ave Been Held in Last Three Years.

TWO OF THEM IN STATES

New York, April 7 .- When twenty round boxing was killed in California three years ago it was predicted that the various ring titles would die out of 40.

in time for lack of competition, That this prediction was a sound one is shown by the fact that there have been only four championship battles

and forehead. He looks like a man of 40.

Cleveland's great outfielder has the American league since the fall of 1908.

Come on fans, hazard a guess or shown by the fact that there have been only four championship battles fought since Willie Ritchie defeated Tommy Murphy in the last of the championship fights held in Cal-

championship fights held in California.

Only two of these were held in America. They were the Kilbane-Chane bout, held at Cedar Point last September, and the Welsh-White affair at Colorado Springs on the same day. The other fights were the Ritchie-Welsh twenty-round bout at London, the Johnson-Moran bout at London, the Johnson-Moran bout at Havana.

Of course, you all give up; so here's the right dope.

Speaker was born in Hubbard, Tex., on April 4, 1888, so that makes him 28 years old, and some of you fair at Colorado Springs on the same thought he was an old man. The Indians are assured of at least five years of great ball playing by Tristram Speaker, possibly more the is a splendid specimen of manhood today and wise enough to take good

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In the meantime nothing has been done toward selecting genuine champions to fill the vacant middleweight and welterweight thrones, but the bantamweight title has become so clouded that no one stands out with clouded that no one stands out with a clear right to the honors. Jess Willard and Johnny Kilbane are the only champions whose position cannot be assailed on one ground or another, and to all appearances Willard has no intention of defending the honors again. He probably will retire undefeated as soon as he loses his drawing power with the circus, and that will leave the biggest crown of all on the shels.

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Kilbane probably will retain his hold on the featherweight title for some time to come, because there are no good men to dispute the matter with him. The chances are that he will continue boxing no decision bouts until old age robs him of his prowess and he retires, leaving his crown to be claimed by the press agents of every second rater in the game.

Outgrows Class.

In one sense Freddie Welsh no longer is a champion, because he has been defeated so often that his title means nothing in particular. As a matter of fact, Welsh has grown into the welterweight class. He could not make 133 pounds ringside under any circumstances. The best he can do is 135 several hours before ringtime, and he always is a full-fledged welter by the time the gong sounds for action.

It is perhaps not generally known that Speaker started out as a pitcher. This was in the fall of 1906 with the Cleburn club of the Northern Texas league. He drew the munificent salary of \$50 a month.

When a kid on the sand lots. Speaker started as a right hand twirler and it was only by accident that he pegs left-handed today. He was thrown from a horse, which resulted in the fracture of two bones in the upper right arm and one in the lower. As soon as he could heave a ball without jarring his right side too much. Tris was out practicing with his left hand, and even before the bones of his right arm were fully knit he had acquired enough mastery of the southpaw delivery to be in demand for pickup games.

Perhaps what he regarded as a "jinx" at the time saved Speaker finding a mediocre pitcher instead of one of the greatest outfielders the game ever knew.

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If Welsh keeps his word, he will retire next summer and take the title with him unless he is knocked out in the meantime. While little credence can be placed in such threats, which usually are made for advertising purposes only, Welsh is too wise to allow himself to be beaten up by second raters when he becomes too old to protect himself. As soon as Welsh loses a few more decisions his drawing power will become an weak that it will no longer be worth his while to continue in the ring. The only chance to keep the lightweight title in circulation is that some promoter can be induced to offer Welsh such a large amount for a championship match that he will accept even though he knows that he cannot win.

Technically, Johnny Ertle has a fairly good claim to the bantamweight title, but he is far from a champion so far as ability goes. Pete Herman was the first man to get a referey's decision over the former title holder, Kid Williams, but even if Williams did not lose his title in the bout with Ertle, he had no right to the honors because he had outgrown the class.

Fifteen Million

Fifteen Million Fish Planted in Lakes of Nebraska

Gust: Rutenbeck, chief deputy game and fish commissioner, has made his biennial report for the two years end-ing December 31, 1916, to the gov-

Three hundred and three arrests were made during the two years for violations of the state game and fish laws. Two hundred and fifty convictions, totalled \$2,484.17.

The number of fish planted in the lakes of Nebraska during the two years was 14.777.545. More wall-eyed pike were distributed than any other kind of fish, 11,176.700 being planted in the varioous lakes. The report shows Carter lake, Omaha, was generously treated by the commissioner.

Reach Final Rounds in Y. M. C. A. Hand Ball Play

The final rounds have been reached in the handball tournament at the Young Men's Christian association.

