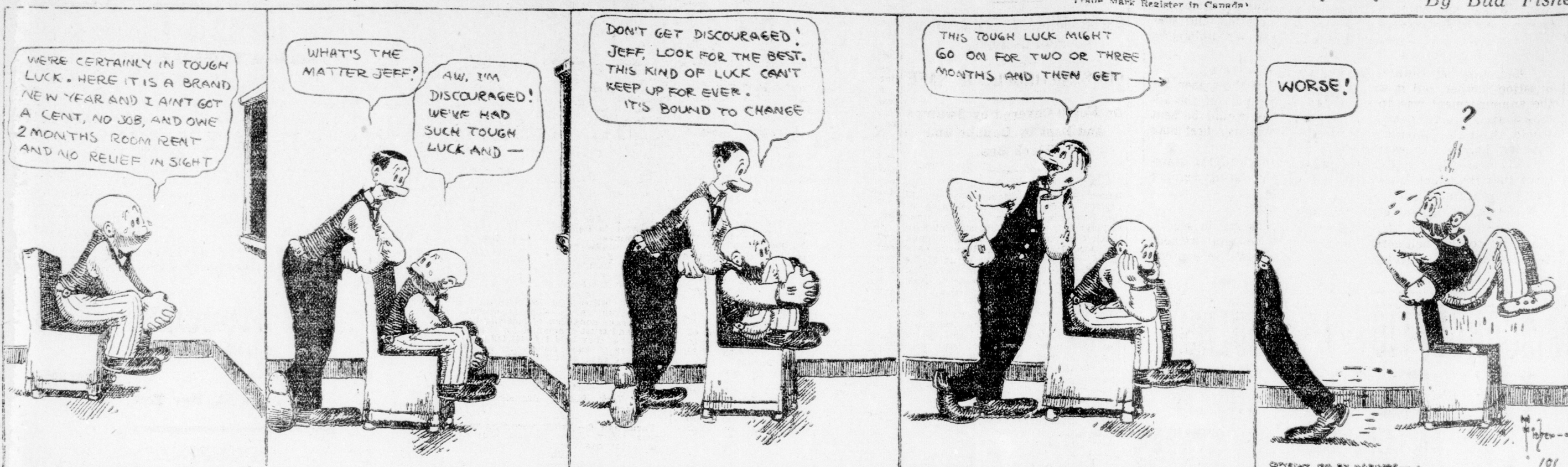


STRAIGHT NEWS AND SIDE SLANTS ON SPORT

MUTT AND JEFF—Yes, Indeed, Luck Never Stands Still



By Bud Fisher

LES DARCY IS GOING ON VAUDEVILLE STAGE

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TO OPEN TOUR NEXT WEEK

Boxer From the Antipodes Awaiting News of Coming of Georges Carpentier.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Les Darcy, the Australian middleweight champion, was in conference with Freddie Bernstein, a theatrical booking agent, to arrange final details for his coming venture in vaudeville.

The Australian said after the conference that everything was arranged satisfactorily, and that he would open his tour next Tuesday night at Hartford, Conn.

When asked about the offer made by John J. Reister to have Darcy meet the winner of the coming Charlie Weinart-Billy Miske bout, E. T. O'Sullivan, Darcy's business manager, said that the offer had not been formally tendered yet, and added that Darcy would be glad to consider any offer to box when definite news is received from Paris regarding the coming to this country of Georges Carpentier.

MAJOR LEAGUE OFFICIALS TO DRAFT GAMES FOR 1917

Meeting of Representatives of Baseball Organizations in Brunswick, Georgia, on January 16.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Members of the several committees of the American and National Leagues will meet in Brunswick, Ga., January 16, to draft the 1917 playing charts for both organizations. B. B. Johnson, president of the American League, announced tonight. There will also be a meeting of the rules committee of the two leagues.

President Johnson said, however, that no changes are expected to be made in the rules. President John K. Tener, Secretary Heydler, Barney Dreyfus, president of the Pittsburgh club, will represent the National League. President Johnson and one of the club-owners will represent the American.

STRATFORD DROPS FROM INTERMEDIATE SERIES

Dearth of Hockey Players in the Classic City Results in Executive Taking Action.

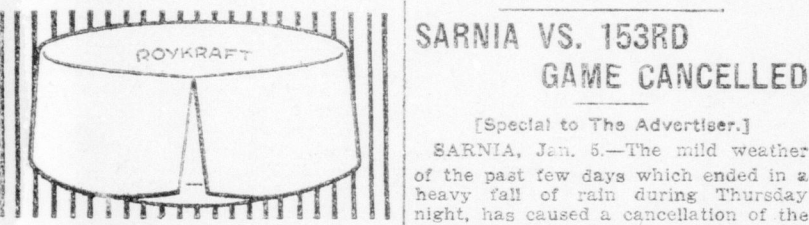
STRATFORD, Jan. 5.—Stratford will drop from the intermediate series of the O. H. A. owing to the dearth of players. Difficulty has been experienced in getting a team together, and today the members of the executive expressed themselves as favorably to passing up this series. Secretary Noble communicated this decision to Secretary Howitt of the

ZOCZAKO AND BROWN TO BOX TEN ROUNDS

On Thursday night next Tony Zoczako, the local boxer, and Young Battling Brown of Port William will meet in a local ten-round bout to decide the featherweight championship of Canada.

