

### Indiana-Iowa Game Will Open Big Ten Season

Eastern Varsity Teams to Open Foot Ball Season October 2—Indiana Looks Good.

By WALTER ECKERSALL. After nearly a month of preparation, which included the weeding out process, teaching of fundamentals and basic attacks, leading teams in the country will go into action first Saturday in contests which will mark the opening of the 1920 foot ball season.

Some squads which have important early season struggles have been at work longer than others. Some have been carried along by a quicker process of development in the hope that the opening battles can be won thereby insuring a successful season.

The central west interest will center around the result of the Iowa-Indiana game at Bloomington. This is by far the most important early season contest played by two Big Ten eleven in years. Its importance is due to the fact that each institution is represented by a strong eleven and nothing but a bitterly fought contest will result.

Hoosiers Are Formidable. It will be remembered Indiana defeated Syracuse last year, 12 to 6, in one of the big upsets of the season. Coach Stiehm has practically the same eleven back in college this year. With a year's experience and the confidence gained in that battle with the New York eleven, the Hoosiers will make a great effort to defeat the Hawkeyes.

Last year Iowa was rated one of the best teams in the conference. It was beaten by Illinois through the successful execution of a "onside kick," and it is expected that a great battle, time being called when Iowa had the ball on the Maroon one-yard line. It won its other games decisively and was dubbed the hard luck eleven of the Big Ten.

Minnesota, which is certain to make a strong bid for conference honors, will take on South Dakota at Minneapolis in its opening struggle. It will be recalled the Gophers were one of the most powerful eleven in the west at the close of last season, and a large number of that team is back in college. Minnesota has a nice schedule, its only hard game away from home being with Illinois at Urbana on October 30.

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## Dempsey, Ruth and Man o' War Are Champions of Champions

### GREATEST FIGURES IN AMERICAN SPORT



At the left, Jack Dempsey, world's champion heavyweight pugilist. In the center, Man o' War, whom turf critics are now inclined to call the Horse of the Century. In the right, Babe Ruth, personal caretaker, is shown removing the bandages which Man o' War wears when not racing. On one ankle is shown one of the boots worn when Man o' War is exercising or taking a workout. At the right, Babe Ruth, the greatest home run hitter of all time.

By RAY PEARSON. Were there ever any to equal Jack Dempsey, world's heavyweight champion, Babe Ruth, world's champion home run hitter, Man o' War, world's fastest race horse?

The year 1920 will go down in history as the greatest for achievement in three lines of athletic endeavor—pugilism, base ball and horse racing. Never before, as far as we can remember, have three champions stood out so prominently as Jack Dempsey, Babe Ruth and Man o' War. Dempsey is the superman of the glove sport, Ruth the superman of the bat, Man o' War the superman of the turf.

Dempsey in Lone Class. Take the case of this man Dempsey, who rules the pugilistic throne. What a wonder he really is! He has a nice schedule, its only hard game away from home being with Illinois at Urbana on October 30.

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add that no fighter ever possessed a better fighting head and more viciousness than this "fighting devil" of the ring.

Let's hop to Babe Ruth. This chap they call Bambino and various other names is, like Dempsey, the greatest in his line. Any major league batsman who can crack out half a hundred home runs in a season certainly achieves a position that entitles him to a place in the championship ranks.

This man of the mighty wallop, who pounds the ball over fences and into bleachers for circuit drives, has no real competitor. The great batsmen of other years and still wonderful batsmen—Tyrus Cobb, Joe Jackson, Happy Felsch, George Sisler, Rogers Hornsby, Tris Speaker, and others who ordinarily sparkle in the

limelight of fame—are woefully dimmed because Babe Ruth is hitting home runs as no man in base ball ever hit them before. They are all great players, but Ruth is greater than all of them when it comes to laying the willow on the pill.

One might try to compare batting stars of the past with Ruth, but what's the use when the records show the number of homers that Babe has clouted in a single season? Lajoie was a great batsman in his day, so were Ed Delehanty, Cap Anson, Honus Wagner, and several others who shone in different years.

