrestler. Ban Johnson circuit in total games toman,' with his pride for a good announced today that arrangements won since that organization entered club, was forced to dig down deep had been completed for a mixed major leaguedom, but the poor showing of the Red Sox since they were into his pockets to purchase minor match between Jack Dempsey and wrecked by the present ownership has reduced their standing below that of Lewis produced signed articles covof the minors and pennants by the ering the match which were drawn the White Sox, who surprised even two New York clubs is greatly exag- at Wichita, Kan., and carried the their friends by keeping well out of gerated." continued the Giants' man- signature of Jack Kearns, manager last place this year.

## Chicago Leads Citles.

The articles, a sporting writer ob-Chicago continues to lead the two served, "contained 1,000,000 rules as eagues/in the aggregate number of games won by both teams. The Cubs are second in the National with a total of 1,738 wins, which is more than 100 greater than the total of the White Sox for 20 years-1.620. The combined total for Chicago is 3,358, while New York's two teams have won 3,333 games between them. The Giants are far away ahead of everybody with a total of 1,825 ictories and

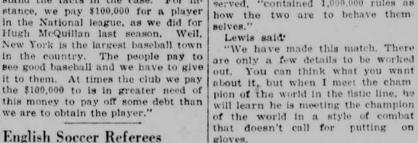
a grand average of .608 for two dec ades; but the Yankees only recently have come to the front, and have a total of only 1,508 games won in 20 years.

St. Louis has made the poorest showing of the major cities which have two teams. The Cards and Browns have won an aggregate of only 2,602 games in 20 years, in spite of the fact both of them were in the thick of the battle practically all of the last season. For many years, for Davis Cup however, the Mound City teams finhowever, the Mound City teams finyears of high standing are required

#### to offset those that have gone before. Is Fair Comparison.

his play for 1923 is sounded in the an-This 20-year period, by the way, in ouncement that Ichiya Kumagae and ot taken arbitrarily, or to make Chi-Secichiro Kashio will soon return to go look good, but because it is the his country accompanied by several longest span of years that can be unger Japanese players of promise taken for an absolutely fair comparifor competition during the coming son of the different teams. It beseason. This information is contained gins with 1903, when the existing major league circuits were establish-Tennis association from the Japanese ed. Prior to that date changes were

territory of both organizations. How much closer and better bal-Zenza Shimizu is still in this country. for 20 years which appears on this It gives the totals of games won things so continuously in the old It is well known that tennis has league that all three of them have the U. S. L. T. A. describes in detail which is very slender considering the



The first note in international ten-

we are to obtain the player." "I do not want to boast, but if I am **Must Explain Decisions** thrown against the firing line with

chased Willie Kamm, another Pacific for staging tournaments. Incidentally,

coast player, for \$100,000. But we it was also made plain that the Brit

have seen the worst of this high ish stands were a paying proposition.

himself.

for Demisey

"The war was responsible for the Lewis and Jack

In England the football league the world's champion pugilist, the management committee (soccer) has people who like sports will get the nstructed referees and linesmen that same shock they received when Siki n cases where players are penalized whipped Carpentier. for breaches of the rule they should. The date and place of the match upon making their requests courteouswere not announced. ly, be afforded the reason for the ref Japs to Compete

ball on its axis should be rapid. This The only individual batting record pass can be made with or across the to be broken was that for total bases, wind and with practice the player Carl East of Wichita registering 433 can control its distance and direction as compared to his old record of 418 almost as well as if the oval were a made last year. Hershel Bennett of baseball." Tulsa also broke the former record

with 419. It would seem that against such stickwork, there would be no chance for pitchers to establish records, yet George Boehler of Tulsa and Roy Allen of Oklahoma City both did it.

Boehler Beats 'Em All.

Reports of a steady growth in num-Boehler set a new league record by ers of the Baseball Player's associawinning 38 games, the previous record ion, or Players' union, and the effect being 29, made by Ragan of Omaha of these reports on the club owners in 1908, and tied by Long of Des are attracting considerable attention Moines in 1909. Ragan pitched in 42 The players appear optimistic of weldgames and Lang in 52, while Boehler ing a powerful body, but are reticent tied the league record for appearing in their statements as to the purpose in the greatest number of box scoreswhich impels them to organize. Mean-62-made by Glasier of Omaha last while, the magnates endeavor to disyear. Boehler set a league record by

sneer. pitching 441 innings, the previous record being 331, made by Glasier of Omaha in 1921.

Because of his unprecedented time on the hilltop, he enabled his opponents to make 204 runs off his delivery, three more than the league's pre vious record made by Roy Allen of Oklahoma City in 1921.

