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SPRINTING HAS THE REAL THRILL

is the Oldest Form of Running and Dates Back Many Centuries.

By Charles Paddock. What is sprinting anyway? The annual track season is here again and every season we turn to see scantily clad athletes running up and down track fields, not getting any place it would seem, at first glance, but enjoying themselves immensely.

Some of them of all sizes and descriptions are off to themselves engaged in starting practice and running short distances against each other. A man with a gun in hand is setting them off and another holding a watch is checking them in and the pastime is called sprinting.

It's the oldest form of running. The Greeks did it and before the Greeks were ever heard of men ran races to prove who was the fastest. And it's a universal means of recreation. Every people in every land and on every island comprehend it and engage in it. Sprinting is one of those few units of common understanding which help to bring together peoples of every race and creed.

Sprinting is a fascinating art. There are a thousand and one lessons to be learned and the novice track man has a harder time to become a specialist on the cinder path than does even the golfer. Form is an essential. Nationally speed is a necessity.

There is nothing quite so exciting to my mind than a spirited dash. The pistol flashes and the men are flying down the course, shoulder to shoulder. The race is half over before you have drawn a single breath. One man commences to forge ahead of his field. Then the rest close in upon him. Only a second or two still remains. Can those behind him reach the tape ahead? Before you can answer the breathless question the race is over.

The beauty of perfect rhythm is present in a short distance dash. Form predominates. Legs and arms flash together in unbroken timing. Grace is there, and, most of all, fighting spirit. It's a man-to-man contest. Speed counts but sometimes will is even more important. Every time the runner, dependent entirely upon form, loses out to the instinctive fighter of the track.

There are three parts to the sprint race: the start, the stride and the finish. But before taking those up, allow me to name the most important of all sprinting essentials—fighting spirit!

DISCARDS OFTEN COME THROUGH TO MAKE GOOD

Certain major league managers appear to have unusual success with discards.

Wilbert Robinson of the Brooklyn Nationals has always been such a leader. He has been particularly fortunate with pitchers labeled through by other managers.

Credit for this unusual success with discarded twirlers has been attributed to the fact that Robinson as a player was a great catcher, a fine coach of pitchers.

It is beginning to look as if Rogers Hornsby of the St. Louis Cardinals is to share the spotlight that has been playing on genial Wilbert Robinson for these many years.

Correct Dope.

When I talked with Hornsby at the spring training camp of the Car-

dinals, his pitching was the only thing that gave him much concern. "Rival clubs may not see it as I do, but I figure Keen, Huntzinger and Johnson are going to be a great help to my club.

"They have shown plenty of stuff and under the direction of Bill Killefer should be much improved pitchers this year. I am positive the former Cub manager will just about make my pitching staff.

"I know what Keen and Huntzinger can do and everybody tells me that Johnson, who once cost Detroit a lot of money, should win for me.

"Huntzinger has had the benefit of several years under McGraw and that means much. However, I intend to start Huntzinger and give him a four or five-day rest between games. With New York he was a relief pitcher almost entirely and he is hardly strong enough for that role.

"I also intend to use Johnson and Keen as regulars and am pretty sure they will deliver."

That Hornsby had the right dope a month before the opening of the season has been proven by the excellent work of these three pitchers.

Every game they have worked has been of the highest order and in most cases a victory has resulted.

Colored Club.

When Hornsby discussed the chances of his club to win the National League pennant, he dwelt on the spirit of the club as one of the most important factors.

"The team has fight and confidence," is the way Hornsby summed up his club.

As a matter of fact, Hornsby has by his own play inspired the club with the fighting spirit that is going to make the Cardinals troublesome. Hornsby does everything he asks his players.

No man on the team runs out a hit harder than Hornsby. No matter how far behind he continues to hustle, hoping for the break.

Regardless of where the St. Louis Cardinals finish this year, it is going to be an interesting time to watch, because it boasts the great Hornsby and a fighting cast.

Incidentally, it looks as if he is going to get pretty good pitching, one feature of which he was doubtful.

BASEBALL PROBLEMS

By Billy Evans.

Is it necessary that a baserunner be retired by the pitcher touching the ball by the fielder making the play?

The query is put to me scores of times each season. The rather definite wording of the rule is responsible for the many disputes arising. It says:

The baserunner is out if at any time while the ball is in play he is touched by the ball in the hands of the fielder, unless some part of his person he touching the base to which he is entitled.

