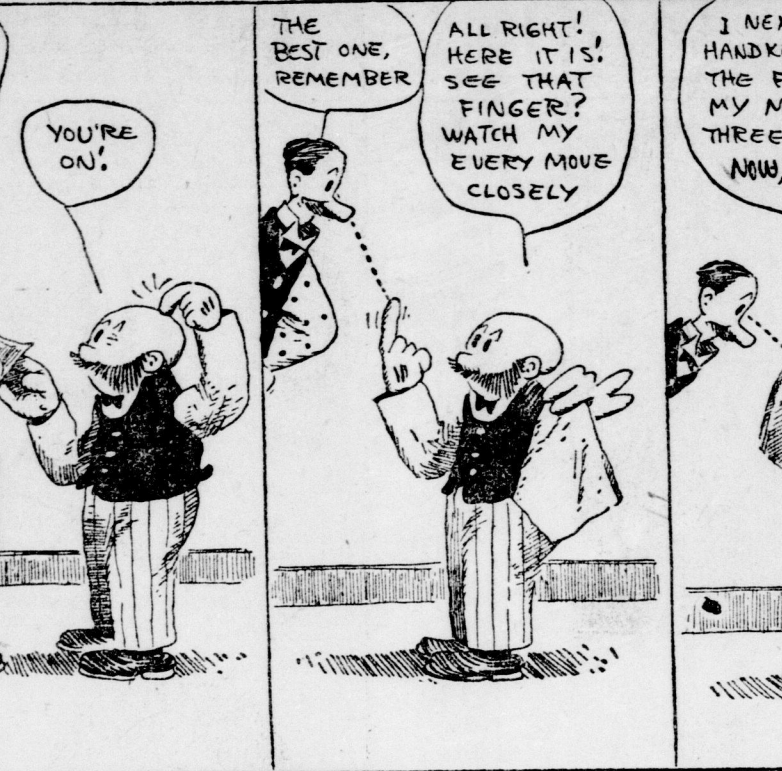


## MUTT AND JEFF—Try This One On Your Piano.



## THE SPORT-LIGHT

By Grantland Rice.

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The indications are that the intercollegiate outdoor track and field championships which were abandoned in 1917 will be resumed in 1918.

In view of President Wilson's stand for the continuation of sport, and the fact that most of the young men in our colleges are combining military training with their study courses, it would seem there is no reason why these championships, that contribute much to the amateur sport calendar, should not be held as usual.

In its many-sidedness nothing compares with the track and field. Almost any man athletically inclined can find some branch among the many offered under this head in which he can find his physical development. For that reason the track and field is broadly more valuable than either collegiate baseball or football, which require a specialized talent.

It is planned now to hold these games in May.

Fred Fulton with his airy left hand is the heir apparent to the heavy-weight throne, though Willard persists in the notion he can come back. Willard is said to be about 160 pounds heavier than he was when he fought Moran, and he weighed 260 then. Most fans will doubt that he can ever train down again.

Platon has found the path rather thorny en route to his goal, but there is to say for him, that he seems to grow better as he nears the crown. If he would not compare with the old school, he at least outshines the new.

One reason advanced for the decrease in gridiron fatalities during the 1917 season is the improvement in the football warrior's uniform. The style makers in gridiron armor have so bettered their art that the modern-day player takes the field with every vulnerable spot scientifically protected.

Head guards are stronger and better padded. Neck, shoulder and chest pads are made in one piece and are slipped on behind the head. Knees, ankles and wrists are taped. Light but protective shin guards are often worn beneath gridiron hose. Shoes are heavy and well cased.

This better equipment furnishes the answer, for it is an undisputed fact that in the backfield men, who receive less aid from their teammates than they did in the line, mauling days, are required to withstand greater shocks than ever before.

Different motions are used in throwing the forward pass, and as a matter of fact, few if any of them are identical with the movement used in tossing a football as any man we have seen in the East this season.

## ART ROSS, KNOWN CLINGER HIGH GUN AS BEST HOCKEY PLAYER, TO QUIT AT SPRINGWOOD CHRISTMAS SHOOT

Wanderers' Star Quits Ice to Run Team From the Bench.

Every sport has its particular hero in hockey, Arthur Ross of the Montreal Wanderers, generally is considered the greatest player of his day. Art Ross's day has extended over a period of many years. Recently word was received that the great star was talking of retiring, if he does he will be showing better sense than did many another veteran—by quitting the game which has made him famous before he draws the inevitable pink slip in his envelope. This season he will manage the Wanderers from the bench.