Allen's bid for fame this year was to pitch 50 games without making a fielding record, this first time this has ever been done.

Boehler came within four of the ague's strikeout record, fanning 333. Musser of Des Moines whiffed 337 in 1917 in 50 games, with the assistance of a spitter and shiner.

**Skate Stars Compete** in Chicago Ice Derby

When the seventh annual renewal if the Silver Skates and Diamond medal ice skating derby is run in

Garfield park on January 21, follow "Big Three" Agree to ers of the great winter sport will have an opportunity to see international, national and sectional men and women champions in competition. The entry lists for the meet will include one of the greatest col-

Harvard, Yale and Princeton have lections of stars ever gathered toagreed not to use the spitball in their gether for an ice meet in the country. annual baseball series. Furthermore. Last year the entry list included

if one of the Big Three wants to use 1.235 shaters, more than three-quara spitball pitcher against a college ters of this number starting in the outside of this triumvirate the writ races. Four races were staged last ten permission of the college must year, but the events for the 1923 derfirst be obtained. by include six races, two events being

Hickey of Yale is an adept at the added. In 1922 races for senior and use of the spitter and the new rule junior men and senior and junior women were run off. The 1923 derby will see races for senior, intermediate will hit his college hardest. But this form of delivery has never been very popular on any college campus and and junior classes of men, a diamond medal race for previous winners of it will not be greatly missed in the the senior men's derby, and the two Big Three. women's events.

jured.

## Reddy Pilots McArthur.

Jack Reddy, matchmaker for the St. aul boxing club, writes that he has taken Earl McArthur, Sioux City bantam. under his wing. McArthur will move to St. Paul,

he says.

## Sarazen on Coast.

John Pesek of Nebraska, who defeated Wallace Dugid of Canada in San Francisco, Dec. 30 .-- Gene Sarzen, golf champion, was due to arrive here today from Colorado Springs, colo. He will play a number of exhibition games here. straight falls, received a gash in his forehead which required five sitches, at the end of the first fall Pesek challenged Zbyszki

# **Husky Ulsterites**

Belfast, Dec. 30 .- British boxing white hope" will come out of Ulster. can be found, they say, than in nose of the union with a laugh or a the country districts of northern

Ireland, which teems with young fel There is, it is asserted, only one lows well over six feet high and so who has made the Hawkeye instituthing for the magnates to do. That powerful that they do not know their tion a factor in western conference is to call upon the players prominentown strength. athletics

ly identified with the union and ask Unfortunately, these men are withthem what it is all about; not in a out any real boxing experience, but manner intended to intimidate the promoters say that, if trained, they athletes but as persons seeking to would be world beaters. Sir James Craig, premier of northdiscover what is the matter with the

players' position with a view to rem- ern Ireland, in a recent speech said: "I am astonished at the young men edying the defects.

For John McGraw and George of Ulster. I cannot conceive any Washington Grant and Charles H. part of the kingdom where one would Ebbets to attempt to dismiss the find men of such extraordinary height, union with a chuckle or a few hard breadth and thickness."

These Irish Samsons, it is said, inwords will not do. These men are sincere in their belief that the play- variably have hard heads and power

ers have no grievances that are not imaginary. Obviously the players do not agree with them. Therefore it wall and receive the terrific impact behooves them to call upon the play-ers for a statement of facts. If the perform this feat—which would make sole purpose of the union is to pry the ordinary man shudder-half a dozen times without stopping.

salary raises out of the club owners, In Tyrone there is a young man as Ebbets charges, let this be brought who can pick up in his teeth a table, out by intelligent questioning of the with 200-pound man standing on it, players or, if they prefer, of their

and then carry the table round the room as though he had merely a silce of bread in his mouth.

Bar Spitter in Series Stan Zbyszko Called to Aid of Poland

Again the call of the motherland has come from Poland, this time to Stanis- there were 27 racing days. laus Zbyszko, the wrestler. In times of stress, Poland has called men of gin at the fair grounds track and prominence. During the war Pade-

rewski, the world's greatest pianist, ruary 13. answered the call. Zbyszko received word from the Polish legation in was needed in the political turmoil. answering the call, but has set no date for his departure and will not

Pesek Hurt in Bout. Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 30 .- Staniswinter.

laus Zbyszko, former champion heavyweight wrestler, won a match here **Badger Crews to Race** last night with Allen Eustace, claim-University of Wisconsin' has ar, ant of the Kansas title, after Eustace anged dual eight-oared shell races had taken one fall. Eustace lost the with Winnipeg university and St. second fall and refused to enter the third, asserting his foot had been in-Johns Military academy crews for next summer.

fashion. Its scoreless tie with Michferno, plishments.