Denny Ryan and R. L. Carns will fight it out in the final round for the night class championship and Willhite and Lawler will battle in the noon class finals. Willhite won his semi-final match from Fixa, 21-16, 21-18 while Lawler won his semi-final contest from Dyggert. test from Dyggert.

Rodeston Outplays Reynolds

In Reno Pool Tournament William Rodeston defeated Jesse Reynolds in the Reno pool tourna-ment last night. Billy Owens and Harry Griffin will play Monday night at 8:30. Score:

Radeston-5, 11, 6, 0, 15, 15, 2, 13, 4, 6, 5, 5, 9, 2, 1, 6, 3, 5, 0, 0, 0, 10—108. Hafe-ties, 19; scintches 5. Reynalds-3, 6, 7, 7, 2, 1, 16, 5, 0, 0, 0, 11 3, 1, 0, 6, 0, 6, 2, 10, 6, 0, 1,—55, Safetjes 5; scratches, 7

Racing Plant at Belmont

Is Destroyed by Fire New York, April 7.—Clubhouses, stables and grandstands at the Belmont Park race track, on the outskirts of Brooklyn, were almost destroyed by fire early today. The damage is estimated at \$175,000. Evidence was found that the blaze was of lineadary origin.

TRIS SPEAKER IS STILL YOUNG MAN

Only Four Championship Fights Cleveland Star Only 28 Years Old Despite Tinge of Gray in His Hair.

IS INSURED FOR \$50,000

How old is Tris Speaker?
His hair is tinged with gray, deep lines are noticeable about the eyes and forehead. He looks like a man

Come on fans, hazard a guess or two-bet you can't name his exact

Of course, you all give up; so here's

\$50,000 Insurance.
The Indians are assured of at least five years of great ball playing by Tristram Speaker, possibly more, for he is a splendid specimen of manhood today and wise enough to take good carer of himself.

Cleveland fans probably do not know that Speaker is insured by the ball club against both death and accident, and the amount of insurance is \$50,000.

It was by taking a peck at the in-

Gossip Heard All Around In the Sporting World

In the Sporting World

Southpaw hitters are going to have some trouble in the National league this year. For fork hand slingers are plentiful in the old loop for some reason or other this season. The Giants have the strongest lineup of portaiders. They are Ferdie Schupp, Rube Benton and Slim Sallee, a pretty keen trio of hurlers. The Braves have Tyler, Nehf and Allen. The Chicago Cubs have Vaughn and Packard, the Cardinals have Steel, the Phils have Risey, Rigler and Fittery, the Pirates, Cooper, and the Reds, Mitchell. Three hundred hitters in the National league this year are likely to be all right handers.

John Olin is loose again. John is in Chicago hurling a lot of challenges and defies. He avers Joe Stecher is afraid to meet him and he brays that he stands ready and willing to meet the world. If John isn't careful, Marin Plestina, among others, will hear him. It will be remembered when Olin appeared in Council Bluffs a month or so ago Plestina faced him with a roll of bills in each hand and said, "Come on." And Olin started the marathon. Last December Plestina offered Olin \$1,000 to wrestle him, but the Finn didn't need the money. Olin may not be a great wrestler, but his managers are swell conversationalists.

ing December 31, 1916, to the governor.

The report shows that the state received for licenses during the two years the total of \$73,424. Of this sum \$73,602 was for resident licenses and \$22 for nonresident licenses.

Douglas county furnished the largest amount of any of the counties, \$1,789.

Three hundred and three Cobb's hotel with a check for \$1,500 he offered to bet he could lick Cobb. He also said if he didn't stop Cobb in ten minutes he'd give the money to charity. Kauff was going to outhit Cobb last apring; he's going to outfight him this spring. You have got to hand it to Benny for trying anyhow.

Iowa Plans to Keep Up Spring Athletic Schedule

Iowa City, Ia., April 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Unless concerted action be taken by all the schools of the big nine western conference. Iowa will not abandon its spring athletic schedule because of the war, in the opinion of B. J. Lambert, chairman of the athletic board.

Deaf School Athletes

Are Looking for Games

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The Nebraska School for the Deaf
base ball team has been organized,
with Harry Stark of Benson as captain. The team is now seeking Satturday conflicts. Teams desiring games
are asked to communicate with P. E.
Scely, athletic director at the school.

Buffalo Purchases Hal

Justin from Springfield The Buffalo International club has purchased Pitcher Hal Justin from Springfield of the Eastern league.

New Orleans Gets Baker For an Infield Position league. The New Orleans club has secured Infielder Howard Baker from the New York Giants.

