

MURATORE IN STORMY MOOD

French Tenor Lifts Curtain on Inside Episodes of Chicago Opera Life.

Chicago, April 25.—One last fling at Mary Garden's management of the Chicago Opera Co., was taken yesterday by Lucien Muratore, French tenor, in which he said upon learning of Miss Garden's resignation, that if she had been a man he would have "killed her to defend my honor."

"Because she is a woman," he said, "I can and will do nothing." Discussing the aftermath of the split between them in mid-season, he said: "To me, when we sing together, she hisses 'pretty boy' but when I am on the stage, she talks to other members of the company about me. She calls me 'pig.'"

He shrugged his shoulders when asked if he would sing with the company next year, and answered that he did not know whether there would be any company.

Samuel Insull, president of the Civic Opera Association, defended and praised Miss Garden and said her conduct of the company last year was "manly," that is the only word that describes it.

He added that she would continue "as one of the most prominent members in the Chicago Company." Under her direction Chicago has had grand opera that is unsurpassed anywhere in the world," he said.

Friends of Giorgio Polacco, one of the principal conductors of the company, were confident that he would be appointed director, later, despite Mr. Insull's announcement that a committee would manage all affairs for the time being.

Polacco is the husband of Edith Mason.

SERIES OF ENGLISH-AMERICAN TRACK MEETS IS PLANNED

London, April 25.—A series of international track meets between English and American universities has been arranged, according to John T. McGovern, who came with the University of Pennsylvania runners, for their meeting with Oxford and Cambridge, as official observer. McGovern and the Pennsylvania team will sail for the United States tomorrow. Under the plan, Yale and Harvard teams will meet Oxford and Cambridge in London in the summer of 1923, while Oxford and Cambridge will visit Princeton and Cornell, then Yale and Harvard, and perhaps other American schools, in joint meets in 1925. Plans have also been made for an American team of runners, selected by trials, to meet an all-British team at the British Empire Exhibition in London in 1924.

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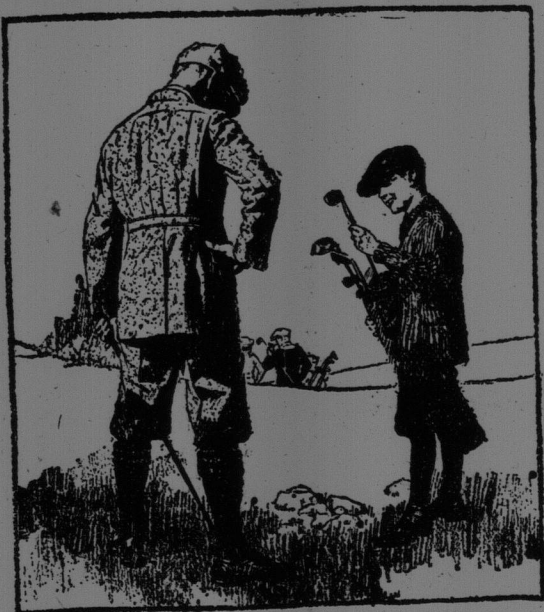
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YANKS PICK FIRM TO BUILD STADIUM

White Construction Co. of New York to Erect \$2,000,000 Baseball Plant.

New York, April 26.—The White Construction Company has been selected as the contracting firm which will build the new \$2,000,000 stadium of the Yankees in New York. The contract with this company will not be signed until next Saturday, and pending this important ceremony, neither Colonel Ruppert nor Colonel Huston would discuss the matter. But by other officials at the Yankee headquarters it was admitted that the White Company will do the work, and this information was confirmed by contractors to whom some of the work has been sublet.

The premature announcement of the Yankees' plans also disclosed that the first shovelful of dirt will be dug next Tuesday and the work pushed after that with as much speed as possible. There will doubtless be some sort of ceremony attending the first bit of excavation, both the Yankee Colonels will be there, and the beginning of work on what will be the greatest baseball plant in the world will be celebrated in a fitting manner.

