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Lajoie Batting Well. Old "Nap" Lajoie is leading his Indianapolis team in batting, and by the same token is the only player in the club in the 300 class. Lajoie in 48 games has made 60 hits for .323 and ranks fifth in the league. Kores, of Louisville, is at the top with .353. Joe Schultz, last year with the Leafs, is batting .317 for Kansas City.

Many a man who undertakes to carry out his ideas discovers when it is too late that he is a victim of misplaced confidence in himself.

# In The World Of Sport

## BIG MINOR LEAGUE READY TO DISBAND

The American Association in Bad Way According to All Reports.

Though most of the clubs will suffer substantial losses ranging from \$10,000 to \$35,000, the American Association will complete its schedule this season.

Otto Wathen, the Louisville manager, is given credit for preventing the circuit from disbanding for the duration of the war. According to the "dope," a manager of one of the clubs in the southern end of the circuit insisted on a meeting of club owners being held in Chicago last Monday.

Wathen, it is said, made it plain to his colleagues that he would welcome a suspension for the season, though he would vote against it, because he desires to be freed from a binding obligation to remain with the A. A. As things stand at present he would violate the baseball law if he withdraws and faces a suit for damages from his colleagues besides. But if the constitution of the association be abrogated by the other clubs, Wathen could do as he wanted about becoming a member of a new organization, composed of some clubs in the A. A. and some in cities formerly members of the International circuit.

One of the clubs in the A. A. is reported to be "broke," and had to borrow money in order to take its players out of the Twin Cities recently. This is the club that the league will have to assist if it becomes necessary.

## Will Finish the Season.

Although Roger Bresnahan announced that the American Association would blow up July 5th, President Thomas J. Hickey, of that association, makes the positive statement that it will finish its season as scheduled and that the schedule will not be curtailed in any way.

President Hickey's statement was made after he had obtained the views of each of the eight club presidents over the uncertainty prevailing in regard to Gen. Crowder's "work or fight" regulations and the war situation as it affects baseball.

"I have been in communication with every club president, either by telephone or personal interviews, and every one wants it made known that the association will finish its schedule," President Hickey's statement read.

"The attendance has improved since the weather settled, and regardless of attendance or anything else we will finish the season as called for by the schedule. That is if the Government should request that baseball suspend we will of course fulfill the wishes of the Federal authorities."

## PIRATES NOW IN KHAKI

Include Six Pitchers, Two Catchers And a First Baseman.

Pittsburgh Pirates who are now in the service of their country include no fewer than six pitchers, two catchers, a first baseman, a second baseman, two third sackers and an outfielder. The pitchers are Earl Hamilton, who is in the navy; Harold Carlson, in the infantry; Marcus Milligan, in the aviation corps; Bill Evans, aviation corps; Elmer Ponder, in the infantry, and Walter Mills in the infantry.

Catcher Fred Blackwell is in the aviation corps, and Catcher Willard Smith in the infantry. First Baseman Ray Miller is in the navy, and Third Baseman Warner is in the infantry. The outfielder, Stengel, now is in the navy.

## RELY ON NEW JERSEY.

Boxing, Banned in New York, Flourishes Across River.

New Yorkers who enjoy good boxing will not be deprived of their favorite pastime. The new boxing law of New Jersey is beginning to provide sport within easy reach of New York City and Hoboken, and are drawing large crowds.

Next winter boxing on the other side of the North River no doubt will be particularly attractive, as New Yorkers will not see a revival of the ring game at home for at least another year. If the Jersey boxing promoters safeguard the sport there is no reason why they should not prosper.

## Cleveland Release Three.

The Cleveland baseball club gave ten days' notice of release to Catcher Alva Williams, first baseman Ed Miller and pitcher Lester H. June. The three men joined the Cleveland team this year. Williams was signed as a free agent, Miller was obtained from New Orleans of the Southern League, and June reported two weeks ago through a trade with the Pittsburgh club.

## Sports For After Work

Capt. Ed. Archibald, Toronto, of the Canadian Y.M.C.A., is organizing sports-teams in the various Canadian departmental offices in London. Every branch of summer sport is to be provided for, including tennis for the lady clerks and typists. Healthy rivalry with beneficial exercise will be thus encouraged, not to mention opportunities for social enjoyment.

## Good Offer Refused.

David Robertson, former star outfielder of the New York Nationals, announces that he has refused the offer of \$7,500 a year salary to rejoin the Giants. He will remain in the Government service at Norfolk, Va.

