

THE STANDARD'S SPORTING SECTION

WAS THE LATE JOHN L. SULLIVAN REALLY A SCIENTIFIC BOXER?

Philadelphia Writer Compares Former Champion to Jack Dempsey and Answers Questions by Producing Convincing Facts—Sullivan Defence One That Has Never Been Equalled—His Record a Marvellous One.

(Philadelphia Ledger.)

John L. Sullivan's name went down in ring history as a terrible slugger. At least that is the impression which the fight fans of today have. Was he scientific boxer? Could he punch as hard as Jack Dempsey? These are questions which the younger men of today are asking their daddies and granddaddies. The writer was an admirer of Sullivan from boyhood. What American kid with real blood was not? When old enough to venture out at night, the one ambition was to see Sullivan in action. When that ambition was satisfied, a greater one seized the writer in its meshes. He wanted to know this great modern gladiator. The acquaintance was sought and a friendship which lasted until the day Sullivan was buried was the result.

The man and Sullivan the pugilist was studied from every angle. The day he died he did not bear one mark of his many ring battles, scores of which were fought with small gloves, some with bare knuckles. His ears were perfect and his face was unblemished. That answers the first question in a most emphatic manner. It proved beyond dispute that John L. Sullivan was one of the most scientific men of his class in the ring. No man can take part in hundreds of ring battles with small and large gloves without carrying some mark which proved his defence was faulty. Sullivan had a wonderful defence. Often after a contest his arms would be discovered from the elbow to the wrist, proving conclusively that he was a superb blocker and an adept at carrying leads and counters with his forearms.

Some will say that because Sullivan would tear in with one sole purpose of knocking his men out he did not need any defence. It was the lack of defence that beat Terry McVeigh in that notable bout with Young Corbett, when the featherweight champion was defeated. Sullivan was champion for ten years. Was only beaten once, after he had been virtually made over twice as a physical man. When Corbett defeated Sullivan on Sept. 7, 1892, at New Orleans, the former California bank clerk who had as peer as a boxer in his class. He was the fastest man the ring has ever produced. So much for John L. Sullivan's science. Could he hit as hard as Jack Dempsey?

Daring Dives Her Daily Task

With all the ease and assurance with which ordinary mortals go about their daily tasks, Miss Helen Carr, the daring Venus of the New York Hippodrome, attends to her daily business of making the big audiences hold their breath and then gasp with wonder and astonishment as she plunges downward from a tiny perch almost against



HELEN CARR DIVING 122 FEET INTO THE NEW YORK HIPPODROME TANK.

Gambling On Baseball Games

Chicago National League Official Says It Will Be Curtailed This Season—Manager Fred Mitchell Makes a Statement.

Chicago, April 15.—Gambling on baseball games will be curtailed this season, according to officials of the Chicago National League Baseball Club, who have started a movement against the practice. It is claimed that numerous bets are made on the strength of who the opposing pitchers are to be. This year Manager Fred Mitchell, declared he will not announce his pitcher until the time his batting order is handed to the umpire, just before the game.

Manager Mitchell, whose home is in Boston, declared he knows of numerous instances in which the wagers were placed after the pitchers had been selected. He said he also knows of a certain hotel waiter who was paid \$5 a day by a gambler, for obtaining from the visiting manager the name of the pitcher who was to perform for the visiting club that day.

"Most of the betting is done in the pool rooms downtown," said Mr. Mitchell, "and I believe if the proprietors of these places do not know who is going to pitch they will not be so keen to accept wagers. By withholding the name of the pitcher, I believe much of the gambling will stop."

"If we desire to keep the sport pure, gambling must be eradicated. The Chicago club is to do all it possibly can to stop it. President William Veeck always has taken steps to keep it out of the ball park in Chicago, and I am going to attempt to keep the men from the pool rooms from betting by giving out the pitcher at the last moment."

