*We used to call him Jack*
*Until he took a fling*
*Upon the racing track—*
*Then he was labelled King.*

# NEW YANK ACES CALL GERMAN BLUFF

*But wartime's trumpet blare*
*Raised deuce around the place;*
*He left them over there,*
*And here we call him Ace.*

## VISITING AIRMAN BREAKS UP MEET

### Things Begin to Happen When M.T.S. Men Try to Celebrate

### BIG NEWS FROM UP FRONT

### Athletic Carnival Yields to Sterner Business After First Five Events

"Awn yar-r-r mar-r-rrks!" bellowed the starter.

And then an airplane came busily buzzing its way over the horizon.

Now airplanes are no more an unusual sight in the town of ·——·— than they are in ·——·, or —·—·, or any other place in this part of France. Consequently, it was no surprise that none of those gathered at Advance M.T.S. Park No. 1 paid the slightest attention to this particular aviator, for they were engrossed in what they deemed a far more important task, the job of making as good a showing as possible in their first annual Memorial Day field meet.

"Gesset!" bawled the starter.

The unobserved aeronaut sank to ground as close as he could possibly get to headquarters without taking off a roof or two.

"GO!" shouted the starter, much relieved that his job was over until the next event.

**Carnival Goes Blooey**

And just about this time, things began to pop. The aviator had burst into headquarters with certain news from the front, which you may have read in the papers, and immediately every orderly in the place snapped out of his lethargy. One hustled to the athletic field, where there was to have been a gr-r-and program of 28 track and field events, two baseball games and a sprinkling of boxing and wrestling bouts. Promptly the gr-r-rand carnival went blooey.

After that, the B.V.D.'s of track and field were hastily camouflaged behind the O.D.'s of more serious business, and the manly art of self development resolved itself into filling gas and oil tanks, a pastime which lasted well on toward midnight. One large group of trucks went off just as soon as they could be equipped, with another large group following shortly after.

And that's all, except for the fact that there really was an athletic meet of five events before everything was called off. They resulted as follows:

50-yard dash: Won by McConnell, — Motorcycle Co.; second, Pope, Motor Transport, Co. — . Time, 5 1-5 seconds.

100-yard dash: Same winners. Time, 10 4-5 seconds.

3-legged 100-yard race: Won by Block and Olsen, Co. —, Motor Mechanics; second, Pope and Kohl, Motor Transport, Co. —.

Shuttle broad jump: Won by ten-men team from Motor Transport, Co.

Medicine Ball: Won by five-men team from Co. —, 1st Motor Mechanics. Longest throw, 27 feet.

## NAVY TRIUMPHANT IN LONDON CONTEST

### Army Is Consoled by Fact That It Wasn't a League Game

### BASE SECTION STILL LEADS

### Sunningdale Canadians Also Have Yet to Taste Defeat—Airmen Fight Hard

LONDON, June 6.—The London Base Section, though routed by the U.S. Navy at the special game on Decoration Day, pulled itself together sufficiently to drive off raiders from the A.E.F. Hounslow Aerodome Saturday in a ten inning game, 5 to 4.

Other Saturday results in the Anglo-American league follow: Sunningdale Canadians 10, Canadian Pay Office 2, at Highbury Grounds; U.S. Navy 7, Northolt A.E.F. air Service 5, at Northolt; Epsom Canadians, 10, Canadian Record Office 2, at Epsom. The league standing:—

| Team. | Won. | Lost. | Pct. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Base Section | 2 | 0 | 1,000 |
| Sunningdale Canadians | 3 | 0 | 1,000 |
| Epsom Canadians | 2 | 1 | .667 |
| Northolt A.E.F.A.S | 2 | 1 | .667 |
| Hounslow A.E.F.A.S | 1 | 2 | .333 |
| U.S. Navy | 1 | 2 | .333 |
| Canadian Records | 0 | 2 | .000 |
| Canadian Payoffice | 0 | 3 | .000 |

**The Navy's Victory**

It seems that the Navy team is manned by tricky submariners. After the London Base Section demolished the split-skirted crew two Saturdays ago, and the Hounslow A.E.F. flyers went over the fragments last Saturday, leaving 9 oily bubbles on the surface of an otherwise vacant sea, the pirates poked up their heads at Chelsea Grounds today and terrified the Base Section into a 7 to 3 rout.

