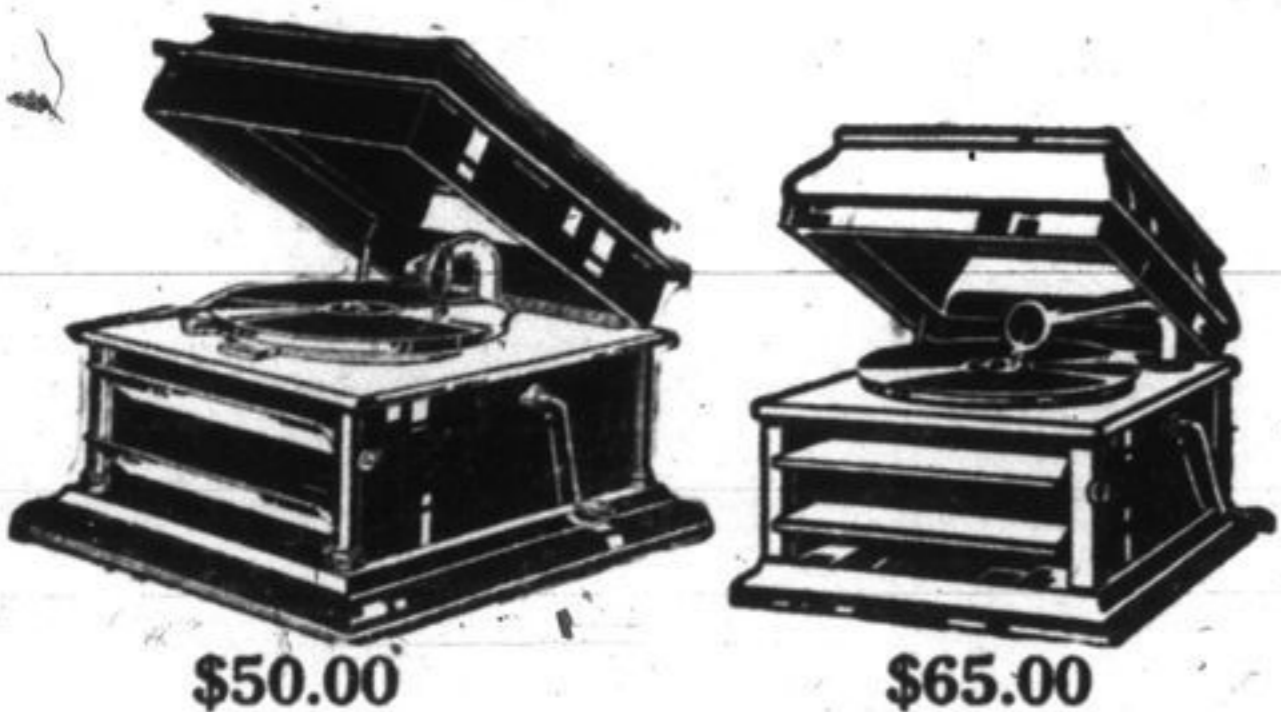


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**No Truth in Cable Story That Derby and Oaks Cancelled.**

Unfamiliarity with racing terms and conditions is responsible for the erroneous cable story of the New York Sun that the Derby and Oaks had been cancelled.

There has been no racing at Epsom since the war began, the Downs course being used as a camp, and the grand stand as a hospital. Each year the owners who have made nominations in the Derby and Oaks, which close two years before their running, are relieved of their obligations, as these races cannot be run over the course for which they were arranged.

New races are, however, provided under the name of Derby and Oaks to be run at Newmarket on the original dates, open only to the horses entered in the Derby and Oaks, and under the same conditions of weight and distance.

The Derby will be run this year, just as it has been run in 1916 and in 1917, when Fifiella and Pomern were the respective winners. What was done by the Jockey Club is the usual change, not a cancellation, and will be done every year during the war. The only reduction in English racing is that made necessary by the requirements of railroad service for the military authorities and by the occupation of certain racing properties for similar purposes.

The British Government has taken a positive stand on the advisability of keeping racing going, and its policy is supported by the active participation of the horses of the King and the war minister, Lord Derby.

### LANGFORD AND JOHNSON.

**Tar Baby and Big Ace May be Matched for Bout.**

Preliminary steps toward matching Sam Langford and "Jack" Johnson, of Barcelona, Spain's world's heavyweight champion, from Jess Willard drifted along and demanded a transfer, for a long-distance battle in Buenos Aires, Argentina, about the middle of June, are being taken. Langford, who is campaigning in the east, will find upon his return to his Chicago home a letter from Harry Clark, Johnson's manager, who is in Rio Janeiro, Brazil, arranging a series of fistie exhibitions for the former kingpin of the heavies.

The letter contains a proposition for Sam to meet Jack in the South American city.

"I have hooked Johnson for twenty-two exhibitions in Brazil," writes Clark, "and am busy now hooking him for the rest of South America. Jack will leave Barcelona, Spain, about the middle of April, arriving at Rio Janeiro about May 23rd."