### Wolverines Well Pleased.

Michigan and Iowa went through the western conference season undepowerful elevens which played consistent football. The tie score with incarnadined mud. Vanderbilt was the Wolverines' only blot on what otherwise would have

been a great year. Despite this result, those in charge of the situation at Ann Arbor are well pleased with the season, because it is the first time since 1904 that Michigan can light it. Good Ring Stuff time since 1904 that Michigan can lay claim to a share of the conference championship:

Iowa, which won the championship in 1921, came back with another power promoters believe that the enext ful eleven last fall. Aside from winning its Big Ten engagements, Iowa No better supply of raw material went east and defeated Yale, 6 to 0, in one of the most important intersectional struggles of the year. The team was well coached by Howard Jones.

## Nebraska Finishes Strong.

Nebraska was the strongest team in Missouri Valley conference, although Drake completed its schedule without defeat. The Cornhuskers were defeated by Syracuse in an im portant intersectional clash, but they wound up their season by winning from Notre Dame, 14 to 6, before the largest crowd which ever saw a football struggle in Lincoln.

Drake also had a successful season While it did not have as hard schedule as Nebraska, the fact remains it was beaten and is entitled to some credit. It is seldom that Drake has been in a position to claim Missouri Valley conference honors, but its record is deserving of a few words of praise.

**M.** Fator Rides

dropped onto the scene. Far to the northeast, swinging southward and away to the southeast, the German back over eyes and nose. lines bellowed and flamed the tidings

deafening and obliterating.

that the swarms in gray were on their way to finish with steel what their artillery had failed to pulverize into The desiccated little shrimp in the Canadian uniform twitched his forefinger when the tree trunks materialized into advancing enemies. His cigaret, saliva-stuck to his lower lip,

had gone out. He did not stop to re-A spurt of dust beside him, in front of himm, nearer his foot, at his elbow, They had found him. But he had found them first: and his scarred lips writhed as his level gray eyes watched his lead strike home. Again and again he grinned-and then he pitched forward on his face and lay motion-

Even His Obituary Forgotten. When they came back-O, the breed always comes back-in the dawn of a midsummer day in 1918, they found him lying there, his breast crumpled in where a clip of machine gun bulhuman stomach.

lets had torn him apart. And after they shoveled him into a hole in the ground they made a casual note that Percival Cunningham, private, 47th battalion, Canadian expeditionary forces, had been killed in action. As Percival Cunningham, butchered on the Somme more than 52 months ago, he has flimsy pretext for appear. his exposed face was again the bull'seye of that sharpshooting left. ing in this series. As Percy Cove of Vancouver, B. C., the most amazing broth of a boy that ever teetered the balance bar at 115 pounds, climbed into the prize ring and tossed a hurricane of five ounce gloves into an opponent's anatomy, he rightfully takes his place in this list of boxers who

might have been champions. Nobody seems to know Percy's age. Old-timers will tell you that he was mearing that adder's tongue left-hand Many Winners into the countenance of pugilists at the time of the World's Fair. When sat down on the lower rope. they flung him into the pit in France he must have been well above the New Orleans, Dec. 30 .- The winter half century figure.

An Extraodinary Exhibtion. He was very old, for a boxer, as he stood in line, as at a theater box ofmonth before I had watched him box

lightweight, who distinguihed himself

round contest was typical of his 25 years in the game. And in that fight, too .he unwittingly explained why he never wore the bantamweight crown he was so patently entitled to wear. For he came into the ring with no one in his corner.

Ed Bronson, a cracking middleweight, volunteered his services and attended to him between rounds. "But listen, Eddie," he whispered as he stood waiting for the gong, "when

I come back don't thrown any water on me, because if you do I'll fall

He walked to the middle of the

Not less than 15 jabs, hooks, upper- expect to bring several of their lead- and lost by each team from and to cuts, straights, backhanders, chops, ing junior players with them for de- each of the others. New York, Chi-Moore's head was bouncing backward velopment through observation and cago and Pittsburgh have hogged and forward and sidewise; it was a competition on American courts. punching bag. No matter how re covered his face with his gloves, been making rapid strides in Japan Ligher grand averages than that of ducked his head, protected his bleed in recent years and new players of the White Sox who lead the American ing eyes with his shoulder, there was ability coming to the fore. Kashio league. The Pale Hose have a marthat unerring left hand slashing and in a letter to Pres. Julian Myrick of gin of only ten games over Boston, tearing his tissues apart. Why didn't he simply step back? the results of the Japanese national period covered.

