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SPORTS OF SEASON--BASEBALL

ZYBYSZKO WINS HANDICAP MATCH

POLE PROVES PREDICTIONS IN MAHMOUT MAT BOUT.

NEITHER GAINS A FALL

One of Greatest Wrestling Shows Ever Staged in Chicago—Immense Crowd Sees Struggle of Foreigners.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—Struggling bitterly for 40 minutes of as active wrestling as ever has been seen on any mat, Yussiff Mahmout, the Bulgarian, and Stanislaus Zbyszko decided their handicap match before a mammoth crowd at the Coliseum last night. Mahmout failed in his agreement to pin the shoulders of the Pole twice in the hour and was declared the loser, unable to get even one fall.

In addition to losing the match, Yussiff dropped a side bet of $1,000 and the $1,000 offered by the club to the winner. It was a great night for the Pole, for not only financially, but in the way of prestige, did he greatly benefit. To decide the question of superiority between the two men would be a hard task, despite the fact that they were on the mat for an hour in close Cora was little to choose between them.

Spends Much Time on Feet.

For ten minutes neither man was dangerously near going to the mat. They grappled necks and shoulders, each trying to get on his opponent, but it did no damage. They indulged a bit of rough neck pulling which delighted the great crowd. The Bulgarian slipped to the floor as the Pole made a determined effort to win up instantly. They continued at each other without a moments rest.

Mahmout did not make any headway with the Pole until the half-way mark had been reached. Then he and Zbyszko started scuffling for the Bulgarian's ankles, right arm. Suddenly Mahmout made a grab for the Pole's right leg and got it. Down went Zbyszko to the mat for the first time and the Bulgarian started to work by trying for a toe hold, which he didn't get. Zbyszko showed his "nafe" play ability by breaking the grips of Mahmout in clever style.

The Bulgarian then started an impossible task, as every hold he tried to use was broken easily by the Pole. Mahmout, however, did not let up for a moment in his efforts to gain a dangerous hold, and he menaced up the Pole's face in grunting fashion. Zbyszko was on his guard at all times, were useless, for the great strength in his legs enabled Zbyszko to straighten out and break them.

The Pole brought the crowd to its feet with a bang when he, in a clever grab, had pinned Mahmout on him and his shoulders. Fifteen minutes yet remained of the match when he did this. Zbyszko made a couple of attempts at the toe holds, which proved ineffective. He kept up his aggressive work and had Mahmout on his back, but could not keep him down and get to his feet.

The Bulgarian and Pole fought out the remainder of their struggle head to head, both realizing that they had lost. The effect of the handicap proved too much for both although Zbyszko seemed the fresher when time ending the match was called.

One of the greatest crowds that ever saw a wrestling show in Chicago packed the Coliseum. The doors of the Coliseum dove leave before 8 o'clock, the time scheduled for the opening bout. Thousands of mat boys crowded Wabash avenue in front of the big auditorium in vain attempts to get a position in overcoming the rush. Fully 6,000 persons saw the show. A detail of police had all it could do in handling the huge crowd.

Time and again the Bloomsts attempted to force a way through the crowding the aisles as they were forced back in a mass against the rows of circus seats which had been erected for the occasion.

FOR AUTO LEGISLATION.

Want Uniform Laws for Motor Car Tourists.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The first session of a national convention called by the American Automobile association to urge upon congress the passage of a bill now pending to permit federal registration of automobiles and to promote in general the movement for uniform motor vehicle laws in the various states, was held to-day. Senator Depew delivered the opening address to the delegates who represent the principal automobile clubs of the country and most of the large trade associations. Legislative delegations from forty-two states and a total of about 35 states were also present.

The first day's session was taken up in discussion of the federal license movement. By that bill introduced by Senator Bulkeley, it would be lawful any motor vehicle owner after having paid a license in his own state and complied with the laws of that commonwealth, would be permitted to tour throughout any other state without paying a second license, provided he had paid the federal tax.