The Osborn Engineering Company of Cleveland, which will direct the general

construction of the big arena, has promised that the work will be completed by the latter part of September, in time to take care of the world's series games if the Yankees should happen to perform in the October blue ribbon classic. The original estimate was six months, which would mean the latter part of October, but since that time it has been decided to use double shifts of workmen. Most of the grading has already been done, and with good weather the Osborn Co. predicts that it will smash all records in the matter of speed.

The White Construction Company will have charge of all the building work and has already begun employing subcontractors for the steel work, concrete, roofing, seats, flooring, playing field, carpentering, etc. The stadium will seat 60,000 when finished, and will be capable of enlargement to accommodate 80,000. The grandstand will consist of two steel and concrete tiers and a mezzanine. The bleachers will be of wood. The site is bounded on the north by 161st street, on the east by River avenue, and on the south by 157th street and on the west by Doughty street.

LEWIS WINS

Kansas City, Mo., April 25.—Ed (Strangler) Lewis, champion heavyweight wrestler of the world, successfully defended his title here tonight by defeating Stanislaus Zhyzsko in the first and last of three falls.

FOUGHT A DRAW

Toledo, Ohio, April 25.—Car Tremain, of Cleveland, and Terry Martin, of Providence, fought a fast and furious twelve-round bout here last night to a draw.

Montreal, April 25.—At the Mount Royal Arena here last night, Joe Burman of Chicago, 121½ pounds, outpointed Marty Collins, 122 pounds, of New York, all the way in ten rounds and was awarded the decision. Sid Marks of New York, claimant of the Canadian lightweight championship, fought up to eight rounds of a scheduled ten round bout with Jos. St. Onge, of Granby, Que., when Referee Harry Ertle stopped the fight to save the Granby man further punishment.

GERALDINE FARRAR ABANDONS OPERA

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

New York, April 25.—Geraldine Farrar's voice will no longer be heard in operatic roles, it was announced last night, when it became known that David Belasco, producer, had taken her under his management and would star her in dramatic productions. No announcement was made of the time Miss Farrar would make her first "legitimate" appearance, but it is understood she will first complete concert engagements.

While both Miss Farrar and Mr. Belasco refused to discuss the matter, it was understood that the producer had already arranged to have a play written "around" the star.

Miss Farrar made what she termed her final appearance in grand opera at the Metropolitan Opera House on Saturday night when she sang in "La Sa."

PROFESSIONALISM THREATENS TENNIS

(New York Evening Post.)

Those officials who are deeply interested in the welfare of lawn tennis are concerned about the inroads that the commercial element is making. It came strongly to the fore at the recent annual meeting. William T. Tilden, 2nd, admitted that he had been offered a goodly sum to join the professional ranks to give exhibitions about the country.

It is the opinion of national officials that the lawn tennis game is squarely face to face with the question: Shall tennis be placed once and for all upon an absolutely amateur basis or shall it be exposed to the dangers of commercialism?

George T. Ade, at the time he was president, laid the basic principles of amateurism before the players. He made it plain that the United States Golf Association, the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, the International Association of Amateur Athletes of America, and the National Collegiate Athletic Association had taken a definite stand on the payment of expenses and that lawn tennis could not afford to lag behind.

Some believe that the statements of Ade, ably versed in the ethics of sports, hold good now. He said, in part: "The executive committee feels strongly that the possibility of professionalizing tennis, unless a definite stand is taken now, is by no means remote. If you say what of it, the answer is found in the degeneration of every sport where professional tendencies have been checked. Professional baseball has practically killed the amateur game, except for schools and colleges, and even they are now being invaded. Having is only just recovering from the slump into which professionalism plunged it."

In concluding his remarks, the former Yale star had this to say: "Surely the conclusion is obvious that influences hostile to the best interests of baseball, golf, track and field, and football cannot be tolerated. Professionalism must be kept out."

