

Sporting News

Ernest Barry of England easily beat Eddie Durnan of Toronto on last Monday the 14th, in a race on the Thames for the World's professional sculling championship.

Just to show what a hold baseball has on the people of the United States, one only has to read of banks and brokerage house declaring a half holiday in New York so that all could see the first game between the Giants and Red Sox for world supremacy in this line of sport. The directors of the Missouri Pacific Railway also advanced a director's meeting one hour so that several of them might see the game.

The following is the record of the winners and losers in the world's series since 1903:

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This was one of the prophecies made before the third game in the world's series had been played, and made by Ned Hanlon of the old Baltimore Orioles. See Wood is one of the greatest pitchers that ever planted a foot on a rubber. The only chance the Giants have of winning from Boston is to break one of his legs. That the veteran knew what he was talking about is attested by the third game of the series.

The players share in the World's Series will amount to \$147,572.28, breaking all previous records, and the winners will each receive a little over \$4000. It certainly pays to be a winning club.

One of the most prominent men in the public eye today is a ball player by the name of Jake or Garland Stahl, who not many years ago went to college like the ordinary youth and the University of Illinois is very proud nowadays of this certain alumnus who first dawned on the college campus in September, 1899—a raw lad of 17, six feet tall and built like a Hercules. His dawning, though, caused no excitement. Among the highly touted freshman who had distinguished themselves at "prep" schools, Garland Stahl stood unknown.

Yes, his name was "Garland." But Champaign tradition relates how the "Garland" quickly vanished.

Stahl was initiated into the Sigma Chi fraternity and entered upon the usual duties of a "frat" freshman.

"Answer the door bell, you big country jake," ordered an upper classman brother. And Stahl obeyed. Thereafter he was "Jake" in college and everywhere else. The name seemed to fit, somehow.

Stahl did not flash across the college world like a meteor from the moment he hit the Illinois campus. The first year he ranked as a "prep." He participated in "prep" athletics, but made no stir. In his second year, a full-fledged freshman eligible for Varsity athletics, he donned a football suit.

At the sight of him the coaches fell on his neck, placing him at fullback. He played good football but was not a sensation. An error had been made in sending him to the back field. Next he played right guard, where his strength and speed brought him fame.

No one thought of Jake as a baseball player. Not until his third-year did he muster courage to report to George Huff, college coach.

"When 'Jake' came out for baseball," says Huff, "I took interest in

him because he had made good in football, and that proved there was stuff in him. He thought he was a pitcher, and he broke half the windows in the armory where we had indoor practice before I called him off.

"But he had been whanging away with the bat in great style. When the squad went out doors I tried him several places without much success as a fielder, and when Illinois opened its season April 13, 1901, against Michigan, I put Jake in left field.

"Jake was nearly kicked by fly balls. He lost the game.

"But Stahl had hit too well to be passed up. I sent him to catch, where he made good. The next game his batting consisted of two home runs, one double and three singles."

Did Jake bat? He was the terror of the western colleges. That year of 1901 he batted at the tidy rate of .443 and fielded .970. His final year of college ball was 1903, when he batted .444 and fielded .984, with 10 home runs to his credit.

Incidentally the Illinois fame won 18 out of 19 games. Jake caught Carl Lundgren on the famous eastern trip of the Illini when the western champions won from Harvard, Yale, Princeton and Pennsylvania.

One of Stahl's assets as a college backstop was his tendency in pursuing fouls. They tell how when playing Chicago, Stahl chasing a foul dived headlong into the bleachers. It was in a pinch when an out would save the game. He struck his head, but caught the ball. And he held it, although knocked, senseless. When he staggered to his feet and mopped the blood from his head, the crowd gave him a demonstration such as had never been tendered an Illini hero.

It was in 1901 that Jake's football talent flowered. That year Illinois beat Chicago for the first time in many seasons. Jake did it. The next day the Chicago newspapers hailed him as "the greatest guard whose cleats had ever cut the grass on a western gridiron."

In 1903 the Cubs were dickering for Stahl. Henry Killea heard of this western "phenom," and journeyed to Evanston, Ill., to see him perform. The Illini were in fine fettle. Jake made two home runs and two doubles. The game was called after six innings with the score 29 to 2. Killea hung onto Stahl until he had him under contract.