The phrase, "touched by the ball," is a technically used to argue that the runner actually be touched with the ball.

It is often difficult enough to determine if a player has been touched with the hand holding the ball and next to impossible to always know whether or not the ball actually came into contact with the player.

Umpires therefore give the fielder the benefit of the doubt and rule the runner out if the hand holding the ball touches the runner.

Perhaps 50 per cent. of the time the naked ball doesn't touch the baserunner.

BASEBALL SCORES

Toronto, May 13.—Toronto made its three straight wins over Jersey City by taking yesterday's double-header before 6,000 fans. Owen Carroll, pitching his seventh consecutive victory in seven starts, held the Skeeters to five hits in the first game, the final score being 5-3.

The second game was to be a seven-inning affair, but went to the eighth before "Lena" Styles, pinch-hitting for Schmel, sent Carlyle in with the only run of the game, the score being 1-0. Hubbell, pitching his first full game, allowed two hits.

Mickey Heath hit a home run and a double in the first game, and drove in three runs. Herman Layne returned to the game after being out since the Newark series, and had five hits in seven times at bat.

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HELPFUL GOLF HINTS

By Jimmy Ockenden. Among the many phases of the game which from time to time are discussed among golfers, none can be said to be more consistently debated than that relating to the comparative superiority of professionals over amateurs in the matter of straight hitting with both wooden and iron clubs. There can be little doubt that, day in and day out, the average professional's shots are much more consistently accurate as regards direction than those of the average scratch amateur.

The professional has his bad day, of course, when his shots veer consistently to the right or left of the desired objective, but, speaking generally, his lapses are neither so frequent nor so pronounced as those of the average amateur. Usually, the

SPORTING NOTES AND COMMENT

The announcement that Dr. Karl Quinn was married on Tuesday and was bound for Massachusetts created considerable surprise in Kingston when it became known. It had been expected that Dr. Quinn would be located in Toronto this fall and would play for one of the Toronto rugby teams. Rumor from Toronto had it that that is where he would play, but the sport prophets will have to think up another one now. Local sportsmen and those of Hamilton and elsewhere, where Dr. Quinn has played, wish him the best-of luck and extend to him hearty congratulations on his joining the benedictus.

The Printers and the C.P.R. come together at Victoria Park this evening. The Printers have already sailed one victory, while C.P.R. must win to-night to keep going. It will be a royal battle and the heavy-hitting Printers will need all their punch. Down at the Cricket Field the 5-9 Club and K.C.L. will meet and R.M.C. and Y's Men's Club will also clash.

We notice that inducements have evidently been offered certain Oshawa hockey players to travel to Peterboro to play hockey there next winter. An Oshawa despatch says that the manager of the Peterboro team has been in Oshawa and has secured two players, Houck and Lott, to go to Peterboro, "where they have accepted good positions." Has Peterboro not yet heard the warning issued by Secretary Hewitt of the O.H.A. and his executive at a meeting held last week? These two boys might think first about playing next winter before they make any rash moves. They certainly would not be allowed to play in Peterboro next winter.

It is to be hoped that the softballers will not continue to straggle along to the games the way some of them did on Tuesday night. The hour for the starting of the games is seven o'clock, not ten or fifteen minutes after. The sooner the different clubs realize that it is important to start on scheduled time, the better it will be for all concerned. Of course there are some who are on time, but those who come late hold everybody else back till they get on the job. It's not fair to those who are ready to start on time. There are other places to go after the game.

Jack Derry, manager of the Circle-Six team, can play ball as well as coach the boys in the game. He is right there when it comes to picking off the hot ones behind the bat and handles the pill like a youngster. He is not weak at the bat by any means and patted some of "Wes" Powell's deliveries for a row in the game Tuesday night.

The Kingston teams which played in the sports tournament at Napanee on Tuesday evening spent a very enjoyable time while in the town and were loud in their praises of the entertainment offered. The locals treated the large crowd to some classy indoor baseball and basketball.

Many fans in the city are of the opinion that a hefty clout will drive the ball over the wall at the Richardson Stadium. Not very easily. Any player who socks one over that wall will deserve his round trip.

