

THOS. J. LYNCH NAT'L SPORTS BOWLING, BASEBALL LEAGUE'S NEW HEAD THE RING, FOOTBALL

MY HARDEST NUT WAS HANK GRIFFIN

Jack Johnson Declares That Go With Colored Opponent Was Hardest in His Career.

(By Jack Johnson, heavyweight champion of the world.) One of the hardest battles and one which I consider the best in my career in the prize ring, I fought against Hank Griffin, a colored man, at Oakland, Cal., in 1902. We went 15 rounds, the decision going to me. Griffin was a pug about six feet four inches in height and at that time he had the longest reach of any man in the boxing game. If he were fighting today he would outreach any man in the business.



JACK JOHNSON.

In this fight I was able to avoid that punch of Griffin's, which had bothered me so much in the first fight. At that time I was not as well developed nor did I have the physique I now have, and it is probable that men who in the earlier days gave me considerable trouble would not bother me so much now.

Among the battles I have on my record is one with Jack Jeffries, brother of the man I am now signed to fight. I beat Jack Jeffries just the same as I intend to beat Jim Jeffries when we meet.

UMPIRE KING SUCCEEDS TO LEAGUE'S HEAD

Thomas J. Lynch Elected President of National League Following a Conference Held Between Managers.

New York, Dec. 18.—The deadlock in the National League over the election of a president was unexpectedly broken this afternoon by the unanimous selection of Thomas J. Lynch, whose name had not been considered or publicly mentioned for the position.

When the league owners met today three ballots were taken, all of them resulting in the same tie, four for Ward and four for Brown. Then, apparently by agreement, President Ebbets of Brooklyn read a letter from Ward, in which he withdrew from the contest.

RISKS LIFE TO EDUCATE HIS DAUGHTER

Life of "Winnie" O'Connor a Round of Sacrifice--Dislikes Riding, but Sticks To It Through Thick and Thin.



"WINNIE" O'CONNOR.

Thinking of "Winnie" O'Connor, a product of his hand and head, when asked to define the essentials of a successful jockey, "Pa" Daly gave the answer which has since become famous: "Just a tinge of wickedness, with a touch of devil-may-care; just a little bit of bone and meat, with plenty of nerve to dare."

And nothing could describe Winnie better than Scott O'Connor better. If ever there was a devil-may-care kid who the youngster whose name was almost as long as himself when W. C. Daly picked him up, in the wild, wiry, tough lad with the glib tongue, "Pa" saw the making of a star jockey.

It was after "Winnie" won the Futurity on Yankee and the Brooklyn handicap on Reina, that Daly saw his hopes fulfilled. But with all his ability, O'Connor hates the life of a jockey. He has tried his hand at fighting, acting and bike riding, and if he could realize the money at any one of these he would forsake the horses.

Well, because "Winnie" O'Connor desires to educate his daughter Ellen, a sweet-faced little colleen about whom his every thought is wrapped, "Winnie" was back of the door when they passed out the education stuff, but he is determined that Ellen shall not lack that which he never had, and is risking his life daily to give this apple of his eye every possible advantage.

TWO H'S TAKE THREE POINTS FROM DIVALS

Closely Contested Match Witnessed On Black's Alleys Saturday Night -- One Pin Does Trick in Last Game.

In one of the most closely contested matches of the season the Two H's won three points from the Electric on Black's alleys on Saturday evening. The scores were rather low but nevertheless the game was full of interest and the game was not decided until the last man had rolled. In the second string the scores were particularly close, the Two H's finishing with but one stick to the good.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Sullivan, Crosby, Gamblin, Cochran, Law, Brown, Vincent, Berry, Cosgrove.

FIVE MILE AUTO RECORD GONE SMASH

Indianapolis, Dec. 18.—The five mile speed record for an auto upon an elliptical track was broken on the motor speedway today by Louis Strang, driving a 200 horse power Fiat car, in 3:17.26. The record had been held by Oldfield, who covered the distance with a Benz car in 4:11.30 last summer on this course, before it was paved with brick.

LATE SHIPPING

British Ports. Liverpool, Dec. 19.—Ard: Str Devan from Boston. Queenstown, Dec. 19.—Sld: Strs Laurentia for New York; Lusitania, for New York. Moville, Dec. 19.—Sld: Str Furness for New York.

GARDINER DEFEATS DORANDO

London, Dec. 18.—Pietro Dorando, the Italian runner, collapsed in the twenty-third mile of his Marathon race against B. W. Gardner, a local runner, at Albert Hall tonight. Gardner's time for the 25 miles was 2 hours, 12 minutes 25 seconds, a new world's indoor record. The time for the full distance was 2 hours, 37 minutes 12 seconds.

FIGHT DRAW

San Francisco, Dec. 18.—Danny Webster, of Los Angeles and Monte Atell, of San Francisco, fought a weight champion of the coast, tonight.

