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RECORD IS GIVEN FOR HARRY WILLS

Some Facts About the Boxer Called Dempsey's Next Opponent.

The following figures are given on Harry Wills, the big colored boxer who is considered a worthy and logical contender for Jack Dempsey's world heavyweight crown:

- Knockouts. 1911—Batting Taylor, 7 rds. 1912—Harry Brown, 2 rds.; Sam Collier, 7 rds.; Ben. Pedes, 3 rds.; Kid Brown, 6 rds.; John Tholmer, 5 rds. 1913—Kid Brown, 2 rds.; Kid Cotton, 4 rds.; Jim Sullivan, 1 rd. 1914—Kid Cotton, 4 rds.; Batting Brandt, 3 rds.; Charlie Miller, 1 rd.; Charlie Horn, 1 rd. 1915—Kit Cotton, 2 rds.; Jack Thompson, 3 rds. 1917—Jeff Clark, 6 rds. 1918—Sam McVea, 6 rds.; Sam Langford, 7 rds.; Sam Langford, 5 rds.; Jeff Clark, 6 rds. 1919—Jeff Clark, 5 rds.; K. O. Krovosky, 1 rd.; Ole Anderson, 3 rds. 1920—Andrew Johnson, 1 rd.; Fred Fulton, 3 rds.; Ray Bennett, 4 rds.; Jack Bennett, 1 rd.

- No Decision Contests. 1913—Joe Jeannette, 10 rds. 1915—Sam McVea, 10 rds.; Jim Johnson, 10 rds.; Sam Langford, 10 rds. 1916—Sam Langford, 10 rds.; John Lester Johnson, 10 rds.; Bill Tate, 10 rds.; Jack Thompson, 10 rds. 1917—Jack Thompson, 10 rds.; Sam Langford, 6 rds.; Jim Johnson, 10 rds.; Sam Langford, 10 rds. 1920—Sam McVea, 6 rds.

- Won From. 1911—Nat Dewey, 10 rds. 1912—Jack Graves, 10 rds. 1914—Rough House Ware, 10 rds.; Sam Langford, 10 rds.; Joe Jeannette, 10 rds.; Willie Meehan, 4 rds.; Sailor Grande, 4 rds.; Jim Cameron, 4 rds. 1915—Batting Jim Johnson, 20 rds.; Sam McVea, 12 rds. 1916—Sam Langford, 20 rds.; Sam Langford, 8 rds.; Jeff Clark, 20 rds. 1917—Rough House Ware, 10 rds.; Sam Langford, 12 rds. 1918—Sam McVea, 20 rds.; Jack Thompson, 8 rds.; Jack Thompson, 3 rds. 1919—John Lester Johnson, 8 rds.; Sam Langford, 8 rds.; Sam Langford, 10 rds.; Joe Jeannette, 8 rds.; Sam Langford, 15 rds. 1920—Jack Thompson, 4 rds.; Jack Thompson, 15 rds.; Sam Langford, 15 rds.

- Knocked Out By. 1916—Sam Langford, 19 rds.

- Lost. 1914—Sam Langford, 14 rds.; Sam McVea, 20 rds. 1917—Batting Jim Johnson, 4 rds. (broke arm).

- Draw. 1913—Jeff Clark, 10 rds.

- 1921 Record. January 11—Bill Tate, Buffalo, N.Y., knockout, 2 rds. January 29—Ray Johnson, Newark, N.J., knockout, 4 rds. February 15—Jeff Clark, Baltimore, Md., knockout, 4 rds. April 7—Jack Thompson, St. Louis, Mo., won, 3 rds. May 29—Andrew Johnson, New York, knockout, 1 rd. June 3—Batting McCreary, Syracuse, N.Y., knockout, 6 rds. June 4—Ray Bennett, New York, knockout, 1 rd. July 2—Bill Tate, New York, knockout, 1 rd. October 10—Gunboat Smith, Havana, Cuba, knockout, 1 rd. November 10—Clam Holman, Covent, Ky., knockout, 6 rds. November 30—Jack Thomas, Denver, Col., knockout, 5 rds. November 18—Denver Mark, Denver, Col., knockout, 1 rd. December 8—Bill Tate, Denver, Col., won, 12 rds.