Powell is Favorite.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 15.—Lew Powell is as well liked in the betting that he will probably enter the ring to-night a strong favorite in his 15-round bout with George Memsic. Powell was so heavily backed by his friends in the north that the odds quoted to-day were 10 to seven that Memsic would be opponent, however, has trained hard.

TOSS UP FOR SCHEDULE.

Have Provided for Both Long and Short National Season.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—When the National Baseball league met to-day to consider the season's playing schedule it was still a toss-up whether the 154 or the 168 game programme would win.

Schedules providing for both long and short playing seasons had been prepared, and were animatedly discussed during the meeting as the league considered the question of the length of the season for the day. The confidence of those who desire to cling to the old 154 game arrangement has apparently been dissipated by the preliminary feeling of sentiment and to-day the 168 game adherents were seemingly in the majority. Chairman Herrmann, president of St. Louis, has lined up for the longer season, and says that votes for the 154 game schedule may be expected from Messrs. Ebbets, of Brooklyn, Dreyfuss, of Pittsburg, Murphy, of Chicago, and Brush, of New York.

Harry Herrmann, chairman of the national commission, this afternoon announced that Catcher Kling would be reinstated.

"He has applied for reinstatement," said Mr. Herrmann, "and the application will be granted. Kling will have to submit, though, to a heavy fine. I should think about $1,000."

CLAIM CECIL WILL RETURN TO BOSTON

MANAGER LAKE, OF DOVES, LOOKS FOR TWIRLER.

Think Ferguson Has Not Bought Store Near Terre Haute, Ind.—Has Goods for Big League.

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 15.—The Boston Nationals have received no official notice of the retirement of Pitcher Cecil Ferguson from the game to run a store in his little home in the middle west. Manager Lake feels sure that the light haired boy will be on deck at Augusta to start training with the Doves about the middle of March.

Reports from Terre Haute, Ind., have intimated that Ferguson intends to desert the Diamond. According to dispatches from that place Ferguson has purchased a business there and given out to friends that he has quit baseball forever.

Lake, however, Manager Fred Lake's belief, however, The Dovers' leader maintains that while Ferguson has not yet signed up, he has no reason to believe that he has become disenchanted with the game of baseball. To do so, the Boston twirler has the made any remarkable record with the local outfit, but it has been Ferguson's evidence that militated against his success.

"Ferguson has all the qualifications of a good pitcher, except speed," says Lake. "I believe that lack of speed has been the real reason for his non-success heretofore. He has a good splendid curve and is as strong as any pitcher in the league for long innings, and the chief reason for his falling down in the past has been due to lack of control.

"I believe that if Ferguson gets off right in the spring training he will come through all right. Two or three years ago, I think, he was the best caught to fetch him around, and I have hopes that Cecil will report with us when the bell rings."

ADOPT LONG SCHEDULE.

American Association Will Play 168 Games Next Season.

By Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—The American Baseball association had its annual schedule meeting here to-day. There was no objection to the adoption of a 168 game list. The schedule committee composed of Chairman W. H. Watkins, of Indianapolis, M. E. Cantillon, of Minneapolis, and George Paterson, of Kansas City, submitted its draft to the meeting.

Worcester, Mass. Signs Man.

NEWCASTLE, Pa., Feb. 15.—Tom Clark, of this city, has signed to pitch with the Worcester, Mass., team of the New England league. He has pitched for the Newcastle team for the past three years.

NEWS FOR AUTOISTS.

A huge motor combine has been announced with a capital of $12,000,000. The company is the Diamond Rubber Company and has already acquired the holdings of the Maxwell-Briscoe company.

The Franklin company destroys several diamonds a month, using them for the truing of emery wheels. The diamonds are large, but they are of an inferior quality and are known as bort diamonds. The finest diamonds are used in the manufacture of emeries, which are imported from Asia. They have a fabled quality, although they are made of a radiating crystallization destroys the values of these diamonds as ornaments. Diamonds will not take a polish, but will wear a smooth surface by rubbing and grinding with, so they will not crumble. They are harder than emery and will cut it, but are slowly worn away in the process of truing the emery wheel. The diamond will last until they are so small as to be almost invisible.

