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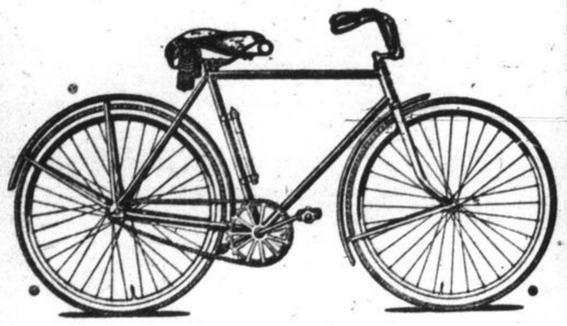

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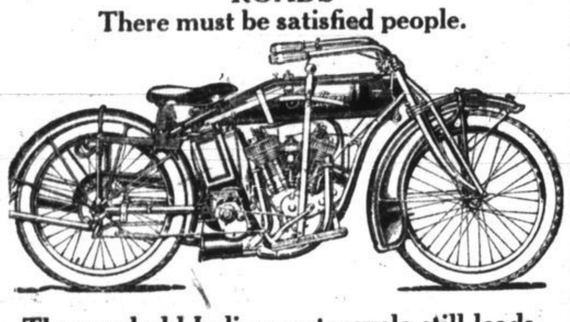

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FLT.-LT. DISSETTE FALLS FIGHTING FOE

A Popular Young Toronto Athlete Makes the Supreme Sacrifice.

Flight-Lieut. Arthur C. Dissette R.R.A.S., has given his life for his country. A cable was received by his brother, Frank Dissette, of the Hotel St. Charles, Toronto, on Monday briefly stating that he had been killed while on escort duty. A clean, clever athlete, a gentleman always, he will be mourned by all who knew him. The son of Richard Dissette of the Empress Hotel, Arthur will be remembered as outside wing of the champion Parkdale Canoe Club, O R .F. U. team. He was thirty years of age, and was educated at Loyola University, Montreal; Technical Toronto, and the University of Toronto. After finishing his education he located in Vancouver, where he was engaged in the automobile business. He enlisted shortly after the outbreak of the war, and after a course of training in England was sent to France. He was probably one of the first Canadians entrusted with the British "Bullet," an airship capable of a speed of over one hundred miles an hour.

During his stay in France he was sent, with other aviators, on night raids on munition plants, and was also engaged in the aerial fighting in the Somme section. He took part in some of the most thrilling aerial conflicts recorded since the outbreak of war, and distinguished himself signally. Not long ago he was with "Pete" Flett, former Argonaut half-back, recently decorated, and "Sport" Murton, who has been reported missing. On that occasion all three had a narrow escape from death at the hands of Hun aviators. No word has been received of Murton since that fight.

MONTREAL HORSEMAN BUYS OMAR KHAYYAM

Wilfrid Viau Paid $26,600 For the Kentucky Derby Winner.

Wilfred Viau, a Montreal merchant, purchased Omar Khayyam, the Kentucky Derby dinner, at the auction at Belmont Park, N.Y., obtaining the imported son of Marco Liama for $26,600. Mr. Viau, who came into the racing circles several years ago, is the owner of Trial by Jury, Achievement, Skeer Face and other winners.

Omar Khayyam did not start in the Withers Stake at Belmont Park, his new owner scratching him at the last hour. He will be raced in many of the big features on the American turf this year, and it is also possible that his new owner will bring the Kentucky Derby winner to Canada, should fall racing be permitted here.

Pittsburg Pitchers.

Two members of the Pittsburgh Pirate pitching staff have shown a continued run of high-class pitching since the season opened. They are Harold Carlson and Elmer Jacobs The former has won three and lost two games, but one of his defeats should not have been accomplished under the circumstances. Carlson was charged with a set-back in Chicago after holding the pesky Cubs to two hits while his mates were making 11 and drawing six bases on balls off the delivery of Jim Vaughn. However, they left 16 runners stranded on the base-paths and the youngster went down with the rest of the heap. Little was heard of Carlson before the Pittsburgers went into spring training this year, but the budding boy seems to have blossomed into a dependable major league pitcher in a few short weeks.

Were Stars in Majors Once.

Looking over the scores of the American Association and International games many former major league players are noted. In the association are Leary, Zwilling, Yerkes, Gossett, Dale, Demmitt, Kahler, Boone, Hartzell, Bresnahan, Schulz, Daniels, Griner, Leach, Viox, Becker, Mollwitz, Phelan, Compton, Kantlehner, Sweeney, Knight, Good, Chalmers, McQuillan, Hagerman, Palmero, Loudermilk, Strong, Keating, McConnell and Lelivet, in the International are Brainard, Cather, Holder, Truesdale, Warhop, Lajoie, Blackburne, Tipple, Fisher, Doolan, Hummel, Egan, Moran, Channell, Callahan, Wendell, Rehg, Williams, Bues, Simmons, Reynolds, Engel, Graham, Jacobson and McAvoy.