The match will be staged at the new arena, formerly the Central Garage on York street, under the auspices of the Sportsman's Patriotic Association. Zoczako is training hard every day with Eddie Brennan as a sparring partner, and promises to put up one of the best and hardest battles of his career in order to win the championship title.

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L. A. A. A. and Sarnia Junior Game Called Off

Owing to the soft condition of the ice at the London Curling Club rink, due to the mild weather of the past four days, the hockey game scheduled to have been played tonight between the L.A.A.A. and the Sarnia Junior O.H.A. team, has been indefinitely postponed.

It was hoped even up until last night that the game would be held, but finally the L.A.A.A. management to call it off.

Bowling

CITY LEAGUE THE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Has-Beens	21	9	.700
Maroons	21	12	.633
Nationals	17	13	.565
Brunswick	15	15	.500
St. Peters	13	14	.481
Blue Labels	8	23	.259

Three for the St. Peters Club.

The St. Peters Club whitewashed the Nationals last night in the City League by taking three games from the latter.

George Karry's team made the highest total score, with 598, and Gordon Lamb made the highest individual score with 211.

The teams and scores:

	St. Peters.
Joe Catalano	120 156 188-478
St. Seneca	211 127 196-534
G. Lamb	157 221 112-490
M. McCulloch	132 151 178-461
E. Singer	204 161 186-551

Totals 893 898 911-2569

Nationale.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
J. Hawthorne	182	168	.518
W. Lehman	139	184	.431
G. Hooper	136	142	.489
G. Karrys	135	213	.386

Totals 593 607 760-2394

MANUFACTURERS' LEAGUE THE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Empire Brass	11	1	.917
Murphy	10	1	.909
Hymans	8	4	.667
Whites	7	3	.700
Scott-Chamberlain	3	6	.333
McClarys	4	3	.571
Cowans	4	3	.571
Blue Labels	1	14	.067

Blue Labels Lost.

The Blue Labels lost their twelfth straight game last night when they forfeited to Cowans.

In a special match between George Karry's Midgots and Alf Sheehy's Baldwins, the latter won. Although both teams bowled splendidly, the Baldwins came from behind in the last two games of the four played, and won by 15 pins.

Dick Catalano knocked all the records of the league, and won the honors of the night by making the highest total score with 848, and the highest individual score, with 240.

The teams and scores:

	Baldwins.
Singer	183 190 156 161-690
Taylor	154 169 176 225-724
Mascard	168 213 151 210-742
J. Catalano	190 221 212 178-781
A. Sheehy	232 149 223 184-788

Totals 888 913 958 978-3719

Midgots.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
D. Catalano	209	213	.493
G. Seneca	154	223	.406
E. McCulloch	195	145	.573
M. Mascard	169	138	.552
G. Karrys	163	174	.484

Totals 888 945 928 938-3719

EXHIBITION MATCH.

In an exhibition game between the out stock department and the shipper's department of the C. S. Hymans Company, the former took two out of three games from the latter.

KITCHENER JUNIORS TRIMMED ELMIRA

Visitors Got Three in Last Half and Almost Tied.

[Special to The Advertiser.] KITCHENER, Jan. 5.—The Kitcheners beat Elmira tonight in the last five minutes of play by 6 to 5.

The game was a hard-fought one, and in the last period Elmira pushed their count. At the end of the first session Kitcheners had the long end of a 1 to 0 score. In the second frame the locals tallied twice and Elmira showed across her first score. In the first inning Kitcheners scored one, then Elmira got one to her credit. The locals tallied another, and before the crowd realized what had happened Elmira had three more, one of which the locals protected against, and which almost led to several run-outs. About five minutes before the bell the local puck-chasers obtained the winning count.

The teams:

	Kitchener.	Elmira.
T. Ruppel		
A. Ruppel		
Miller		
Kellerburn		
Stewart		
McManis		
Wideman		
Referee		

Ernie Singer is back in the game. It is rumored that he now chews cotton instead of tobacco.

TALKING ABOUT HEADS.

Joe Catalano has an enlarged caput since last night. He boasts that his team can whip an all-star team of the Manufacturers' League. He would have some time in trimming the Empire Brass combination without the rest of the league players.

THE GOUCH.

Pa no longer wears a smile; He's quit smoking For a while. Pa's a grouch, Of the meanest type; Since he's put Away his pipe Everything his System has Since he's given Up cigars.

We will all Feel better when Pa begins To smoke again.

