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## FIRPO LIKES WILLS AS NEXT OPPONENT

presses Desire to Fight a New Orleans Negro.

who added aged Jess Willard to his reach of men of moderate means. victims before a record crowd at more publistic worlds to conquer.

still lacking in the finer points of ring production saves time and money. science, would have one or two more testing matches before he gets a shot RUNNING BASES

As a matter of fact, Firpo, in the course of a long talk with Tex Rickard at Madison Square Gardens, expressed a desire to fight Harry Wills, New Orleans negro, who has stood out as a title challenger for more than a year, before meeting Demp-

Rickard also conferred at some length with Jack Kearns, Dempsey's match in sight right now.

Rickard has Firpo under a con tract for a title match with Dempsey, but under its terms a bout with the champion may be arranged any time before March, 1924, or later, if the agreement is extended.

Paid admission to the Willard-Firpo fight totalled 75,712, official check by revenue men at Jersey City revealed late today, but Rickard stuck to his lost night's statement that the entire crowd numbered at least 100,000, cleiming that about 25,000 "gate-crashers," policemen, firemen, ushers and other officials at tended.

Total receipts amounted to \$429, 920.70. Willard's share of the net receipts, thirty per cent., amounted to \$117,000, while Firpo's share, twenty-two per cent., was \$85,000.

## **YACHTING COSTS GETTING LOWER**

Yachting is building up on a better and firmer foundation than it had before the war.

Those who are leaders in the councils of the yachtsmen are progressive and in future the work that they are

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popular and reduce the cost of own- THE GIANTS' PATH ing and maintaining a yacht.

Yachting has in the past been a costly sport because those who have patronized it have always wanted Willard's Conqueror Now Ex- something different from every one McGraw's Men Must Finish else. They have had special plans drawn and paid much attention to novel and old features, with the result that the cost of building the Duis Angel Firpo, of the Argentine, yachts has often put them beyond the

Boyle's Thirty Acres is looking for standardized yacht has reduced the initial cost very materially. These A series of conferences, however, yachts built in quantities are naturfailed to bring any nearer his pros- ally cheaper than vessels built singly. pective title match with Jack Demp- One set of plans and molds can be recent fanning bee. sey, and indications pointed to the used for 100 or 1,000 vessels and probability that Firpo, admittedly each part turned out by quantity

Base running may be a lost art in baseball, but there are plenty of teams that still think speed on the paths helps to win ball games.

In the American association, St. Paul is the leading exponent of the art. The Saints lead in stolen bases with Louisville and Kansas City right pilot, but said that he had no definite behind. It is remarkable to note that these three are the first three in A. A.

Both the Colonels and Saints pull many games out of the fire by smart base running. They stretch singles into doubles and doubles to threebase hits, and with a mag on first they use every trick of the game to advance him to a position where a

single will score him. In the major leagues, the Chicago teams have the lead in both leagues. The Cubs particularly use every advantage they can get on the paths to win games, and their recent run of victories show that the art is not entirely unprofitable.

Ralbirds.

"Oh, dotor," cried a wild-eyed man, "I am dreadfully afflicted! The ghosts of my departed relatives come and perch on the top of the fence posts all around my yard when dusk is fallng. I can look out into the gloaming any evening and see couple of dozen spooks sitting top of the posts, waiting, waiting. What shall I do?"

"Sharpen the tops of the posts, said the physician.

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on Road Against Steadily Improving Clubs.

Jake Daubert, veteran first sacker. but who, in spite of his many years Today things are changed. The of service is now fielding his important position in the Cancinnati icfield as well as ever, gave his opinion of the National league race and views of other baseball matter in a

According to Jake, the Giants are the class of the league, but in spite of their advantage over other clubs they are not going to walk off with their third consecutive penuant. Jako does not say the Giants will not win STILL ACTIVE ART the flag once more, but in his mind the champions must improve in their road work in order to emerge on the

> "The schedule does not favor the Giants," says Daubert. "They slump- would keep on going and try for seced in their first western trip and their ond, I turned my back on the play not be any easier. When the clubs | Larry Lajoie, Cleveland second sackare going down the homestretch the er, toss his glove away, but thought Giants will be in the west, as they he was bluffing, and I called Yager spend the last two weeks of Septem . safe at first. ber, playing the Cardinals, Cubs, Pirates and our club. McGraw has a ed me if I hadn't seen the play at great team, but his pitching staff is first. just an ordinary one. Batting and fielding, must offset this weakness in the hurling department. If not the team is doomed to be beaten out.

