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## In the Field of Sport

### Sporting Notes

American bookmakers are giving 6 to 5 against Chicago and Boston in the American League pennant race.

"Barbers trim the Bluebirds." Sport headline. Here's betting it was a close shave for the "Birds."

Tommy Burns is the latest to qualify as boxing instructor to American troops. He recently enlisted at San Francisco, and will be given charge of some camp school.

Mercy! Ty Cobb is out of the charmed circle in the American League batting averages. Pretty soon though, the Georgian peach will commence to slug them.

"Homerun" Baker has been doing some great slugging for the New York Yankees. He is batting .355, and has been largely responsible for the snap the Yanks have shown of late.

Trainer Henry McDaniel claims Sun Briar could easily have won the Kentucky Derby if Owner Kilmer had allowed him to start the colt. And Richard T. Wilson says a bad start beat Campfire in the Faunonok at Jamaica. Ah! Ah! Ah!

Old Koenig and Campfire will clash next month in the Toboggan Handicap at Belmont Park. Owner Wilson



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Albert Cadette, former defence player of the Montreal National Lacrosse Club, who went overseas last year, has been wounded in France. He was a lieutenant.

One often hears impolite remarks passed about golf by those who know nothing about the game. Let the embryo try to hit a golf ball for the first time and his respect for the game will increase a hundredfold.

An outfielder named Reynolds of Dallas was kicked from his team because his legs felt too lazy to run after a ball twice in succession. His baseball career may be summed up in three words: "Hired, tired, fired."

According to Cincinnati critics Lee Magee and Lena Blackburn are playing brilliant ball around the keystone sack. Here is another pair of baseball stars, who were formerly booked for the discard.

Americans wonder why baseball is not popular in England, and Englishmen are amazed that cricket is not the national pastime of America. Both games have their merits, but you cannot persuade a real baseball player or a real cricketer to that. Ebbie Jennings declared that he had five pitchers, who would make all the other clubs sit up and take notice. Meanwhile the once terrible Tigers are floundering around in the American League cellar.

### MORE SPORT, LESS DRILL.

British Army Authorities Endeavor to Reduce Training Period.

The London Sportsman says: The military authorities have decided to effect some most important alterations in the methods of training our troops, which will be developed to a far greater extent than hitherto on athletic lines, with a lesser amount of the formalities of drill.

This must indeed be a sorry blow to some of the writers in certain newspapers, who have seemingly gone out of their way to give the cold shoulder to indulgence in sport in war-time, whilst the record of what has been taking place has been on a scale approaching vanishing point. May one express the hope that they will have the courage to acknowledge the falsity of their position and mend their ways. Boxing, cross-country running, and other athletics, wrestling and football, will be prominent items in the new curriculum, and it is anticipated that thereby the period necessary for securing fighting fitness will be materially reduced.

I venture to think that such a military age as may be utilized under the new Man-Power Bill will, like those who volunteered, or were called up in the past, be found all the more ready for service if they have been able to continue of late their "indulgence" in sport instead of dropping it through the clubs with which they were connected having "closed down," in some instances because it seemed to be the proper thing to do, or it was said to be so.

That our American Allies are fully alive to the value of athletics in connection with army training has been shown by the appeal by the Y. M. C. A. for coaches, while the authorities are supplying football to their various camps in the U.S.A., because they consider that indulgence in that game is a valuable asset in the preparation for military fitness, and at the same time a comparatively inexpensive means.

### HAVE NO FUTURE.

This is the Plea Made by Baseball Players.

Something has gone wrong with the works of organized baseball—not serious, perhaps, but just the same a rough spot in the works.

A few days ago Al Mamaux, star pitcher of a few short seasons ago, packed his kit and strolled to Boston, where he had been given a position in a shipyard.

"I have to look out for my future," Al said.  
Two days later the word was passed out that George Mogridge, a very fair left-hander, member of the Yankee hurling staff, had been offered a position in the Bethlehem steel mills, where he would be required to pitch about one ball game a week, but would be given an opportunity to learn a good trade. George said he was about ready to leave the Yanks and accept the Bethlehem offer.

"I have to look out for my future," was George's explanation.  
Mogridge has a wife and two children. Mamaux is not married, but his engagement has been announced. The trouble is that the minor leagues are petering out in some localities, while in others salaries have been cut to such an extent that the game is not attractive to men who have been used to good salaries.

The major leagues long have argued that they held the trump cards in the fight for money between player and manager. They have been so sure of this that they have made the mistake of giving their financial status to the public—to the detriment of the game. Last year the magnates decided they could not continue to pay big sums to their players. This fact and the fact that minors have been hit so hard is disconcerting to baseball.

It is too bad there is "no future" in baseball for the average player. But it certainly is a fact.  
Most players make the mistake of never learning something else. Mamaux and Mogridge have merely realized this and are making steps to remedy the condition.

Dope or Dream, Which? The Montreal Star says: "Strange how persistent the victims of the horse-race habit are about the possibility of the ban on racing being raised. The latest instance is that J. K. L. Ross (commander), while in Ottawa, was engaged to receive the Government that the resumption of racing is necessary and that the unscrupulous of commission will be appointed shortly. Not only that, but one of the members of that com-



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