That's easy! It all happened so quick- championship and the subsequent ly that you could scarcely see that East against West matches in which slender white arm pistoning to and these latest tennis luminaries shone fro through the cigar smoke under the brilliantly. hot, white lights.

Moore did step back, and Percy sim ply moved his thin old legs a half pace Tex Rickard to forward, lifted his left even with **Stage Two Fights** Johnny's forehead, and when Moore helplessly raised bth hands to ward off that gloved hummingbird that was pecking his face to pieces. Percy seemed to move his shoulders and his purchase of Colonel Huston's interest right fist leaped from his hip to that fatal spot where ribs meet above the

eing sliced to ribbons.

Moore Turns and Runs.

air fights at the new Yankee stadium lost more than that number. With a grunt Moore dropped his next summer. hands and bent forward; and before his face was even with his shoulder Cove had uppercut him five times. Straight ened up and with his hands still down lagging behind his bewildered brain. heavyweight situation.

"I have the assurance of Colonel Ruppert, " Rickard said, "that if any Johnny turned and ran. He was not boxing contests are held at all at the hurt-hurt in the sense that he was new stadium, I will promote them. suffering punishment that would bring "As mattedrs stand now, I don't

him down, because Percy was too old think I should attempt to hold more and feeble and weary-and he realized than two championship affairs there. that there was nothing in all the It is out of the question to hold a world that he could do to keep from string of outdoor bouts of any magni tude."

But Percy didn't follow. His keen Rickard made the startling an prain realized that every step would nouncement that Harry Wills is not drain his vanishing strength; so he entering into his plans for the coming walked in the opposite direction and year. He made the statement during questioning regarding the identity of Moore grinned foolishly at the audi the principals for his matches at the

ence, wiped the blood from his lips Yankee stadium with his forearm, and shook his head Leonard and Tendler will undoubt n frank admission that he was putty edly be one of the matches Rickard n a glazier's hands. Then he frowned will attempt to hold there

and dashed straight across the ring. Cove didn't move, his legs crossed, his Omaha-Known Man to hands resting along the middle rope.

**Referee Moran-Nilles Bout** 

Paris, Dec. 30 .- For the first time Johnny stopped two feet away, set himself and started working both hands as fast as he could at the veteran's face. He never hit it! Percy merely drew back, ducked, side rolled, twisted from his waist up and turned heavyweight championship of France. Marcel Nilles meet today to settle the actually feinting with his face to The title is claimed by Nilles. fraw Moore's blows to a spot where it

wouldn't be when they arrived! For for the bout. He tips the scales at nearly a half minute Moore went 192 pounds, or seven pounds lighter through his entire catalog of boxing than when he met Jack Johnson here knowledge, and failed to find therein in 1914. Nilles weighs 182. The winany paragraph of his kindergarten ner of the fight will be matched curriculm that Cove hadn't learned against Joe Beckett. iges before.

At the end of three rounds, Percy Hiram Johnson, jr., is in Europe on tottered from the ring, spent and his honeymoon. He recently was margloomy. He and Bronson collected his ried to Martha Ruddy Leet, divorced \$20 and departed, leaving a crowd of second wife of William A. (Billy) Leet

> Miss Leitsch Hopeful Miss Cecil Leitsch, the clever Engish golf player, although unable to

Browns Ahead of Cards.

The St. Louis Browns, who trail in the American league's long distance standing, have a grand average of .440, which is higher than the Braves or the Cardinals in the National league. The teams have been so evenly matched in the younger circuit that no outfit has been able to pile up such an aggregate of victories as has Pittsburgh, which stands only New York, Dec. 23 .- (Special.)-The third in the old organization. Contrariwise even the weaker outfits of the in the Yankees by Colonel Ruppert American league have lost less than

will have no effect on the plans of 1,700 games in 20 years, while both Tex Rickard to stage one or two open the Cardinals and the Braves have No matter how confidently the fans

This much Rickard intimated in of other cities may look forward to the an interview a few days ago in which new year, none of them can look backhe outlined his plans for the coming ward with greater complacency than year, especially with respect to the can the baseball patrons of Chicago.