> at home, but what they gain on the Polo grounds will not help them if they falter each time they go west. Every other team in the league is third on it. With the count two and after their scalp. Their first western three on Williams he slashed a hot trip proved to the other clubs they line drive which Otto Hess caught have just as good a chance to overhaul them as the Pirates."

Daubert was asked what he was riding me. When I was undress thought of Zack Wheat's batting and his chances of winning the stitchwork championship this year.

"Wheat," responded Jake, "is one of the greatest batters in the league. I do not know of any other player who is capable of hitting as many line drivers as Zack. He got off to a flying start this year and I would not be surprised if he finished on top A batter like Wheat may run into slump, but while he is not hitting the ball safe he is hitting it hard and sending the drives right at a fielder Pretty soon these hard hit balls go safely again and the slump is a short

one. Wheat is a wonderful athlete and a fine fellow. If he wishes the championship there will be no ques tion about his supremacy because he hits the ball hard and gets very few hits that may be called lucky.

"Rouse is a fine chap and is always a dangerous man at the plate. Hernsby, I toink, is the best righthanded batter in the game and it is too bad he has 1. t been able to play every day. Frisch is a good better and his Shelby's speed makes him more dangerous. He is the of the fasing men I have ever 1.5yed against sal I do not expert to see one w't) has more speed. "Who is the best pitcher? It is

at the top of the list. There are a leader in the movement. a lot of good pitchers in this league | It could follow New York in mak-

### THREE TIMES **BUT UMPIRE SLOW**

unbeatable.

land one afternoon on the bases. Jack getting in shape. Sheridan being behind the plate," now living in San Francisco. 'Ifew York was at but and Joe Yager hit a grounder towards Bradley at third.

"Bradley started one of his lob- or go to work. bing throws and from where I stood near first, I could see it was going 20 feet over George Stovall's head. "Figuring naturally that Yager

next two trips through the west may and hustled to that base. I noticed

"The crowd hooted and Lajoie ask

"'What play?' I asked. "'Why, Yager was out three

times,' was Larry's reply. "I had, however, ruled Yager wa "They may pick up while playing safe, and stuck to it. Cleveland was ahead, 1 to 0, at the time. Some New Yorker socked a two-bagger, but Yager was slow and could only reach

"Puring all this time the crowd ing in our room I asked Jack Sheridan what all the trouble was about "Jack told me I shouldn't have taken my eyes off the play. It's al-

ways dangerous, he said, and especially so in this case as Yager had been put out no less than three times, alhough I had called him safe. "It seems that when Stovell say Bradley's throw was high he ran back a few steps, caught the ball and

dashing in, tagged Yager, who had made a start for second base. Yager had cut first base, which made him out twice, and as he headed for second Willie Keeler, who was coaching at first, had run on the field and tried to pull him back, which actually made Yager out on three counts. "I had my back on all these plays in my haste to judge the play! looked for at second base, and missed them

## But I learned my lesson."

Financial Flasco Serves as Lesson to Entire Country.

Sporting writers, and there are lots of them, who proclaimed Jack Dempsey to be a superman and the greatest fighter of all time, are having a nies time now in explaining just why such a wonderful fighter permitted Tom Gibbons to stay 15 rounds with him st Shelby.

No one who has followed boxing for any length of time could be induced to believe that such fighters as John L. Sullivan, Jim Corbett, Peter Maher, Bob Fitzsimmons, Tom Sharkeq, Gus Ruhlin, Joe Choyniski; Jack Johnson, Stanley Ketchel, Sandy breaking the record for a long Ferguson, Kid McCoy, Tommy Ryan run." or several other heavyweights and middleweights who could be named would have permitted a fighter of the caliber of Tom Gibbons to stay in the ring with them for 15 rounds.

