

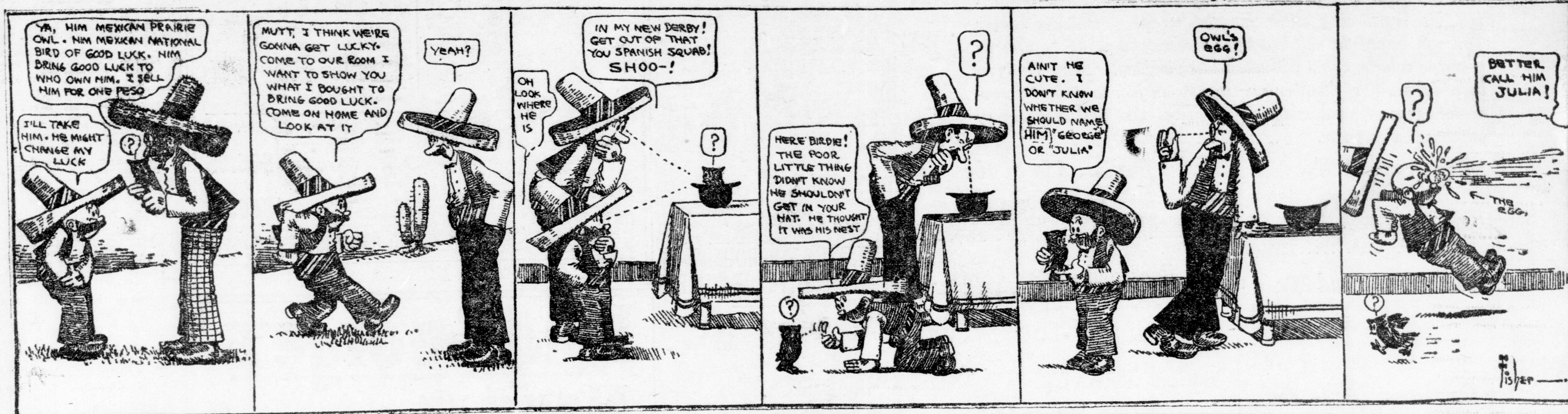
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A DAY IN THE SPORTING WORLD

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MANY SPORTS

Jeff Picks Up Another Pet

By "Bud" Fisher



LONDON IS PLACED ON LACROSSE CIRCUIT AS RESULT OF BIG MEETING

Over Fifty Local Enthusiasts Gathered Last Evening to Form Tecumseh Lacrosse Club and Set Machinery in Motion to Give London a Winning Team—J. J. Kelly, of Brantford, Gives Enthusiastic Address.



Ald. Johnston.

That London is ripe for lacrosse was plainly demonstrated last evening at the City Hotel, when about fifty local enthusiasts gathered for the organization meeting of the London Lacrosse Club.

The meeting was held in the City Hotel, when about fifty local enthusiasts gathered for the organization meeting of the London Lacrosse Club. The attendance was the largest ever for such a meeting in the city.

The officers elected were as follows: President—Messrs. Hon. C. S. Hyman, Hon. Adam Beck, Major Beattie, Bishop Fallon, Ald. Spittal, Senator Coffey, Mayor C. M. R. Graham, Col. Abbott, S. Stevely, Chris J. Fitzgerald, W. P. D. Jarvis, G. G. Steele, C. K. Somerville, W. Hadden, P. Pocock, J. Hamilton, Col. Gartschore, H. T. Reason, and J. Menhinick.

Honorary First Vice-President—Sidd Little. Honorary Second Vice-President—Archie McMahon. President—Ald. E. H. Johnston. Vice-President—C. A. Butterworth. Secretary—W. H. Rhodes. Treasurer—Alfred A. Alexander. Executive Committee—Messrs. Brown, Jackson, Harry Marshall, Geo. Patrick, Collins, Fred Fitzgerald.

President Kelly's Address. Ald. Johnston presided at the meeting, and Mr. J. J. Kelly, of Brantford, past president of the C. L. A., who was present for the express purpose of boosting the movement, was called upon to speak. Mr. Kelly made a brief but to-the-point address. He expressed pleasure at being invited to the meeting. It was his firm belief that lacrosse had taken a new lease of life, and the recent uniting of the C. L. A. and O. L. A. into the Ontario Amateur Lacrosse Association—a representative body of the C. L. A. U.—would do much to put the game on a good basis.