> Cup to Be Awarded Best Kick Artist

In order to stimulate a greater interest in spring and winter football practice at the University of Indiana and to develop punters and drop and placement kickers, cups will be awarded to men who have been the most faithful and showed the most promise in the kicking game. The professors have donated the cups. One donated by Dean J. C. Sembower will go to the best drop-kicker, while Prof. W. J. Moenkhaus will be the donor of the cup which will go to the best placement kicker. According to Athletic Director E. O. Stiehm, .he reward will be a boon to Indiana foot-

ball. "There are a number of men who are out on the field practicing every day of the year," he said, "and it is in the history of French hoxing an only fitting that their efforts be re-American referee, Hiram Johnson, jr., warded in some way or other. The of California, will be the third man goals made will be counted on a perin the ring when Frank Moran and centage basis, and the men making the most goals from a required number of trials will be adjudged the

## Fine Paid to Halt Ousting

winners.

of Joie Ray from Sports Chicago, Dec. 30 .- Joie Ray, distance runner for the Illinois Athletic club, suspended from amateur competition because of an excessive expense account, must pay a \$100 fine by midnight tomorrow to escape danger of being forever barred from amateur athletics

A check for that amount has been sent to the national A. A. U. offices at New York by the Illinois Athletic club, but whether it will be accepted Rhockout by Dago be thins of st. Paul, in the third round of a bout at the American Legion boxing show here last night. In the Winkled of a lace is inches pair of boxers, hereaded as workly of the American Legion boxing show here last night. In the Winkled of a lace is inches pair of boxers, hereaded as workly of the American Legion boxing show here last night. In the Winkled of a lace is inches pair of boxers, hereaded as workly of the American Legion boxing show here last night. In the Winkled of a lace is inches pair of boxers, hereaded as workly of the American Legion boxing show here last night. In the Winkled of a lace is inches pair of boxers, hereaded as workly of the American Legion boxing show here last night. In the Winkled of a lace is inches pair of boxers, hereaded as workly of the American Legion boxing show here last night. In the Winkled of a lace is inches pair of boxers, hereaded as workly of the American Legion boxing show here last night. In the standpoint of genuine skill, to lace up Percy' shoes. In the standpoint of genuine skill, to lace up Percy' shoes. In the standpoint of genuine skill, to lace up Percy' shoes. In the standpoint of genuine skill, to lace up Percy' shoes. In the standpoint of genuine skill, to lace up Percy' shoes. In the standpoint of genuine skill, to lace up Percy' shoes. In the standpoint of genuine skill, to lace up Percy' shoes. In the standpoint of genuine skill, to lace up Percy' shoes. In the standpoint of genuine skill, to lace up Percy' shoes. In the standpoint of genuine treatment she is undergoing. In the standpoint of genuine treatment she is undergoing. In the standpoint of genuine treatment she is undergoing. In the standpoint of genuine treatment she is undergoing. In the standpoint of genuine treatment she is undergoing. In the standpoint of genuine treatment she is undergoing. In the standpoint of genuine treatment she is undergoing. In the standpoint of genuine treatment she is undergoing. In the standpoint of genuine trea

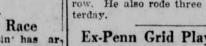
## races carded for today. The meet opened on Thanksgiving day and fice, to enlist in 1914. And just a On New Year's day racing will becontinue until Mardi Gras day, Febin the coast rings. "Chick" Lang, American champio.

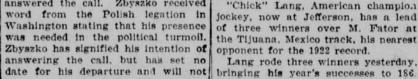
jockey, now at Jefferson, has a lead the Tijuana, Mexico track, his nearest

racing meet at the Jefferson track

ends with the conclusion of the six

bringing his year's successes to 186. row. He also rode three winners yes





leave until it is absolutely necessary. Fator has 183 winers to his credit He has signed contracts calling for and has the opportunity of riding in many appearance on the mat this seven races today and eight tomor-

**Ex-Penn Grid Player Dies.** Woodbury, N. J., Dec. 30 .- Clarence

down!" Alexander Wray, a member of the 1919 University of Pennsylvania foot- ring. Moore, 22 pounds heavier, came ball team, and Lewis A. Brunner of charging out, sneering at so puny ball team, and Lewis A. Brunner of charging out, sneering at so puny fight experts drawing deep breaths of Omaha. Philadelphia died early today as a and senile an adversary. He extended and thanking their luck that they had Superior, Wis., Dec. 30.-Bill Hain, result of injuries received when a his left, slipped closer, feinted, and been privileged to behold a prize ring richs of Sioux City succumbed to a Pennsylvania railroad train struck launched a straight right point blank miracle, and settling back to watch a knockout by Dago Joe Gans of St, their automobile here late last night. at the wrinkled old face 18 inches pair of boxers, heralded as worthy of

with Johnny Moore, a good colored Simply Couldn't Hit Him. Percy's performance in that three-