

SPORT NEWS OF A DAY; HOME AND ABROAD

BASEBALL

Home Runs

New York, Dec. 16.—If the American League's recommendation for cutting down the homerun crop is adopted next season, it may keep Babe Ruth from equalling his old record or setting a new one, but in general it will have little effect on the caliph of swat. The minimum distance proposed is 300 feet, and the big majority of his drives are only getting up speed when that point in the journey is reached. The Babe usually hits them where nobody has hit them before, and very few of his homers have been made near the foul line at the Polo Grounds, which will be a restricted zone for circuit blows. This "dead line" will be even shorter at the Yankee Stadium, leaving the Babe with his usual wide territory to roam in. In such parks as Cleveland, Philadelphia and St. Louis, however, his total gross output may be cut down somewhat under the proposed rule.

SKATING.

The Arena Sports.

Fred Finley, one of the proprietors of the new arena, reported last night that he had a good sheet of ice for the sports tonight. Fred Logan, former international champion, will appear in a special race against his son. Other stars who will compete are: Charles Gorman, holder of the world's record for 440 yards, outdoor; Frank Garnett, local speed artist; "Mike" Lawson and a fast skater from Montreal. The new arena was opened on Saturday night for the first time with a fairly large crowd in attendance.

The Olympics

The International Skating Union has asked the American Olympic Committee to request the French Olympic Committee, in charge of the Olympic games to be held in Paris in 1924, to add speed and figure skating events, which are listed, but not as official events, because of their being held so long in advance of the other sports. Officials of the International Skating Union are of the opinion that so long as the events are listed they should be.



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BRITISH FOOTBALL

(Canadian Press Despatch)
London, Dec. 17.—Results of football games played in the old country yesterday follow:

English League, First Division.
Arsenal 1, Huddersfield T. 1.
Astonville 1, Newcastle U. 1.
Birmingham 1, Everton 1.
Blackburn R. 1, Bolton W. 0.
Burnley 1, Oldham Athletic 1.
Cardiff City 3, Manchester C. 1.
Chelsea 0, Tottenham H. 0.
Liverpool 2, Nottingham F. 1.
Middlesbrough 3, Stoke 1.
Sheffield U. 2, Preston N. E. 2.
Sunderland 3, W. Broom A. 2.

Second Division.
Barnley 2, The Wednesday 4.
Blackpool 0, Hull City 0.
Bradford City 2, Fulham 1.
Bury 1, Rotherham County 0.
Clayton 0, South Shields 0.
Coventry 1, Leeds United 2.
Derby 2, Leicester City 0.
Manchester U. 1, Stockport C. 0.
Notts County 1, Southampton 0.
Portvale 2, Crystal Palace 0.
Wolverhampton W. 1, Westham U. 4.

Third Division, Southern Section.
Newport C. 1, Brighton and H. A. 0.
Portsmouth 1, Luton Town 2.
Queens Park R. 1, Bristol City 2.
Reading 0, Northampton 0.
Swansea Town 0, Millwall 1.
Watford 1, Plymouth A. 0.
Southend 5, Exeter 0.

Third Division, Northern Section.
Association Cup sixth qualifying round.
Walsall 1, Wiganboro 3, Gillingham 1, Blyth Spartans 4.
Charlton A. 2, Darlington 1.
Brentford 0, Middlesbrough 1.
Wrexham 1, Hartlepool 0.
Halifax T. 2, Mansfield Town 0.
Workop 1, Chesterfield 0.
Stalybridge C. 0, Bristol Rovers 0.
Barrow 2, Bath City 2.
Aberdare A. 0, Carlisle U. 0.
Norwich City 4, Aldershot 1.
New Brighton 1, Clapton 0.

MIKE DONDIN AND JIMMY ARCHER TO COACH BOSTON SOX
(Canadian Press Despatch)
Boston, Dec. 17.—Frank Chance, new manager of the Red Sox, announced yesterday that he would have Jimmy Archer, Chicago Cubs' catcher of a few years ago, and Mike Dondin, veteran outfielder, as coaches.

MEMBERSHIP IS INCREASING
Maritime Commercial Travelers' Association in Flourishing Condition.
(Halifax Chronicle.)
The forty-first annual report presented by the board of management of the Maritime Commercial Travelers' Association at a meeting of that organization held at the Board of Trade last night showed a substantial increase over the preceding year. The Association at present comprises 1,651 members, of which 938 are registered at Halifax and 713 at St. John. This is a gain of 27 over the previous year.

The report showed that nineteen members of the association died during the year and of that number fifteen were entitled to Mortuary benefit. The payments to their beneficiaries aggregated \$14,000. The Treasurer's report showed that the resources of the Association amounted to \$213,127.05, a gain of \$15,166.18 for the year.

The report dealt with the efforts of the Board of Management at the last session of the legislature of Nova Scotia to get an act for the registration and inspection of hotels, but without success. The Board continued their efforts to get a general reduction in hotel charges throughout the Maritime Provinces but this met with a great deal of resistance, although a few of the hotels modified their rates slightly the number responding to the request was not very great. The conference between the Commercial Travelers' Associations of Canada with the Canadian Passenger Association held in Montreal, and related some slight changes that had been made as a result of the conference. It dealt also with the delegation which interviewed Hon. W. S. Fielding at Ottawa regarding the income tax regulations affecting active travelers, and Hon. F. B. Carvell, in reference to onerous excess baggage regulations.

As a result of these representations both grievances were remedied promptly. The following is a list of the officers and directors for 1923.
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Secretary—G. E. Faulkner.
Asst. Secretary—W. V. McKinnay, St. John, N. B.

BLOODHOUNDS HUNT POISONED AND DRUGGED FAMILY POTATOES
Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 18.—Bloodhounds have been put on the trail of the person who is believed to have injected a deadly drug into potatoes and caused the serious illness of J. W. Fletcher and his family, living at Brandon.

A quantity of potatoes was in a wagon which Fletcher left standing near the farmhouse. Part of the family breakfast the next morning consisted of potatoes taken from the wagon. A short time after eating, the members of the family were taken violently ill. Investigation proved that the potatoes had been poisoned. Some of those remaining in the wagon were found to contain a deadly drug.

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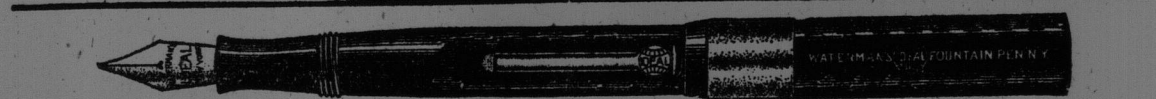
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