"Gambling is not to creep into the game and ruin it for the future fans and players if I can help it," Mitchell continued, "and if there is the least suspicion of it on my team an investigation will be made and the man or men who are apprehended will not stay a minute."

Big League Results

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
St. Louis, Mo., April 16.—Pittsburgh pounded St. Louis 7-0. St. Louis held St. Louis in check and won 6-0. But two St. Louis runners reached second base until the eighth.
Pittsburgh . . . 01000001—5 19 2
St. Louis . . . 00000000—0 6 0

Batteries—Carlson and Haefner; Sherdel and Clemens.

Postponed Games.
At New York-Boston game, postponed, rain.
At Brooklyn-Philadelphia game, postponed, rain.
At Cincinnati-Chicago game, postponed, rain.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
All Games Postponed.
At Philadelphia-New York game, postponed, rain.
At Boston-Washington game, postponed, rain.
At Cleveland-St. Louis game, postponed, cold weather.
At Chicago-Detroit game, postponed, wet grounds.

Y. M. C. A. To Enter Senior Ball Team

The Y. M. C. A. baseball team had a meeting last night in the "Y" building, and judging by the fine squad of candidates present the possibilities of a strong team in the City Senior Baseball League is assured. Plans for entering a team were discussed, while the question of an intermediate team was left over to see what further material is available.

It was decided that any player not present at last night's meeting, and wishing to try for either team, would be afforded an opportunity to get in touch with the secretary, Ray Pondiston. The next baseball meeting will be held at the Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday at 6:30 for the initial workout of the baseball season of 1920.

Leach Cross, former contender for the lightweight crown, has just signed to appear with Eddy Polo in "The Vanishing Dagger".

GOOD GAMES AT Y. M. C. A. TONIGHT

Business Men's Volleyball Match Will Be Preliminary to the St. John-Moncton Basketball Championship Game.

The first game of the Y. M. C. A. Business Men's Volleyball League is scheduled for 4 this afternoon. K. Hazen is meeting Thomas Gray's squad; at 5 o'clock Givan and Woodworth will play.

The Business Men's team returned from Fredericton at noon yesterday, all well pleased with the trip, and the Fredericton "Y" men are now planning a return match as soon as the roads become fit.

A great deal of interest is centered in the Volleyball match tonight, to be played as a preliminary to the Moncton-St. John Y. M. C. A. basketball game in the home and home series for the "Y" Provincial Basketball Championship.

The Championship Games of Bowling

Wise Old Owls Won First of Series for City Championship—C. P. R. Team Defeated Vassie's and Won Commercial League Honors

Wise Old Owls.
On Black's alleys last night the wise old Owls of the Y. M. C. A. House won the championship of the City league, by twenty-six pins. The bowling of the winners was very steady, their strings averaging in the nineties with but two exceptions, one below and one above the line. Last night's was the first in the roll-off for the City championship. The next game will be rolled at the Y. M. C. A. The points scored in last night's game follow:

C. P. R.	
Garvin . . .	84 87 107 288 96
Cleary . . .	103 100 103 306 102
McCafferty . . .	81 84 90 255 85
McDonald . . .	99 91 84 286 95 1-3
McCurdy . . .	113 87 88 288 96
480 459 484 1423	
Ramblers	
Beatty . . .	85 74 82 245 81-3
Covey . . .	85 94 119 298 99 1-3
Morgan . . .	97 86 110 303 87 2-3
Coughlan . . .	117 87 83 287 96 1-3
Riley . . .	85 89 90 274 91-3
469 444 484 1397	

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE CHAMPS.
By taking last night's game, the third of the roll-off for the championship of the Commercial league on Black's alleys, the C. P. R. were hailed as victors of the Commercial league 1920. They led their opponents Vassie & Co. by twenty-five points. The score follows:

