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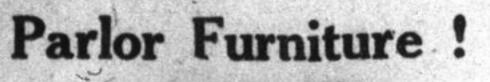
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BASEBALL GAME PLAYED NEAR VERDUN.

American Ambulance Corps Teams Were in Rather a Weird Game Which Was Suddenly Called. One of the weirdest baseball games in history was recently played within range of the German guns near Verdun, with aeroplanes fighting and

shells bursting in view of the spectators and players. American Ambulance section 11 and Richard Norton's special American Red Cross section were fighting in the final of the series between the

five American ambulance units. The men played with their ambulances at hand and ready to dash to the front on call. Frequently calls came, too, causing changes in the

Before starting play every player was asked how long it was since he had thrown or hit a ball.

"The last time I played ball was for the All-Americans against the All-Cubans down in Porto Rico," remarked one of the infielders. "What position did you play?" he erica, but holds the stick with his

was asked. "Darned if I can remember," was prevents him from slicing or pulling. the answer. "All I know is that there was a keg of beer on third base." There was a long delay in obtain-

ing an umpire. Harry Hollinshed, Ottawa Coach Sprung A New One on who had been badly wounded in June and had only just returned from the hospital at Neuilly, after some protest, finally accepted the post. There was also some difficulty in placing left and right fields on account of the encroachment of barbed wire entanglements, while the River Meuse closed in the field behind home plate. Beyond the outfielders a hundred feet or so ran the high stone wall of an old chateau, with its fine timbered park. The chateau itself is now an evacuation hospital, beyond which, visible on each side, runs the main tion trucks, ambulances, and all the

bursting shells, for there was no through it without interference. knowing what fate might attend the single bat, in view of the fact that some members of the teams had been brought up in England and were apt to treat the "grain" as a cricket bat.

Interruptions during 'the game were frequent, the players insisting on calling everyone's attention to a bursting shell or particularly accuate shooting at German aeroplanes by the French gunners. Another time a long foul was hit into the barbed wire over by left field, and the ball was only recovered at the expense of part of the garments of a fielder who was sent in search and gave a detailing through wire entanglements.

The interruption, however, which most demoralized the field was caused in the third inning, when someone shouted that one of the many Ger- which passes on all complaints of man aeroplanes which had been sailing overhead had been hit. Time was first be presented to the board at ounces above the stipulated weight called and general attention centered the minor league meeting, which will of 126 pounds. on the doomed machine, which was open November 14th in New Orleans. seen to be turning over and over in the sunshine as it descended to earth. At the end of the seventh inning the game was suddenly called owing

THE TIGERS STRONGER

Will Have De Gruchy And Gage in Their Line-up.

Ottawa, and at least four new faces and Quebec will reap the benefit. will be seen on the line-up, while the team in general will get a severe shaking up. One who has consented to play is Charlie Gage, and in all game on Saturday both teams lacked the best of the Waterloo and Kit-a good kicking back, but with De chener Junior and Intermediate play- A Berlin despatch says that the

OUT OF THE ORDINARY

How American National Amateur Champion Plays Golf.

Every golfer is interested in hove Chick Evans, national open and amateur golf champion of the United States, plays the game. Every feat ure of his style, from the way he tees the ball to his famous "pitch shot"

Before starting a tournamer Chick Evans visits the tournament course to make a dozen or so short practice shots with each club. He seldom takes a practice swing while

When Evans drives he assumes position with his driver held close to the ball and his head up, his brain concentrated on the course.

He then steps quickly up to the ball, takes two waggles with his river, and shoots. He wastes no time after he has located his range. His drives are long and low, averaging more than 200 yards.

In making his tee, Evans uses lit tle sand and his tee is low. The face of the driver used by the champion is inlaid with ivory. Chick does not use the overlapping grip Vardon introduced in Amthumbs facing down the shaft. This

FAKE FUMBLE IS LATEST

the Unsuspecting Tigers

the play was called back in the lat- the 228th Battalion. ter case when the ball carrier ran outside the touchline.

The play was worked near the touchline. . Wiser faked an end run toward the centre of the field, and, as he passed Joe Smith, dropped the pigskin at his feet. Smith remained absolutely still, and the whole Hamilton team was drawn over to the point The equipment was somewhat where the run was being made, and limited, consisting of two catchers' half the team headed for the ball at mitts, two other gloves, a catcher's Smith's feet. On the short side of item which caused more concern to tore open a gaping hole, and Smith

Another Baseball War?

Another baseball war is foreshadowed by the four demands to be presented to the National Board of the National Association of Minor Leagues and the National Commission The demands are that minor league players be paid the cost of their railway fare and other unusual expenses from their homes to training camps; tified of unconditional releases; and that the players receive copies of de- position. cisions made by the National Board,

The N.H.A. Schedule. The N.H.A. schedule will open on

to the fact that all the Norton team the night of Wednesday, December were summoned to go on a special 27. On that date the Ottawas go to trip into the sector of the front ad- Quebec, while one of the Montreal bonder line from California, is aneach team having ten at home.