With but twenty-eight players on rester of his Washington team. Mans Griffith will have to release only these in order to get within the American les player limit.

Girl Trains Brothers to Fight for Her



GIRL MANAGER OF FIGHTERS.

While the promoters of the "manly art" are considering how the heavy-weight championship is to be taken away from Jess Willard, along comes a pretty, dainty, golden-haired little girl, barely 22 years old, with the

By PETER P. CARNEY

Melady Bros. to Tangle

With the Townsend Crew

Lonnie Tucker. She is Elizabeth Tucker of Oklahoma. The picture shows Miss Tucker coaching her two brothers in the fine points of the

CLOSED CAR USED FOR SUMMER TOURS and

No Longer is Motor Trip Necessarily Grimy Excursion of Roughing It.

HUDSON FOLLOWS TREND

"The vogue of the closed car fo summer use has been accepted finally

summer use has been accepted finally by the highest authorities of mode," said Guy L. Smith. "It was deter-mined partly by the greater beauty of this type and partly by advantages of comfort and cleanliness. "A few years ago closed cars were practically never seen in summer. Men and women of the highest so-cial standing regarded a summer au-tomobile trip as a necessarily grimy excursion and rather gloried in rough-ing it. "Then they struggled into all sorts

"Then they struggled into all sorts of outre costumes and muffled and goggled to the eyes streamed over the country with veils and linen dusters streaming like a battleship with all its pennons broken out.

"There has come within the last few years, however, a realization that summer automobile travel may be as luxurious and comfortable as a winter run to the opera. Appreciation of this has been shown in the remarkable growth in favor of the closed car. No longer are women willing to endure such unnecessary discomforts of dust, whipping the eyes and pelting the complexion to a raw, wind-dried harshness. Even then automobiling was glorious.

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Chauffeur Drives Car.

"But it has become more and more the vogue for summer travel to be done in closed cars. Nowadays the woman drives from her summer home in a chauffeur-driven car, alighting with her clothing as clean and well-arranged as if she had stepped from her boulour. At the country club, on the boulevards and in the fashionable shopping districts you will notice an ever-increasing proportion of chauffeur-driven cars this summer.

"The Hudson Motor Car company apprehended this trend by doubling its production of chauffeur-driven cars this year. We are selling large numbers of them. Indeed the indicated increase is more than the 100 per cent provided for in the factory production schedule. Limousines and town cars are dominating in favor, but there is also a wide vogue in the convertible types, such as the seven-passenger sedan and the three-passenger cabriolet."

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The new Melady Bros. team of the Greater Omaha league will make its first appearance of the season this afternoon, when the renamed Luxus battle the Townsends at Melady's Meadow, Twenty-fourth and Vinton streets. No admission will be charged to the game. The Townsends have a fast Class B team and expect to give the Meladys a stiff combat. Johnny Dennison says he will put his first string lineup in against the Townsends.

are making bandages for the Cross society.

Mrs. C. H. Aull, chairman, and Mrs. E. F. Brailey braved the storm to prepare material during the morning, and a roomful of the women went to splend the army building in the afernoon to have with

Berlin Ulk Echoes Idea Of Senator G. W. Norris

Amsterdam, Friday, April 6.—(Via London, April 7.)—The Ulk, the numorous weekly of the Berlin Tagehumorous weekly of the Berlin Tage-blatt, prints a cartoon showing presi-dent Wilson waving a huge American flag with the stars in the shape of gold dollars and the stripes made up of bank checks. Underneath is the legend:

"Money alone does not give vic-tory, dear Wilson. Look at Eng-land."

Governor and Senator Buy Stock in Ball Club The new Providence club has a notable list of stockholders. Among them are Governor Beechman of Rhode Island and Senator Gerry.

Veteran Otto Hess Goes

Back to Southern Loop
The veteran Otto Hess, after a spell
of service in the Pacific Coast league,
is back in the Southern, having
signed with the Atlanta club.

Cadman, Fired by Oaks,
Lands With Vancouver
Catcher Walter Cadman, released
by Oakland, has been taken on by
Vancouver of the Northwestern
league.

Chink Catcher on Coast.

The Portland Pacific Coast league team has signed Catcher Kenyen, a Chiuses passitimer of Honnitus, Kunyen has been catching for the All-Chinese nine, an outsit which defeated Portland recently, and gives promise of becoming a real leaguer.

Nap Rucker Now a Scout.

Nap Rucker, Brooklyn's famous o hander, who has taid aside the viitt and taken up scout duty, vi the Southern, the Twans and the So lantic leagues for promising young strengthen the Dodgers.

