

FRANCE MAKES FOURTH A DOUBLE HEADER

He lives within the S.O.S.— You'll know him by his beard of fuzz: And he's the guy who says, "Ah, yes, Gimme the day that used to was."

We'll meet him after war has passed— You know, my dear, one often does— And ten to one that we'll be gassed With "days that used to was."

BASEBALL OWNERS LOOK TO AMATEURS Draft of Semi-pro Talent Likely If Government Takes Players

PENNANT TO NEW ORLEANS Southern Association Closes Short Season—Honus Now a Home Guard

[BY CABLE TO THE STARS AND STRIPES.] AMERICA, July 4.—Major league baseball owners plausibly agree that if the Government takes its ball players, they will fall back on amateur and semi-pro talent, but the public is sold to the suggestion. George Burns is now playing in center field for the Giants, after covering the left field garden for six years. He has taken Benny Knuff's place in the middle of the Athletics...

BRITTON OUTFIGHT BY BENNY LEONARD Lightweight Champ Has Shade in Three of Six Rounds

[BY CABLE TO THE STARS AND STRIPES.] AMERICA, July 4.—In a hot six round bout at Philadelphia, Benny Leonard, world's lightweight champion, outfought Jack Britton, former welterweight champion. Leonard had the shade in three rounds, Britton led in two, while the other was even. Britton punched straight and hard in the early rounds, but Leonard began to get the upper hand in the fourth. He opened the round with a hard left hook uppercut to the jaw that rocked Britton severely. Britton finished the round by hanging on and clinching most of the time. Britton was repeatedly staggered with hard wallop, but showed consummate defensive ability, and by force was successful in stopping the champion's onslaughts. In the last round, Leonard had things pretty well his own way and easily avoided Britton's mad rushes in an effort to even up matters.

SPORTING COMMENT

Arthur Polkey, the Canadian heavyweight, who created quite a stir when he landed the blow on Luther McCarty's heart at Calgary in 1913, which resulted in McCarty's death, tried once more to show the public that he was a fighter, but Jack Dempsey, whom he faced at Denver, put him away in one round. This time he was completely out of luck, and he is through. Polkey is only 34 years of age, having been born at Chatham, Canada, in 1884. He started his ring career in 1910. He was considered only a fair fighter when Tommy Burns, who handled him, matched him with McCarty, who was being hoisted for the champion's onslaughts. After the fight Polkey laid off for a while, but finally signed to meet Combat Smith in California, who stopped him in 15 rounds. Soon afterwards, Kid Keeneth stopped him in six rounds at Taft, Cal. For some time then Polkey quit the ring. He finally tried another comeback, but was stopped by Fred Fitzsimmons in ten rounds at Eau Claire, and a month later they met again at Oshkosh, when Polkey again was sent to dreamland, this time in five rounds. Polkey was down five times before the bout was stopped. Then Polkey laid off again, but looked up at Panama where he was topped over in 13 rounds by Kid Norfolk. That was 11 months ago. When Benny Knuff, former Giant outfielder, now in the Army, whiffed the five times in a single game at St. Louis last month, he tied the National League strikeout record. Shorrock and Wolfman did the hurting against him. The record was first made by Harry Stovey back in 1891, when George Blumenthal pulled the trick on him single handed. Another National League batter who faced the same number of times was Pete Dowling of Louisville, in 1899. Hugh Redman fanned four times in the American League on June 8, 1914, but it took four different Cleveland twirlers to make him do it. Bowman, Blanding, Mitchell, and Collamore all contributing.

"LIBERTY" SCHAEFFER NOW TAKE FOUR IN ROW M.T.R.S. Wins Only One Bout in Lively Pugilistic Fest

You all remember "Germany" Schaeffer, well-known major league comedian, who formerly played with Washington and Detroit, and was then picked up by Cleveland to act as coach and entertainer for the fans. Well, it is "Germany" no longer. Schaeffer got patriotic and studied the sports scribbles that he did not wish to be called "Germany" thenceforth. His new name is "Liberty" Schaeffer. "Liberty," after being let out by Cleveland, signed up with Newark of the International League, and in his first two games his long drives won from each team in the double header was 4 to 2, and in each battle "Liberty" made two long hits.

TRIPLE CLEARS BAGS, AIRMEN ARE VICTORS Stars Aid in 6 to 5 Victory Over Corps Artillery Park

A triple by Fleming with the bases full went a long way toward bringing about the 6 to 5 victory of the Aero Squadron over the Corps Artillery Park. The airmen are keeping up the good work they started "way down in Kelly Field State of Texas, and have yet to be defeated. Corporal Bob Kummer, formerly of the Athletics, is manager and others on the team are Outfielder Josephson, last year with the Giants, Outfielder Fogley of Mauch Chunk, Catcher Sharp of Ocean City, and Outfielder Fleming and Second Baseman Roy Moore, formerly with the Fresno team of the California State League. Shortstop Wisner of the losers put up a fine fielding game. The airmen want more games, and request that challenges be sent to Jim Goodhart, Y. M. C. A., A.P.O. 703. The score: Aero Squ. .... 0 0 0 0 4 1 0 1 — P. H. E. Artillery ..... 2 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 5 9 4

Engineers on Long End

The Engineers defeated the Marines 12 to 2. Dietses of the Engineers pitched steady ball and was absolutely waterproof after the second inning. The batteries were: Engineers, Dietses and Kelly; Headquarters, McDonold, Kimbro and Martin. Both sides fielded cleanly.

