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TURF GOSSIP

That before the winter season is over Cuba will have a second race track catering to the island populace was the assurance given by Grant Hugh Brown, who reached New York on Friday after a brief visit to Havana.

Jockey William Wiley, just returned from Rumania, says that "Boots" Durnell, who was training the stable of the Rumanian ruler, is still in the war-stricken country and did not know whether he could return to America or not. Wiley looks small enough to ride with ease at the American scale of weights.

The Brookdale handicap for two-year-olds at Bowie on Saturday saw horses from the Canadian circuit in front when Fruit Cake won from Bondage, both of which carried more weight than any other of the starters.

Old Dartmouth, which had not won a race since he left the half-milers in Canada, got home in front in the fifth race at Bowie last Saturday and paid a dividend of \$69.30 in the two-dollar mutuels.

Col. Mutt Winn, manager of the Juarez track in Mexico, just across the Rio Grande from El Paso, sends word that the 100-day meeting will open on United States Thanksgiving Day. He says that 600 horses already are in the barns, and that many prominent turfmen have arrived. Col. Winn seems to think that the substitution of mutuels for bookmakers at Juarez will result in better racing and larger crowds than in former years.

Nat Ray and T. A. Crow, of Toronto, were among the Canadian buyers at the Old Glory sale at New York. The former paid \$1,275 for Premier White, 2:10 1-4, while Crow paid \$350 for Ithamar.

LALONDE SIGNS CONTRACT.

Frenchman Will Again Play For Canadian Champions. "Newsy" Lalonde has thought better of it and has decided to winter in Montreal after all, and give up his Cuban project. He has come to an agreement with George Kennedy, and will again be a member of the Canadian N.H.A. team, with the understanding that Mr. Kennedy can use him in any capacity from that of simple player to playing manager. He is a valuable man outside of his knowledge of the game in that he has a large personal following amongst both the French-Canadian and the English-speaking hockey enthusiasts.

Ross Asks About His Status.

Art Ross, in a letter to Secretary Martin Rosenthal, of the Ottawa Hockey Club, asks his exact position as an N.H.A. player. Art, frankly admits he anticipated a big cut in his salary from last year, but that he could not neglect his business in Montreal and play in the capital at the figures offered him this season. He was given permission by the local club during the summer to make what arrangements he could toward hooking up with one of the Montreal teams, but has not been declared a free agent.

NOW PLAYING HOCKEY WITH SPOKANE TEAM

Former Brockville Boy Remains in the Pacific Coast League.

Under the heading of "Dubble Kerr, showing an excellent likeness of the former well known young resident of Brockville, the Victoria, B. C. Colonist of recent date contained the following:

"The brilliant wing player of the former Victoria team will start for Spokane on Sunday where he will winform for Lester Patrick's team Kerr is one of the most finished wing men in the game, possessing speed, stick-handling ability and brains. He broke into hockey as an amateur in Brockville and later played a few games in the old Federal League, going from there to Pittsburgh. He played for Pittsburgh part of one season and then went to Toronto of the old Ontario professional league. Dubble played just one game in Toronto when he was grabbed by the Ottawas in the N.H.A. with which team he played, with the exception of one year when he was out of the game, until he came to Victoria three years ago. Kerr's career in the Coast League is too familiar to the hockey fans to require any special mention and can be summed up by saying that as a wing man he has been the class of the circuit during the past two years."

BAGGED 2 GERMAN PLANES.

Well-known Toronto Football Player Now on Way Home.

Flight Sub-Lieut. Everett Smith, better known as "Ev" Smith, the well-known T.R. and A.A. and Argonaut football player, arrived at Halifax, N.B., yesterday on the Corsican. T.A.A.C. were playing a game for the city championship, and many injuries took place during the game. Smith was a spare backfield player for T.A.A.C., and was never considered of much account, but it finally came that they ran out of all spares but Smith, and he was shoved in to make up the necessary fourteen players. He was the star of the game, and since that time has been considered one of the best backfield players in the game.

OVER MILLION INCREASE.

Attendance at American League Game Greater Than in 1915.

Paid attendance at American League baseball games for the season of 1916 was 1,017,197 more than in 1915. These figures, which were announced to-day from President Ban Johnson's office, were credited by him with being due to a "restoration of the stability of the game," following the year of upset in which the Federal League contended for major baseball recognition.

The close race for the American League pennant also was partly responsible, Mr. Johnson declared. The report will be given out at the annual meeting of the club owners December 14. The total number of admissions was not made public.

AFTER LONDON'S BOXING.

Ministers Will Endeavor to Put Lid On in Forest City.

The members of the Ministerial Alliance, in session at London, have attacked dance halls, moving picture shows, and what is termed the revival of prize fighting in London. It was arranged to have a special committee to investigate dance halls and other amusement resorts in London with reference to the recruiting issue. Meanwhile an objection is to be registered with the police against the bout between Gabe Hulart and Battling Brandt, two heavyweights, scheduled to meet her on December 8th under the auspices of the Sportsmen's Patriotic Association.

The Listowell Hockey Club has organized for the coming season, and prospects are bright for placing a strong team on the ice. It is not definitely known whether they will play in the O.H.A. or in the Northern League.

HOCKEY NOTES.

George Kennedy of the champion Canadiens, intimates that several of the veterans will be let out to make places for some younger fellows to whom he will give a trial.

London hopes to have a strong O. H. A. intermediate team this season. There are several capable civilian players and a number of well-known farmers in khaki in the Forest City.