And it was decoration Day, too, with the biggest, gayest sporting crowd that London has seen in many a war year.

And a distinguished party occupied the royal box, including Her Royal Highness Princess Patricia of Connaught, the Duchess of Sutherland, Lady Clonmell, Lady Helmsley, Lady Celia Coates, Lady Ward, Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, Mrs. Henry Sturgis, Admiral Sims and aides, Major-General Biddle, C.G., at the base section, with his aides, and the C.O. of the A.E.F. Air Service in Britain.

And the Army crowd used so many players in desperate efforts to counter-intimidate the mast-climbers that a list of their names can not be given, as it would inform the Germans as to the strength of the A.E.F. in England.

**Doesn't Count in Standing**

The doughboys found three encouraging factors in the game. The result won't count in the Anglo-American League, as this was a special match not on the schedule. The league games will be more interesting now that it is known that the Navy is not down and out. And after all, it was a game for charity, a noble charity, too—to buy milk for the poorest families of Britain—so the admision fee was not wasted. The score:

Navy .....1 0 0 0 0 0 1 2 3—7
Army .....0 0 1 0 0 0 2 0 0—3.

## ARMY'S FOOTBALL ACE

[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

NEW YORK, June 6.—The West Point athlete, Elmer Oliphant, will be the only cadet ever graduated with the honor of having won the Army "A" in four different branches of sport—football, baseball, basketball and track.

As a football player, Oliphant established a record, scoring in four years 319 points for the cadet elevens. In 1915 he made both touchdowns and kicked the resultant goals, which defeated the Navy by a score of 14 to 0.

Frederick Pollard, of Brown, the colored halfback who was the sensation of the 1916 football season, has left college to become a physical director for the Y.M.C.A. at Camp Meade, Admiral, Maryland.

## K. OF C. PRIZE CUP GOES TO GOB NINE

### Boys in O.D. Have Game Put Away When Big Smash Comes

### BASE SECTION FIELD DAY

### Boxing, Baseball, Track and Martial Events Are All on Program

Far be it from the official reporter for THE STARS AND STRIPES in Base Section No. 2 to attempt to utter the glowing encomiums bestowed by the French newspapers upon the big Base athletic track meet Memorial Day afternoon, but the O.R. of the S. and S. is willing to admit that never in his long life of fevered sport page journalism has he witnessed such *rushes merveilleuses*, a relay race *également particulièrement émouvante*, nor a boxing bout *plus élégant ou scientifique* than the six-round match between Dal Hawkins, featherweight champion *des des* Philippines, and R. T. McKeevers, a classy youngster still in his teens who is being trained by Eddie Nugent, the youthful but well known New York middleweight.

The afternoon of sports drew one of the largest crowds of soldiers and civilians ever assembled on the sport field. The C.G. was there, with two French generals, the mayor, the prefect of the department, and all the French people who could crowd into the spaces allowed them by the M.P.s.

**Sort of a Three Ring Circus**

The field day was a sort of three ring circus, with a baseball game between the Umpsteenth Engineers, Army champs of the Base, and the crack Naval nine from Loup-the-Loup. The O.D.s had the game salted and put away for the summer when Miller, a tar with a bat-swing like a Dutch windmill, caught the horsehide squarely on the nose and lifted it clear over the moon, enabling three brother-gobs to cross the home plate in leisurely fashion and permitting himself to follow in their wake before the reconnoitering patrol sent out after the ball came marching back allowing that the ball must have found a haven somewhere in Spain. That one home run was all the Sailors needed, and when the game was over they had the silver cup presented by the Knights of Columbus by a score of 6 to 5.

**Sailors Win Again**

The match *de* volley ball also was won by another band of Sailors, beating the three competing Army teams in neat and orderly fashion.

Track shoes and clothes being absolutely unprocurable, to make it fair for everybody the big meet was run off in the regulation issue uniform of the Army and Navy, the soldiers wearing everything except their hat and coat and O.D. shirt, and the sailors removing their hats and middy blouses.

