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## FANS LIKE SCRAPPY GAMES RESUME BOXING NEW YEAR'S

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Men Who Act as Magnet to Bring Fans to the Park.

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And the fans turned away from the

Athletics. When Connie Mack brought

his wonderful machine to New York the

crowds used to average around 5,000. The

Athletics were in first place and they

were headed for the pennant. In view of

this it would have been safe to assume

that they would outdraw any other club

Whenever Hughey Jonnings led his

second division Tigers into New York

they would draw from 5,000 to \$,000 regu-

larly. Why? Not because the team was

a real base ball team, but because it had

Ty Cobb on its roster. Ty is no greater

star than Eddie Collins, but 'Ty is human

the umpires. There never was any monot-

ony about the game when Ty was in it.

to see what it was going to be.

and sometimes inhuman, according to

two to one. But they didn't.

By FRANK G. MENKE.

ight Nothing to Do With One Mike Gibbons, Middleweight.

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By RINGSIDE. NEW YORK, Dec. 26-Boxing in the NEW YORK, Dec. 25 .- The base ball club that draws the crowds and brings states where the much condemned sport home the bacon for the magnate is the still thrives, will be resumed with renewed activity with the coming of the club that is composed of scrappy, umpire new year. There was really no holiday baiting players-the club that has color. full, but the bouts that were contested even if it incks in base ball skill. And the club that fails as a drawing card is yesterday lacked class and the principals were not of the first rank. one that proceeds about its daily job with

machine-like regularity and whose tactics While this tight little isle has witnessed some interesting exhibitions since the inon the ball field are of the Sunday school stallation of Joimes Johnston as pilot of the pugilistic destines of Madison Square The Athletics in 1914 furnished an ex-Garden, we have been promised even cellent example of the latter instance and the Detroit Tigers and Chicago Cubs more attractive matches by the irrepressible manager.

were a fine example of the first instance. Several weeks ago the writer broached There never was a smoother working the subject of Weish-McFarland and machine assembled than that which Con-Gibbons-Clabby bouts. It was stated nie Mack sent into action in 1914. It was that these luminaries would perform for as near perfect as a ball team can bethe edification of local enthusiasts At nearly every position it had a player shortly. The fast fading year will not who either stood head and shoulders see these battles, but the month of Januabove every other man in the game, or, ary is almost certain to find these two at the worst, was the equal of the best important clashes on the program.

#### Welsh Again in Shape. Ty Cobb Draws Crowds.

Weish has recovered from his recent With such a club, and with the added strain, due to overwork, and is ready for distinction of being the championship McFarland, Ritchie, Shugrue, et al. The base ball team of the world, it was only illustrious Packey is first on the calling reasonable to expect that the Athletics list, as Freddle thinks that the sooner he would outdraw every other club in the disposes of the Windy City wizard, the American league. But they didn't. They less obnoxious with their challenges will drew less than some of the clubs that be the others who are molesting him for finished in the second division. And the a chance at his title. reason for it was that the Athletics were

The outlook for a McFarland-Gibbons a coloriess team. They were out on the battle does not appear as bright as it famond to play ball and they played did a few weeks ago before Packey came ball. They did nothing else. They never to town a honeymooning. Upon his ar-rival those who welcomed him were asbuited an umpire. They accepted the rulings of the arbitrator in silence. They nished at the width of girth displayed never hurled a glove at the umpire. by Packey. But closer inspection re-They never sprayed him with tobacco vealed layers of flabby flesh, the sort never soaked him on the knob that comes rolling off with a little exerwith a base hall bat, nor did they ever swat an opposing player on the pro-

Packey was more communicative than ever when asked what he intended doing in a pugilistic way. And this was Patrick's answer:

#### Will Fight Only Welsh

"I have been misquoted if anyone said was contemplating returning to the ring for a series of bouts. I have but tion of athletics in this country walking in order to reduce his weight. his work until the opening of Celtic park. one match in view and that's the one no athlete has ever accomplished McDonald is a policeman attached to "mets" and the senior national by comchampion. It is my sole ambition to Freddie in the ring,

prompts me to seek a match with Welsh. He should never have been permitted to poorly of Ritchie's supposed generalship, six senior titles in a year before. "I do not need the money I would get Something out of the ordinary always by meeting Welsh. He has said some began training a few days after the first throwers. was sure to happen. And the fans went mean things about me and I want to set- of the year. He didn't work hard on a

The old Chicago Cubs were great drawelse. ing cards. The old Cub team was nearly "Win or lose with Welsh, I do not in good as the Athletics. But as a road tend fighting again after that contest. team they outdrew the Athletics three As champion I would be content to rest LAST SPORT YEAR and four to one. They did it merely be- on my laurela. The title could then go cause they had on their rosters some to the winner of an elimination series in men who were liable to "start something" which the country's leading 135-pounders at any minute. Tinker, Evers, Chance, would participate. nfeldt, Schulte and some of the other

Gibbons is Willing.

gling over the weights for this bout, as

It is planned to hold the Welsh-Mo-Farland affair the second week in Jan-

sary, and to bring Clabby and Gibbons

Remember Jim Flynn? Well, the battle-

carred veteran heavyweight, who has

been mostly on the receiving end in thir-

Handicap is to Be

Giants After Jobs.

ogether the last week of the month.

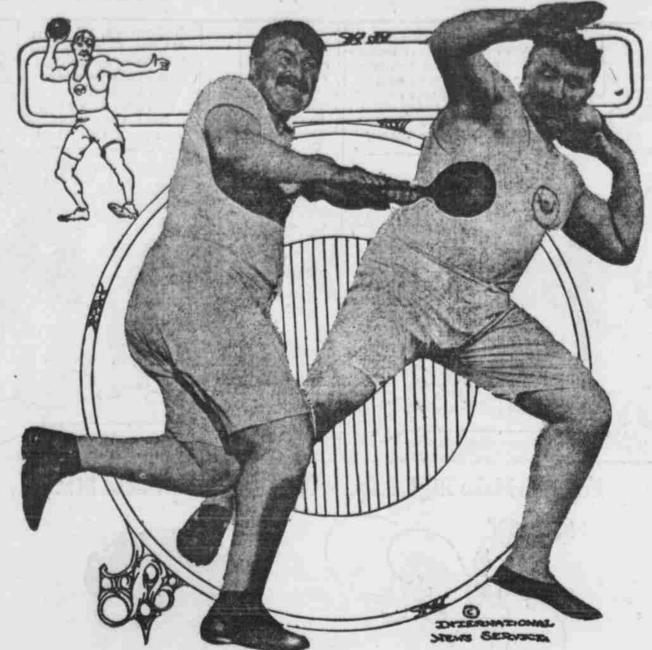
without trouble.

Gibbons is guite willing to trade wai-

(Continued from Page One.) Wants None of M. Gibbon. "I do not think I shall ever fight Mike when one wasn't pulling off some scrappy Gibbons. In the first place, I do not man B. Duryes, was first under the wire

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### The Great Patrick McDonald in Two of His Great Feats



THESE PHOTOGRAPHS SHOW THE WONDERFUL NEW YORK POLICEMAN THROWING THE WEIGHT AND PUTTING THE SHOT. IN THE LAST YEAR HE HAS WON SIX SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS, AN UNPRECE-DENTED RECORD.

The Sportsman's Dirge.

And the players for coin did greedily

One of the favorite pastimes of the

Foot ball is appealing more strongly

West Proves Strength.

lists, Our team could not win any prize, Shorn of their glory, disliked by

great sea.

own green.

a six-inch telescope.

bounded prosperity.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 .- Since the incep- mode of living and did a little extra He did only the training that went with Many athletes have swept the boards in "It is only the spirit of patriotism that their specialties and captured three senior Celtic park and threw the weights. titles; some sprinters have won more lure Ritchie across the sea to lose the than three by winning 100-yard and 200- on the night of the indoor national chamtitle. The fact that he did so speaks yard titles. But no one ever corralled pionships he was in prime shape and

