

SPORTING NEWS AND GOSSIP

GRAND CIRCUIT
RACING RESULTS

Columbus, Ohio, July 30.—It took seven heats before John Spencer was declared the winner in the 2.17 trot today for a purse of \$1,000. John won the second, sixth and seventh heats. Poppy Geers, with June Red, captured the 2.12 trot and purse of \$5,000, while Murphy with Chestnut Peter won the 2.16 trot for three year olds, and also drove The Problem a winner in the 2.11 pace.

The summary follows:
2.17 Trot, 3 in 5 Heats, Purse \$1,000.
John Spencer, (Squire Valentine) 4 1 5 3 2 1 1

Rya Bingen (McMahon) 5 2 1 1 2 2 2
Prisco Worthing (Cox) 4 4 4 4 3 2 2
Sybil J. (Hedrick) 2 3 1 2 3 dis
Golden Spler also ran.

Time—2.08½, 2.08½, 2.08½, 2.10½, 2.11½, 2.12½, 2.16½, 2.16½.
2.12 Trot, 3 in 5 Heats, Purse \$5,000, 3 in 5 Heats.

June Red (Geers) 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Lotte Waite (Ray) 2 2 2 2 2 2 2
Royal Knight, (Walker) 6 5 3
Czar Peter, (Lee) 6 5 3

Prince Loree, Blanche Carter, Dick Watta, Allen Watta, Alma Forbes, The Lincoln and Bingen Painter also ran.

Time—2.07½, 2.06½, 2.08½.
2.16 Trot, 3 Year Olds, 3 Heats, Purse \$1,000.

Chestnut Peter (Murphy) 1 1 1
Selka (Geers) 3 2 3
Peter Vonka (Cox) 4 2 2
Divorcee (Serrill) 2 7 4

Miss Dewey Watta, Lady Wilgo, Sunny Smiles, Mammie Lock ran.

Time—2.06½, 2.07½, 2.07½.
2.16 Trot, 3 in 5 Heats, Purse \$1,000.

The Problem, (Murphy) 1 1 1
Admiral (Palin) 4 4 2
Mattie The Great (Reaves) 6 2 2
Jack the Clipper (Rhodes) 4 2 2

Dan Hedgewood and William Patch ran.

Time—2.07½, 2.06½, 2.06½.
THE BIG LEAGUES

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Postponed Games.
At Philadelphia—Cincinnati-Philadelphia game postponed, rain.

At Boston—Chicago-Boston game postponed, rain.

At Brooklyn—Brooklyn-St. Louis game postponed, rain.

At New York—New York-Pittsburgh game postponed, wet grounds.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Detroit, 3; New York, 0.
Detroit, July 30.—Two extra base hits by Cobb and Boland's effect on pitching enabled Detroit to win from New York, 3 to 0, today.

New York 00000000—0 4 1
Detroit 00000001x—3 2 1
Love, Robinson and Walters, Han-

nah; Boland and Stange.
Washington, 3; Chicago, 0.

Chicago, July 30.—A ninth inning rally today gave Washington a 3 to 0 victory over Chicago.

Washington 00000003—3 7 1
Chicago 00000001x—0 2 1
Shaw and Almsmith; Cicotte and Schalk.

Cleveland, 4; Philadelphia, 2.
Cleveland, July 30.—Philadelphia lost today's double-header to Cleveland, 4 to 2, and 5 to 1.

Philadelphia 01001000—2 5 0
Cleveland 00000001x—5 10 0
Gregg and Perkins; Bagby and O'Neill.

Cleveland, 5; Philadelphia, 1.
Second game—
Philadelphia 01000000—1 5 3
Cleveland 00020001x—5 10 0
Watson and McAvoy; Enzmann and O'Neill.

Boston, 11; St. Louis, 4.
St. Louis, July 30.—Jones proved

better than five St. Louis pitchers today and Boston won, 11 to 4.
Boston 102000320—11 14 4
St. Louis 001001200—4 6 1
Jones and Agnew; Bennett, Rogers, Lowdermilk, Davenport, Houck and Severed.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE.

Jersey City, 3; Toronto, 1.
At Toronto—First game—
Jersey City 100001010—3 9 2
Toronto 000000010—1 6 0
Lynch and Breen; Justin and How-

ley, Fischer.
Toronto, 4; Jersey City, 2.
Second game—
Jersey City 000011000—2 6 1
Toronto 000000010—4 6 4
Hehl and Pleiger; Peterson and Fischer.

Postponed Games.
At Syracuse—Syracuse-Baltimore, double-header, postponed, wet grounds.

