

## ALL THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE ATHLETIC WORLD

## STATEMENT ON FRATERNITY IS GIVEN BY FULTZ

New York, April 7.—David L. Fultz, president of the Baseball Players' Fraternity, has issued a statement regarding the fraternity's stand on the reserve clause in players' contracts and giving the reasons why the organization has not advised its members to respect this part of their contracts with the baseball clubs.

His statement is in part as follows:

The fraternity has been more or less severely criticized for not compelling its members to regard the reserve clause as a binding contract. We have refused to do this for one reason, because we have felt that we would be putting ourselves in a very questionable light by disciplining our members for not doing something the law might later decide they were not bound to do. Had we taken this step we would have run the risk of not only being unfair to our members, but of subjecting ourselves to actions at law for unjust disciplinary measures.

If this very troublesome clause is tested, as now seems likely, we believe the result will prove that we have been wise in the stand we have taken.

**Question as to Binding.**

Whether or not this clause is binding in law is a question which has often been discussed, with various lines of reasoning and with results which can in no way be reconciled. Many persons apparently think of the clause as a fixed quality, whereas until very recently there were almost as many different forms of it as there were leagues in existence. As some of these clauses are undoubtedly without force and others possibly good, no blanket opinion can be an intelligent one, and those which have been rendered without giving the text of the particular clause passed upon are, it seems to me, valueless.

The reserve clause as set forth in the two major league contracts for the season of 1913 and under which players who have jumped to the Federal league must be held, if at all, are identical and to my mind are unquestionably unenforceable.

**Two Alleged Defects.**

There are two alleged defects in the provision; first, its inequitable nature, in that it binds the player for his entire career, while the club is bound for only 10 days, and second, its neglect to state what salary shall be paid under the contract to be entered into. The first objection is somewhat involved and does not need to be considered here as the second is sufficiently vital to rob the clause of any binding force.

This clause reads in part as follows:

"In consideration of the compensation paid to the party of the second part by the party of the first part, as recited in clause I hereof, the party of the second part agreed and obligates himself to contract with and continue in the service of the party of the first part for the succeeding season at a salary to be determined by the parties of such contract."

## LOCAL BOWLING YESTERDAY

Last night on the Black alleys in the City League, the Wanderers and the Ramblers took two points each. The following was the individual score of the bowlers:

Ramblers.	
Beasley ..	87 93 84 264-88
Jordan ..	84 77 103 264-88
Sutherland ..	81 90 93 264-84 2-3
Kirkpatrick ..	70 93 89 265-89 1-3
Wilson ..	103 85 89 277-92 1-3
425 488 1311	
Wanderers.	
Black ..	107 83 84 279-93
Jonson ..	90 81 80 261-83 2-3
Logan ..	104 88 87 279-93
Pooley ..	82 81 86 268-89 1-3
Lewis ..	83 89 86 248-82 2-3
466 433 1225	

This evening there will be another game in the City League when the Tigers and the Imperials will be the teams to oppose each other.

## PRINCETON PLANS OPEN TRACK MEET

Princeton, N. J., April 7.—The Princeton Track Association has announced a plan to hold an open handicap track meet on University field on May 16. It is hoped that in this way the athletes from college circles and from the various amateur associations of the large cities will be brought together. While no regular acceptances have been received, a number of the track and field stars of national reputation have said that they would compete if the attractions were sufficient.

The Princeton Athletic Association is the first to work out the new scheme and it is hoped in this way to break down the tendency of the past to keep the A. A. U. and the college athletes in separate compartments. The feeling pervades locally that the collegiate athletes will benefit greatly from competition with the club stars. If the idea works out successfully this year it is believed that it will be made a permanent meet in the future.



Lew McCarty

## THIS DATE IN RING ANNALS

Wednesday, April 8, 1914.

1891—George Dawson defeated Dummy Mace in 17 rounds at Sydney, N. S. W. a battle for the light-weight championship of Australia. Three years later Dawson, who was popularly called "Gentleman George," came to America and defeated several gold waterweights, and was matched with Tommy Ryan for the title at New Orleans, but the Syracuse boxer backed out on the day scheduled for the bout, alleging that he had tonsillitis. While he never annexed a title, Dawson was one of the cleverest boxers the American has ever sent us, and he taught Bob Fitzsimmons many of the fine tricks of the game. After quitting the ring Dawson became an instructor at the Chicago A. C. and is said to have accumulated a snug fortune. Dawson was famed as the inventor of the kidney punch.

1890—Jem Mace, long heavyweight champion, born in Norfolk, England.

1903—Sandy Ferguson defeated George Byers in 10 rounds at Boston.

1912—Joe Rivers defeated Leach Cross in 10 rounds at New York.

## THE JEMSEG SCHOOL REPORTS FOR MARCH

Jemseg, April 6.—Those having a standing of 60 and over in Jemseg school for the month of March were:

Grade V.—A. Div.: Greta Currie, 90; Laura Parris, 97; Alma Slocum, 94; George Gunter, 92; Byard Colwell, 91; Jotta Springer, 89; Ray Purdy, 84; Jennie Currie, 81; Myrtle Slocum, 82; Everett Colwell, 69; Helen Dykeman, 63. B. Div.: Elsie Rankine, 67; Mabel Currie, 87; Louise Colwell, 87; Gordon Springer, 82; Betta Colwell, 72; Marshall Fowles, 73; Nellie Rankine, 66.