Jake was one of the most popular

WESTERN CROPS TOTAL WORTH \$280,000,000 So Says the Canadian Bank of Commerce Report

The Canadian Bank of Commerce, from Winnipeg after a comprehensive and systematic examination of crop conditions in Western Canada, estimates the wheat yield at 196,000,000 bushels; oats, 224,500,000 bushels; barley, 49,600,000 bushels; flax, 12,900,000 bushels. The total value of the grain crops to the producers is estimated by the bank at \$208,000,000. "In preparing this estimate," the report says, "northwest grain dealers' association figures of arrearage are accepted. These differ appreciably from the government figures, but are probably more nearly correct. The average yield, however, has been calculated upon reports furnished by our own branch managers and managers of other banks, and these reports cover every district in each of the three provinces.

A STRENUOUS TIME.

"What's the matter? You look all tired out." "I am." "What's the cause?" "Brown. His wife is away. I guess I'm the only bachelor friend he's got because he's been keeping me out later than I've ever thought of staying before."—New York Evening Sun.

men in college. He never was "swell-headed" and his mates thought the world of him. He was a figure at all social events. It was in college that he met the present Mrs. Jake. Love of the old school" is green in his heart, and whenever he can he returns to coach the football squad.

After being knocked out by colliding with another player Friday H. Calvin McCallum, captain of the Westmount Academy football team, continued in the game.

He then became unconscious again and died after being taken home from a hemorrhage of the brain.

GREATEST CONVENTION EVER HELD Outline of the Program of the 47 Provincial Convention At Hamilton

Next week, October 21-24, will see in Hamilton, Ont., the greatest convention ever held in Canada outside of the International Convention, twice held in Toronto. Provision is made for seven miniature Conventions of from two to five and a half hours each, devoted to the consideration of special features of Sunday School work. Each denomination also has a special session of three and one-half hours for the special consideration of its own work, and there are seven general sessions besides.

This will probably be the last gathering of this magnitude till the Golden Jubilee in 1915. The Conventions of 1913 and 1914 may be twin meetings, held east and west. No person should fail to be in Hamilton who wants to keep in touch with the Sunday School movements and plans that are up-to-date. The reports of the Secretaries and Superintendents for the year which closes with the Hamilton Convention are record-makers, and the Treasurer's report promises a Jubilee. Copies of the programme are issued only to the delegates at Convention.

The Elk Lake Branch Delayed

The Timiskaming & Northern Railway extension from Charlton to Elk Lake is being held up by inability of the mills to deliver steel rails. The bridge on Jean Baptiste Creek is almost completed and the grading to the Montreal River, ten miles further on is finished but the lack of rails is holding up the contractors. Rails will not be into Elk Lake now until along in December.

NOT GOING TO PIECES. Geraldine—"May I see you apart?" Gerald—"Well, I should say not! Do I look as if I were coming to pieces?"

NEW SCENERY AT THE MAJESTIC THEATRE This Popular Play-House is Receiving a New Finish at the Hands of an Artist

The many patrons of the Majestic Theatre have had their attention drawn to the handsome new scenery which the management have procured through the services of Harry Hutchins of the popular Sarah Gibney Co., playing this town of recent date. Mr. Hutchins is from Chicago, Ill. and is a scenic artist of rare talent and his services were acquired at considerable expense and only through the courtesy of Mr. Walter Wilson, manager of the Sarah Gibney Co. We believe that when "Dad," a name Mr. Hutchins' friends have given him from coast to coast, is surrounded by his paraphernalia, comprising principally of a large assortment of soft colors, brushes, etc., and not a small stock of "Pyper Heidsick," it would be difficult to find his equal. He surely has done himself justice in his work at the Majestic as the patrons may judge for themselves and before leaving town Mr. Hutchins took measurements for fine large landscapes which will brighten up the Georgia Pure walls of this popular place of amusement.

GOOD FINANERING.

"My wife," said Mr. Clarke, "sent \$2 in answer to an advertisement of a sure method of getting rid of superfluous fat." "And what did she get for the money? Was the information what she wanted?" asked Mr. Simmons. "Well, she got a reply telling her to sell it to the soap man."

HER FEELINGS WET.

A little girl was playing at the table with her cup of water. Her father took the cup from her and in so doing accidentally spilt some of the water on her. "There," she cried, as she left the table indignantly, "you wet me clear to my feelings."

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