After a rest of three months McDonald field of America's foremost weight

ONE OF SURPRISE

won the shot put and the "56" from a big

With these two titles to his credit, the

that which Pat McDonald, the is trying and tiring, but it keeps him in peting in handicap events. He won many bring back the title in the 133-pound divi- glant weight thrower of the Irish- good physical condition all the time. A of these, and with each competition he their physical strength by road work. sion to the United States, and I feel con- American Athletic club, has done this week before the indoor championship got himself in better shape. As in the The majority could do from 112 to 115 make a first-class soccer player, and for fident that I will succeed if I ever meet year. He won six senior championships. McDonald began a series of hard training indoor "champs," he captured the shot pounds and step on the scales at their this reason we cannot hope to have really atunts. He worked on the "gym," took put and "56" at the metropolitan and natural weight They would probably relong walks, and despite the cold went to national championships. Beeides winning main in this country if given a chance eral years. However, now that the prithese he scored more points in each meet to ride without having to reduce to any vate and public schools are taking up This work had the desired effect, for by finishing third in the sixteen-pound great extent. During the year he hung up a new

world's record and scored nearly 100 horses were Marco, Doyle and Longo.

the our personal score more than anything track or field. He simply regulated his big policeman took another "lay-off." distance of 46 feet, 2% inches.

from the big-time circuit.



MANY JOCKEYS NEED JOBS EXTREME CALM OVER SOCCER

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 .- Indications point to a surplus of jockeys in this country this coming season, especially if the seoretaries of the many associations will be lenient with their conditions and make horses carry weights which will permit the old-timers to get three or four mounts a day at the least. Looking over the Jockeys now doing duty at Charleston and Mexico the names of many efficient horsemen are noticeable. They are doing winter duty because the secretaries give them opportunities.

Running over the list of jockeys who should do daily and profitable service next season, and who are efficient horsemen, there are Robinson, Stuart, Bauer, Lindsey, Carson, Grimer, Vandusen, Troxler, Peak, Jones, Davies, Collins, Burns, Hanover, Small, Molesworth, Rice, Feency Loftus and O'Brien. Nearly every one of the jockeys can

ride as well and better than the smaller riders who are forced upon both horsemen and the public through the lack of secretaries to keep up the weights on horses. Decreasing weights would enable jockeys who are gradually growing heavter, to get a sufficient number of mounts daily to keep them in practice and down to weight without weakening, their constitutions by continual privations and hard work for possibly one or two mounts a week.

### Many Lack Opportunity.

If the weights were as low during the winter months as they are in the summer there would not be enough jockeys to fill the bill at one track. There is many a good rider who drops out of recognition for no other reason than lack of opprtunity to work. Many a good horse loses a race on account of incompetent jockeyship. Incompetency is caused through the lack of better jockey material, scores dropping out of the profession just about the time they have learned how to ride a race with intelligence. The weight question would solve the problem in short order.

There are at the present time probably ten or a dozen finished horsemen in this McDonald is a policeman attached to Then he began preparing for the senior country who have been riding abroad for the last five or six years. Some of them can scale 110 pounds without sacrificing

last August the riders of the first three **Gilmore Might Grab Hick Johnson** 

#### only given the opportunity. Eleven Start Race.

there were eleven starters and among the by the players themselves when once German army since he has been fired riders were Fairbrother, Davies, Woods, by the players that the rudiments of it. said, has no McCahey were the only riders more interest in the base ball war than | of note in the race. What a more interesting contest it would be next year if the horses in the Metropolitan were ridden by Shaw, Loftus, Borell, Garner, Cleveland made a handsome profit when Archibald, Notter, Turner, Henry, Mc-Taggart, Troxier, Miles and O'Nell, all of whom might be seen in the saddle next year, not only in stake races, but in Walter Johnson seems to be in the all races, if the weights were adjusted and 915 injuries were caused by base ball to even a reasonable limit. The prospects are not bright for racing in eilher France, Germany or Austria a tabulation of the season's records. next year. In fact, Milton Henry, who is now in this country, believes that there twenty were hit by pitched balls, five will be little doing in the racing line to any extent for the next two years in Europe, even if the war is over early next was hurt sliding to a base and one was year. If it should continue for any killed in a fight. Injuries to amateur length of time there is likely to be an players are classified as follows: exodus of horses, riders and trainers from France to this country, In any event this 18; fractured akuils, 13; paralysis, 4; country should encourage riders who know how to ride, and this can be done

Southpaws in Feds.