Among the candidates for the 228th Battalion O. H. A. senior team are Bunkley and Brennan, of North Bay, and Hogarth, a goalkeeper from New Liskeard.

On account of the scarcity of pro. players the Pacific Coast League may be forced to adopt six-man hockey this season. The bob-tailed game is unpopular on the coast.

The Hamilton Hockey Club will not practice until the second week in December. In addition to a majority of last season's players there will be ten or a dozen new candidates for places.

A canvass of the players and managers of the local O. H. A. teams as to the advisability of the abolition of body-checking as proposed in an amendment to be discussed at the annual meeting of the association, reveals the consensus of opinion to be against the adoption of the amendment. However, there are strong arguments offered by both sides of the controversy, and the matter will not be disposed of without spirited discussion.

Manager "Mike" Quinn, of the Quebec N. H. A. team, is figuring on using Ritchie and Crawford on the defence this winter, with Hall and Mummery as substitutes. Ritchie and Crawford both have speed to burn and are clean players, something that cannot be said of the tactics used by Hall and Mummery.

Professional hockey players have killed the game in Duluth, according to one of the oldest and most enthusiastic patrons of the sport in that city. Otherwise the Zenith City would this year be represented in a league with the copper country teams—Sault Ste. Marie and St. Paul.

Wiley, an Oshawa boy, who was a member of the Eastern All Stars one year, is now residing in Hamilton, and will be asked to turn out and try for a place on the Hamilton O.H.A. intermediate team.

News has been received at McGill University that Gunner Eric Parsons the clever centre man of the McGill hockey team, has crossed to the firing line with a draft from the Canadian artillery in England, where he has been training since early in the summer. Parsons was the best forward on the McGill team during the past few years.

Smythe, a former Sarnia forward, now living in Hamilton, is a mute. He is regarded as a first-class player and is almost sure to catch a place on the Hamilton intermediate team.

FOOTBALL IS COSTLY.

Costs No Less Than \$225 to Outfit Each Player in Big Colleges.

Talk about private yachts and polo strings, none of them is it with the financial strain involved in putting a big college eleven in its first match. It costs not a cent less than \$225 per man to outfit the modern football team. The equipment of the Pennsylvania eleven for the 1916 season, for instance, will include no less than 700 pairs of shoes and stockings of the most expensive sort, as well as jerseys, sweaters, molleskins and other armor by the dozen. Several hundred footballs also have to be laid in in anticipation of a busy season on the gridiron. Aside from the actual equipment and maintenance of the players, there are the salaries of the coaches, trainers, and their small legion of assistants. Football expense begins months before the first kick-off in the fall. For instance, there were several men at work all summer at Franklin Field, University of Pennsylvania, rolling the gridiron, raking it for small stones, rebedding it with fresh sand, and getting the field into general first-class condition. This all costs real money.

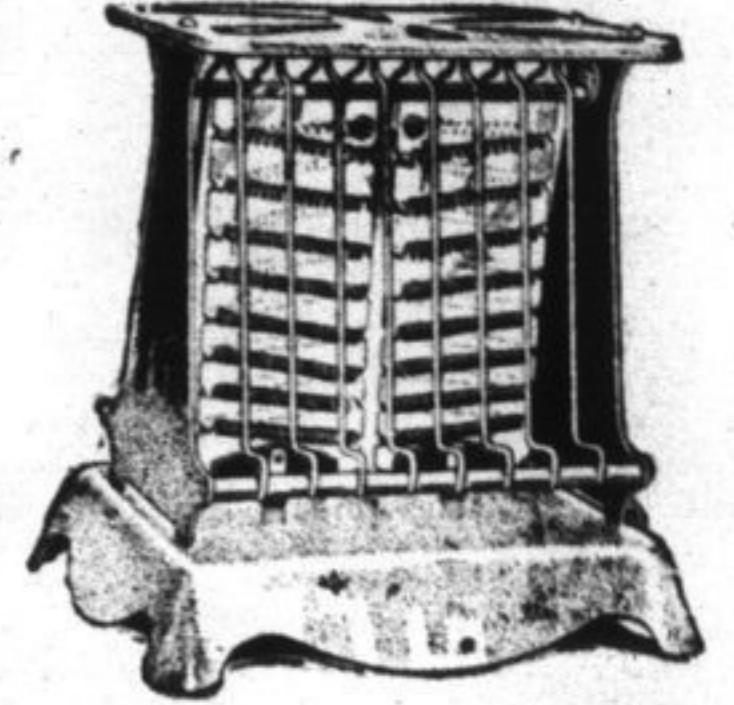
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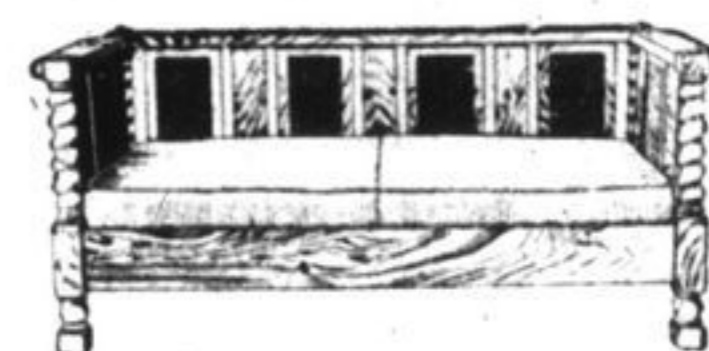
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