Honus Really Through?

MUCH NEW BLOOD

Meloan and Baker gone, not to men-tion Isbell. Jack Coffey, once with Denver, heads the Hawkeye troupe Almost every man has a hobby. In t's a poor man that hasn't one he may have been lavishly enand is said to have gathered up enough new men to make up a nifty

dowed with worldly goods, but with-out a real, honest-to-goodness hobby he's up against it hard.

Hardly a day passes but what President Wilson does not play a round of golf. He is an ardent lover of the game and finds much real Joplin is the enigma of the league Savage signed thirty ball players, most of them youngsters. There is no telling what his team will look like when Manager Dalton makes his final choice.

Lineups of the various clubs as they

of the game and finds much real recreation in it.

John Philip Sousa, when not wielding the magic wand or wooing the muse of famous march music, spends his time at horseback riding or in pulverizing the frisky clay pigeons. In fact, Sousa is some shooter. He admits it, and the trapshooting fraternity throughout this country will willingly attest the fact.

Christy Matthewson, the greatest pitcher of his day—the old master—is also "some punkins" at the traps, as well as on the links, and Chief Bender is a crack shot.

In fact, delving into the sport of trap-shooting alone, there are hundstand today are as follows: Omaha.

Catchers: Shestak, Bartholamey Fike.
Pitchers: Boehler, Smithson, Mc-Coy, Harrington, Ford, Irion.
Infielders: Mills, Wuffli, Kelleher,

In fact, delving into the sport of trap-shooting alone, there are hundreds of famous names on its list of enthusiasts:

Governors Brumbaugh of Pennsylvania; Ferguson, of Texas; Major, of Missouri; Capper, of Kansas, and ex-Governor West, of Oregon, have shattered many a clay bird with their trusty 12-gauges.

Former Director of Public Safety George D. Porter and Superintendent Robinson, of the Philadelphia police, have likewise been participants in many exciting clay target tournaments. Wichita. Catchers: Tyree, Yaryan.
Pitchers: Lyons, Davis, Koestner,
Baker, Clemmons.
Infielders: Jones, Snyder, Davis, Hetling, Rapps.
Outfielders: Harvey, Coy, Fox, Washburn.

Lincoln.
Catchers: Rohrer, Hans, Eiffert.
Pitchers: East, Gregory, Halla,
Meyers, Reed Stolz.
Infielders: Schmandt, Smith, Lutrelle, Lamb, Selk.
Outfielders: Carlisle, Lober, Bayless. less.

ments.

George D. Smith, mayor of Los Banos, Cal., one of the best known shooters on the Pacific coast, goes in for both trap and field shooting. He is an ardent Nimrod, has his own spacious preserves, and breeds his own game, as well as dogs.

Walter H. Hine, a California district attorney, seldom misses an opportunity to appear before the traps, while L. B. Clarke, vice president of the Hibernian bank, of Chicago, was the winner of 1915's Grand American Handicap—the blue ribbon event of the year. less.

St. Joseph.

Catchers: Fusner, Moore,
Pitchers: Hovlik, Rorer, Graham,
Sommers, Powell, Adams, Wright,
Infielders: Henry, Haley, Oklin,
McClelland,
Outfielders, McCabe, Kirkham,
Wright Wright.

Tedisco, Schardt, Kelly, Grenner, Grover.
Infielders: Metz, Cooney, Rader, Connolly, Holly, Mueller.
Outfielders: Gimore, Watson, Robertson, Dayls.
Des Moines.
Catchers: Spahr, Breen, Rigsby.
Pitchers: Killeen, Kinsey, Grant, Bell, Turner, Dressen, Berger.
Infielders: Sweeney, Naughton, Coffey, Anderson, Ewoldt.

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Pitchers: Currie, Barham, O'Toole,
Merz, Thompson, Chemeler.
Infielders: Henning, Irelan, Krug,
Burg, Watkins.
Outfielders: Smith Brokaw,
Thompson, Forsythe.
Denver Denver.

Segrist. Outfielders: Oakes, Butcher, Hart-

Sioux City.
Catchers: Crosby, Dugan.
Pitchers: Clark, Gasper, Hagey,
Tedisco, Schardt, Kelly. Grenner,



RED" MURRAY.

DILLON VICTIM OF OWN REPUTATION GENEROUS REWARD

Man-Killer Now Has to Murder Builds Up Club That Is Worth Opponents to Be Given the Decision.

officials said Chandra would be charged with conspiracy to set afoot a military expedition against a foreign country with which the United States is at peace.

