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Fixing the Blame. "Experts tell us that, roughly speaking, one marriage in three results in divorce," began the chap with the fund of useless irritation. "Yes," the other chimed in, "and it's the roughly speaking part that causes most of the trouble."

It is never safe to judge a woman's courage by the way she manages to avoid an interview with a mouse.

It sometimes comes to pass that a newly married man is almost as fond of his wife as he is of himself. In trying to get up in the world some men use their friends as ladder rungs.

# In the World of Sport

## Sporting Notes

Dempsey yesterday weighed 201 pounds. The Willard camp expected him to enter the ring at 180. Miss Durack and Miss Wylie, Australia's greatest swimmers, have sailed and will tour America.

Since getting their wounded regulars back in their daily line-up, the Pirates have been going like a house on fire. They have been mopping up the Eastern teams.

Europe is getting close to finding a champion. Beckett, who has caught the same size and wading in style as Dempsey, is undisputed British champion. He now meets Carpenter for the European title. The crop, however, seems overshadowed by the size and bulk of Willard.

Sammy Vick, the new Yankee right fielder, is not listed very high in the American League batting averages, but he is proving quite a handy leadoff man. He is getting on, whether by hits, passes or errors, and during the series with the Western teams, he has been scoring a bunch of runs.

The leading reason that the Cubs won the National League pennant last year was the ease with which they beat the Giants, the second place team. The Cubs in 1918 defeated the Giants in fourteen out of twenty games. This year McGraw's team is getting back with a vengeance. Seven games have been played between the two teams and the Giants have taken the entire seven.

Tex Rickard, in appealing to the Boxing Control Board for referees, remarks that until the naming of a Government Board, pro. boxing just ran loose in a very bad way. It did the same in England. And despite all that, despite the slurs thrown at the game by those who know least about it, it has survived and under decent control promises to become one of the foremost sports in the English-speaking world.

There is quite a sprinkling of former Yankees on the St. Louis Browns, the Yankee colony on the St. Louis club lost several members during the winter. Austin Gedeon, Demmitt and Shocker are the remaining former Yanks on the St. Louis team. Three others were discarded by the Browns last winter. Nunamaker was traded to Cleveland, Maisei was released to Baltimore and Tim Hendryx to Louisville. In the American Association, Cullop, who went to St. Louis with Gedeon, Shocker, Nunamaker and Maisei, still is on St. Louis' ineligible list.

### LONGBOAT WANTS A RACE

With Some of the Fast Runners of Past Years.

Tom Longboat's feet are getting itchy, says the Toronto Star. He wants a race. Anybody who will go ten miles or over—it makes no never mind how far over—will suit Thomas. Percy Sellen, the same little English runner, is kicking around and thinks he can trounce Thomas. Sellen isn't much larger than a pint of cider but he grabbed a rifle and started for Berlin in 1915, and he finished three years in France like a 20-year-old. He won many races in France and says that if Longboat wants to step out on a cinder track he'll show him how he ran a couple German regiments bow-legged. Also Sellen is too busy growing and macerating alfalfa into breakfast chow to even look at his spikes; Red Hawk, the Christian Island Indian, is now Big Heap Chief of the Ontario Indians and too dashed fat to do more than hang over the fence; while poor Tommy and Jimmie Duffy are lying in France. Jimmie Corkery will be back shortly and Billy Queal, the Yankee galloper, is home from Chateau Thierry, so there are still a few left. Longboat suggests that some one locate the Indian who impounded him in Paris in 1917 and put him in the race. This bogus Longboat turned out to be a real runner, but the real Tom says that if he can't beat him on the track he'll take him on with anything from Mills' bombs and bayonets to boxing gloves. Man! What a hash there would be if this pair ever step into the same circle.

Whiskey is one of the rules that declines to work both ways. It provides headaches, but headaches won't provide whiskey. A stitch in time may close the mouths of gossip.

Attend Boat With Beatty. Joe Beckett retained his title to the heavyweight championship of Great Britain by knocking out Frank Goddard in the second round of what was to have been a twenty-round match, at the Olympic in London. The purse was \$25,000. Several thousand persons saw the bout, among the number being Capt. John Alcock and Lieut. Arthur W. Brown and Vice-Admiral Beatty. Great interest attached to it, as the winner is to be matched against Georges Carpentier, the French champion, who holds the heavyweight title of Europe.



"TOM" LONGBOAT. This Indian runner is back from the war and wants to run some one a 20-mile race. Is there any Kingston runner who would accommodate him?

How Much Will Canada Spend. Word was received by General Manager Melville, of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association, to the effect that James G. Merrick, erstwhile president of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada, and permanent Olympic Commissioner for Canada is in Ottawa to call upon the Minister of Finance. The intention is to get an idea of how much the Canadian Government is willing to spend to be well represented at the Olympic games to be held in Belgium next year, and an effort will be made by Mr. Merrick to get a very liberal appropriation for that purpose.

Dr. Jacobs, who is in charge of the Caughnawaga Indians, says that "Newsy" Lalonde actually wanted to play with the Indians, but his application was turned down because several of the Redskin players were just as good as Lalonde.

### YANKS CHANCES GOOD.

Close Fight for First Place in American League. Joe Villa, in the New York Evening Sun, said on Wednesday:

Before the American League games started to-day, the White Sox Yankees, and Clevealands held: first second, and third places, respectively, with only a difference of one game between the Chicago pack-makers and Les Poll's Indians, who begin an important series with the Huggins men at the Polo Grounds to-day. The records of the first three teams after yesterday's games had been valed were White Sox, 30 won, 15 lost; Yankees, 27 won, 14 lost; Indians, 29 won, 13 lost. Inasmuch as the Clevealands were six and a half games ahead of the St. Louis Browns this morning, with the Detroit Tigers and Boston Red Sox floundering in the mire of the second division, the American League race, has become rather top-heavy, although not for the rest of the season, for it is confidently believed that the Browns and Tigers will begin climbing as soon as they return to their own grounds.

In other words, the Yankees, at the present time, have an excellent chance to win the American League championship with the four western teams to beat, and the other eastern teams unable to afford much assistance. The Yankees, who are scheduled to play four games with the Clevealands here before the end of the week, must play phenomenal ball to prevent the White Sox from drawing away with a stronger lead. The White Sox ought to make a clean sweep in Washington, beginning to-day, as Clarke Griffith has the weakest ball team barring the Athletics, in either big leagues. The Yankees showed pennant winning quality in their recent series with the White Sox, Tigers and Browns, losing one game to each of them and piling up eight victories. But the Clevealands seem to be more dangerous than any of the other western clubs, which makes the clashes with the Yankees doubly interesting. If the Yanks can break even or win three out of four from the Indians, New York fans probably will have visions of the world's series next October. It is worth remembering that the Yanks will meet the western teams here during the month of September.

Remarkable that nearly all the men who are doing anything as men, either in the great war, or as an outcome of it, find their way to ring-side seats at boxing matches. At the fight in London Admiral Beatty had beside him the flyers who just made the Newfoundland to Ireland trip, Capt. Alcock and Lieut. Brown.

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