There is still a chance for the old time fans to tell of a player who did one thing that Babe Ruth has not been able to do. That concerns Ed Delehanty, who, when playing with the Phillies at the west side park in Chicago knocked out four home runs in a single game. It was a wonderful feat, and, regardless of the fact that we have a Ruth, it may never be broken.

As for Man o' War, he stands head and shoulders above these other race nags of today. When other horses start against him it isn't because they have a chance to win, it is because nobody at the race track would care to watch one horse, but he is a champion, circle the track alone. Upset, On Watch, John Grier, Donacanna, and Dominique are good horses, but, like the second place compared with Dempsey and Ruth, they are forced to second place because of the greater greatness. So they are started against Man o' War, who runs away from them and breaks records nearly every time he starts. On no less than five occasions Man o' War has shattered American records this year.

300-horsepower Hispano motors in their machines. Marylebone Cricketers of England Tour Australia. The Marylebone cricket team of England will tour Australia, playing the first match at Perth Oct. 25, with the James Gordon Bennett international aviation cup race Monday are to be chosen, was compelled to alight when something went wrong with his machine. Yesterday afternoon, however, he succeeded in completing the 60-hour trial in 21 minutes and 28 seconds, the best time of the trials.

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Twelve balloons will be manned by civilians, three by army pilots and one by a crew from the navy.

Wins \$162,465. Man o' War's total winnings foot up \$162,465. Only Domino, with \$193,550; Sysonby, with \$184,438; and Colin, with \$180,912, lead him among American horses.

### Long Fights Puzzle Fans; Welling-Dundee Mill Tame

New Yorkers Must Be Educated All Over Again—Gothamites Used to Seeing Short Bout—Fighters Take It Easier in 15-Round Tilts Until the Closing Rounds.

By "BUGGS" BAER. He came east where the sun rises. After the first fight it didn't rise. He went back where it sets, and no man's hand is lifted against his neighbor in anger. He couldn't stick in the eight-round Jersey game.

Take Your Lunch to a Long Battle. The way to enjoy a 15-rounder is to go in the right mood and take your lunch along. The boys may fiddle-dee-dee for six or 11 rounds, but you can enjoy yourself of your picnic sandwiches. If nothing happens in 15 rounds, you've had a meal anyway, and in pleasant company. Too many picnics have been ruined by quarrels.

The star bout for the opening of New York boxing wasn't on the right side of the ledger. Welling and Dundee seemed afraid to open up. Especially Welling, who has a right mitt that ain't afraid to look any man in the face.

But until the bugs forget the fast and furious six-round things, it isn't likely that even a good 15-rounder will please 'em if both boys are on their own feet at the finish. It's a different kind of a fight.

California will never turn out any more Corbets, Abe Attels or Jimmy Britts. They have the four-round game out there. The fighters kill 'emelves trying to please the bugs, who holler 'emelves curly like drummers in a jazz band. One-Round Hogan could flatten anybody on the coast in four rounds.

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### Championship of Class B Amateur Base Ball To Be at Stake Today

Championship of Class B amateur base ball will be at stake today, when the Paulson, Ford, champions of the American league, and Sunday Class B winners, clash in a double-header at Luxus park with the Pearl Memorials, Church league pennant winners. And Saturday Class B champs.

The first game of the double-header will start at 1:30 and the main event at 3:30. Jerald Pratt will have one of the contests for the church champions, while Ritx and Skupski will hurl for the Paulson's. If a third game is necessary, in case of an even break today, the game will be played as a preliminary to the Bowen Furniture Co.-St. Louis champions next Sunday at Romke park. The St. Louis champs will also play here on Saturday.

Denver Lightweight Is After Champion Leonard. Denver, Sept. 25.—Harry Schuman, Denver lightweight, wants to substitute for Eddie Fitzsimmons, the New York lightweight, who recently decided that he needed more ring experience before tackling the champion, Benny Leonard.

Jack Kanner, boxing promoter and manager, who counts Schuman as the best bet of his "stable" of boxers, wired Tex Rickard, New York promoter, immediately upon receipt of word here that Fitzsimmons had taken a "run-out powder," that he was prepared to match Schuman against Leonard in a championship bout in Madison Square Garden under any conditions that the champion might name.