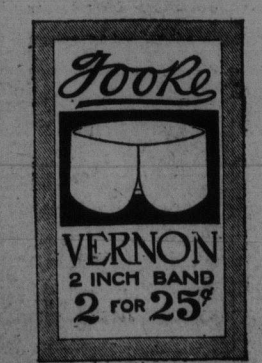
Grade IV.—Reginald Purdy, 95; Kenneth Slocum, 92; Clarence Currie, 81; John Springer, 82; Oland Sypher, 89; Blaise Fowles, 76; Myrtle Sypher, 67; Gladys Dykeman, 72; Kathleen Fowles, 66.

Grade III.—Pearl Springer, 94; Ralph Currie, 83; Azalia Parris, 84; Frank McLean, 78; Frank Colwell, 72; Greta Dykeman, 69; Ouida Dykeman, 66; Marion Wasson, 60.

Grade II.—Olga Purdy, 86; Douglas McLean, 97; Weldon Huestis, 68; Ernest Parris, 90; Wendell Dykeman, 79; Lorne Slocum, 93; Fred Springer, 91; Gordon Fowles, 74.

Grade I.—Hinson Dykeman, 85; Alvin Wasson, 74.

Pupils enrolled, 47. Average for Jan., Feb., and March, 39.2.



## JOHNSON MUST FIGHT, SAYS COMMISSION

Paris, April 7.—The International Boxing Union, now meeting in Geneva, Switzerland, today announced a list of world's champions at various weights was drawn up with the heavyweight title pending between Sam Langford and Jack Johnson.

According to the ruling of the Union, Johnson must fight before August 5 if either of the two refuses to fight the title will go to the other.

If Moran beats Johnson on June 27 he will become champion providing he meets Langford on August 5, and should he meet any other boxer before that time he will lose the championship, which will then go to Langford.

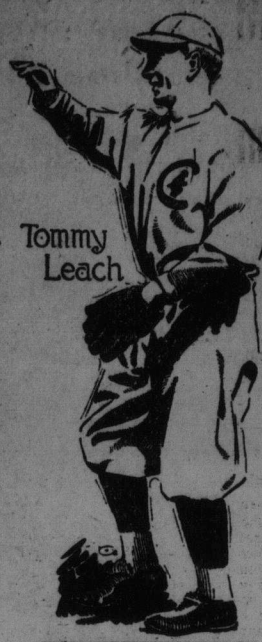
The other divisions listed as follows: Flyweight, Percy Jones; bantamweight, Johnny Kilbane; featherweight, Willie Ritchie; light-middletweight, vacant; middleweight, vacant; light-heavyweight, Sam Langford.

France was represented by several delegates and Belgium voted by letter. It was announced that representatives from New York would be unable to come before June, so another meeting was arranged for June 3 at Geneva.

## OFFERS THIRTY THOUSAND FOR OLD ROSEBUD

Chicago, April 7.—Jeff Livingston of Chicago and New York, owner of the thoroughbred horse Iron Mask, which recently established an American record at the Jaures racetrack, has made an offer of \$30,000 for Old Rosebud, Winter book favorite for the Kentucky Derby, which will be run at Louisville's Churchill Downs on May 9. The only string tie to Livingston's offer is that the colt be breezed before Phil T. Chin, to convince the latter of the horse's soundness and physical condition. Livingston's offer was contained in a telegram sent to Colonel W. B. Applegate, at Louisville. "If you will breeze Old Rosebud for Phil T. Chin, and he is satisfied as to his soundness and physical condition, I will tender you draft for \$30,000 in payment for him, which will include all of his engagements for 1914. Please advise me by wire of the different stakes he is entered in and the gross amount. What date is it agreeable to have the horse breezed for Mr. Chin?"

Old Rosebud is entered in the Louisville, Latonia and Dorval Derbies. The latter is the new \$20,000 three-year-old event, to be contested at Montreal. Old Rosebud, which won six big stakes in his two-year-old form, has been held at \$35,000.



Tommy Leach

## R.K.Y.C. CONCERT AN ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

## The Royal George Troupe Provided Splendid Programme — Looking Toward Prosperous Season.

The concert held under the auspices of the R. K. Y. C. in their rooms in the Masonic building last evening was attended by a large number of the members, and proved to be a very enjoyable affair. The entertainment for the evening was provided by the concert troupe of the Royal George which put on practically the same programme that they rendered at the York Theatre on Monday evening. Commodore H. C. Wetmore was chairman, and his orders were carried out all shipshape and Bristol fashion by the boys from the Royal George, some of whom were dressed up as girls, with split skirts and colored wigs and all the latest fads and fashions.

Among those who took part in the programme were R. Bond, C. E. Potts, E. Jones, C. Cook, R. Rowledge, W. G. McGregor, J. Mulholland, Frank Chandler, W. Bisco, C. C. Allard, A. Austin, J. G. Mulgrave and H. Macpherson.

After the concert refreshments were served. The officers and members of the R. K. Y. C. are looking forward to a successful yachting season, and a number of new motor boats will be added to the fleet this summer.

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