C. P. R.	
G. Galbraith . . .	89 85 83 257 85 2-3
C. Galbraith . . .	96 82 87 295 88 1-3
Osborne . . .	90 79 75 244 89 1-3
MacDonald . . .	89 83 90 282 87 1-3
Maguire . . .	105 85 84 288 91 1-3
469 444 484 1397	
Vassie & Co.	
Carney . . .	92 73 90 265 85
Case . . .	87 76 85 248 82 2-3
Smith . . .	93 91 79 263 87 2-3
Powert . . .	119 100 72 251 83 2-3
Riley . . .	80 86 84 260 86 2-3
441 426 410 1277	

Canadian Central Olympic Committee

Have Arranged for Official List of Trials—About Fifty Athletes Going to Belgium—Dates of Sailing.

Toronto, April 16.—(Canadian Press)—The Canadian Central Olympic Committee under the chairmanship of J. G. Merrick last night arranged for the official list of trials. About fifty athletes will go to Belgium. The hockey team has already arrived and the others will sail according to the following dates:

July 1.—Trapshooters on the Seaside. July 2.—Track and field, cyclists and boxers on the Maitland. August 7.—Oarsmen and wrestlers on the Maitland.

The following is the official list of trials as arranged last night:

July 1, track and field in each province, the location to be left to the branches. July 10, semi-finals all of Winnipeg. July 17, finals on M. A. A. grounds in Montreal. August 21, provincial Marathon trials at 10 to 15 miles. July 17—Marathon finals at Hamilton.

Y. M. C. I. BOYS HAD AN ENJOYABLE HIKE

With Physical Instructor McNamara, One Hundred and Ten Hiked to Indiantown, and on Return Enjoyed Refreshments and Music.

Physical instructor Joseph McNamara last evening led one hundred and ten boys on a hike through the city streets, and from start to finish it proved most enjoyable, although some of those participating were slightly fatigued on their return to the rooms. It was intended to hike out the road, but owing to the muddy condition of the roads the streets in the city were used. Leaving the "Gym" about 8 o'clock, the party hiked down Waterloo, to City Road, thence to Paradise Row, up Main as far as Indiantown, returning via Main, Mill, Dock, King, Charlotte, Union and Waterloo to the Y. M. C. A.

After a bath and rub down, the boys were in fine condition for refreshments served, including coffee donated by T. H. Eastbrooks, and a programme of music, Miss Vera Campbell setting most acceptably as accompanist.

Jack Johnson is still hanging around the Mexican border threatening to come across and get pinched. Jack is a clever and persistent advertiser and makes one curious what he is trying to sell.

White markings on bloodhounds betray impurities of strain.

Will Enforce Rules

Notice Sent Out by Belgian Olympic Committee.

New York, April 15.—Late reports from Belgium indicate that the Olympic Games eligibility rules, always strictly enforced in past Olympiads, will be observed to the letter in the international meet at Antwerp next summer. The slightest infraction in the status of an athlete is sufficient to bar him from the games, according to Frederiek W. Heines, secretary of the American Olympic committee.

The rules are as follows:

Admission—Only amateur athletes to be admitted to the Olympic games. "Necessary condition required for the representation of any given country—it is necessary to be a native of any given country or a naturalized citizen of same or of the sovereign power to which said nation forms a part."

"Whoever has taken part in any Olympic games as a citizen of any given nation cannot be admitted in any future Olympiad as a candidate for any other nation, even if he has been naturalized in that country, save and excepting cases of conquest or the creation of fresh states, duly ratified by treaty."

"In case of naturalization, the naturalized subject must supply adequate proofs that he was an amateur in his native country up to the time of his change of nationality."

Consolation Roll-off

Allen Bestway, with an average of 93.13, was the high man in the City League consolation roll-off, held on Black's Alleys last night, and becomes the winner of the handsome trophy donated by Alexander Jordan, the North End merchant.

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London, April 15.—(By Canadian Associated Press.)—A first league football match, played today, resulted in a win by Blackburn Rovers from Bolton Villa, 2 to 1.

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