The ladies' softball games start on Monday night with two games at the Cricket Field. The fair sex are just a little late in starting but are confident of a whirlwind season. Four teams are entered in the league this season and some interesting games should be served up.

professional wins in a match round. It may be argued—and in some cases the argument is not altogether incorrect—that the professional owes his superior accuracy to the amount of practice he is able to put in. But this does not apply in every case.

To my mind the answer lies not so much in the amount of practice one gets, but in employing the proper methods.

TITLED SPEEDSTER

Here's a Russian baron out for speed honors in the auto races at Speedway, N.J. He is Wladimir de Rachewsky, brother-in-law of Grand Duke Boris of Russia.

into the ground. Those clothed in drives do not fly off his stick. In golf practically the same thing occurs and the golfer apparently makes the greatest mistake of all in trying new clubs, shifting his stance and taking unnatural swings at the ball.

The mental hazard of the slump is sufficient to drive the golfer insane. The difference between the golfer who is shooting a steady game and the man who is in the midst of a slump is not difficult to define. Housewives easily can understand what's happened at the club when the husband comes home smiling or acts grumpy at supper time.

A slow backstroke, with the eyes kept on the ball until the club-head is brought down, is perhaps one of the greatest aids in the world to the slumping golfer. But so many of them, in the slump, take their backstroke in madness, trying to kill the ball, so to speak. That throws them out of focus and gear. It does not mean evenness in the swing. Luster is the result.

The change of clubs is not recommended. The fault is not in the clubs, but with the golfer in 99 out of 100 cases.

Slowness instead of haste; carefulness instead of anxiety and intentions of killing the ball; a study of whether the elbows are kept close to the body or whether they are falling away from the body—careful analysis of what one is doing in the slump that he didn't do before it came is the thing that will bring the golfer out of the slump, just as it will bring the baseball hitter out of his wretchedness.

The body of Raymond Manchester, drowned one month ago at Queensboro while sleigh-riding near the home of his grandfather, J. Cassidy, was found Sunday in the eddy of the creek. The body was only partly submerged. The lad was five years of age.

On Thursday the death took place in the Brockville General hospital of an elderly and esteemed resident of North Augusta. In the person of Joseph Matthews. His death was due to blood poisoning and followed a short illness.

Miss Olive A. Smith, Belleville, aged twenty-seven years passed away on Sunday. She was born at Wallbridge, Sidney township, a daughter of the late James E. Smith.

SURE—A PIRATE ROMANCE. George Grantham, star first baseman for the world champion Pittsburgh Pirates, is going to be married very shortly. He's shown with the future Mrs. Grantham, Miss Ruby Gates of Kingman, Ariz.