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player of him is foolish. It can't be done. Now and then a player may display a special aptitude for the game, but such cases will be few and far between. Takes Years of Work. "It takes quite a number of years to first-class teams at the colleges for sev-

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 .- Viewing the ex-

treme calm with which soccer has been

conducted at the leading universities this

season, one cannot help wondering what

has become of all that fine spirit of en-

thusiasm which set in last season and

seemed destined to carry the sport upon

a high creat of popularity. Princeton re-

ports interest in the game-as many as

fifty tried for the team, and yet games

have been played without a great deal

of interest on the part of the undergrad-

uates as a whole. At least, this was my

impression as a spectator at the Har-

vard-Princeton and Yale-Princeton soc-

cer games. The attitude of the Princeton

students, indeed, seemed rather a humor-

ous one. The wish more than once was

expressed that the Nassau team might

lose, or at least tie, in order that no

"jinx" would be established to turn the

afternoon's varsity foot ball match to

Yale. At Harvard the students viewed

the game, very frequently with laughter,

at the gyrations of the players. Qualified

observers, such, for example, as Walter

Camp, have pronounced the game inexact

and hence never likely to rival the Amer-

ican game of foot ball. Yet, on the

other hand, there is a lot of fine exer-

cise in it, and for that and for the possi-

blity it offers the students who have not

the physique to play the gr.dlron game

it deserves encouragement. Here is the

way in which an expert speaks of the

Variety in Mediocre,

try so far, and especially at the col-

leges, is that it is a very modiocre kind.

A great number of players have grasped

the rudiments of the game, but the

majority have missed the finer points.

This is because soccer cannot be learned

in one or two seasons, and, taking all

things into consideration, it is wonder-

ful that the college players have done

as well as they have in so short a time.

To take a player from a college foot

ball team and endeavor to make a soccer

"The trouble with soccer in this coun-

game:

the game with such zest, the outlook In a field of fifteen horses at Saratoga for the future is distinctly encouraging. "Soccer is not a moneymaker, and therefore, the athletic committees have points. At Celtic park on May 30 he three jockeys who finished the regular had very little time for it. To commerhurled the eighteen-pound shot from a season with but few mounts to their clalize a game is, in my opinion, to ruin seven-foot circle and to the unprecedented credit, yet they were good enough to it, and yet I realize that under existing bring their mounts into the front divi- conditions soccer in the future must sion, beating such riders as Butwell, more than pay its way if it is to receive Turner, Buxton and McTaggart, among the unqualified endorsement of the athothers. This only shows that there is letic associations. The soccer coach never good riding material on hand if it was will command a high salary, for the simple reason that when the game once be-

comes firmly established the services of In this year's Metropolitan handicap strategy of the game can be worked out

Thirty-Five Killed

in Base Ball Games

**During Last Season** 

CHICAGO. Dec. 26 .- Thirty-five deaths

during 1914, according to figures made

public today by a sport writer who kept

Of the players who died from injuries

were struck by bats, four were in colli-

sions, four overexerted themselves, one

Broken limbs, 314; concussion of brain,

Play Polite Game. The 1914 fourth place Cubs were a better at the ringside. He could make the drawing card than the first place Ath- poundage, but I don't think he'll even team at Meadowbrook for the polo cham-Why? Simply because the Cubs attempt it." had in their lineup a fellow named Heinie

old Cubs were full of life and "pep" and

Zimmerman who could be counted upon battle already, although it does not apto start a little something each day, pear in the record books. They matched ether the "something" involved cuss- wits when Gunboat Smith and Jim Coffey ing the umpire or soaking an opposing battled in the Garden, Packey being Cofplayer or one of his own teammates.