Two games tomorrow.
Newark, 6; Buffalo, 2.
At Buffalo—
Buffalo 000001010—2 8 2
Newark 100001040—6 8 0
Stefan and Meyers; Hubbell and Madden.

Binghamton, 3; Rochester, 1.
At Rochester—First game—
Rochester 100000000—1 4 1
Binghamton 001000090—3 7 1
Hogan and O'Neill; Higgins and Fischer.

Binghamton, 10; Rochester, 0.
Second game—
Rochester 00000000—0 5 4
Binghamton 3000430—10 12 1
(Called seventh inning by agreement.)

Kolsath, Grant and Hungling; Turo and Fischer.

American League Standing.

| Team | Won | Lost | P.C. |
|--------------|-----|------|------|
| Boston | 53 | 37 | .581 |
| Cleveland | 54 | 42 | .563 |
| Washington | 51 | 43 | .543 |
| New York | 46 | 44 | .511 |
| Chicago | 43 | 49 | .467 |
| Detroit | 42 | 51 | .452 |
| St. Louis | 41 | 51 | .446 |
| Philadelphia | 37 | 55 | .402 |

National League Standing.

| Team | Won | Lost | P.C. |
|--------------|-----|------|------|
| Chicago | 59 | 32 | .648 |
| New York | 56 | 35 | .616 |
| Pittsburgh | 47 | 42 | .528 |
| Philadelphia | 42 | 47 | .472 |
| Cincinnati | 41 | 48 | .461 |
| Boston | 41 | 52 | .441 |
| Brooklyn | 38 | 50 | .432 |
| St. Louis | 38 | 56 | .404 |

International League Standing.

| Team | Won | Lost | P.C. |
|-------------|-----|------|------|
| Binghamton | 54 | 27 | .667 |
| Toronto | 53 | 32 | .622 |
| Baltimore | 49 | 36 | .576 |
| Rochester | 42 | 37 | .532 |
| Newark | 40 | 40 | .500 |
| Buffalo | 37 | 43 | .463 |
| Syracuse | 27 | 61 | .346 |
| Jersey City | 20 | 61 | .247 |

Patriotic League.

The baseball game in the Patriotic League scheduled for last evening on Barrack Square, did not materialize as the 9th Siege team did not put in an appearance.

This team have several postponed games yet to play, but the boys have a struggle to maintain a team, as drafts are going on occasionally thus breaking up their line of players.

Thursday evening, being the 9th Military Headquarters' Staff and Y. M. C. I. meet on Barrack Square.

THE VICTORIAS WON.

The Victorias defeated the Thistles in a game of ball on the Barrack Square last evening. The score was five to two.

Johnston and O'Neill was the battery for the winners; McManus and Nixon for the losers.

A feature was a home run by Hurley of the Victorias.

COMISKEY OPPOSES
EARLY CLOSING

Chicago, July 30.—Charles A. Comiskey, president of the Chicago Americans, today issued a statement opposing the suggestion of President Ben Johnson of the league to close the season about August 20, and then play the world's series.

"I think we should continue to play until September 1, the date set by Secretary Baker for the suspension of baseball," President Comiskey said.

"We are drawing the largest crowds in the east in several years and we should give that section of the country its share of the schedule as originally mapped out."

Clark Griffith, manager and part owner of the Washington Club, also is opposed to curtailing the season.

Woodstock won from Hartland.

Special to The Standard.
Woodstock, July 30.—In a very interesting baseball game on Island Park this evening Woodstock defeated Hartland by a score of 11 to 9.

The batting order was as follows:
Hartland—G. Hatfield, 2nd b.; I. Hovey, cf.; Kyle, rf.; Cummings, ss.; Billings, c.; Goodwin, p.; McLahey, 3rd b.; Ward, 1st b.; C. Hovey, lf.

Woodstock—E. Nelson, cf.; G. Nelson, 1st b.; C. Hayden, 3rd b.; W. Hayden, c.; G. Clark, rf.; B. Cameron, 2nd b.; N. Burden, ss.; G. Flewelling, p.; A. Tompkins, lf.

Dismissed fighter is repentant now.

Cleveland, July 19.—Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion, who was dismissed as boxing instructor at Camp Sherman by Major General Harry C. Hale, commandant, regrets the misunderstanding that caused him apparently to disobey orders of General Hale and declares he is anxious to be returned to duty.

"I did not think I was responsible to anyone except the War Commission on Training Camp Activities which appointed me," Kilbane said.

"I had been coming to Cleveland to spend Sunday with my family ever since I had been at Chillicothe. It was all right when General Glenn was in command, and I thought conditions were just the same now."