TILLSONBURG LOOKS FOR GOOD HOCKEY

TILLSONBURG, Jan. 5.—Tillsonburg will be served with some good hockey this winter, the local season opening on Monday, January 8, when Ingersoll Juniors play here in the O. H. A. series. They also drew the bye in the N.H.A. London-Sarnia district. This will be the first year's hockey for many of the boys, and the probable line-up will be as follows: Goal, Fred Carroll; right defence, Beverly Baker; left defence, S. Williams; rover, Max Pollard; centre, Jack Keves (formerly Galt champion); right wing, B. Mayhew; left wing, Wm. Hearn; spurs, H. Ellis, Don Barrott, J. Snell, P. Thurston and Murray Conn.

1917 GAMES IN GIRLS' CITY BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Jan. 12—Collegiate at Normal School, Jan. 13—St. James at University, Jan. 14—University at Collegiate, Jan. 20—Normal vs. St. James at University, Jan. 26—St. James at Collegiate, Jan. 26—University at Normal, Jan. 26—Normal at Collegiate, Feb. 3—St. James at University, Feb. 8—University at Normal, Feb. 10—Collegiate vs. St. James at University gym, Feb. 15—Collegiate at University, Feb. 16—St. James at Normal.

JOHNSON FOR CLEVELAND CLUB.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Clark Griffith, manager of the Washington American League club, who is here today on his way from Montreal to Washington, said in answer to reports that he was negotiating a deal to sell Walter Johnson, his star pitcher, to the Cleveland Americans: "I'll trade Johnson for the Cleveland franchise, nothing less."

Baseball Commission Dismisses Petition

Four Concessions Asked by Baseball Players' Fraternity Receive But Little Consideration.

[Special to The Advertiser.] CINCINNATI, Jan. 5.—The national baseball commission today dismissed the petition of the Baseball Players' Fraternity. Of the four concessions asked for by the fraternity, the commission held that three of them did not refer in any way to major leagues, and therefore held that they were internal affairs of the National Association, and could come before the commission only on appeal. The other concession, the one asking that "a clause in the players' contract, empowering clubs to suspend without pay, after certain periods of disability, players who are injured in service, be eliminated, and that such players be entitled to full pay as long as they are held under contract," was also dismissed.

The supreme court of baseball, in taking this action, says: "The commission has never approved a major league contract empowering a player injured in its service without pay, and as the form of contract approved for 1917 requires a club to retain a player injured in its service, for the full term, the request in so far as it relates to major league clubs is dismissed, because the condition complained of does not and cannot exist."

SARNIA TANKARD EVENTS ON JAN. 16

[Special to The Advertiser.] SARNIA, Jan. 5.—The primary tankard events for this district will be held at the local curling rink on January 16. Eight rinks will compete, including one from each of the following places, Chatham, Windsor, Detroit, Petrolia, Tuscarora, Toledo, as well as the local rinks. The skips for the local rinks will be R. McKenzie and Dr. Hayes. The local rinks have always

TIGERS PIN THEIR FAITH TO EHMKE, NEW PITCHER

New Detroit Twirler Was the Sensation of the Minor Leagues Last Year.

DETROIT, Jan. 5.—With the beginning of the new year, baseball continues its new hopes and these were born before the close of the last baseball season. The hope on the 1917 teams has taken so more concrete form than when the season of 1916 closed except here and there. Last Sunday newspapers printed the story of next spring's training camps with a list of the spots where the sixteen major league clubs will prepare for the season to come. That is always the first bell. Now for a few trades, a few releases, a few holdouts and the team will be ready for the wedding process.

Detroit is not worried about prospects in general. The only specific thing that fans care about is the pitching proposition. The Tigers must strengthen their mound staff. Outside of that the Tigers can go along very nicely. The infield and outfield will remain as they are. There are no trades for each position, but probably not more than two or three will be taken along to Wawashche, Texas.

Regarding the pitchers, Detroit would be thankful if only two of its mound men would keep in even form through the season. Last year Detroit had only Harry Coveleskie to point to as a reliable workman, all the others being in and outers. Only one pitcher in the circuit twirled more innings than this Polish southpaw, and his record ranks with the best four in the league.

Much Expected From Ehmke. Howard Ehmke, the sensation of the minor leagues and a recruit who won three out of the four starts for Detroit after the New York State League season closed, may fill the gap. Ehmke is the most promising twirler Detroit ever harbored. If he reports this coming spring in the same shape in which he left last October, Frank J. Navin will realize all his hope he had pinned to the young man.

But there are two or three men that should develop sufficiently for regular use next year. Bernard Boland is likely to prove of real value against the Detroit team, and although out of shape part of the season, there is considerable question whether or not he would have been of more value if he started in a number of games. He did show two or three fine exhibitions in games where Hughie Jennings let him take the mound at the opening.

He is especially effective against Cleveland, but would undoubtedly prove of merit against other clubs as well.

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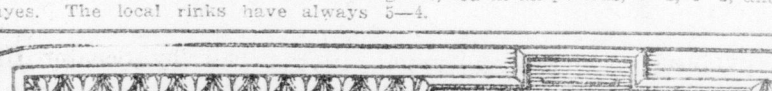
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