GREAT SKATING RECORD.

Fred J. Robson Has Enjoyed Successful Career.

Toronto has produced many champions in various fields of athletic activity, but none who have worn so well and lasted so long at the top of the ladder as Fred J. Robson, the speediest skater of his time. And now, after twenty-two years of competition, he is apparently able to still hold his own, not with mediocre competitors, but with all comers, though he has put away his racing skates for good, so far as open competition is concerned, and is devoting the time he has to spare for his favorite sport to the commendable end of encouraging ambitious youngsters and in the hope that a worthy successor may be developed from among the talent that Toronto surely has.

To mark his retirement from active competition, his many friends and admirers propose to present him with a suitable and enduring reminder that a prophet is not without honor among his own. It takes the form of a diamond-studded medal, with forty brilliants ornamenting the design, twenty-nine of the sparklers forming the champion's initials in a monogram.

Freddy Robson is of the physical type occasionally described as "little, but oh my!" He began racing in 1885 on a pair of skates that he made himself, and the same year he won the junior championship. From that time on his career was one of unqualified success, and he held the Ontario championship for nine years. In 1900 he won the 220-yard Canadian and American championship, and was able to hold it for five consecutive years. In 1904 he won the Canadian indoor championships, and the same year skated a dead heat with Morris Wood in a mile race at Pittsburg, the time, 2.41, being a world's record. His record of .19 1-5 for 220 yards, made in the same season, stood for seven years, until he beat it himself. He was the hurdle-skating champion for a period of twelve years, and after being an active competitor for nineteen years he made three new world's records. There was not an American champion that Robson did not defeat at some time or another, and he shone in other sports, too, being a first-class bicycle rider and foot-runner, as well as a coxswain for the Toronto Rowing Club eight, under the coaching of Jimmy Rice.

For the period of seventeen years he had the advantage of the attention and skill of his friend Billy Wells, who trained him for his great performances. Some of his achievements are best indicated in the following statistics from the records:

50 yards, 4 4-5 seconds, Toronto, March 17, 1916 (world's record).

60 yards, 6 seconds, Pittsburg, Feb. 28, 1916 (world's record).

75 yards, 7 4-5 seconds, Pittsburg, Feb. 29, 1916 (world's record).

100 yards, 10 seconds, Toronto, 1907 (Canadian record).

220 yards, 18 seconds, Boston, Jan. 31, 1911 (world's record).

440 yards, 37 seconds, Toronto, Feb. 11, 1913 (world's record).

One-sixth mile, 26 seconds, Cleveland, Jan. 23, 1913 (world's record).

One mile, 2.41, Pittsburg, 1904, dead heat with Morris Wood (world's record).

220 yards hurdles, indoors, five hurdles, each 24 inches in height, 21 2-5 seconds, Toronto, Feb. 11, 1913.

220 yards hurdles, outdoor, 28 inches high, 25 seconds, Montreal, 1907.

One-quarter mile hurdles, indoor, twelve hurdles 24 inches high, 45 seconds, Cleveland, Jan. 23, 1913.

A total of one Canadian record and nine world's records for the boys to battle after. Fred also holds the Canadian barrel-jumping record of eleven barrels.

Running high jump on skates, 4 ft. 2 in. (Canadian record). World's record 4 ft. 3 in., held by W. H. Quinn of Boston, Mass.

3,000 Golfers Serving.

Starting some two years ago as a war bride among periodicals, the Canadian Golfer, in the second anniversary number, shows on two black bordered pages how closely allied has been the sport in this country with the conflict being waged so bitterly overseas.

"The Golfers' Roll of Honor" shows that, far and wide throughout Canada, the men of the links have responded to their country's call, and that of 3,000 who enlisted over 150 have paid the supreme sacrifice. From the Atlantic westward the golfers have rallied to the colors.

BONHAG'S NEW RECORD NOT TO BE ACCEPTED

American Amateur Athletic Union Declines to Recognize Mark of 6.28 3-5

George Bonhag's figures of 6.28 3-5 for a one-mile handicap walk made last Saturday at New York will not be accepted by the A. A. U. Record Committee, and George Goulding's legitimate record for the distance made in Toronto last year will be recognized as the world's best record. Herman Obertubbesing, a member of the A. A. U. Record Committee, and Fred W. Rubein, president of the Metropolitan Association, are only two of many other patrons of amateur sport who regard Bonhag's performance as of the trick order. Most of the experts who saw Bonhag walk on Saturday saw little resemblance between his mode of locomotion and that of Golding, who has never been accused fairly of violating the rules.

