

# Sporting News

## HOLDING WORLD'S RECORD FOR CONSECUTIVE GAMES

"Biff" Schaller, left fielder of the San Francisco Baseball Club of the Pacific Coast League, holds the world's record for having taken part in consecutive baseball games. He took his first lay-off a few days ago, after having played in 642 contests. His record for consecutive games began with the opening of the season of 1914. This season he has played in 16 games, but as he has been showing bad form in his hitting Manager Wolverton decided that he needed a rest. According to baseball statisticians, George Burns, of the Giants, who, like Schaller, is also a left fielder, holds the major league record for consecutive games. He has not missed a single league game since the opening of 1915, and on Saturday brought his total up to 318 games. So far as the records show, Tom Griffith, of Cincinnati, holds the old mark, with 315 games during 1915 and 1916. He was unable to start the season this year, but brought an end to his long run and gave Burns the opportunity to take command.

## LEAPS GET SMALLEST PLAYER IN BASEBALL

Manager Larry Lajoie, of the Toronto team, has secured "Shorty" McConnell, a midget infielder, who was with the Athletics of Philadelphia last season and was released to the Baltimore team this spring. McConnell has been playing third and short, but Jack Dunn has Art Bues and the sensational young Shannon, the Seton Hall collegian, respectively for those positions, and could not use him. Young McConnell is the Lilliputian of baseball. Manager Lajoie took a fancy to the lad when they were both with the Athletics last season, and thinks that he will make a good infielder. He can hit the ball hard for a little fellow and his diminutive proportions make him a very difficult man to pitch to. It is Lajoie's intention to move over to first base, use McConnell at second and adhere to his original plan of playing Graham in the outfield with Jacobson and Whitman. Lajoie is not as spry as he was and is not rounding into condition as rapidly as expected.

## LES DARCY IS NOW A U.S. ARMY AVIATOR

Les Darcy, the Australian middle weight champion, enlisted in the Army Aviation Reserve Corps at Memphis. There were no strings tied to his enlistment. He stood a good physical examination, being found perfect, at 160 pounds. Darcy for some time has been in the public eye owing to the refusal of the American authorities to allow him to box, as it was alleged that he fled from his native land to escape having to serve at the front. Only last week he tried to make terms with the United States authorities, stating that he would enlist if allowed to fulfill boxing contracts. That offer was turned down.

## ANOTHER GOOD ATHLETE KILLED AT THE FRONT

Another good athlete has been killed in action in the person of Flight-Lieut. Donald Masson of Ottawa, who was prominent in hockey and football at McGill. He explained the McGill hockey team for one season when they made a great showing in the Intercollegiate Union and was also one of Ottawa's leading swimmers and divers, winning many honors at the championships held under the auspices of the Britannia and Ottawa clubs. He was the fourth young Ottawa member of the flying corps to lose his life recently. Lieut. Don Brophy, Lieut. Edward Bourne, and Lieut. Leggo having given up their lives within the past few months.

## HORSEMEN QUARREL ONE OF THEM DIES

Fred Jamison, one of the best known drivers of trotting horses in the U.S. got into an altercation with Frank M. Wolf, manager of the boarding-house at the Arden (Pa.) race track, a few days ago, in which Wolf lost his life. It is said that Wolf, who was 60 years old, drew a knife, and in the scuffle was cut in the upper thigh. The coroner decided that his death was not due to loss of blood, but to heart disease, whereupon Jamison was released without bail. He had given himself up as soon as Wolf died. He drove the sensational half-mile track trotter Wilkes Brewer, 2:08 1/4, last season, and this year has entered his horses in the Grand Circuit.

# Around The North Land

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Drury, Halleybury, died last week aged 15 months. Death was due to convulsions following teething troubles.

James O'Brien was injured by falling rock at the Adanac mine, Cobalt, and though he was taken to the hospital, his injuries are luckily not considered serious.

A Halleybury pastor recently delivered a sermon on "Scarlet Sins." Tony says that of course Scarlet Sins do not include playing "Black-a-Jack."

St. John's Anglican Church, New Liskeard, has an honor roll of over thirty, and also has subscribed for \$300 worth of war bonds from the church funds.

Major Tom Coleman, formerly of the Imperial Bank, Cobalt, is reported as wounded for the second time, this time he is suffering from gunshot wounds in the leg.

A. Delery, whose home was at Sutton Bay, died last week as the result of injuries received in an accident at one of the Cobalt Mines. The remains were taken to Lindsay for interment.

Mr. R. H. Clemens, Superintendent of the Government Farm at Montclair, has resigned that position and removed to Galt, according to The Northland Post.

Mr. Wm. Simpson, of Danes, and Miss Edith M. Tinney, of Burnt River were married at Halleybury, by the Baptist pastor, Rev. Mr. Gravenor, on Wednesday, April 25th.

Mr. A. L. Christopherson, District Officer of the Hudson Bay Company at North Bay, was in Cochrane recently closing up the business at that point, it not being the intention of the Company to rebuild at Cochrane.

At Halleybury on Wednesday of last week, Rev. Fr. Brosseau united in marriage Mr. A. P. Sabourin, Froquois Falls, and Miss Louise Allard, of Halleybury. They went east for the wedding tour.

Pte. Jake Rashford, formerly of Halleybury, is reported "killed in action" on March 4th. He was only 19 years of age and a general favorite. He went overseas about six months ago, and had been in France, two months of that time.