## WHERE ITALIANS CONTINUE ADVANCE



The Italians continue their offensive in the region of the Asiago plateau, between the Brenta and the Astico, regaining important points near the Frenzela Valley in a series of small but brilliant actions. Col del Rosso, famous in all the conflicts in this neighborhood, was carried by storm in a spirited dash. This mountain, nearly 4,000 feet high, is an isolated peak, half way between Vastagna and Asiago, overlooking the plateau on the west and the Val Frenzela on the east. Following the advance up the slopes of Sasso Rosso and the taking of Monte di Val Bella, a little to the southeast, its capture strengthens the hold of the Italians on this mountainous region, which bars the Austrian advance to the plains west of the Brenta. Col di Chio, near by, was also the scene of a desperate struggle.

## EIGHT CLUBS AFTER SMITH.

Irwin's Great Young Catcher Very Much in Demand.

Eight major league clubs, including the New York Giants, are dickering with the Rochester New League Club for the services of the remarkable young catcher, Earl Smith. It is said that the highest bid for Smith so far is \$10,000, made by the Chicago Cubs, who expect to lose Bill Killefer in a few days.

Smith caught one hundred games for Tulsa, Okla., last year, and also played thirty games in the outfield. Arthur Irwin begged him for Rochester early this season, and the youngster now leads the New League in batting with an average of .403 in 45 games. He is 21 years old, 5 feet 11 inches tall and weighs 170 pounds.

Irwin declares that Smith is ready for big league company, and is the best coil he has discovered since he bought Benny Kauff for the Kilites in 1912, the purchase price being only \$300. Kauff was turned back at that time.

## MAY BECOME OUTFIELDER.

Miller Huggins Satisfied Caldwell Would Make Good.

If the Yankees pitched staff ever reach that stage where Ray Caldwell can be spared, Miller Huggins will jump at the opportunity to convert Caldwell into an outfielder. Huggins is satisfied that Caldwell would be a consistent .300 hitter if he was used in the game every day. At the same time he realizes that Ray would lose much of his effectiveness as a pitcher if he was used for outfield duty. At the present time he prefers to use the tall telegrapher for pitching, in which he has shown to advantage in recent games. Caldwell is not quite as speedy as in the old days, but he is a crafty baseman and opposing clubs will find it difficult to secure many runs against him.

## Connie Mack's Lament.

Connie Mack's Philadelphia Athletics are last in the American League race, which fact has inspired the following gem:

Oh, brother, take my old ball team and put it on the shelf,  
Or dye it with a lemon tinge—I'd like to die myself.  
For five short years in ball runs' eyes we thought we owned the town;  
We stood first in a major league, the New York Yankees down.

But the whirling of time whirls 'round, as whirl it ever must;  
Myself and my bum ball team now lay groveling in the dust;  
No longer are we champions—no longer cock-a-hoop,  
For now the feast is over we have fallen in the soup.

Not many seasons past they used to call me the Old Fox,  
I used to trim the Yankees just as often as the Sox;  
But times are changed, and with the times the old fox Connie Mack,  
Keeps fretting, dreading, waiting, for the day he'll get the sack.

## Enough Said!

Following the McCarthy-Leonard match in California, which netted \$18,500 for boxing equipment for Pacific coast military camps, the world's lightweight champion, who was the victor, was, as usual, anxious to apprise his mother of his triumph.

Immediately after the bout, therefore, he fled to his rooms at the Olympic Club, and soon was conversing over long-distance with his mother in New York.

"Hello, mamma," he said, "is that you?" he asked.

"Sure it's me," said Mrs. Leiner. "Well," said the champion, "this is Benny, in San Francisco. I beat the guy."

"Oh," said mamma, "that's good! But how much does it cost you to telephone?"

"Twenty dollars a minute," said Benny.

"Good night," said mamma.

Ball Stars in England. Herb Pennock, late of the Boston Red Sox; Ed. Lafitte, the well-known minor leaguer; McNally, formerly of Providence, and other players of more or less renown, are figuring on the Army and Navy team playing in London to-day, as part of the 4th of July celebrations.

The Cleveland Indians don't shape up as the best team fit the western section of the American League, and should be in the pennant chase down to the finish of the season.



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Sharkey Wants to Fight. Tom Sharkey, the pickiest heavyweight who ever battled for the championship, is preparing to enlist in the navy. Before Sharkey entered the ring as a professional he was a gunner's mate on one of Uncle Sam's battleships. He spent eleven years in the service and still yearns for the sea. Sharkey will be forty-five years old in November. He is as strong as an ox in spite of his age, and still possesses the wonderful fighting spirit that enabled him to go twenty-five rounds with Jim Jeffries at Coney Island nearly twenty years ago.

By GEORGE McMANUS.

## BRINGING UP FATHER