When Art Ross quits hockey the winter game will lose "the greatest little has ever produced." That battered little has been tossed about a bit, but never on first one and then another, but when they were rattled through the sifter, Ross stands out as the greatest, most skillful of all the players who have ever played the game.

Although he does not flash and circle about the ice with the meteoric dash of a speedster, Ross is still today a formidable force to get the puck off Ross's elusive twisting stick.

Add to this a hockey brain of far more than average keenness, which stored up the experience of many years, and you have today a formidable addition to any team.

The ice game has never had a smarter player than Ross. How, when playing with Ottawa, he outplayed the Wanderers and the champions of the world, and still fresh in the minds of contemporaries, Ottawa came to Montreal for the game of the season, with a lead of three or four goals.

The game was a stand-off, and that was the story of the Wanderers' triumph. Instead, when the game started, Ross spread out three players in front of the Ottawa net, and the Wanderers could not fathom this switch at all. The red hoops went up in the air, demoralized, scored only one goal in the game, and lost the chance to go to the coast.

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## Promising Material At Hermit Workout

London Juniors on Ice at Jubilee Rink Last Night—Thirteen Men Show Classy Stuff—Look Like Real Puckers.

The London Hermits held their first workout of the season at the Jubilee Rink on Wednesday night, when thirteen young men, who are enthusiastic about the game, and are confident that they will put them against another team, were on the ice.

Mr. Taylor expressed himself as satisfied with the material that turned out, and is confident that they can be worked into a real classy lot of puck-chasers of the variety that fans like to talk about.

The boys were shifted from one position to another to better enable them to show what they could do. Quite a bunch of them are known to have played in the O.H.A. end of it. Mr. Taylor, who as well as any one, is acquainted with the sporting careers of the boys, and knows just what hockey every man has played in the past.

Quite a lot of last year's Northern League players were on hand. Those out last night were Suter, Lightfoot, Gilles, Riffin, Bryant, McDougall, Wynd, Burgess, Josiah, Everett, LeMonte, Struckert and McKay. Smith, Lancaster, Cline and Rechner, it is hoped will be out at the next practice.

In the short time they were on the ice, almost an hour, it was not possible to give the players a real going over, but they all showed up well. Two who looked especially good were Hynde, whose work in the nets was excellent, and Burgess, who should be a good wing.

Hynde let the puck last night only once, and displayed all kinds of puck-chase life. He was on the job every minute.

"Things are looking fine," said Manager Taylor. "The boys are enthusiastic for the game, and I am confident that we have the real stuff here. It is too old, I believe, to be a part of a preliminary turnout. I know the fellows well, and at the next workout I hope to give some idea of the line-up of the team. At all events, it sure does look as if London will be in the hockey man in earnest this winter."

## Brilliant Feats on Mound For Past Forty-Two Years

Herewith is presented a list of no-hits from 1875 up to and including the season just closed:

1875—The first no-hit game was pitched by James Mann of Princeton against Yale.

1876—Galvin of St. Louis club in a game with a Detroit club at Iowa, Mich. did not allow a hit or a run to reach first base. Records of the game were not made.

1877—The following games pitched by major league pitchers:

1878—Bradley, N. L.; not a man reaching first base.

1879—Richmond, Worcester, N. L.; pitcher allowed no hits, not a man getting to first base.

1880—Corcoran, Chicago, N. L.; Galvin, N. L.; Richmond, Worcester, N. L.; Ward and Richmond, N. L.; pitcher allowed no hits, not a man getting to first base.

1881—Mullane and Barker, Louisville, Ky.; Corcoran, Chicago, N. L.; Galvin, N. L.; Richmond, Worcester, N. L.; pitcher allowed no hits, not a man getting to first base.

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1883—Radbourne, Providence, N. L.; Dabbs, Cleveland, N. L.; Galvin, N. L.; Richmond, Worcester, N. L.; pitcher allowed no hits, not a man getting to first base.

1884—Corcoran, Chicago, N. L.; Galvin, N. L.; Richmond, Worcester, N. L.; pitcher allowed no hits, not a man getting to first base.

1885—Clarkson, Chicago, N. L.; Ferguson, N. L.; pitcher allowed no hits, not a man getting to first base.

1886—Terry, Brooklyn, A. L.; Atkinson, N. L.; pitcher allowed no hits, not a man getting to first base.

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1890—King, Chicago, N. L.; Atkinson, N. L.; pitcher allowed no hits, not a man getting to first base.

1891—Lover, Brooklyn, N. L.; Rustie, N. L.; pitcher allowed no hits, not a man getting to first base.