London's Hockey Teams.

probability will be played at rover. in the Ontario Hockey Association get the chance to face Willard in Hal De Gruchy will be another ad- this year with two soldier teams. the spring. dition to the Tiger team. In the The 118th Battalion that includes Gruchy in harness the Tigers will ers organized a couple of weeks ago Admirality has not been able to lo fit. Coach Marriott will also take also be in line for the hockey sea- Marina or the Rowanmore and it

HOCKEY NOTES.

The outlook for hockey in York this season is very bright, as all the clubs are exhibiting unusual interest in the sport. Many new players have come to New York from other cities, and these should deserve to strengthen the clubs. Thus a high-grade of hockey is expected in the contests this winter,

Sergt. (Rev.) Mellor, a Methodist clergyman, who has joined the 235th Battalion, is arranging for a hockey team in connection with the company of the battalion which is quartered in Campbellford for the win-

President Frank Patrick of the Pacific Coast League says there will be no reduction in salaries of bockey players in that league this winter, and in some cases increases are almost certain to be given. The annual meeting of the league will be held on Nov. 9th or 10th in Vancouver. At this meeting the agreement with the N.H.A. will be formally ratified.

Although the ice is now in the Toronto Arena and skating will be inaugurated in a few days, hockey practice will not start until about

One of the new tricks sprung on . Just what teams will compose the Hamilton Tigers by the 207th last senior series of the Ontario Hockey Saturday was a fake fumble, which Association this winter is not netted a touchdown in one case and known, but it is expected that there produced a fifty-yard run for a will be several military teams in touchdown on another occasion, but line, one of the probabilities being

REFUSED \$1,000 FORFEIT.

Clabby's Sportsmanlike Action in Bout With Darcy.

While it was not especially heroic on the part of Jimmy Clabby, the American middleweight, to refuse to take a forfeit of \$1,000 from Les Darcy because the Australian was mask, and one bat. It was the last the line, the Ottawa wings promptly two ounces overweight, still it may be taken as an indication of a rising the players than the proximity of snatched up the ball and raced standard of sportmanship among boxers. The stipulated weight was 160 pounds.

When Darcy and Clabby stepped on the scales Clabby weighed 11 stones and Darcy 11 stones 6 pounds 4 ounces. Darcy was allowed time to sweat or rub the extra flesh away, but found it impossible to cast by the Baseball Players' Fraternity, off more than two ounces. He was therefore still two ounces heavier than he had pledged himself to be. Four ounces sounds very little, but if it is called a quarter of a pound that disabled players either be paid is seems more. Jimmy Clabby refor the time they are disabled, or fused to take advantage of the posigiven their release; that minor lea- tion. In effect, he said let it go, ed report of the difficulties of advanc- guers be given the right to dicker and it went. Darcy would, no doubt, for new positions when they are no- have acted similarly toward Clabby had he (Darcy) been in Clabby's

> It is on record that Abe Attell once collected \$500 of Owen Moran's minor leagues. These demands will money because the Briton was four

A COMING FIGHT CENTRE.

Jim Coffroth Planning Some Good Bouts for Tia Juana.

Tia Juana, just across the Mexican teams go to Toronto, and one of the other budding fight centre. Ever Toronto clubs to Montreal. Thus all since the lawmakers frowned upon ! six teams will start out. A double twenty-round bouts in California Jim schedule of games will be played, Coffroth, the foremost Pacific coast promoter, has been contemplating a Each club will turn over to the championship match in the Mexican Red Cross association two and a town. If Coffroth had had any faith When coach Shaughnessy sends half per cent. of its gate receipts. in Jess Willard he would have made his speedy fourteen against the Jun- This percentage will be deducted a serious attempt to get that match. gle terrors in Ottawa on Saturday he from each gate and forwarded to but Coffroth could not see Willard will be sending them against a bet- President Frank Robinson. He will at all. He was figuring on using ter team than he did on Saturday turn it over to the Red Cross associ- Gunboat Smith. Smith, however, last. Since that game coach Marriott ation secretary in the town where suddenly ran into a losing streak has figured that Hamilton needs bet- the game was played. Thus the Red just at that time, and Coffroth deter men when tackling a team like Cross at Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal cided that it was useless to bother further with a Johnson match. Now that Willard has made good, Coffroth is waiting for a live contender to appear. The most successful of the London will be well represented contenders this winter probably will

have something on the Ottawa out- and the 149th Lambton Rangers will cate the submarine which sunk the part in the next game, and he will son. They will likely play in the may have been sunk itself.

play right outside. He will also Northern League as well as the O. Rumanian successes on the northern front continue.

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