"Jack, according to the latest letter to me, is in fine form and eager for the campaign in South America. I have no doubt that there still are many good fights left, in the former champion. A bout between Jack and Langford ought to prove a strong card in Buenos Aires, where both men are well known—Jack by reputation and Sam personally."

Langford's friends believe he will agree to meet Johnson over any kind of route, provided the financial inducements are satisfactory.

### BIG YEAR FOR BASEBALL.

**Tener Elated Over Prospects For Both Majors And Minors.**

President Tener has brought back glowing accounts of the National League games in the west. He declared that the attendance figures in Cincinnati, St. Louis and Pittsburg were much greater than a year ago at this time.

The Governor attended the opening of the season in Cincinnati, and saw more than 25,000 fans rooting their heads off for Christy Mathewson's Reds. Then he went to St. Louis to witness the start of the Cardinals. More than 15,000 persons passed through the turnstiles. The Governor of Missouri pitched the first ball from the box and the Mayor of St. Louis caught it behind the plate. Another large crowd saw the Pirates begin proceedings at Forbes Field, while the patronage of the Cubs in Chicago so far has exceeded Owner Weeghman's fondest hopes.

The fact that 27,000 fans saw the Giants shut out the Braves here on Saturday, coupled with the revival of interest in the west, seems to indicate that the Governor recently spoke by the card when he predicted a prosperous baseball year for the majors and minors.

### Racing in Maryland.

A New York despatch says—Racecozers are taxing the accommodations at the Havre de Grace track, in Maryland. The crowds are much larger than at Bowie, which closed ten days ago. The popularity of racing, therefore, seems to be steadily increasing for several reasons—the quality of the sport, the part-mutuel machines and the prosperity of the public. Havre de Grace will wind up on Saturday and Pimlico will open next Monday.

Then will follow the campaign on the New York tracks, which promises to win more public favor than at any time since the Agnew-Hart laws went into effect in New York State. If racing this year is curtailed in Canada the Jockey Club's course will be overrun with high-class racing material which will add to the growing interest in the turf.

### Darcy Won't Box in Ohio.

Les Darcy won't box in Ohio. Governor Cox said so emphatically this week when informed Promoter Stambaugh and a party from Youngstown were coming to see him in regard to Darcy's mill scheduled in Youngstown next month. Cox said he would give out a statement later, explaining his refusal to permit Darcy's appearance in the state.

### Tom Sullivan to be Released.

Tom Sullivan, the New Zealand sculler, long domiciled in England, and once beaten by Ed Burnan on Toronto Bay for the champion ship of America, is likely to be released from imprisonment in Germany. Sullivan in 1913 entered into a three-year agreement with the directors of the Berliner Ruder Club to train their crews for the Olympic games that were to have taken place in 1916, and went to Berlin with his family. At the outbreak of the war he was interned, together with his two younger children were permitted to return to England. Tom Sullivan is now, and has been for two years, in the Ruhleben enclosure. The Berliner Ruder Club contains several influential members, who, despite their promises and professions of sympathy, have done nothing for him, and his arrears of salary will not be paid to him. His passport has recently been returned to him, which means that he will be sent to England with the next batch of exchanged prisoners.

### To Plough Cornell Diamond.

Where Cornell's fielders were expected to dig grounders out of the earth this spring, the Cornell University Athletic Association hopes to dig wealth this season in the way of potatoes.

It has been decided to plough up the varsity baseball diamond on Alumni Field and plant a bumper crop for town use.

Dean Mann of the College of Agriculture, has been put in charge of the work, and the superintendent of grounds will attend to details.

### THE TRACKS AFFECTED

**By Increase in the War Tax on Admissions.**

The increase in the war tax on race track admission tickets in Ontario, from 10 cents to 25 cents will affect six tracks, viz., Woodbine, Hamilton, Fort Erie, and the three at Windsor. The half-milers at Dufferin Park and Hillcrest are not affected, as their admission charge is 50 cents and the clubs pay the war tax of 2 cents themselves. Whether the public or the clubs will pay the increase is up to the individual clubs and the dear old public will likely have to pay the shot. When the war tax was 10 cents the public had to pay, so that it looks as if they would also have to contribute the extra 15 cents. The regular admission fee at the C.R.A. tracks is \$1.50, so that with war tax it will henceforth be \$1.75 for each race-goer. Hon. Mr. McGarry said that the new tax would become operative before the King's Plate, which would be run at Woodbine on May 19th. It will also apply to the Devonshire meeting which opens at Windsor on the 12th of May.

### Army Sports Cancelled.

All scheduled athletic games between the United States army and outside colleges will be called off at once by order of Secretary of War Baker. Fourteen baseball games remain for the army team, which was considered one of the best nines that West Point ever had. The tennis schedule, with the season about to open, also will be cancelled.

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