Grew Hot; Then Took Fire. One hears yarns of baseball players becoming hot under the collar when decisions go against them, but it remained for a player on a semi-pro team in Laurel, Del., to take every prize for letting off steam during a game. According to report, the player in question was on duty behind the bat, and as each decision of the umpire went against him he began to growl, then to fret and fume. Suddenly his clothing burst into flame and time had to be called while the "hot" backdrop was doused with water. Matches in his pocket are said to have been the cause, but the umpire believes otherwise.

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Travelling Along the Base Line.

"That Chicago-Philadelphia game of Friday, in which 49 runs were scored, brings me back to those old days," said an old-time fan yesterday, "when I used to watch the old Ontarios play. I think the grounds then were in Utica street in part of what was known as Hunt's pasture, or circus grounds. The game in those days was played under slightly different rules and the players did not wear the heavy gloves and other protection as they do now. The games, while they were marked by heavy stick work, loose fielding and with no restrictions on the pitchers, as they are today, large scores were in evidence and the fans, or as they were more properly called, rooters, got every bit as much pleasure out of the contests as their up-to-date friends. Many an afternoon I sat there and saw my favorites win or lose, and many times I had to either have a cold supper or none at all."

But what's the use of dwelling on ancient history? Just think of it! Three and one-half hours required to play a game of up-to-date ball—19 runs being scored, ten in one inning, fourteen in another, and eight and ten in other innings. Is it any wonder that two world's records were broken, one which was made in 1897, and the other in 1901, and two other marks were equaled. The famous Billy Sunday, if my memory serves me right, is the only ex-player still enjoying life's scenery who shares with Outfielder O'Callaghan, of the Chicago Cubs, the unique distinction of facing a pitcher three times in one inning. It may be some time again, perhaps years before that memorable game of Friday will be once more equaled, or surpassed, and until that time comes this game will furnish the winter fans enough dope to talk about till spring arrives again.

Regarding the wonderful showing the Chicago Cubs have made this year, which rather upset the prophecies of the wisecracks at the opening of the season, the fans should take into their consideration that in nearly half of their games they have been without the valuable services of their young outfielder, Stutz, whose hitting has been woefully missed. While it is not the intention of anyone to take any of the credit from either New York or St. Louis, both of whom have had players on the injured list, we are only asking you to surmise where the Cubs might be today had Stutz been able to have played all season. This slugging outfielder was one of the sensations of the National League, but he has been pursued by bad luck since the pennant race was on.

Not much has been written about, or has anyone picked him for his All-American team, yet the fact remains that Gerber, who is performing at the short for the St. Louis Browns, is one of the greatest infielders in the game today. He all around work is one of the reasons why the Browns are occupying the position they hold today—a daily perusal of his score is his best testimonial.

If Reb Russell doesn't quit stealing the daily publicity from the other Pittsburgh players that team is liable to go into a mutiny. Every day since he has joined the team (there may be a few exceptions) this player has performed some feat to capture the public's eye, his latest being three home runs in one afternoon.

Eddie Ainsmith, despite the fact that he is an American League discard, has been catching in his old-time form for the Cardinals all season. It is a safe bet that there is one or two American League teams, to say nothing of the National, that could use him to advantage.

Buck Henline is another big league receiver whose work is a pleasing feature of every game he participates in. He is handicapped in one way, however, by being a member of tail end team.

New Track Record. Peter Manning, the champion trotter, broke another track record at the second day's programme of the Grand Circuit meeting at Reading Park, Mass., negotiating a mile in 1:59 3/4, one-quarter of a second faster than the former trotting mark for the track, held jointly by Peter Manning and Lou Dillon.



Canadian Indians wrestling on horseback at Banff, Jockeying for a hold.