The Giants are rated as the best road vised Smith. After it was all over a team in the country. The Giants are number of spectators expressed the wish acrappy-and even more. They are led that they would like to see what this by a man who has a world-wide repu- pair would do in the ring proper. But, tation for being an umpire balter. They fear we, it is not to be, have in their lineup a half dozen players who are eager to shift from base ball to and then-only then-is the middleweight prize ring methods at a moment's no- muddle likely to be cleared. Clabby is tice.

And so, when the Giants are the at- and he is coming in a belligerent mood. traction the crowds hustle to the park. He takes umbrage at a few things Mike They want to be sure to get there early Gibbons has intimated about him and will so as not to miss anything that happens. not rest peacefully until he has subdued They go to the ball park expecting the the Gibbons person. Giants to pull something out of the or-

dinary. They seldom are disappointed. The fan joves base ball, all right, but lops with Clabby. There will be no haghe likes to have it with variations. And scause the Athletics gave nothing but both can make the middleweight limit base ball they failed as a drawing card.

### Queensberry Rules Against 'Wrestling' in Boxing Matches

teen years of fighting-and what fighting -is about to retire to the quietude NEW YORK, Dec. 26,-"No wreatling or hugging allowed," reads article ii of and seclusion afforded down on the dear old farm. the Queensberry code.

Flynn, however, is just setting out to If that rule were enforced as it should be farcinal contests such as the recent get enough money to purchase a tract, McVey-Johnson affair would be elimi- and expects to get it with a couple of nated. If a ban were placed on needless beatings. Flynn has passed the thirtyclinching, the principals in a bout would third milestone in life, but is still vighave to depend on blocking, ducking, orous and capable of absorbing a few footwork and good clean hitting. In that more lickings, case the bouts would be a great deal

Grand American more interesting, there would be least stalling and the modern boxers would soon become as competent as the old timers were reputed to be.

As it is at present the powice just breaking in soon finds that he is hopelensly up against it when opposed to an opponent who follows the hit and clinch style so objectionable to the spectators. The latter takes no chances, but dives in and holds after every lead. It is impossible to make a good showing against this style of miller, and the novice is forced

to follow similar tactics in self-defense Result-snother boxer spolled so far as ring followers are concerned. Hig Al Beich, the ex-amateur champion, evidently is trying to be a real

boxer, instand of a clincher. So far he has depended upon what skill he has to awarded to Memphis. The western handblock and alip blows, instead of clinch-Hut Reich is under a tremendous dicap when opposed by an opponent who hits and then clinches to escape the counter. It is highly probable that be-fore long he will join the army of those who follow the simple but unspectacular system of defense now so con

If boxing is to be improved the rules against clinching must be enforced more strictly. The gloveman who continually agreed upon, as to avoid conflict. forces a clinch is not boxing. He is

breaking the spirit if not the letter of George Willse, one with Mike Don'in has drawn his unconditional release by the Giants, is busiling around the fertile field of minor leaguers in an effort to locate a locrative management. It is said both of these New York idols are in line for something worth while. the rules and should be disqualified if he persists after due warning from the When this matter is given more attention boxing will boom as never before.

think he would undertake to make the in the English Derby at Epsom Downs. weight I would insist upon-145 pounds The English polo team gave America a cruel shot by walloping the American

pionship. The Australian tennis team Gibbons and McFarland have had one won back the Davis cup from the American team, and the formidable flock of American golfers, who were thought vastly superior to the foreign breed, didn't even get started in their efforts fey's chief second, while Gibbons ad- in England.

War Stops Three Events. The war cut into several international events. The yacht races for the America cup were called off while Sir Thomas Lipton's challenger was at sea on its Jimmy Clabby will be with us again, way here, the international boat races were cancelled, as was the the James Gordon Bennett international balloon expected here the first week in January, TROS.