The thing that appears certain as the players are about to move into the competitive season is the fact that a close scrutiny will be kept upon those who overdo the "exhibition" stunts. Apparently the way is opening for the United States to join with the International Federation, and the chances of thwarting that possibility are to be taken.

STUDENT "PARKERS" SUCCEED "SHIFTERS"

A New Organization With Whiskbroom as Emblem Claims 10,000 Members Already.

The "Parkers," an organization whose founders claim a membership already of more than 10,000, has been started by high school students in New York to succeed the "Shifters."

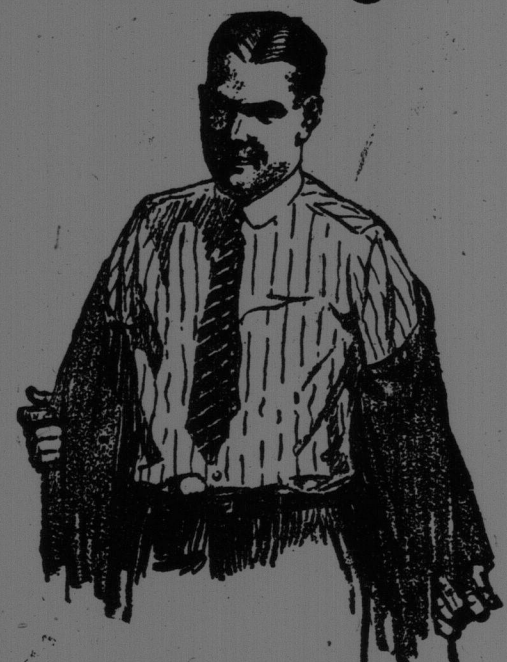
The purpose of the new organization is to protect the parks. Its emblem is a whiskbroom. Rose Tenenbaum and Morris Seider of Brooklyn, organizers of the "Parkers," called on Park Commissioner Francis D. Gallatin to let him know just what the aims of the society are. They were particularly anxious to have the commissioner know that the name of the organization was not the "Sparkers," and that the fostering of park "spoiling" was not part of its programme.

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social time in connection with the three day conference being held for the benefit of the New Brunswick staff. Other guests were W. G. Wetmore, of Boston, and J. Barbour, of St. John's, Nfld. Among the interesting parts of the programme was the playing of a record in Morse code made last year by Thomas Edison on the occasion of his seventy-fifth birthday. The sound came off the phonograph record just as clearly as though being received on the regular telegraphic machine.

Word was received last night from Newcastle of the complete destruction by fire of the house at Nordin, owned by Lawrence Doyle, one of the oldest residences on the Miramichi. It was built before the Miramichi fire in 1825.

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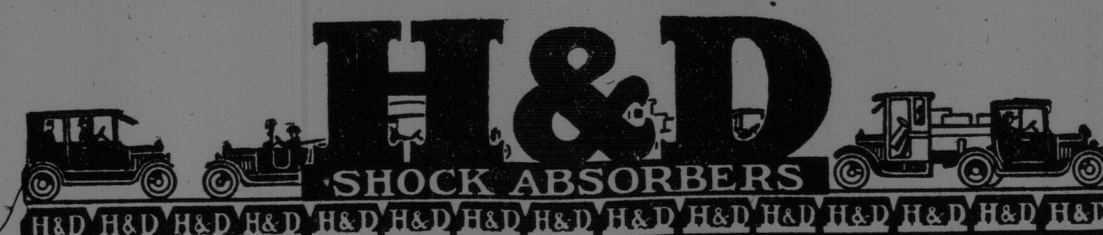
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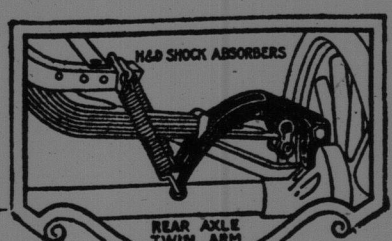
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