He explained the break between the C. L. A. and O. L. A., and showed how it had tended to hurt the game all over the Province. Then last fall committees from both organizations met with a view to bringing about a reunion, and the result was that today the game has been placed on a firm footing again, and the prospect of its regaining its old-time popularity was exceedingly bright.

A. A. U. Determines Status. The present organization is affiliated with the A. A. U. of Canada, and the status of all its players is determined by this body. The C. A. A. U. governs amateur lacrosse all over the Dominion. The Ontario Association is just a representative of the supreme body, which includes Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and British Columbia. Thus, if London won the intermediate championship of the O. A. L. A., it would be a representative championship of the Dominion, just as the winning of the district would be a representative championship of the Ontario Association.

West Has Lacrosse Craze. "At the present time," said Mr. Kelly, "lacrosse is the prevailing game in the western provinces. What used to be in Western Canada the baseball craze is now the lacrosse craze, and the game is gaining in popularity every year."

With regard to the local situation, Mr. Kelly stated that he had played lacrosse here ten or eleven years ago and at that time London had some team. There was no reason why a good team could not be put in the field this year. Judging from the enthusiasm displayed at the meeting, the efforts of the club should be crowned with success.

In concluding, Mr. Kelly said that any assistance he could render the London Club he would gladly give if called upon, and he believed the club would also find a willing helper in President Sinking, of the O. A. L. A. The residence rule of the O. A. L. A. had been extended until May 1, so that the club had plenty of time yet to get in any players from nearby towns, who would play for London if given a position here.

The Club Formed. Following Mr. Kelly's address it was moved by Mr. Brown Jackson and seconded by Mr. A. A. Alexander, that the meeting organize a lacrosse club in London. The meeting then proceeded with the election of officers. Short speeches were given by some of the players present, including George Fetterley, Mr. Alexander, Sid Rankin, D. E. Aitchison, Mr. Deacon and Mr. Jackson. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Kelly was moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Butterworth. Mr. Kelly replied briefly.

Executive Meets. A meeting of the executive committee was held after the organization meeting, and committees were appointed to make ground arrangements and get funds for the club. It is likely a canvas will be made for the funds next week. The club is practically certain of obtaining Tecumseh Park on the Saturdays that the London Baseball Club is away from home, so this will be a big help to the game.

WOODSTOCK JUNIORS SHOWERED WITH GIFTS

Entertained at Banquet Last Evening and Presented With Gold Watches and Other Gifts.

Woodstock, March 28.—The Woodstock hockey team, runners-up in the Junior series of the O. H. A., were entertained at a banquet given by the club tonight.

The members of the team were presented with gold watches and other gifts. Manager Gunn and Secretary Donald were presented with club bags. The club had a successful year, and will be in good financial condition to begin the next season.

SENATORS WON ON WASHINGTON GROUNDS

Defeated Phillies By the Score of 6 to 2.

Washington, March 28.—The Washington American League team today defeated the Philadelphia Nationals by a score of 6 to 2 in the first exhibition game of the season here. Engle and Gallia held Philadelphia safe all the way through, allowing only five hits between them. A stop by Dolan, shortstop for Philadelphia, was a feature of the game. The score:

R. H. E.
Washington 1 2 0 0 1 0 0 2 X—6 9 9
Phillies 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0—2 5 3
Batteries—Engle and Gallia and Ainsmith, Williams; Chalmers, Brennan and Seaton; Howley, Kilfliter.

PRESIDENT WILSON GETS PASS NO 1

Ben Johnson of American League Presents Him With It.

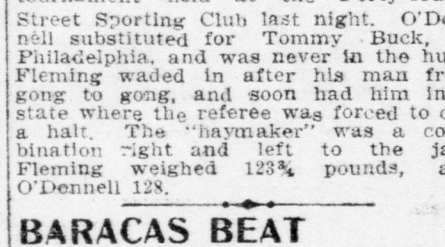
Washington, March 28.—President Wilson will throw the first ball at the opening game here April 10, and will have in his pocket at the time pass No. 1, beautifully engraved, from Ben Johnson, president of the Washington Club.

PORT ARTHUR BEAT KENORA.

Port Arthur, March 28.—In the second game for the amateur championship of Northern Ontario, Port Arthur defeated Kenora by 9 to 6, and won the round by 17 to 4. The teams: Port Arthur—Nicholson, Nicklin, L'Heureux, Ryan, Wellington, Ritchie, Adams.