Halleybury has lost about thirty "well-known" but hardly "popular" or "much-respected" residents in the past few weeks, the gay dogs disappearing daily following the enforcement of the dog by-law that requires every dog to have an owner and every owner to pay for the privilege of giving each dog his day.

Pte. Harry Henson, formerly of Cobalt, who was gassed at the Battles of St. Julien and Langemarck, is again on the casualty list, this time being marked as among the wounded.

While playing on the floor about three months ago, the nine-month-old baby of Mrs. Ernest Edwards, of New Liskeard, sustained what appeared to be only a scratch on the knee. The "scratch," however, failed to heal and eventually blood-poisoning set in. Although medical care succeeded in keeping the trouble within bounds, the "scratch" refused to heal, until some days ago, when the mother was able to extract a whole needle from the wound. In crawling along the floor the child had knelt on the needle which had penetrated the flesh and gone out of sight, thus causing all the subsequent trouble.

In the last issue to hand of The Claybelt, the following reference is made to the illness of Mayor Rothschild, of Cochrane: "Mayor Rothschild has been laid up in the hospital since last week, having on the advice of his physician reluctantly decided to rest up. The Mayor has had a very strenuous time of it ever since the fire and has been far from robust for considerable time back and now after seeing his efforts crowned by success in the passing of the bill in the local house, which was to legalize the different by-laws of the town for which he has so unflinchingly fought and without which the town would have been in very sad straits, his final collapse came and complete rest was enjoined on him. We trust that he will soon be around again fully recovered.

Owing to unusually high spring floods on the Wabigoon river, R. Parker's sawmill had to cease operations, the water having risen several feet over the floor and covered much of the machinery. As an effort to this serious inconvenience, however, bridges were flooded on Sundays thus making it unnecessary for people to go to church even if they sang in the choir or took up the collection.

Mr. Marks (not Karl Marx; Karl is dead) has been up in the North Land recently addressing meetings in behalf of the Greater Toronto Labor Party, a new political organization. In Cobalt last week he told them that the time was ripe for another political party. Some people think the time is more than ripe—it's rotten,—with the big business of the war to be attended to.

The Englehart Chapter of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire is circulating a petition to obtain a Nurses' Home for the North Land. The annual meeting of the national organization of the I.O.D.E. is to be held this month in Victoria, B.C., and delegates there will ask the members from all parts of Canada to vote on the proposition that the national body of the Order approach the Government on the subject.

Mr. F. Howitt, foreman of the printing department of the Northland Post, recently enlisted with the Fourth Forestry Draft and is actively recruiting now for that unit, having been sent back to Cochrane for that purpose. He is the fourth member of the Cochrane Northland Post staff to don the khaki.

The Claybelt says: "Among the bills passed during the dying hours of the session of the local house were the relief bills legalizing the \$40,000 debenture by-law of the town of Cochrane and the rebate by-law as well as the by-law referring to any possible excess remaining from the debenture issue. The bill taking over the \$10,000 school debenture issue by the Government also passed. While the fate of these by-laws never could have had any serious doubt, owing to the definite promise of the Government to help the town over the financial difficulties occasioned by the fire, the final settlement is a measure of relief for all those truly interested in the town's future."

According to an editorial article in The Claybelt, an attempt was recently made by an assistant medical officer on one of the troop trains passing through Cochrane from the West, to turn over a suspected diphtheria patient to the Cochrane hospital on the pretence that the sick soldier was simply suffering a relapse from pneumonia. Following receipt of a telegram from the West a local doctor met the train and the supposed "pneumonia" patient was sent on to the hospital. The Cochrane medical man, however, was suspicious of the case, and interviewed the medical officer in charge of the troops. This officer frankly admitted, according to The Claybelt, that he suspected the patient was threatened with diphtheria but still he urged on the Mayor and others that the use of the hospital be granted for the case. The Cochrane authorities were agreed that this was utterly impossible as it would expose all the other patients, and, indeed, the whole town to the danger of infection. The train was held long enough for the sick soldier to be returned on board. This was undoubtedly a serious chance for the soldier, but under the circumstances no one could blame the Cochrane people. Had they known they might have provided some way to care for the patient, no matter what he might have. Sam Dempsey, for instance, would have rushed up an isolation shack somewhere himself, rather than see a soldier in danger. The Claybelt is quite right in suggesting that the whole matter be investigated by the Department of Militia.

## HERBERT C. HOOVER, M.E.

(From the Canadian Mining and Engineering Record, of Vancouver, B. C.)

Herbert C. Hoover, M.E., Chairman of the Commission for Relief in Belgium, is entitled to the gratitude of the civilized world for the masterful and efficient manner in which he has handled one of the most difficult problems with which an engineer was ever faced. In a formerly beautiful and prosperous land, ravished by the barbarian soldier hordes of Germany, he has organized the food supply of the tortured and brutally ill-used people in a manner that has commanded the admiration of all save the brutes in human form who are responsible for the world tragedy.

If I knew you and you knew me, 'Tis seldom we would disagree; But never having yet clasped hands, Both often fail to understand. That each intends to do what's right, And treat each other "honor bright" How little to complain there'd be, If I knew you and you knew me.

WHEN'ERE we ship you by mistake, Or in your bill some error make; From irritation you'd be free, If I knew you and you knew me; Or when the cheques don't come on time, And Customers send us nary a line, We'd wait without anxiety, If I knew you and you knew me.

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