The victory of R. N. Williams over Maurice McLaughlin was one of the big surprises of the year. McLaughlin is judged to be the greatest of tennis men, race. In this little town we were down in the but in the vital match for the championship Williams, by some unexplained manner, won. A few weeks later Williams experienced the same mishap-he lost the intercollegiate title to George M. Church, a decidedly inferior player.

Eighteen new records were established by swimmers of this country. Duke Kahanamoku of Honolulu, Perry of Mo-Gillivray of Illinois and H. Nebner, formerly of Omaha, but now of Illinois, were the chief point winners at distances varying from fifty to 1,000 yards. Track Records Broken.

The new year will be, must be to our liking, It's bound a good season to be. Many new track and field records were shattered during the year. Howard Drew, George Parker, James Meredith, Homer Baker, John Eller and Mannes winter is to strengthen the Yankees, but Kolehmainen, all clipped records at their

respective distances. A big international event at Philadelphia, a relay race with Oxford of England entered, was disastrous to America, as the Oxford team slipped over the wire inches shead of Pennsylvania, the next American team.

Three boxing titles changed hands during the year. Freddie Weish annexed are promised. But, if peace is declared, the lightweight championship from Willie base ball should enjoy a season of un-Ritchie, Al McCoy copped the middleweight laurels and Kid Williams took the bantamweight belt from Johnny than ever to the public. The open style

Shot at Chicago Coulan. The deatheknell of boxing of play has added 100 per cent to the sounded in California on December 15 spectacle of the game and makes it far NEW YORK, Dec. 25 .- At the annual when the anti-fight bill went into effect more entertaining to the person who meeting of the International Association in that state. California was the last has no partisan interest to the game to for the Promotion of Trap Shooting it stamping ground of the fight man and it accentuate his enthusiasm to the proper was decided that the Grand American would seem that boxing is a thing of the pitch. handicap, the blue ribbon classic of the past in this country.

trap, will be shot in Chicago the third It was a year of radical changes and week of next August. Heretofore there the changes were so many that it takes west, and no longer can the western conwere five subsidiary handicaps-the a minuet or two to remember just what southern, western, Pacific coast, east- did happen in 1914. But aftermaths are orn and southwestern. It was voted to unpleasant sometimes and it is best to climinate the eastern and southwestern look foreward to the future. this year. The southern handicap was

1915 Outlook Promising. auspices of the Missouri Athletic asso- to regain international laurels lost last

ciation. San Diego, Cal., obtained the year are perhaps dim, but tentative Pacific coast handicap, which will be challenges will be sent to holders of the held over the traps of the Postman oun Davis cup, the Harmsworth trophy and club. No dates were assigned for these the Westchester Pole cup. The United are taking up the English game and find subsidiary events. As usual, the clubs States Golf association has been assured it to their liking. conducting them will be called upon to of foreign entrants in the open championselect the dates at such times, mutually ships in this country and American golf-

ers are anticipating revenge for defeats monopoly. Chicago, Omaha and Sioux suffered last year in England.

between the Feds and organized ball it is probable that the fan will become more disgusted than ever this year, especially ception of base ball, and that could be as two or three lawsuits of prominence arranged before the 1915 season opena

Ring out the old year, ring in the new. Think of the dawn of the first New Year day, Forget the past season so unsatisfying, Charley Murphy, it is Forget the drear months that are passing away; Forget the old year that is dying its the haiser has in the war in Europe. death,

-By F. S. HUNTER-

We also presume Charley Somers of So sad, disappointing to the land of the free, As we lost all our emblems and trophies Cleveland made a handsome profit when he sold Pitcher Bishop to Charley Somers

To the flock of invaders across the of Portland.

