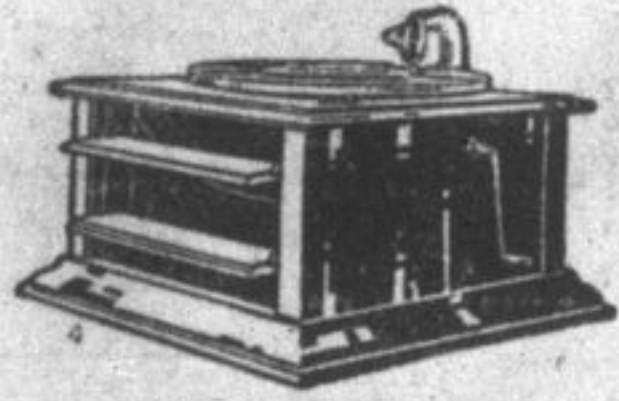


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POOR FOOTBALL OUTLOOK.

Only Two Teams Now Left in O. R. F. U. Senior Series.

Unless there is an early and general abatement of the epidemic of Spanish influenza there will be very little organized football in Toronto and throughout the province. Officials of the various leagues and unions are constantly receiving notices of default from clubs which find it next to impossible to muster enough players to make a team.

Following upon the announcement that the Parkdale team would not fulfill its senior schedule dates, the Dentals of the same series issued a statement Wednesday night to the effect that they would not play any games for two weeks at least. The Royal College of Dental Surgeons has been closed indefinitely. Most of the players of the Dental team have gone to their homes.

Only two O.R.F.U. senior teams remain, Beaches and Camp Niagara. The latter team is under quarantine, thus precluding the possibility of playing any games with Beaches or anybody else.

From various points in Western Ontario where the gridiron game promised to have an unusually successful season come reports to the effect that league and exhibition games have been cancelled owing either to sickness among the players or orders by the medical officers of health preventing the fixtures.

There is little likelihood of the chief football fixture of the country, the eastern patriotic series between Royal Military College, McGill University and Ottawa, being played. The R.M.C.-McGill game carded for Saturday has already been cancelled. Most of the McGill players are students in medicine returned to college from overseas to finish their courses. Their assistance has been enlisted to fight the "flu" in Montreal and elsewhere in the east. Similar conditions obtain in Ottawa.

Boxers Cannot Tour France.

An ambitious scheme, evolved by Jim Cofforth, the San Francisco boxing promoter, and by him suggested to the training camp activities commission, has been turned down flat by Dr. Joseph Raycroft.

Cofforth had in mind a great big fight programme not only for the United States, but for England and France as well. Cofforth wanted to gather four of the biggest pugilistic cards in America, namely Jack Dempsey, heavyweight; Mike Gibbons, middleweight; Benny Leonard, lightweight; and Johnny Kilbane, featherweight, to be staged in Chicago and New York, these stars of the ring to meet the best that could be obtained to send against them.

Better a sweetheart than a sour wife. After these two patriotic shows.

DEVELOPING PLAYERS.

Boys Now Overseas to Furnish Big League Material.

The war has wrought many changes in American institutions, but it is doubtful if baseball managers in the past would have thought of looking to the army for diamond recruits. Such is the case at present, however, and it is not unlikely that after the close of hostilities many youths who have worn the khaki of Uncle Sam will change for the uniforms of major league clubs.

Reports from prominent baseball men, now serving overseas, are to the effect that there are plenty of young men playing the game behind the lines in their spare hours who are well worthy of a trial with the big clubs. In fact, several have urged their former managers to either come over or send a scout across to see the type of men who is being uncovered in these games which many times are played with the sound of the heavy guns.

They are superbly trained, from a physical standpoint, and handle themselves, both at bat and in the field with the perfect confidence and poise which alone comes from excellent condition and discipline. While but few are at present qualified to enter big league play, there are scores, according to the reports, who are right now better prospects than the average minor leaguer of recent seasons. A few weeks' drilling under the eye of an experienced baseball coach with some instruction in the finer points of individual and team play, some of the soldiers may have the makings of Ty Cobb, Hans Wagner and other heroes of the diamond.

Among those who came through the case successfully was Billy Armstrong, the Montreal instructor, who was the first to conceive the idea of boxing in relation to bayonet fighting, and was the first instructor to introduce it in the Canada and United States armies. Armstrong has been returned to Camp Custer, at Battle Creek, Mich.

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When an old bachelor has heart trouble it is of the phrenic brand. Some men take an hour to make a ten minute speech.

A hotel clerk's smile is as meaningless as a woman's no.

Gloves and Bayonets.

The twenty-five army boxing instructors from different camps throughout the country, who have assembled at Camp Gordon, near Atlanta, Ga., for the past two weeks taking a special course in hand-to-hand and bayonet fighting, physical training and close-order drill, had their examinations when Dr. Raycroft went down from Washington for the occasion.

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Racing Pays in Australia.

A turnover of a half million approximately gives the Australian Jockey Club \$75,000 from the three per cent. directly allotted it by the Government, but it is also allowed to retain the fractions. It might be safe to assume they work out at one per cent and that would mean another \$25,000, so that the club has probably derived \$100,000 from the machine.

The fat man doesn't mind if you call him portly. Better a sweetheart than a sour wife.

THIS TRIO BROKE 99 TARGETS—THE HIGH WATER MARK IN GRAND AMERICAN



DAVE FAUSKEE (Worthington, Minn.)

By PETER P. CARNEY, Authority on Trapshooting Topics.

One of the singular things about the recent Grand American Handicap Trapshooting Tournament is that there wasn't a perfect score made in any one event—in fact, there were only three runs of more than 100 made during the entire five days of shooting. The nearest thing to the perfect score was the three 99s that tied for first place in the Chicago Overture. In this event, last year, four shooters tied for first place with 100 and 11 others broke 99. There were just as many good shooters this year as last, but they didn't break the targets.

The shooters who tied at 99 were A. R. Chezik, of Portal, N.D., the champion of North Dakota; B. F. Elbert, of Des Moines, Ia., and Dave Fauskee, of Worthington, Minn. On the shoot-off Chezik won. Fauskee besides getting into the tie made the longest run of the week—154.

There were a number of other things out of the ordinary that we noticed during the G.A.H. shoot. For instance, in the National Amateur Trapshooting Championship there were four left-hand shots—Herr, of Oklahoma, who won the title; Blair, of California, one of the two men who broke 100 straight in winning the State title; Duncan, the 20-year-old champion, of Tennessee; and Foord, of Delaware.

B. F. ELBERT (Des Moines, Ia.)

One Indian—Harry Littlebear, of Pawhuska, Okla., shot through the tournament also 12 men in service uniforms, 10 soldiers and two sailors. One of the soldiers, Shuck, was the State champion of Indiana, and one of the sailors, Arvin, was runner up in the same State. There was also a boy of 9, another of 12, another of 15, a State champion, and a girl of 17 shooting among the 220 entrants. Incidentally there were two shooters beyond three-score and ten years of age.

It was a great trapshooting tournament—214,740 targets were thrown. It was the first time in five years that the Grand American Handicap concluded in one day. One of the best things in connection with the shoot was the competition between the Eastern and Western shooters in which the West triumphed. This proved an excellent event, and should be scheduled every year.

By way of conclusion we might add that the American Red Cross benefited to the extent of \$2,000 from the tournament.

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Purely Stable Gossip. The English story about an American speculator having offered "Mr. Fairlie" Cox \$500,000 for Gay Crusader. The colt may not race again. He fell lame last June Belmont's price for \$200,000 for and was retired at once.

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