Track and field events were staged simultaneously, as there was plenty of room. Great speed was demonstrated in the 100 yard, 220 and 440, and the relay race, 880 yards, was a sight for tired eyes. The Y.M.C.A. presented medals to the winners of first, second and third places. The results:

100 yards—First, Sisson, Army; second, Alexander, Army; third, Reiley, Army. Time, 12 2-5 seconds.

220 yards—First, Harper, Navy; second, Wilson, Army; third, Allen, Army. Time, 27 2-5 seconds.

440 yards—First, Williams, Army; second, Cooper, Army; third, Hutson, Army. Time, 57 seconds.

880 yards relay—First, Ketchum, Donahue, Schooler, Harper, Navy. Time, 1:56.

Running broad jump—First, Wanner, Army; second, Thompson, Army; third, Hunters, Army. 5ft 6in.

Running broad jump—First, Sisson, Army; second, Hazlett, Army; third, Stonaker, Army. Dist., 19ft 9¾ inches.

Shot put—First, Dolan, Army; second, Cole, Army; third, Alexander, Army. 46ft. 6in.

Hand grenade throw—First, Foran, Army; second, White, Army; third, Glanders, Navy.

Manual-of-arms competition—First, Malstrom; second, Stock; third, Flynn, all Army.

Platoon competition—Engineers.

## HEAVIES TOSS HAMMER FAR

[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

NEW YORK, June 6.—Pat McDonald and Matt McGrath broke the world's record for the 35 pound hammer throw, at Celtic Park, beating the mark set by Pat Ryan, the world's champion, by more than four feet.

McDonald's heave was 63 feet, 5 inches, and McGrath's 61 feet, 8 inches. Pat Ryan's toss came to only 57 feet, 7 1-2 inches.

Ryan was not in the competition because he had been called to the colors. The two athletes who surpassed his mark would not credit their own records until the measurements were taken twice.

McGrath threw the 16 pound hammer for 176 feet, 9 inches. Incidentally, Matt has been promoted to be a police lieutenant.

## DIAMOND FLASHES

Marsans, the Cuban ball player, is holding down right field for the Yanks and playing a consistent game.

Earl Hamilton, who won six straight games for the Pirates, aspired to down the Giants before joining the Navy. When he faced the McGraw crew he held them to four hits and won handily. He left for the Pacific coast immediately after the game and is now in the service.

First Baseman Hancock and third baseman Nash, of the University of Wisconsin baseball nine, have joined the service.

## DE PALMA'S LAURELS COME AFTER RACE

### Scorers Err in Calculating Harkness Handicap Laps

### TOMMY MILTON IS SECOND

### Accident Kills Chances of English Driver Who Was Favorite in Betting

[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

NEW YORK, June 6.—Ralph De Palma won the hundred mile Harkness Handicap automobile race at Sheepshead Bay after a fight that was not confined to the big track. Tommy Milton was first declared winner, but De Palma protested the decision and the judges, upon investigation, found that the scorers had made an error in calculating the number of laps. De Palma's tires burst in a grand spurt with Chevrolet, but the inquiry showed that they didn't burst until the race was over.

Tommy Milton was second, anyway. He made it in 58 minutes, 31 seconds, which is eight miles an hour slower than Chevrolet's great drive last year. Oldfield came in third in 59 minutes 14 1-5 seconds. Vail was fourth with 61 minutes, 20 seconds as his time.

Dario Resta, the noted English driver and the favorite in the betting, broke his connecting rod and the resulting smash exploded the car, forcing him to drive into the pit in flames.

Louis Chevrolet, starting at scratch, was forced to make three tire changes and fell hopelessly to the rear. Ira Vail seemed sure of second place when he blew a tire to shreds and let Oldfield pass him.

The Pacific coast champion, Emar Toft, blew a tire to bits, and "Red Flash" Fetterman of Pittsburgh slid a hundred yards into the pit with brakes locked, providing the crowd with a tremendous thrill.

A feature of the day was the deadly duel between Chevrolet and Ralph De Palma, a driver famous for his cunning. De Palma got to Chevrolet's rear wheels after eight laps and for ten wild miles both hung close together. De Palma caught Chevrolet on the 18th mile, but at the 20th, Chevrolet made a tremendous spurt and flashed past. De Palma held the lead until his tires burst.