"My heart has been in my work at Camp Sherman and no one is any more sorry than I that I offended and brought my suspension from duty. I think my work has been beneficial and I want to continue."

It is believed Kilbane has an excellent chance of being reinstated at the end of a month's vacation. By that time General Hale's division will have left Chillicothe.

Kilbane was refused admittance to the camp on the ground that he had been absent without leave.

Instead of taking the matter up with General Hale he appealed direct to Washington.

General Hale then dismissed him on the ground of insubordination and expelled him from the camp.

Youngstown, Ohio, boxer, as Kilbane's successor.

Plenty of sleep says Sam Crawford.

Old Sam Crawford of the mighty wallop, whose grudge against the fences has been of long standing in big league circles and who now is pasting the ball for Los Angeles, in the Coast League, prescribes repose to all who would hit the ball.

The old player imparted recently his personal views in the matter of hit promoting in the following:

"You ask to what I attribute my ability as a hitter. Condition, I think more than anything else. Of course, I have always believed that a batter is born and not made. A natural hitter will undoubtedly become a better batter with coaching, but he must have some ability first."

"If a man keeps in good physical condition his eye is bound to be clear. To at a condition I, before everything else, advocate sleep. To bed and early to rise is one of the greatest and most useful of all provisos, in my estimation. Even if one does not feel sleepy it is a good thing to go to bed early and rest. While stretched out on a bed all of the muscles are relaxed. They are given a chance to rebuild the strength which has to be used during the day."

Charles White, after a layoff of a year teaching soldiers how to box, has discovered that he is not the same old Charlie. He has not slipped, perhaps, and may get into his old stride with a few fights, but the sharp boxing eye has been dulled.

White's manager Nate Lewis is not worrying at all about this state of affairs and predict that he will be as good as ever with a real self-engagement or two.

HANK GOWDY
LEARNING TO GAS
THE GERMANS

Hank Gowdy, who never was very proficient at gasping umpires, is learning the use of gas against the Huns in a speech school in France. Gowdy tells of having been shifted from the artillery to the gas division in a letter to Ed Reulbach, who was a battery mate of Hank's at Boston. The letter is published in the current issue of Speed Up, the weekly paper at Submarine Boat Corporation works at Bayonne, where Reulbach is doing splendid work. The letter follows:

"Dear Ed: We have been kept busy and we have been at the front now just about four months. Just returned from gas school. Am acting as regular gas non-commissioned officer and to Co. H. A. Boche plans was brought down here yesterday. It was on fire and two Germans just about burned up. One of them jumped out. The club (meaning Boston) is going bad and in last place, according to the Paris paper. I hope they do not stop baseball because it would sure hurt the game, and another thing the people need it."

"Some of the fellows that are of age should enlist. I cannot understand how they can stand back. By the way, give my regards to Arthur Irwin. He is a fine fellow. If you get to Columbia be sure to visit my folks, for they will be glad to have you. I surely did miss the Florida trip this spring. About the time the boys were going South we were getting a little politics here and in last place, according to the Paris paper. I hope they do not stop baseball because it would sure hurt the game, and another thing the people need it."

Harry Gowdy.

May 28, 1918."

Fights postponed.

Philadelphia, July 30.—The six round fights between Battling Levinsky and Harry Greb, Jack Thompson and Sam Langford, Irish Patsy Cline and Willie Jackson, and Soldier Bartfield and Jack Britton, scheduled at Shibe Park tonight were postponed until tomorrow night because of rain.

Sam Langford is said to be back in the states after a disastrous jump to Panama. The Tar Baby was twice stopped by Harry Mills on the isthmus.

Sam contracted the fever prevalent there and was in sad condition each time he faced the young negro, according to friends here. Langford is visiting at his old home in Boston.

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NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

HOUSEWIVES MAKING
USE OF FOOD CENTRE

Rooms in Calvin Church becoming known as Information Bureau—Women Urged to Can.

The food centre opened in the basement of the Calvin church, Carleton street, is rapidly becoming known and its usefulness in the community being demonstrated. Already arrangements have been made for a housewife to can a whole salmon and one of the capable demonstrators of the league will assist. It is hoped that the offer to individuals or societies of the use of the splendid equipment will be accepted. It is being strongly urged that the Board of Food Control that jams and preserves will be needed this winter to take the place of butter. Those who read the signs of the times will see a decided shortage of butter and while children must have it if possible, their elders may be thankful to have jams or canned fruits to help down the war breads.