1892—Stevens, Boston, N. L.; Sanders, Louisville, N. L.; Jones, Cincinnati, N. L.; pitcher allowed no hits, not a man getting to first base.

1893—Hawke, Baltimore, N. L.

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## SPORT NOTES

Well, the Hermits finally got on the ice.

They had a tough time of it. After arrangements had been completed the recent thaw put a crimp in hockey for a few days.

The slippery was hard enough last night, as those whose skates weren't sharp found out.

Manager A. T. Taylor expressed himself as satisfied with the boys who came out last night. On the whole, they showed life and pep and in one or two places there were some real bursts of speed.

Thirteen men had their skates on. When their names were taken by Mr. Taylor's assistants, that gentleman put the referee's John Henry down, too, to occupy such the deadly "haircut." Great to be superstitious, isn't it—of are you?

Still they couldn't dodge that thing. The candidates were formed into two six-man teams, and when the referee got on the ice there were thirteen out. That's something that is going to happen often this winter. Here's hoping it will break the spell.

The Hermits would like to get a game away from home on New Year's night. Mr. Taylor will not let the boys play with some town, preferable not in this group, with that date open.

Manager Fred Mitchell of the Chicago Cubs will have an assistant coach, John D. W. Smith, who is a former major league player, and later with the Federal and International Leagues.

Knabe is considered a pretty sharp baseball tactician, and he will occupy such the deadly "haircut." Great to be superstitious, isn't it—of are you?

It looks like a very slim year for the Northern Hockey League. Stratford, Milverton, Durham, Mount Forest, and the other clubs are in a very poor way.

The O.H.A. season in Toronto will be opened Saturday, when Bill Marshall, manager of the Richmond, will be in charge.

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## TURF STATISTICS OF ENGLISH SEASON SHOW BIG SUCCESS

Mr. Fairie Heads the List of Winning Owners.

GAY CRUSADER STARS

Won Many Purses—Steve Donaghue Wins Honors for Jockeys.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Some remarkable figures are shown in the turf statistics of the flat racing season of 1917, which were brought to such a successful close recently.

In the list of winning owners Mr. Fairie won the largest amount in stakes with \$58,810, nearly all contributed by the "triple crown" of Gay Crusader.

In normal times this amount would have been very much more, for the prizes won by the famous son of Bayardo have been very much reduced in value and there have been no prizes for the other horses.

Mr. Fairie headed the list of winning owners in 1916 and 1917. In the former year he won \$11,120, and in the latter \$11,120.

Mr. Fairie's credit, Lord Derby won the largest amount of stakes (\$22) and comes second with \$26,875.

Other big winners were Lord D'Abernon with \$22,810, Lord Londonderry with \$17,555, and D. Fraser with \$15,150.

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## ONE SALE MEANS SEASON'S SUCCESS

"The sale of one ball player frequently means the season's success for a minor league club, when the loss of the money involved means failure," remarked a prominent International League man.

"Take the case of Newark and Walter Smallwood, for example. Smallwood was the only player sold by the Newark club, the Yankees purchasing him. One of the conditions of the sale was that in the event of Smallwood being drafted the deal was to be null and void."

Smallwood reported to the Yankees, was caught in the draft, and left to join the national army, so the Yankees could not have to pay the price decided upon.

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## ROSEBUD WINNER IN EIGHT STARTS DURING PAST YEAR

Famous Winner Makes Year's Sensational Come-Back.

WON 15 OF 20 STARTS

Six Year-Old Beats Ponies to Wire Often During Past Season.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Few followers of the ponies can be found who would back a six-year-old in stake events.

A six-year-old runner seldom looks like a good thing to the boys who venture their velvet on the races, for the reason that most of the ponies have outlived their usefulness as class winners when they reach that age.

But anyone who backed Old Rosebud consistently during the 1917 campaign has no reason to regret it, for Old Rosebud, the horse who came into vogue more stake events than any of the other ponies, though his winnings were not as large.

Old Rosebud is owned by H. C. Applegate. He went to the post in twenty races during the season and in fifteen of this number his nose was first under the wire. Out of his 20 races eight were stake events and his total stake winnings reached \$28,515.

The feature events won by Old Rosebud were the Clarke handicap, Cherokee handicap in Kentucky, the Queen's County, Cart and Road Cross handicaps at Aqueduct, the Frontier handicap at Windsor, and the Delaware at Saratoga.

Wins \$103,830.

Four other crack racers, two of which raced as two-year-olds, together with Old Rosebud, won a total of \$103,830 on the tracks this year, and ranked as the biggest winning