## SMITH AND WALKER LEAD THE LEAGUES

### Giants' Slump Is Fierce, Yanks' Fans Find [illegible] Idol

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[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

New York, June 6.—J. Carlisle Smith, veteran third baseman of the Boston Braves, retained his hold on leading batting honors in the National league the past week.

In the American league, Clarence Walker, hard-hitting outfielder of the Athletics, has displaced George Sisler as topnotcher. Several New York players are runners-up in both leagues.

The Giants have made a slump so awful that Gotham is all aweep. Some are even swearing.

Hubert Thormahlen is becoming the idol of New York fandom. He has pitched five games for the Yankees and won four of them. One was a 14 inning fight. Hubert has allowed only two runs, and neither of them was Hubert's fault. He is a local product, and developed as a pitcher with the Englewood Field club in an amateur league.

## CUDGEL WINS BIG STAKES

[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

New York, June 6.—Cudgel won the $12,000 Kentucky Handicap at Louisville by a length over Pip Junior. His time was 2:03.

At Belmont Park, Elfin Queen won the five furlough Juvenile stakes in 58 3-5, within three-fifths of a second of the world's record by Colin and the fastest time made in the Juvenile stakes since they were first run in 1874.

Joe Widener's imported three year old, Tromp La Morte, won the Metropolitan mile handicap over Old Koenig in 1:38 3-5. Omar Khayyam was badly out of it, running sixth.

Before 20,000 people at Belmont Park, the three year old Motor Cop won the famous $8,000 Withers stakes.

## SPORTING COMMENT

From Joe Wood, famous pitcher, it now is Joe Wood, famous outfielder. Back in 1915 Smokey Joe's arm went on the fritz and it looked as though his baseball career was ended. The Cleveland club, however, held on to him, and when Graney was forced to get out of the game because of a lame arm, Wood got his chance in the outfield. He made good with a vengeance, in the first 15 games he batted at a .302 clip and made only one error. When he hits, it usually is for extra bases, and he has helped the Indians to quite a few victories.

Another twirler is making good in the outfield this year. He is Babe Ruth, who twirls and plays in the outfield for the Red Sox, and as good men are scarce back home now because of the heavy toll demanded by the Army and Navy, Ruth promises to be the most valuable man on the team. Besides twirling good ball, he is slugging like a fiend, and after the first month was leading the American league in stickwork with the high average of .457. Recently in one game he made three doubles, a triple, and a single in five trips to the plate. Tris Speaker is second in batting with .441 to his credit, and Joe Jackson is next with .371, Tobin of the Browns also hitting at the same mark.

The National Sporting Club of London, which has kept the boxing game on a high plane in England for many years, still controls the sport. Despite the new curfew law, which forces everyone to be at home by 11 o'clock, the club is staging shows, starting them an hour earlier. The officials recently adopted a new weight schedule for the various classes as follows: Flyweight, 112 pounds; bantamweight, 118; featherweight, 126; lightweight, 136; welterweight, 147; middleweight, 160; light heavyweight, 175; and heavyweight any weight over that. Contestants must weigh in eight hours before a match, and all championship contests must be decided under the rules of the club.

## FULTON-DEMPSEY GO SURE

[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

NEW YORK, June 6.—At Baltimore, Kid Williams came back, licking Young Chaney, the sensational local bantam, in 12 hot rounds. Williams forced the fight from the start, hammering his opponent wickedly on the body and rocking him in the tenth with a terrifically hard left hook to the jaw. Williams left the ring unmarked.

Knockout Brennan, the Irish heavyweight, has enlisted in the Navy Reserves. He has more knockouts to his credit than any other heavyweight.

Jack Dempsey, the Salt Lake City heavyweight, and Fred Fulton have signed on for a 20 round battle to a decision, to be staged in Danbury, Conn., on the Fourth of July.