Presbyterian Church

Of Florence Elects

The annual congregational meeting of the Presbyterian church was held at the church Wednesday evening after a bountiful supper served by the ladies. The reports of the various officers showed the church to be in a splendid condition. Mr. William Thompson was elected to succeed himself as an elder for a term of three years. R. H. Olmsted was elected deacon for a period of five years. Paul Rivett, F. P. Herfort and George R. Welty were elected to serve as trustees of the church. Mrs. Paul Haskell was elected as organist and Mrs. Frank Parker as choir leader.

Husband and Wife Are

Happy; They Do Not Speak

many times, "He's too cocky; he's more hot air than anything else. He'll mere amount to anything."

Well, if you haven't heard this remove discussing Joie Ray, the little Illinois Athletic club flier, who has set the country on fire this season with his wonderful performances in the mile, the mile and one-half and the two-mile events on in-half and the two

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Commba' Work Brings Jay.

Brooklyn fash are elated over the reports from Hol Springs concerning Jack Coomba's splendid condition. The Robins' veteran heaver is working as he did when starring with the Athletics a few years age.

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Outfielders: Cass, Hunter, Spencer.

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Pitchers: Sanders, Maple, Wright, Willis, Burwell, Dashner, Hall, Doyle. Infielders: Hunter, Dancy, Goodwin, Roche, Lindamore, Lamb, Severs, Subject of the west.

OLD "RED" MURRAY STILL GOING STRONG—The vetteran "Red" Murray of the New York Ginnts in training in rendering some of his circus catches. Murray is getting another chance to come back in the big leagues.

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School of Religion on Larger Scale This Year

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A school of religion for this year
on a larger scale than that of last,
will be one of the recommendations
reported by the social service committee at the meeting if the Omaha
Church federation, Monday at 6:30,
at the Young Men's Christian association. The religious work committee will have a rep.rt.

The church federation is organized
for Christian work of any kind appropriate to federated effort. The
Federal Council of Churches, the national body, is growing in influence.
The federation meeting affords a
place of counsel for the Christian
forces of the city.

Telegraph Operator Enters Army Signal Corps third sacker.

Ever since war was threatened Robert E. Swetland of the Chatam, a Western Union telegraph operator, had been planning to join the army. The instant he heard that the proclamation was issued and that war was officially declared to exist Friday afternoon he resigned his position, went to the recruiting sation and enlitted

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Urges Hoover Head Body

To Supervise Food Supply
Washington, April 7.—Herbert C. Hoover will be asked by the Council of National Defense to head a national committee on food supply and prices to stimulate production and to prevent speculative prices. Mr. Hoover had charge of the distribution of American supplies in Belgium. It is understood he has agreed to become chairman of the committee.

First Game Next Sunday

When Ernie Holmes' White Sox ony off the lid in the Gerater Omaha league next Sunday with the Ramblers they will give the North Side fan something of a treat in the way of a south Side Rioorder util teams. The eries will onen hostilities at 130. The North Side Inssies declare they intend to cantive the championship of the city this wear, but the subject.

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J. M'GRAW REAPS

Two Million Dollars to Its Owners.

SAYS THAT HE IS QUEERED RAY IS MODELE TOUTH

Fered a real purse.

Hindu Revolutionary Chief
In United States Arrested
San Francisco, Cal., April 7.—Ram Chandra, editor of the "The Hindustan Gadar" and said by federal authorities to be the leader of the Hindurevolutionaries in the United States, was arrested today by federal agents, who raided his home and office.
Ram Chandra's arrest followed swiftly after the arrest of tewelve other Hndus, said to be his revolutionary associates. The government is said to have obtained evidence showing that he had sent 1,500 men into India within the last ten months to start "the revolution."

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Preshyterian Church

eastern meet. Said Kiviat:
"These fellows from the west all certainly are cocksure of themselves.

Running the Dodgers is just one infield problem after another for Uncle Wilbert Robinson.

The jovial Robbie was patting himself soundly between the shoulder blades when he put Laverne Fabrique at shortstop and saw him perform like a tried and true major leaguer right off the reel. Robbie was just naturally satisfied with himself, that's all.

But one morning Robbie found another problem on the infield. It was the problem of deciding who should play third base. He finally picked Ivan Olson for the job, and eventually, Mike Mowrey was shuffled out of the lineup and sent to the minors. Olson went well enough at the hot corner in the early entire well-

but as soon as the players began to sting the ball Robbie noticed that Iven was wobbly at times. And now it is up to Olson to make a mick change for the better, or Robbie will have to secure a new third sacker.

corner in the early spring workouts,

Bloomer Girls to Play First Game Next Sunday