Lone Run in Extra Inning

When Company C and Company D, Engineers, deemed to have a ball game, they agreed beforehand to play only seven innings. This was because they had no idea, at the time, that nobody was going to get anywhere in any of all of those seven innings. The only and deciding run was scored by C. Company in the eighth. It was a pitcher's battle throughout. Horneck of the losers, allowed three hits, and Smith of the winners four, but his team-mates' support held D. Company in check in the tight places.

Marines in Second Place

The Marines and Q.M. Corps of the G.I.Q. League battled for second place and the Marines came out victorious by a score of 5 to 0. The game was short, lasting only one hour and 15 minutes. Stratton, for the Marines, got four neat singles and stole three bases in addition. Billitz's curves broke neatly and he allowed only one hit. In the last two innings Ostrom had them fanning the air at his last ones. Martz played in star game for the Q.M. The score: — P. H. E. Q.M. Corps .... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 — 1 7 Marines ..... 2 0 1 0 2 0 0 0 — 5 8 4

Strikes Out First Eight

One of the largest crowds that has attended a ball game in the A.P.O. 703 section was present when two M.R.S. units battled for supremacy. Payne was in mid-season form and struck out the first eight men. Stomd caught a grand slam and had three timely hits. Hankins picked out a bat to his liking each trip to the plate, registering two two baggers and two singles. Bayer, the big center fielder, also had his batting eye with him, slugging out a home run with two on the paths, besides a double and a single. Rawlin was the only one to secure more than one hit off Payne. The score was 18 to 2.

No Game, Two Casualties

The game looked between Company M, Army Cadet Corps, and Base Squadron No. 1, Engineers, A.E.F., was forfeited to the Engineers, Company M failing to show up. During batting practice two Engineer players were hurt when one of the players turned loose a bat during a swing at the ball. Shortstop Jack Giesel and Outfielder Burdell received the full force of the bat. Giesel is in hospital. Burdell was knocked down by the force of the bat, but soon was on his feet walking around.

Ordnance Teams Victors

The baseball team of the Provisional Ordnance Battalion continued its winning streak established at some several months ago, and took into camp the unbeaten team of the Co. C, — Engineers, at A.P.O. 741. The score was 13 to 5. Later in the week the Battalion officers won their first game in France by defeating the officers of an Ordnance organization in an adjoining camp, the score being 17 to 13. The main event of this game was a remarkable one hand running catch by Lieut. Cooley of the Battalion in the ninth inning with the bases full.

Other A.E.F. Results

Kelly's Flying Squadron, 14; Co. B, — Engineers, 4. Kelly's Flying Squadron (Co. E, New York), 5; Kelly's Flying Squadron (Co. D, Brooklyn), 3.

ANSWER TO QUERY

Corp. G. J. Ballener: In answering your query about the world's running record for a mile, we take it that you mean the amateur mark — Norman Taber, of Brown University, is the holder of this record, which is 4min. 12 3/8sec.

ENGINEER BOXERS TAKE FOUR IN ROW M.T.R.S. Wins Only One Bout in Lively Pugilistic Fest

FRENCH GUESTS LIKE SHOW Yanks Hammer Boche as Hard as They Do Each Other, Says Major

A fight-mad audience in O.D. and a goodly scattering of pretty demoiselles anxious to watch la boxe a l'Americaine took in the smoker—they used to call them smokers back in the States, when they were afraid somebody would call in the cops if somebody else got a bloody nose—held by the — Engineers and the — M.R.S. The boxing started with a wrestling match. Wilkes of the Engineers and Mochwart of the M.R.S. jugged each other for ten minutes until Wilkes got a half nelson and forced his man, Gardner and Hostood, fighting at 125 pounds, then replaced the matmen, and Gardner, getting in a straight left repeatedly, easily won the decision. The next bout brought together Ackerman and Iosettli. Both showed that they could hit and took some good punches. It took a little time for the crowd to get used to the M.R.S. strength was last night better than his opponent's, and the decision went to him, the victory made it three straight for the Engineers.

Four Straight for Engineers

Weisberg of the Engineers made it four straight in a one-sided go with Pinlo of the M.R.S. A brace of welterweights, Wachting of the Engineers and Hoffmacher of the M.R.S., then entered the ring, and this time it was the M.R.S. man who pulled off the decision. It was their only victory. The final bout was between Cole of the Engineers and Delling of the M.R.S. At the close the five judges put their heads together and decided the go was a draw if there ever was one. The French guests liked the show as much as did the Yanks. One woman was heard to remark to her husband, saying, "If the Americans called me another name, I wouldn't care, but wouldn't they do to the Boche. And the major was heard to allow that he had seen what they could do to the Boche, and that the only one who had any possible kick coming was the Boche.