## AIRMEN VICTORS AFTER 11 INNINGS

### Squadron Defeats Engineers by Bunching Hits at Right Minute

It took 11 fast innings for the — Aero Squadron to put it over Company F, — Engineers, by the score of 7 to 6. It looked bad for the airmen in the first half of the 11th, when two successive singles put men on first and second, but Kees tightened and fanned the next man, and Townsend, playing left field, scooped up Wyatt's hot grounder in one hand, and by a perfect throw to the plate caught the runner trying to score from second. Kearins relayed the ball to second and retired the side. In their half the airmen found Mitchell for two singles and a double, and that was all there was to it. The score:

| | | R | H | E |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Aero Sqdn. | 1 3 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 1 | 7 | 17 | 5 |
| Engineers. | 1 0 0 1 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 6 | 11 | 4 |

**Artillery Students Win**

The Tractor Artillery School nine played its first game of the season against the — Motor Truck Company and showed the truckmen at small expense how it ought to be done. The charge was 19 to 7. The lineups were as follows: T.A.S., Carpenter, 3b; Gould, ss; Brown, c; Leavitt, 1b, captain; Phillips, cf; Duffus, 2b; Long, rf; Rourke, lf, Menz and Phillips, p. M.T.C., Malpass, c; Lalley, p; Price, 1b; Evans, 2b; Barns, ss; Bowler, 3b; Allbright, cf; Crafford, rf; Murphy, lf. The score:

M.T.C.Co. ...3 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 2—7
T.A.S. .....4 4 2 2 0 1 0 6 x—19

**Artillerymen Score Shutout**

Battery A.—F.A., pulled another on the Aspirants, this time 2 to 0. Both hurlers were stingy, but Lefty Schroeder shrapneled and bombed the scholars all over the lot.

The artillerymen scored their first run in the third when Stepp singled, stole second and third, and scored on O'Connor's error. Again in the sixth they succeeded in putting one over when La Mere dropped Kracke's Texas leaguer and Pitts doubled. Cobb made two nice catches and Casteel some pretty stops. Pitts besides banging out two real hits, cut off a score in the seventh with a beautiful throw to the plate. The score:

Aspirants ....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
Battery A.....0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 x—2

Two base hit—Pitts; Struck out by Schroeder 14, by Fuller 7; bases on balls, off Schroeder 1; stolen bases, Stepp 2, Casteel; runs responsible for, Casteel 1; left on bases, Aspirants 3, Battery A, 6. Time of game, 1:34. Umpire, Garner Ungleford. Cheer leader, Rex Murphy.

**Detachments in Battle**

Headquarters Detachment, Company B, — Engineers, defeated another detachment of the same company by a score of 11 to 5. The features of the game were the pitching of Johnson and the stick work of McHarlin and Stelle for the winners and Red Harding's fielding for the losers. The batteries were: Co. B, Ogeltree and Thibedeaux; Hdqrs., Johnson, Green and Croft. The score:

| | | R | H | E |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| B Company | 1 0 0 0 3 1 0 0— | 5 | 8 | 4 |
| Headquarters | 0 3 2 3 0 2 0 1— | 11 | 17 | 3 |

## CRIMSON OARSMEN LEAD YALE EIGHT

### Harvard Crosses the Line Three Lengths to Good on Housatonic

[By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

NEW YORK, June 6.—Harvard's first wartime eight led Yale past the finish of a two-mile stretch on the Housatonic, with three lengths to spare. The gruelling race was rowed in perfect form with a wealth of reserve power. Harvard's time was 10 minutes, 58 seconds. Yale's time was 11 minutes, 4 seconds.

Harvard opened the gap at the start, but Yale fought gamely and in the first mile the struggle alternated, frequently furnishing a magnificent sight as the boats dashed ahead practically abreast. Yale faltered at the mile and a quarter point and fell behind a length in the next quarter. Three oarsmen dropped exhausted at the finish. The race was rowed on water that was glassy in the frightful heat.

Before the race, the Harvard freshmen baseball team beat the Yale freshmen 12 to 8. The Harvard boys took the lead in the first inning and were neaver headed.

Lafayette defeated the U. of P. by a 2 to 1 score in a game played at Easton. At West Point the Army licked Stevens Institute 5 to 1. At Annapolis the Navy was victorious over the team from Mount St. Joseph to the tune of 6 to 0.

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