The waste of vegetables or fruits this year will be a crime against humanity and no one needs make the "no place to can" excuse while the equipment provided by the government for the purpose not only of demonstrating but of assisting with the general conservation campaign, is there to be used.

It is urged by many efficient housekeepers that an easy way to acquire a stock of canned goods is to can whenever there is any surplus. In baking beans more than are actually needed are prepared and several jars cannot be ready for the winter. Most people who have gardens have an extra supply of greens and it has been proven that these are a delicious winter vegetable when canned according to the regulations.

It is a case of thinking ahead and well stocked shelves of preserved, canned and dried foods will be a refuge in the days of highly priced goods, days which most of us see clearly before us.

PERSONAL.

Bernard E. Gallagher returned from Montreal, where he had gone with his brother-in-law, Harry Walsh, who was seriously ill. Mr. Walsh is a patient at the Royal Victoria Hospital and his condition is much improved since leaving the city.

Rev. Simon J. McCutcheon, pastor of the First Baptist church, Montreal, will return to Montreal on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Ross left yesterday on a vacation trip to Summerside, P. E. I.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Anderson left for Halifax yesterday.

Rev. Simon J. Grogan, C. S. S. R., of Toronto, and Rev. E. A. Sculley, C. S. S. R., of Quebec city, arrived yesterday and are visiting at St. Peter's rectory on a vacation trip to Summerside, P. E. I.

Rev. M. O'Brien, of Norton, was in the city yesterday.

Rev. George Baker, of Princeton, N. J., Mrs. Baker and child, are visiting Mr. Baker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Baker, Fairville. Rev. Mr. Baker was for some time doing military chaplain duty in a U. S. camp.

F. W. Daniel left last evening for New York where he will attend the Fall Style show and openings of women's model suits, coats and dresses. This firm expects to have an exceptional display of women's garments of the better kind this season.

W. C. T. U.

The regular meetings of the W. C. T. U. are held each week but very little business occurs to transact. As most of the members are out of the city the attendance is smaller than at any other time but the regular prayer services are held with appeals for the nation, the soldiers, and the work of

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Let's talk it over.

CIVIC PRIDE.

Civic pride—Do we possess it in St. John, or is it not rather a rare thing to be found among our midst only by searching? Sometimes one fancies it is absent from the main parts of the city, and found in the outskirts and suburbs.

Usually something has started these trains of thought. They are not always the result of its being Wednesday and the day for them to appear. I was on my way to a meeting (a most normal state for a woman of today wasn't it?) It was one of the damp days when our fair city looks its very worst and the exact opposite of "fair." Passing across the Market Square I heard one man say to another: "This is the dirtiest city on the continent!" I did not stop to question if he had seen a certain big centre in Canada or some smaller towns I could mention, but I felt sadly it was no use disputing the fact.

When driving through the country, passing a house with a nicely kept lawn, the walks free of weeds and everything about the place looking as if the owners really cared for their property, one gets an impression of the people far different from that gained by an untidy ill-kept house and grounds. It is just the same with a town. As is struck with the entrance and it that is not a favorable impression it will take many beautiful parks and squares to obliterate that first idea of dirtiness and squalor.

Thinking of the view a stranger gets in coming into St. John, it must be the high price of paint which would be deduced from the absence of that freshening material. Leaving the houses out of the question, is our station anything to boast of? The puddles at the main entrance still remain to be leaped over or waded through.

Coming into the city from the East, one of the sights which must strike a visitor to these parts is the unsightly ash heap upon which our hospital is situated. If we only had a millionaire with civic pride enough to leave or give money to terrace that and make it a thing of beauty. Nature is doing her best to hide man's work with her mantle of green, but even grass 'gals' clinkers a hard soil to flourish in.

The practice of painting huge signs upon our rocks is still allowed. Billboards disfigure our finest streets and does anyone really think that illuminated trade marks are artistic or aesthetic? Sometimes of these things are without a remedy at the present time, but for the sake of the future, should it not be impressed upon the coming generation that houses built back from the street with a glimpse of well-kept lawn add greatly to the charm of a city, trees must be planted and protected to give shade and beauty to an avenue, and above all each citizen whether grown man or woman, even little children can add to the simple tidiness of a town by refusing to allow papers, fruit peelings and unsightly rubbish to collect in the streets.

Our squares have greatly improved in the last few years, it is only fair to say.

If each one of us should keep our own house, grounds, sidewalk or shop beyond reproach, then we could bend our energies towards cultivating a public spirit that would insist upon the same neatness and beauty of order in the public places.

We may not have the glory of trees, lawns, or natural scenery (though few places can match our own views), but let us at least be known as a clean city and a well kept one.

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