Kenora—McKinnon, McKenzie, Morrison, Carmichael, Hilliard, McPherson, Cameron. Referee—Carpenter and Short.

WINNERS OF THE METHODIST LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP



FRANKIE FLEMING PUT AWAY O'DONNELL

Toronto Boxer Turned the Trick in Three Rounds at New York Last Evening.

New York, March 28.—Frankie Fleming, of Toronto, defeated Jack O'Donnell in three rounds at the featherweight tournament held at the Forty-fourth Street Sporting Club last night. O'Donnell substituted for Tommy Buck, of Philadelphia, and was never in the hunt. Fleming walked in after his man from going to sleep, and soon had him in a state where the referee was forced to call a halt. The "haymaker" was a combination right and left to the jaw. Fleming weighed 123½ pounds, and O'Donnell 128.

BARACAS BEAT BABY CITY BADLY

Won Junior O. B. A. Semi-Final Game by Score of 41 to 4.

Woodstock, March 28.—The Baracas of Toronto won the Junior O. B. A. semi-final game of the local Y. M. C. A. quarter-finals by a score of 41 to 4, taking the series by 76 points. In the first half the locals held down the visitors to 11 points, while the homesters scored one basket.

Baracas ran away from their checks after the rest. The game, especially in the first half, was very strenuous. Johnson and Chubb starred for the winners. The teams: Woodstock—Coles and Sedge, forwards; Jones, centre; Hossack, Karn and Arthur, defence. Baracas—Johnson and Burkhardt, forwards; Chubb, centre; Bickle and McLean, defence.

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EDDIE LINNEBORN TELLS WHY HE HAS NOT SIGNED CONTRACT

London's Great Little Second Baseman Writes to Advertiser Sporting Editor Explaining Trouble Between Him and London Club—His Terms Seem Very Reasonable.

[BY JINX.] It is likely that Eddie Linneborn will be back in London again this season playing ball even better than he played last season. The writer received a letter from the Buffalo lad yesterday, in which he states the reasons why he has not signed up with the local club.

"The season is too short to leave my position for the salary offered," he writes, "and besides there is two weeks of spring training for which no money is received at all. I am working for the Pullman company, and am going to play with them if the London Club will not agree to give me an increase."

"I was intending to quit baseball this summer and buy out my friend's furnishing store, but decided not to do so, as I would have to give up playing basketball also. As you know, I am a member of the world's basketball champions, the Buffalo Germans, and we go out on a two weeks' trip every year."

"Suspension Cuts No Figure. 'I see that I have been suspended by the London club. But that does not cut any figure with me. I have several offers from independent clubs here; three of them want me to act as manager."

"These Terms Look Reasonable. 'The only settlement I will make with the London club without a raise in salary is that they pay me from the time training starts or else let me report the day before the season's opening. I am in great shape and know it is going to be my best season."

"The London club will have to be awful strong this season, as you know the other clubs have all their same men, with added strength."

Linneborn Too Good to Lose. That there is justice in Linneborn's demands every local fan will admit. He was one of the best players and most promising youngsters in the Canadian League last season, and any of the other clubs in the league would jump at a chance to land him. He was second in stolen bases during the season, and would have been first had he not been sick for a couple of weeks, during which time he played. He was one of the most popular players on the London team and local fans have made numerous inquiries at this office as to whether he is coming back or not.

Fans Want Him Back. The local fans want to see him back and the London directors are too shrewd to let such a promising player get away from them. Another year in the Canadian League and Linneborn will be ripe for faster company. Then the London club can command a price for him. Yes, it is altogether likely that Eddie Linneborn will be back on the London team this year.

JOE DRISCOLL BEAT TAIT OF TORONTO

Buffalo Record-Breaker Forced To Go Limit To Beat Canadian.

Buffalo, March 28.—Before one of the largest crowds that ever witnessed the races at the Sixty-fifth Regiment Armory here tonight Joe Driscoll, the champion amateur runner of Buffalo, proved that the recent breaking of the world's record of the 1,000-yard dash was no fluke, when he defeated the crack runner, Jack Tait, from Toronto, in the 1,000-yard dash. Tait, who represented Toronto, pressed the local champion hard, and forced Driscoll to reduce the Sixty-fifth Armory record of 4:23 1-5, held by himself, to 4:20 3-5.