At polo we lost, too, that star English same class with Bill Killifer when it four, At tennis Australia took us into camp, Young Ritchie in London slid under th comes to long-distance jumping. the

skids, In England, Fred Welsh is the new lightweight champ; Again, our crack runners at the Penn The German crown prince must be a areless sort of chap. He is reported killed about as often as Heinle Zimmerman is traded to the Giants. relay games, Fell hard before Oxford's great English team, Our wonderful galaxy of golfers so true, Were beaten by England on England's

Clarence Rowland, never having managed a club of higher class than Class B. should be right at home with the White

Sox. In base ball we found a state of affairs, That (we must admit ii) was a disgrace, The Feds and O. H. staged a naseous fight,

We haven't quite made up our mind whether Clarence will be called upon to only by keeping the weights up to a fair nanage Eddie Collins or Ping Bodie,

But you can imagine a man named Clarmanaging Ping Bodie.

fans, Fallen like others we should idolize. Old Connie's been in base ball many, many years, He's had his many pleasures and he's had his many fears, He's grown quite independent and doesn't give a care. But ring out the old year, ring in the new, Think of the dawn of the first New

Tear day. Forget the past season so unsatisfying. Forget the drear months that are pasharder in 1914.

sing away. Forget the old year that is dying its death,

So sad, disappointing to the land of the

give a care. Nor what the people think of him from Frisco town to Blair. But Connie's pulled a boner and in trouble he will get. He yarked a minor manager into his big league net. And though he had the widest choice in base ball's hall of fame. He had to pick a manager with Clar-ence for a name.

But at that Connie can be excused. He didn't select a gink named Algernon.

when July comes you can't see 'em with Charley Weeghman has refused the \$6,000 advance money from Walter Johnson. We presume Germany Schaefer will And they shoot men like Lincoln. either have to join the movies or the

We see Harry Thaw is back in his old time form, occupying the front page again.

We also note that the kaiser has returned to the front. But, have no fear, the front to the kaiser is about as close to the European battle line as Charley Murphy is to the base ball battle line.

They now divulge the startling infornation in N'awk that Maurice McLaughiin is the greatest living tennis player. Showing what an up-to-date, progressive town N'Yawk is.

APROPOS W. JOHNSON.

No longer can the east ignore the From the way Ban Johnson is talking. ference ignore the Missouri valley. Michdeclaring that the appointment of a igan, one of the poorest teams in the manager for the Yankees will startle west, almost won from Harvard, the he world, one would think Ban has ingreatest team in the east, and Nebraska inced General von Kluck to jump.

and Illinois convinced westerners that awarded to Memphis. The western hand-icap will be held in St. Louis under the for 1915 couldn't be brighter. Prospects they could have beaten Harvard and made the east sit up and take notice that Charley Ebbets said he won't sell his Brooklyn club for \$1,000,000. Naturally, there really are foot ball players in the obody would give him that for it. west.

Soccer foot hall is becoming very pop-There is a suspicion that Jacques Forular, colleges, schools and athletic clubs nier has jumped to the Feds. No other reason could influence Walter Johnson to return \$5,000 regular currency.

boom. Indianapolis no longer holds its

A movie showing travel views, Flashed upon the screen, it said, "These grow in Mexico, it is the jumping bean." City will break in next year and in time Base ball, perhaps, may not enjoy it is probable that both the Omaha and prosperity. With a continuation of war Chicago races will be as big as the

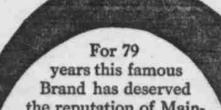
Indianapolis event. "You make me laugh," Clarke Griffith said, "They re not as they would seem, I've gut the biggest one there is Upon my base ball team." Every sport is booming, with the ex-

locations, 7: torn ligaments, 10. Players hurt in the minor leagues numbor 116; American league, 69; National league, 61; Federal league, 56, and college teams, S.

sprains, 37; spiked, 26; fractures, 17; dis-

Beacher Develops Kick.

Left-handed hitters in the Federal league are in for a tough time next sea-son. The off-side swatters had a fine time the last season, because there was a scarcity of southpaw pitchers in the Gilmore league, but now that Pjank, Mar-quard and Frank Allen have then signed to pitch in the new league, the left-handed hitters will find it a whole lot harder to hit .300 in 1915 than they did in 1914. Begher Develops Esten. Bob Bescher, who is wintering in Day-ton, is said to have announced that he sli jump to the Federal league if the Giants attempt to trade him, as has been reported. Bescher says that he considers his obligations and contract with the Giants as worthless if he can be shifted then the schement. about without his consent.



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