The Plug to Plug automobile contest, an international event for motor cars, between Buffalo, Toronto, Detroit and the United States, has taken on new significance lately, it is now contested to one competition in an endurance contest from Denver to the City of Mexico. There will be several trophies and the trophy list will be added to by the Mexican Automobile club, which runs will be modeled along the lines of the Glidden tour. There will be a number of stops, with short endurance contests between cities in San Antonio and probably a racing track, perhaps at San Antonio.—Motor Field, Denver Col.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR HIGH BASEBALL

MANY CANDIDATES OUT FOR DIAMOND POSITIONS.

Pitchers Gain Control—Infielders Come Into Form—Preparations for Inter-Hall Meet, March 7.

Baseball practice was carried on as usual yesterday afternoon in the old High school gym, outfielders, infielders, pitchers, and catchers to the number of 26 reporting for a workout. The squad was divided into two parts, each taking the floor for about a half hour. Pitchers and catchers had the best workout of the practice held thus far, the control of the former being good for this time of the season. Martin still shows up best, and is practicing an under-hand delivery from which there is promise for development of an unhittable ball. Cassidy's control was the best he has shown thus far, and he will give Martin a hard fight for the position of regular pitcher. Hosford, Fuller, Goll, etc., is an unknown quantity as yet.

RESULTS OF BOWLING.

C. A. C. ALLEYS.
C. A. League.
CHERCUTS.

Good	156	148	148	452
Kemp	148	148	148	444
Brandt	148	148	148	444
Goodrich	158	158	158	474
Standing	150	150	150	450
Total	872	847	712	2434

High score, Goodrich, 158; Brandt, 158.

CHAMPS.

Workinger	158	158	158	474
Williams	154	154	154	462
Wilkins	154	154	154	462
Hoffman	154	154	154	462
Standing	150	150	150	450
Total	877	877	877	2631

High score, Workinger, 158; Workinger, 158.

SMITH'S ALLEYS.
Business Men's League.
HUNTSMEN'S COLTS.

	1	2	3	Tot.
Hinson	156	156	156	468
Chamberlain	162	154	151	467
Kemp	154	154	154	462
Walters	154	154	154	462
Chesbrough	171	166	166	503
Total	897	884	881	2362

High score, Chesbrough, 171; Chesbrough, 171.

EL STILLO.

	1	2	3	Tot.
Swartz	152	152	152	456
Dickman	152	152	152	456
Dickman	152	152	152	456
Hoffman	152	152	152	456
Hastings	149	149	149	447
Total	897	884	881	2362

High score, Middlebrook, 182; high average, 171.

STUDEBAKER ALLEYS.
Studebaker League.
STUDEBAKERS.

Hinde	158	158	158	474
Dean	152	152	152	456
Hoffman	152	152	152	456
Chapman	154	147	149	451
Total	872	864	861	2637

High score, Dean, 152; high average, 158.

BOCHER.

Bugner	152	152	152	456
Hoffman	152	152	152	456
Darby	152	152	152	456
Kaiser	152	152	152	456
Standing	150	150	150	450
Total	857	857	857	2571

High score, Bugner, 152; high average, 171.

ELKS' ALLEYS.
Actors' League.
HORSE.

Rose	158	158	158	474
Grant	158	158	158	474
Grant	158	158	158	474
Schock	158	158	158	474
Schock	158	158	158	474
Total	790	790	790	2370

High score, Harper, 177; high average, 161.

TUBES
(Game played Friday.)

Total	855	855	855	2565

INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES.

Players and club.	G.	Hp.	Tot.	Average.
Hinson, Elks	12	2	1918	159-5/6
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Phillips, Tubes	12	2	1918	159-5/6
Phillips, Tubes	12	2	1918	159-5/6
Kemp, Elks	12	2	1918	159-5/6
Kemp, Elks	12	2	1918	159-5/6
Hinde, Studes	9	2	1422	158-2/3