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Outfielder Fred Fisher is reported to be making good since he was shipped from Philadelphia to St. Louis. Naturally he would.

Artillery Still Manager of the Minneapolis Club, despite its sale, has bought Pitcher Wyckoff from the Athletics.

Urban Faber has left the White Sox to enter the service.

Port Worth was leading in the Texas league on June 4, having won 21 games and lost 14. Houston was second, 18-17; Dallas third, 15-19; Shreveport, 14-17; San Antonio, 17-21; and Waco, 15-17.

Griffith has sent Acosta to Atlanta in exchange for Piench, a young catcher, who is said to be ripe for the majors.

Leon Cadore, Brooklyn, twirler, drafted into the Army, came back to Brooklyn for a game and pitched the Dodgers to a win over the Cards, allowing but four hits.

Bobby Roth has been reinstated by Manager Fohl of the Cleveland club after going two days off.

Empire Brick Owens of the American league claims a number of pitchers are using the "shine ball" this year and are getting away with it.

Columbus, with Three Fingers Brown as manager, made a great climb in the American Association and on June 12 was leading the race, with Kansas City second, Milwaukee third, Louisville fourth and Indianapolis fifth.

The leading pitchers in the big leagues here two months' play were: American, Ruth, 358; Walker, 339; Baker, 336; Sisler, 349; Burns, 346; National, Doyle, 426; Morkle, 364; Knuff, 344; Smith, 353; Wickland, 346.

THEY LIKE GALLAGHER

To the Sporting Editor of THE STARS AND STRIPES: In your issue of June 14, Dan Gallagher, Ordnance Corps, A.P.O. 741, expressed a wish to meet the French middleweight champion.

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ALL-STAR SERVICE TEAMS Two first class ball teams could now be formed of the star players already in Army or Navy service back home. They are: Navy.—Pitchers, Hamilton, Shore, Pfeiffer, Elmke; catcher, Elliott; first base, Gainer; second base, Barry; shortstop, Miranville; third base, Leonard; outfielders, Lewis, Sloan, Matusky and Jacobson. Army.—Pitchers, Alexander, Cadore, Smith; catchers, Gowdy, Sweeney, and Killefer; first base, Hobbilzeit; second base, Ward; shortstop, Rath; third base, Von Kolnitz; outfielders, Knuff, Rice, Smith.

DEMPSEY REAL GOODS, SAYS JIM CORBETT Is Entitled to Crack at Willard's Title, According to Ex-Champ

Jim Corbett, former heavyweight champion, is an ardent admirer of Jack Dempsey, the most recent of the big fellows back home, who is forging to the front at a fast clip. Corbett, when interviewed recently had this to say about the coming star: "Jack Dempsey, in the mind of every real ring fan, is entitled to a crack at Willard's title as much as Fred Fulton. The westerner has established a wonderful record in the past year which entitles him to some consideration. His claim is as good as that of Fulton, who has repeatedly turned down proposals to meet him in a bout. "Dempsey is something of a newcomer in the pugilistic game, but what an amazing record he has established in a very short time. In the three years he has been in the ring he has engaged in 41 battles, 25 of which were won by the knockout method, eight on decisions and one on a foul. He fought four draws and one no-decision affair. He lost only one contest, that to Jack Downey, while Jim Flynn sent him to dreamland when he first started his career in the ring. But when he met Flynn in a second bout, he stopped that western fireman in one round.

One of the startling features of his record is that in 12 of the 25 knockouts scored by him, he performed the trick in less than one round. Of course, many of his wins were over second and third raters, but he has done everything asked of him, and for this reason is entitled to some consideration.

Charlie Lawson, who has been fighting around St. Paul and Milwaukee for several years, announced his retirement from the ring because of family objections.

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BROOKLYN HANDICAP IS WON BY CUDGEL Saratoga to Held Steeplechase for Red Cross Benefit

[BY CABLE TO THE STARS AND STRIPES.] AMERICA, July 4.—Cudgel won the Brooklyn Handicap at Aqueduct, defeating the famous Roamer more than a length. Dunboyne won the \$6,000 Great American stakes. Roamer won the Queens County Handicap in a fine spurt completing the mile in 1:36 3/8, only a fifth of a second slower than the track record made by Short Grass in 1916. The Saratoga Racing Association announces a big steeplechase for the benefit of the Red Cross in August, and expects to turn over \$22,000 from the event. The Latonia Jockey Club of Cincinnati announces that it will double the Latonia stakes next year, making it the most valuable of American races for three year olds, the value being over \$20,000. Oklahoma is beginning to supplant "Old Kentucky" as a horse breeding state. Many breeding establishments have located there or are going to.

HALL DEFEATS T. R. PELL

[BY CABLE TO THE STARS AND STRIPES.] AMERICA, July 4.—Walter M. Hall won the Middle States singles tennis match by defeating Theodore Roosevelt Pell in straight sets, 6-3, 6-2, 6-0. Molla Bjurstedt, the great Norwegian player, retained the national tennis championship, winning it for the fourth time, and thus obtaining permanent possession of the silver championship cup. Lew Tendler of Philadelphia had the better of a six-round go with Phil Bloom at Philadelphia.

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