

World of Sport

BATTING IN THE LEAGUE CRITICS EXPECT UPSET IN PENNANT CONFLICTS

"BABE" RUTH CONTINUES AS SENSATION IN LEAGUE

He Connected For Only One Hit—Speaker's Average Goes Up—Some Other Leaders.

The three leading batters in the American League fattened up their averages last week. "Babe" Ruth, the home run champion, who is fourth place, suffered a slump before Dick Kerr in the last game of the series between Chicago and New York. He was at bat five times, but connected for only one hit. This Speaker, the Cleveland manager who tops the batters, gathered eleven hits in seven games and boosted his mark from .471 to .477, which is fifteen points better than that of George Sisler, the St. Louis star, who is the runner-up, with an average of .422. Joe Jackson, the slugging outfielder of the Chicago White Sox, is third with a mark of .396, while Ruth is hitting .391. The averages are of players who participated in fifty or more contests, and include games of Wednesday, when the St. Louis team was out to witness the game of the league. This was evidenced again in the series just played in Chicago between the Yankees and the White Sox. For the four days a crowd officially estimated at 128,000 came out to witness the games with the hope of seeing the big southpaw slugger crack the ball out of the field. Three times during the series was Ruth able to "deliver" on his specialty. On the second day he drove the ball on a line into the right field bleachers for four bases. Claude Williams was pitching, and it was the third homer Ruth had collected at his expense. This smash marked Ruth's 35th home run. Against Faber the following day he was unable to hit, because the game was close, and he was ordered passed. In the opening game with Clete on the mound Ruth was helpless. Yesterday he added two to his record, which is now 41, he having landed on Ehmske of Detroit the day before.

Rice of Washington is far out in front among the base stealers, showing the way with a total of 43 thefts.

Other leading batters:

Rice, Washington	.366
E. Collins, Chicago	.364
Meusel, New York	.354
Weaver, Chicago	.341
Henry, Boston	.337
Felsch, Chicago	.332
Judge, Washington	.332
Jamieson, Cleveland	.331
Jacobson, St. Louis	.325
Milan, Washington	.325
Cobb, Detroit	.322

Rogers Hornby, of St. Louis, continues to head the National League batters who have played in fifty or more games. The St. Louis star knocked out 12 hits in his last six games, and boosted his average to .372. J. Smith, a team-mate, who was the runner-up among the regulars last week, went into a slump and dropped to fifth place with an average of .326, while Nicholson of Pittsburgh, came along strong, and now is runner-up to Hornby with an average of .336.

Going Up!
Commander I. K. L. Ross, of Montreal, has won \$482,161 in purses since making his debut on the turf in 1917. He won \$25,196 in 1917, \$99,179 in 1918, \$209,396 in 1919, and \$151,485, so far this year.

Giants and Pirates Menacing and White Sox Loom as Contenders.

An upheaval is due in both major league standings at the present rate of play of the leading teams. While the Brooklyn and Cincinnati Nationals and the Cleveland and New York Americans are losing ground the New York and Pittsburgh Nationals and Chicago Americans are proceeding at a pace that promises a battle royal in both leagues.

Brooklyn held on to first place in the National league Sunday only by administering the first defeat. Pittsburgh suffered in seven games. The Dodger twirlers were carried through by the heavy batting of their teammates in several contests last week. Cincinnati failed at the New York series, but succeeded in taking three games out of four from the tallend Philadelphians.

New York climbed back into third place by defeating Chicago. The Giant twirlers were invincible last week until Chicago batted Neph out of the lineup Saturday, breaking New York's winning streak of six games. Boston also is getting good pitching, but is handicapped by light batting. St. Louis was unable to turn its numerous hits into runs.

In the American league Cleveland was forced to call frequently on its two star boxmen, Coveleskie and Bagby, but the Indians won only half of their games. On Monday the league leaders began series with their eastern rival, New York.

The Yankee sluggers could do little against the Chicago pitchers, dropping three games out of the four, and were held even by Detroit, including yesterday's shutout. Chicago found a more worthy opponent in Boston, winning by a one-run margin Friday and breaking even in the series by winning yesterday. St. Louis went into fourth place by outplaying Washington after splitting four games with Philadelphia.

GEORGES DREW BIG SALARY

Carpenter Returns to France With \$100,000.
Georges Carpentier has returned to France with approximately \$100,000 in his treasury, but he did not have when he came to the United States, according to Jack Curley, former wrestling promoter, who had charge of the Frenchmen's tour. Curley made the announcement to correct the impression that the French champion carried away close to a half million dollars.

Georges Carpentier is going to make good use of the money he captured on his American tour. He has planned to use every penny of it to put his coal mine at Lens into operation, and this with a view to having an established business in operation and on a paying basis when the day arrives that he must hang up the gloves for all time. Carpentier has owned extensive coal properties at Lens for several years. When the war broke out, however, his property was made a part of the battle grounds and everything on it of any value was totally destroyed.

SMITH DETHRONES M'TIGUE

Outpoints Ex-Canadian Middleweight Champion in 14 Rounds.
Jeff Smith of Bayonne, N.J., won the middleweight boxing championship of Canada at the Armories in Halifax, Tuesday, by outpointing "Mike" McTigue in fourteen out of fifteen rounds. Smith was not as tall, and a shorter reach than the ex-champion, and was four pounds lighter, but he was by far the cleverer of the two, and the fans were unanimous in declaring that the decision of Referee "Tom" Foley in awarding him the belt was the right one.

In the last round McTigue, realising he had been easily beaten on points, forced the issue. In the other fourteen Smith landed half a dozen punches to every one by McTigue, who looked foolish at times when the Bayonne boy ducked his wild swings.

Sir Barton Comes To Fort Erie for Big Handicap

Trainer M. G. Bedwell, who has charge of the horses owned by J. K. L. Ross, announced that Sir Barton would be shipped to Fort Erie to run in the \$10,000 Dominion Handicap at a mile and a quarter, which will be run next Monday.

Lion d'Or and Baby Grand all from the Ross stable, were also shipped for other events at that meeting.

Oarsmen for Lachine.
With a view to encouraging rowing in the Province of Quebec, out-of-town clubs have been invited to send crews to the fifth annual regatta of the Lachine Rowing Club on Saturday, August 31st. The Lachine club is already assured of entries in rowing events from Brockville and Ottawa.



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—THOMAS K. ELLIOTT, JR.

DEFERRET IN TWO GAMES.

There should be a Stiff Tussle This Time.

To-night at 6.15, and to-morrow afternoon the St. Regis team, Deferret, N.Y., meet the two local teams at the Cricket Field. On their former trip to this city they succeeded in winning both games but will not find the victories such easy picking this time. Glen Park, Deloro, Ottawa Senators, Alexandria Bay and others have all gone down before the local teams and it is Deferret's turn. Pontes are in the best of shape and the Links are about due to come back after last Saturday, so the fans may expect two games of the variety seen here Wednesday evening.

The Western Association has finished the first half of its split season, with Okmulgee the winner by a wide margin.

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