Jack Tait proved himself an able runner and outclassed the rest of the field by a very large margin, finishing second only a few yards behind Driscoll.

BATTLING NELSON WINS.

Pueblo, Col., March 28.—Batting Nelson toyed with Mike Malone, of Denver, here last night for seven rounds, then, after Malone had claimed a foul, he waded in and tried to win the battle. The final round found Nelson slashing right and left with Malone all but out. Under the state law no decision was given.

BOSTON 4, TORONTO 2.

In yesterday's game with Boston the Leafs were defeated by the score of 4 to 2. Owing to bad wire service a detailed account of the game was unobtainable.

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PLAYER DENEAU WAS
AFTER PURCHASED
BY CLASS B. CLUB

The Detroit News-Tribune this morning contains some information which will be particularly disappointing to Manager Robe Deneau, of the London baseball club. For the past two weeks Manager Deneau has been on the trail of Catcher Hank La Croix, of the Muskegon club, of the Michigan State League. La Croix was one of the best backstops in the Michigan League last summer, and had been casting eyes at him for some time. Several other clubs were also after the big catcher, and it looked for a time like an even race, with a strong probability that La Croix would come to London.

Goes to St. Joseph. However, the news in the Detroit paper this morning is that La Croix has been sold to the St. Joseph team of the Western League for \$300 on a 30-day optional agreement. The Western League is a class B league, so that an idea of La Croix's ability can be gained by the fact that the St. Joseph club would be willing to pay out \$300 for his release. The Michigan State League is a class D league, and La Croix has been catching for the Muskegon team for the past three seasons.

CANADIAN LEAGUE GOSSIP

Ottawa Free Press: The opening day here on May 15 will be a lavish affair, with the permission of baseball's only enemy—the weather man. A big and parade, brass band parade at the grounds, with the Brantford and Ottawa players in line, and the opening ceremonies, in which Government and city officials will take part, are all carded. It looks like Mayor Ellis to curve the first ball over, though Hon. Robert Rogers and Premier Borden have been mentioned for the task.

Ottawa Free Press: Ottawa fans are greatly pleased with the word that came from Georgia of the way Fred Herbert and Frank Kubat are performing in the Leafs' training camp. Herb is shaping up nicely, and well. Both Shagginess and Red Rowe say he is big league timber without a doubt, and will catch on this year in the International sure.

Canadian League magnates are strengthening their hitting and pitching departments more than ever this season. The cry is for 300 clouters, and they are pretty hard to land.

St. Thomas Times: Work was to have commenced on the improvements at Pinafore Park today, but owing to the snow it will be delayed until the fore-part of next week. Tiling is to be placed under the playing field, and with the natural slope of the field to aid it the park diamond this year should be one of the best-drained on the circuit, instead of one of the worst.

WINNIPEG'S LOST AT BOSTON.

Boston, Mass., March 28.—Leading throughout the entire game, the Pilgrims, of this city, defeated the Winnipeg Club, holders of the Allan cup, by 6 to 4.

The original is not sticky. SEELY'S AFTER-SHAVE

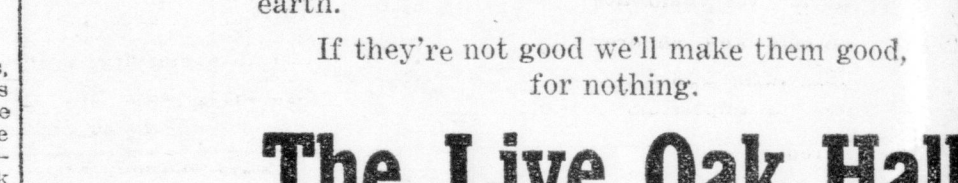
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Who's Who in Baseball

Daily Bulletin of Major League Players.



Rucker picks Pittsburg to win out in the National League this year. Nap says their pitching staff should bring them out ahead without such a strong team behind them. For where else can you find such a string of twirlers as Cummins, Adams, Hendrix, Robinson and O'Toole?

Many fans reckon Nap Rucker as the king of southpaws, though he has never been fortunate enough to be allied with a winner, so he could prove it. His home is in Georgia, the same state that produced Ty Cobb, the undisputed star of ball-dom. They not only hail from the same state, but were team-mates at Augusta, in the minors. Cobb's home is in Royston, while Rucker resides in Augusta.