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## CITY LEAGUE STARTS PLAY-OFF

### Hussars and A. Davis Meet in First Battle This Evening

After a long and interesting battle which has been fought with equal valor and brilliancy on the playing field and in the council room, the senior city league this evening straightens away for the final play-off for the championship of the local intermediate group.

A. Davis & Son won the first half by a narrow margin and by the same narrow margin have Hussars won the second half. Both teams seemed to be weakening toward the end of the second half and the Davis crew, especially have been having their troubles.

Now all the forces available will be thrown into the final fight and the fans should be treated to a fine play-off series. The first game is this evening and the second on Thursday and the majority of the fans are of the opinion that there will be a third one necessary between these teams.

The Hussars have only one pitcher whose value is known and that is Curran, but they have other possibilities that may prove valuable. The Tanners have Karl Quinn, Lawless and LaRue who may be used on the mound. The games should resolve themselves into battles of fielding and batting with the pitchers holding fairly steady.

### JAPANESE TEAM OUT.

#### Australia Will Meet France in Final Round.

Fighting for the honor of playing France in the final matches of the Davis Cup series, the Australian tennis team triumphed over the Japanese on Sunday afternoon at the South Side Tennis Club in Chicago.

Capt. James O. Anderson clinched the victory in the first match of the day when he overwhelmingly defeated Shimizu, 6-0, 6-3, 6-3, in the remarkably short time of 52 minutes.

Then, just to make the triumph complete, John B. Hawkes, Anderson's partner, vanquished Manasosuke Fukuda, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3, although the match was not needed by the men from the Antipodes.

The only match of the series the Japanese won was the first, played Thursday, when Shimizu took Hawkes into camp after a desperate contest. The series marked the 12th time that Japan's Davis Cup aspirations have been ruined.

Capt. Anderson gave a remarkable exhibition of mastery tennis that brought thrills to the 4,000 spectators. He was uncannily lucky in getting over shots that hit the tape on the net, but there was no luck in the beautiful stop volleys, nor the puzzling serves that kept his Japanese adversary constantly on the jump. After his final shot brought him victory the tall Australian threw his racquet to the centre of the court, jumped over the net, and dramatically embraced his game but vanquished foe.

As the team match already had been decided, both Hawkes and Fukuda, felt no strain and were free to hit out hard. As a result the contest was faster and more brilliant than the Anderson-Shimizu match.

### CRUIQUE THE IDOL:

#### CARPENTIER FORGOTTEN

Eugene Cruique, who lost his title as featherweight champion to Johnny Dundee in New York, two weeks ago, returned home on Sunday. He was officially welcomed by the President and Executive Committee of the French Boxing Federation, and presented with the federation's medal of honor.

Cruique was congratulated for his victory over Johnny Kilbane in New York early in June, when he won the featherweight title, and also for his splendid showing in his losing bout against Dundee. A cheering crowd carried the boxer, shoulder high, out of the station to the public platform, where thousands of persons applauded him.

### BABE LOSES HIS BIG BAT.

Babe Ruth, New York American slugger, received a message from

## FROM THE OUTSIDE—LOOKING IN.

The local fans are right up on their hind legs now, with the prospects of watching an intermediate and a junior team from Kingston fight their way through the Ontario finals. This week will decide the intermediate representatives, while the Circle Six have already won the city honors in the younger series.

The city league executive proved that they have a good deal of common-sense, insight of local baseball conditions, and no small amount of backbone in throwing out the protest of the Athletics. The grounds for protest were exceedingly slim, and in addition, the controversy would have been a long one if action had not been the watchword.

The fans will now divide themselves into rival camps until the senior is settled. The Davys and Hussars will have lots of cheers, for and against, when they clash on Tuesday and Thursday.

The advantages of a "city league" may now be apparent to those people who imagined the "Big Four" furnished the only baseball on earth. But for the despised "city league" the city of Kingston would not have been represented in the provincial play-offs this year, to say nothing of the fans being deprived of many good games yet to come.

Among the teams that have qualified for the first round of the Ontario play-offs in the intermediate section are Guelph Outfitters (Ontario Junior Champions, 1922), London Alerts, Oshawa Red Sox, Brockville, Sydenham, Napanee, Windsor, Neustadt, Picton, and Tilsonburg, Oshawa Belleville and Kingston are the only junior teams qualified as yet. Among the senior teams announced are Port Dalhousie, Brantford and Guelph.

In 1922 the champions in the three major series were: Senior, Galt Terriers; Intermediate, Peterboro Electric; and Junior, Guelph Outfitters. Two of these teams have been eliminated this year, to date.

Harry Hellman, star outfielder of the Detroit Tigers, was forced to relinquish the batting leadership of the American League to "Babe" Ruth on Sunday.

Kingston is not the only city where cricket is being revived. In Montreal on Sunday, the Toronto Cricket Club went down to defeat at the hands of McGill University in the Canadian championship series.

Ban Johnson, President of the League on Sunday prohibiting him from using the "Sam Crawford" bat in future contests. The "Crawford bat" is made of four pieces of seasoned wood, glued together. The bat was manufactured by Sam Crawford, the former Detroit slugger, and Ruth has had considerable success with it. Ruth was at a loss to understand the Johnson action, as he did not know the bat was illegal and did not know there had been any complaint made against it.

### GANANOQUE AND YACHTING.

#### L.Y.R.A. Might Hold Regatta There if Invited.

Gananoque Reporter: Gananoque has a canoe and motorboat club with a very large and in a sense active membership and a yacht club not quite so large and less active, but with them both this most favored river point displays less interest in water sports than many an inland village. Golf is good, and bridge and dancing parties are an easy way of entertaining with the minimum of effort, but why in the name of all that applies to a summer resort is aquatic sport absolutely ignored in

a place where it ought to be paramount in importance. At least one day in the season should be devoted to races of various kinds and displays which would please those resident here and attract many other places. Forty years ago the river was made alive with all manner of attractions. Today it is dead as far as water sport is concerned. The advent of the gasoline motors has crowded out the old sailing craft here, but at Kingston, Belleville and at points across the river the yacht clubs still live up to the traditions of the names they bear. It might be possible, with a little effort, to

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D. Sutherland of the Edmonton Country Club won the Saskatchewan open golf championship for the second year in succession on the Wascana Country Club course, Regina. His total for the 36 holes was 148.

Gordon Spahner, Toronto, beat Westenhaver, Cleveland tennis star, at Niagara Falls.

Pitcher Luque, Cincinnati star, has been suspended by the National League.

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