In an interview Mr. Rubien said: "I will not write the record committee that Bonhag did not walk fairly, but we cannot allow records that are not made fairly, and Bonhag has no right to assume that he heel-and-toed according to the rules. His record will not be recognized by our body."

REAL REASON WHY DARCY

Refused to Join Army Under Britain's Colors.

A New York paper says: Why did Les Darcy shun the idea of fighting for England Was it physical fear? Hardly anyone who could battle like the Maitland wonder could be called a coward. Here is the real reason, as told by the late fighter to a Columbus, Ohio, man. Years ago the head of the Darcy family lived in Ireland. His political beliefs offended the English and he was summarily banished to Australia. Here, away from kith and kin, the youthful Leslie grew to manhood and learned the story of the wrong done his family. With no hope of his people ever being allowed to return to their native bogs, it is no wonder that Les did not want to fight for the nation which had exiled his father. But while he would not fight, he did not shirk altogether, but went over the island giving exhibition bouts which netted the Red Cross and other societies large sums of money which were expended in the care of the wounded. Stories might also be told of his goodness to widows and others made destitute by the war. This is no defense; it is simply the story as told by Darcy to his friend.

Morris Has Better of Moran.

Carl Morris, of Oklahoma, outfought Frank Moran, of Pittsburg, in nine out of ten rounds in New York. Moran was very weak at the final bell, but was fighting desperately up to the last. Morris weighed 224 pounds and Moran 199.

From the outset, Morris crowded Moran, driving short rights and lefts to the body and short right uppercuts at close quarters. Moran cut loose in the fifth round, landed two right swings on Morris' head and face and forced the big fellow to the ropes. Moran then tried another swing, but his strength failed him. Morris had things his own way after that, forcing Moran all over the ring and battering him badly. Moran's left eye was cut and bleeding at the end of the tenth round.

Gives the "Bob Dibble."

"Nat" Scholes, the veteran coach of the Don Rowing Club, who developed "Bob" Dibble, "Lou" Scholes and other high-class oarsmen and crews, has built a boat which he has presented to the Sportmen's Patriotic Association. The association will forward it to the hospital for convalescent soldiers at Whitby.

Mr. Scholes provided the materials and designed and built the boat himself. It is what is known as an English punt, having gunwales and stays similar to those of a racing shell. The boat has been decorated with the blue and white of the Dons and named "Bob Dibble."

Joe Wood's contract with Cleveland is for one year—like all contracts should be—and there is said to be a clause in it that he shall deliver a certain amount of goods to get the money.

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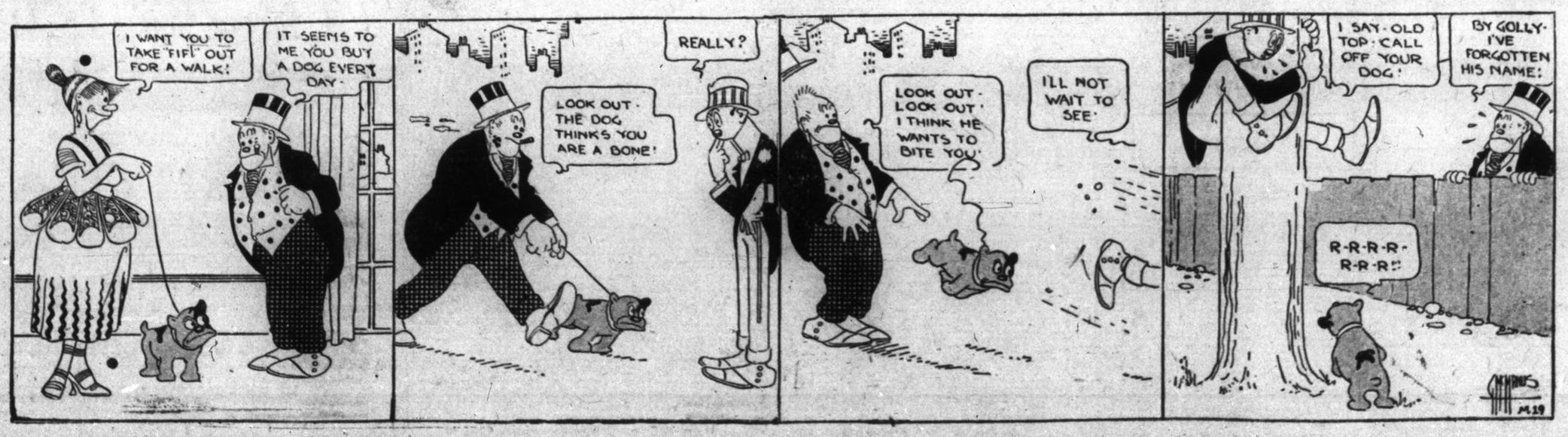
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