THE SHETLAND SHEEPDOG IS THE LATEST

London, Dec. 19.—A novel breed of dog that is making its appearance in English show rings and one that is bound to come to the front, is in the hands of the right people, is the Shetland sheepdog. From its name one who has not seen a specimen would imagine the variety to be something similar in make and shape to the long haired bobtail, or a cross between that breed and the Scotch collie, as it is well known such a union produces an ideal dog for herding cattle. Such, however, is not the case. The Shetland sheepdog is not a large dog at all; in fact, it is smaller than a Pekinese spaniel. It's real name is Shetland collie, and it is a collie in miniature.

Certainly the exhibits so far seen in London do not possess the beautiful lines of the graceful collie and none of them has the finely pointed head of the larger Scotch dog, but in other respects there are many resemblances between the two. Owners of these dogs include the Countess of Aberdeen, who has several fine specimens in Aberdeen; Tibbie, Marquess and Aberdeen; Norma, the first mentioned of which trio gained chief winning honors at the recent Ladies' Kennel Association show; Mrs. Fellen, of Beacontrope, Holt, Norfolk; Miss A. Duncan, of Knoxtown, Grange, Oakham, both of whom were also successful at the same exhibition; and Mrs. C. Ashton-Cross, the owner of the famous Pekinese spaniel Champion Chu-Erh of Aldbourne, which won the Herald Cup, and many other noted specimens of the same breed.

Mrs. Ashton-Cross, who in addition to being the leading exhibitor of Pekinese in England, has several fine bloodhounds, is the possessor of some fifteen Shetland sheepdogs which so far have not made their appearance in a show ring, as she has been putting them through a course of physic and they are not yet up to show form.

YALE DEFEATS M'GILL AT BASKET BALL

Yale defeated McGill at basketball Saturday morning in the Class A boys' Y. M. C. A. League. The teams lined up as follows: McGill: Forwards, McGill; Guards, McGill. Yale: Forwards, McGill; Guards, McGill.

YALE PAPERS PRAISE UPPER CANADA GAME

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 19.—The opinion of W. F. Garrison, the graduate advisor of athletics at Harvard, that Canadian football or any part of it is of little use to makers of the rules of the game as played in the United States, is not held by any of the men in New Haven who are students of football. The papers here editorially have commented hopefully on the proposed change in the playing rules, and all are optimistic concerning the future of the game. This attitude is not only taken by the daily press in this home of good football, but by the Yale News, the official undergraduate organ of the university.

The football players, trainers and coaches are convinced that the New York Herald's interest in having a demonstration of the Canadian game in New Haven will bear fruit before next fall. In a recent editorial the Palladium says: "Public disapproval of modern football has waxed so warm that it is very apparent that the time has come for a modification of the rules. Last Saturday, through the effort of the New York Herald, a football game was played in New York by Canadian Rugby enthusiasts. It was played under the regulations of the game as in vogue in Canada. Football experts from all over the country were invited to present, and one has only to read their comment of the play to see the possibility of the maintenance of snappy football with the liability of accidents reduced to a minimum."

"From what we understand, the Canadian game should be the basis for our reformed football, and it is more than likely that it will. It must be gratifying to the New York Herald that the football experts of the country singing in unison the praises of the contest last Saturday, and it is rather remarkable in view of all the important changes the Rules Committee has made from time to time in this country that it left it to a newspaper to point out the suggestions for a cleaner game which have been available in Canada. The whole sporting world interested itself in the game of Canadian football as well as those who have well intended purposes of seeing the American game modified. If the Canadian game is looked upon in the future in the pleasant light it was last Saturday we may hope for its adoption in this country in whole or to such an extent as will serve the purpose of bringing the American game to the point of safety."

Extensive preparations have been made for the Los Angeles tournament and it has been stated that several of the foremost aviators of the world would be there. It has been said that contracts were signed with Moss, Paulhan, and that several other celebrated flyers of France would start for this country on Christmas day. Mr. Glen H. Curtis has been engaged to appear there, and all of the best American aeronauts will be on hand with dirigible balloons.

STATUS OF BIG MEET QUESTIONED

New York, Dec. 19.—Aviators and aeronauts here and abroad are getting nervous about the official status of the big aviation meeting to be held in Los Angeles, Cal., January 10 to 20. Unless the meeting there shall receive the official sanction of the Aero Club of America and the International Aeronautic Federation all aviators and aeronauts who take part will be officially ostracized and debarred from participating in future international events over which the federation has control.

Telegrams began to pour into the Aero Club of America yesterday from various parts of the country making inquiry about the meeting, and asking if the Los Angeles Aero Club had yet established official affiliation with the Aero Club of America. Until this is done the Los Angeles meeting will not be considered official.

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20 hard fast rounds to a draw last night. The decision was received with mingled feelings of the crowd, many believing that the Los Angeles lad had earned a victory. Half of the gate money will go to Johnny Murphy, former bantamweight, who is at Honolulu suffering from consumption.

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SNEAK THIEF ON THE WARPATH AT CAPITAL

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 19.—A daring sneak thief got in his handiwork in among the Christmas shoppers last night and so far has not been apprehended. He took Mrs. W. G. Dykeman by complete surprise at a dark spot on Westmoreland street and grabbed her hand bag with such force as to snap the small chain by which it was held. He then beat a hasty retreat.

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