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The American League will provide funds, up to \$100,000, for a monument to baseball to be erected in a park in the city of Washington, by arrangement with the park commission of the nation's capital. On the monument will be engraved the names of the games greatest players, including those voted the most valuable to their clubs in the American League.

Doc Joe Evans, outfielder of the Cleveland Indians, was married on August 9th at Cleveland to Miss Carroll Thames of Columbus, Miss. Evans met his bride while visiting Joe Sewell in the south last fall. She is a graduate of the University of Alabama. Joe is a graduate of two or three colleges and a flock of hospitals and will hang up his shingle and practice medicine after the baseball season closes.

Pitcher E. Duff of the Mitchell team of the Dakota League, who has been strongly boosted by Manager Harry Scharnweber, has been sold to the Chicago White Sox, the price said to be \$4,500. Duff is to report at the end of the Dakota season. Late at the end of the season he has 13 victories and but two defeats. Duff is a right-hander and Mitchell got him from Peoria in a trade for Catcher Asklund.

George Cutshaw, now with Detroit, who has played second base more years than he cares to think about, says that the hardest fielding chance is the one that looks easiest. He explains: "You see an infielder set for a ball. He is in front of it. It looks like the easiest kind of a chance. And then the ball passes through his legs. When you are set for a ball, the ball

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must bound true. If it takes a false bound, which many balls do, it is hard to shift suddenly. When you are in motion and the ball takes a funny hop it is much easier to switch and get the ball because you are in motion anyway. When you are set you have to go into action and then adjust yourself. That is hard to do because it takes time. And this time you lose prevents you from making the play. Also, hard-hit grounders are easier to field than 'soft' ones. I don't know of any infielder who would not much rather have a hard one come at him than an easy one. Most errors are made on the chances that look like cinches, but which are really the hardest fielding chances."

FAMOUS MERKLE PLAY

WAS IMPROVED UPON In a game between the Reds and Braves in Cincinnati this season three players pulled a "Merkle" on exactly the same play that cheated the Giants out of a pennant.

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of the ninth inning the Reds had the bases full with one out. Daubert was on third, Duncan on second, and Harper on first. Pinelli hit the ball and hit it plenty. Daubert scored, and Harper, seeing Jake scoring, calmly wheeled and trotted away, without even going through the formality of touching second base. And, to climax it, Pinelli pulled up instead of running out his hit to first base.

Larry Kopf, thinking quickly, got the ball and stepped on second, forcing Harper and making two out. He then turned to throw to Holke at first—and there was no Holke there. Holke was dejectedly moping away and had already gone perhaps fifty yards toward the bench.

It was then that Earle Neale took in the situation and set up loud outcries, whereas Pinelli put on steam and sprinted over to first. If Holke had stuck on first and been there to take Kopf's throw it would have "out Merkle," the original Markie play three to one—it did anyway, as Harper, Pinelli and Holke all pulled a "Merkle" on the same play.

Changing Denominations.

At a famous Pan-Presbyterian council held in Edinburg, a large number of delegates went to the Scott country. A chain bridge across the Tweed at Dryburg bore the legend that not more than twelve pedestrians could be on the bridge at one time. But the delegates disregarding or not seeing the notice, crowded on to the bridge in a score or more. The keeper of the bridge, Tom Fox, by name, rushed forward, and with emphatic gesticulations ordered them back.

"Can you no' read?" exclaimed Tom Fox, pointing to the notice. "We are Pan-Presbyterians," explained a delegate, "and we were so interested that we did not see the notice." "You may be Pan-Presbyterians or Pot-Methodists," rejoined the now angry bridgekeeper; "but if you mair' o' ye come on this bridge ye will be Baptists in a minute."

Then and Now. How much have times changed in baseball? Of late certain crowds of 35,000 have turned in close to \$30,000 for a single game. Here is an old report of the Boston club for 1875—for the year— Receipts—\$37,767.06. Expenses—\$34,505.99. To-day there is one ball player on the Yankees who draws down almost twice as much as the entire season's

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