Schuman was formerly the lightweight champion of the United States navy, in which he served during the World War. He has been polishing off many of the top-notchers of the lightweight division in bouts on the Pacific coast and throughout the Rocky mountain region during the past months, and Manager Kanner declares that "he is the logical contender for Champion Leonard's crown."

Harvard, Penn, Syracuse Open Foot Ball Season. New York, Sept. 25.—The playing of Harvard, Pennsylvania, Syracuse and West Virginia foot ball teams in the opening games of the season this afternoon will furnish the chief interest for the followers of the intercollegiate sport. While none of these leading exponents of the gridiron sport has an opponent considered dangerous enough to cause fear of defeat, in one or more cases the visiting team is expected to severely test the early season form of the home eleven.

Gotham Women's Swimming Assn. on Co-operative Plan. The Women's Swimming association of New York City is run on the co-operative plan. No one is paid for their services and the instructors are volunteers.

### Lee Leads Base-Stealers; East Heads Hitters

Official Averages for Season Show Lee and East Head Lists—Sisler Tops the American League.

Chicago, Sept. 25.—As the major league clubs swing into the final two weeks of the pennant race, George Sisler, star first baseman with St. Louis, seems certain of carrying off the 1920 batting championship of the American league.

Sisler, according to figures compiled today, is showing the way with an average of .405, with Tris Speaker of Cleveland six points behind him. Joe Jackson of Chicago is in third place with .381 and Eddie Collins, captain of the Chicago club, fourth with .317. The averages include games of Wednesday.

"Babe" Ruth, the home run monarch, who went home-runless for a week, failed to shake off his batting slump, but managed to cling to fourth place in the list of leaders with an average of .367, although he made only one hit in six games.

Rice of Washington is in no danger of being deposed as the leading base stealer. Other leading batters: Jacobson, St. Louis, .346; Rice, Washington, .341; Judge, Washington, .340; Tobin, St. Louis, .338; Weaver, Chicago, .337; Felsch, Chicago, .334; Meusel, New York, .333; Cobb, Detroit, .327.

The scramble for the batting championship of the National league has developed into a tight race between Roger Hornsby of St. Louis and Nicholson of Pittsburgh—with Hornsby topping the league with .365. Nicholson, who led the race a week ago, is a point behind the St. Louis slugger. Young of New York is third with .352 and Roush of Cincinnati, fourth with .340.

Cy Williams of Philadelphia, the leading home run getter of the league, connected with another four-base drive, bringing his total up to 15. In base stealing Max Carey of Pittsburgh continues to show the way with a total of 48. Other leading batters: J. Smith, St. Louis, .329; Wheat, Brooklyn, .325; Williams, Philadelphia, .319; Scott, St. Louis, .318; Hollock, Chicago, .318; Kometchy, Brooklyn, .313; Fournier, St. Louis, .309.

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## STEPHENS Salient Six

### WHAT DO YOU KNOW about The Sporting World?

- Answers to Yesterday's Questions:
1. Baseballs played part of the season of 1917 with the Chicago Cubs.
  2. Boston paid a reported price of \$2,700 for Babe Ruth.
  3. Walter Johnson won 26 games in 1915, the most in one year.
  4. Casey stole 18 bases in 1919, as he played in less than half the games.
  5. Greb is 6 feet 3 inches tall.
  6. Dempsey and Britton won boxing championships in 1919.
  7. A match is halved in golf when each side wins the same number of holes.
  8. The Cleveland naval reserve eleven defeated the University of Pittsburgh.
  9. It was founded in 1874.
  10. H. F. Lawford, an early English player, made famous the Lawford stroke.
- New Questions:
1. Who has boxed longer, Johnny Kilbane or Mike Britton?
  2. How tall is Babe Ruth?
  3. Is the 100-meter run the same as the 100-yard run?
  4. What is a four-ball match in golf?
  5. How did Ray win the British open golf title?
  6. What world's record did Frank Loomis set in the 1920 Olympiad?
  7. Where did Cleveland get Ray Chapman?
  8. When did Gerry Herrmann return from the national commission?
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