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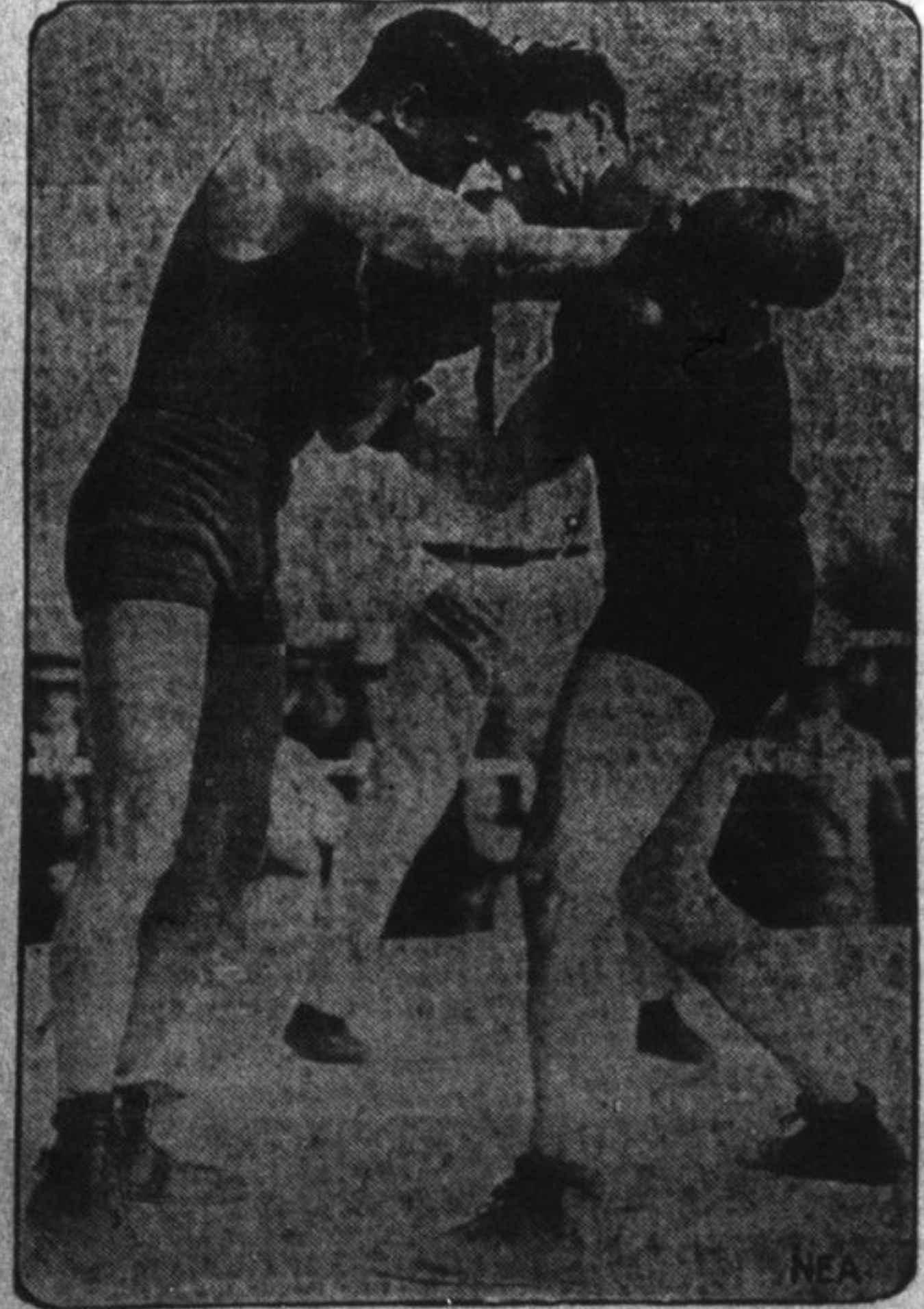
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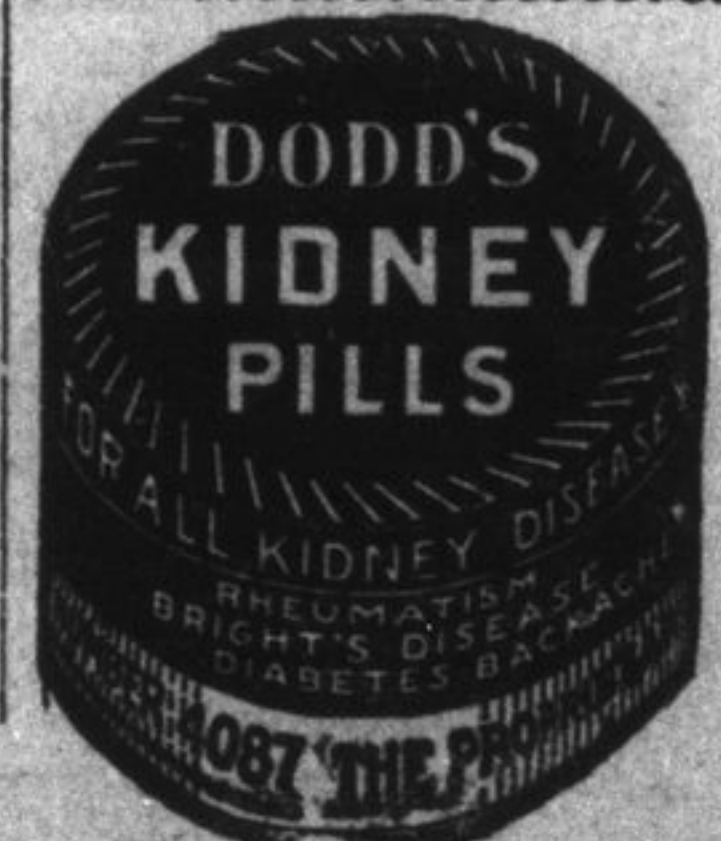
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BEATS THE BOYS



Betty Schirtzinger, twelve, of Springfield, Ohio, is one of the finest baseball fans in that city. She won second prize—a baseball bat and a ticket to a game—in a baseball contest conducted by the Springfield News. And she says she's going to see both ticket and bat.