It is all well enough to claim for the greatest fighter of all times that when Gibbons was not holding him for dear life he was running away to keep out of the reach of Dempsey's vicious punches, but there was nothing to prevent Dempsey breaking Gibbons' hold if he know how or to catch Gibbons when he was on the run. Dempsey should have been able to keep after Tom and if he would not fight, make him jump over the

Gibbons was there to stay and he stayed the limit, and the closest reeding of the boxing rules will not discover any regulation which requires one fighter to stand still and let the other man punch him. The truth is that this fight proved Dem? sey not to be a great fighter at all just a big strong fellow with a punch terrific in its power, if it lands, but lacking in the skill to land it on

It has been said many times that Dempsey is only a swinger and swingers are rarely wonderful fighters, for all other things being equal a straight puncher will beat a swinger, as i straight punch, if properly delivered

is always harder than a swing blow. Shelby's fiasco has resulted in the demand from almost everywhere for the abolishing of big guarantees to fighters, and the logic of this demand is set forth in the statement that a fighter is only worth a fair percent age of what he will draw.

Competities among the promoterr has developed the greed of the fight-ers and their managers, but now that the boxing laws in many states per-mit of giving decisions it would be well for the benefit of the sport that the promoters should be forced to go back to the old method of dividing the fighters' share, and it would be a splendid thing if the new box-

thard to pick one out and put him ling commission of Pennsylvania be

and I know it. Vance showed us a ing the fighters of the main bout take lot of stuff when he let us down 50 per cent. of the receipts but their with one hit. He certainly can bust share should be divided on a winthat fast ball of his past pretty good ner's and loser's basis, say, 75 per fast ball hitters. He hasn't what I cent. to the winner and 25 per cent. would call an ideal change of pace, to the loser. Should this seem an but if he ever starts to mix 'em up unfair division, it could be made 60 more effectively he may be almost per cent to the winner and 40 per cent. to the loser. In any event, the winner would get the big end.

Old-time fighters used to fight winner take all, and that would be right, as far as the sporting end would be concerned, but it would leave the loser nothing to meet the legitimate "I was umpiring a game in Cleve- expenses for training and living while

The cry will go up that the present said Jack McCarthy, old time player champions and near-champions would not box under those terms, but if that was the rule of the commissions they would have to either fight

### TO-NIGHT

This evening, unless some other arrangements are made in the time after writing, Cobourg will meet Kingston at the Fair Grounds in a regular C.O.B.L. fixture. Cobourg has had the hardest lot of the four teams in the eastern group this year. Financial returns have been very poor and there have been other troubles. However, after a few days of confusion the club has once more started out on the "Big Four" trail and it will be interesting to see what any possible changes have effected. The whole circuit is hoping that Cobourg will stay in.

No changes have been announced by the Kingston squad for this even-

Will Athletics trounce Hussars also? See the game tomorrow night.

A. DAVIS VICTORS.

Defeated Battling Printers Last Night.

In a scheduled Mercantile League game at the cricket field last night the A. Davis & Sons outfit defcated Printers 15 to 10. The type-slingers started off with a rush and had the Skinnery blanked 7-0 at one stage of the match. Then injuries and the large crowd got on their nerves and the four rookies and five senior city players who made up the Tanners' lineup had their own sweet way. Printers made one or two desperats efforts to come back but their pitcher was not backed up and they were dis-

With the Civil Service and Printers playing all rookies and the Plumbers and Tanners using a team composed of senior city and C.O.B.L. players it makes an uphill grade for the first two mentioned but all conserned have a lot of fun and that's the present aim of the Mercantile. The teams:

Printers-Givens, c; McIntyre, p and rf; Booth, 1b; Devlin, 2b; Arneill, es; England, 5b and rf; W Reynolds, 3b, c and p; C. Reynolds, lf; Coyle, cf; McCulla, rf and c.

A. Davis McCabe, c; Barrette, p; J. Quinn, 1b; Tetro, 2b; A. Quinn, sa; K. Quinn, 3b; Killeen, cf; Smith, rf; McQuillan, lf.

Steady Job. Treeson Roberts - "You look down in the mouth, old man

suppose you are not playing in anything now?" Irvington Booth-"Yes, my boy, I am playing in 'Hard Luck,' and it's

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