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## RUGBY GAME ORIGINATED ONE CENTURY AGO

### Boy Named Jones First Took the Ball in His Hands and Carried it—His Memorial.

One hundred years ago there was played at a few of the big public schools in England a game of football, closely resembling the present-day soccer. Rugby was unknown anywhere until one day in a house match at the historic Rugby School in Cheshire England a youth named Jones astonished the defence of the other side by picking the ball up in his hands and running and dodging a way through the opposition to score an easy goal. He did this to some effect several times and his house won the match by a big margin. The other side were entirely nonplussed. Nothing in the crude set of rules governing the game prevented this new style of progress but previously, no one had thought fit. To handle a foot ball did not seem right. However so effective did it become that the prefects of the school considered the matter and drew up a new set of rules which proved to be the foundation of Rugby football as it is played all over the world. Different rules govern the game in different countries, but fundamentally the game is the same. A plaque has been set up in the entrance hall of the fine old building of Rugby School telling the story of the birth of Rugby football and the centenary of the event is being honored in Great Britain by a series of special International matches on the palyng fields of the old school.

## NEW RECORD FOR GIRL'S JUMP

Prague, Sept. 27—Mademoiselle B. Mejslikova today established a new women's world record for the running broad jump with a leap of 5 metres 30 centimetres 17 ft. 4.3 in. The performance was in regular competition supervised by qualified officials. Mademoiselle Mejslikova held the former record at 5 metres 16 centimetres.

Envy is an enemy to honor.

## DEMPSEY TO FIGHT SOON IN MEXICO

Chicago, Sept. 27—Jack Kearns, manager for Jack Dempsey, who stopped here on his way to Salt Lake City to join the champion, said that tentative negotiations were under way with James Coffroth to match Dempsey for a fight at Tiajuana, probably around the first of the year.

No opponent for the champion had been selected, he said, but added that it would not be Harry Wills, the negro fighter. He indicated that Tom Gibbons was being considered.

## CALEDONIA AGAIN IN GAME

The Glace Bay Gazette says: "The Caledonia Team will contest for the McCurdy Cup this year and with the prospects of a trip to Halifax the team will put forth every effort to be in the best possible shape."

(Caledonia was beaten decisively by Halifax Wanderers last year.)

## BOXER HELD FOR MURDER

Juneau, Alaska, Sept. 27—Harry "Battling" Johnson, of Calgary, Alberta, who claimed to be the champion welterweight boxer of western Canada, was arrested here yesterday charged with the murder of Hilda Weiss and Miss Billy Mason in a resort here Monday.

Johnson, in a signed statement, admitted he was in the resort but declared he found both women dead when he arrived.

## JAILED IN LIQUOR RAIDS

Chicago Sept. 27—More than 900 persons packed the jails of Chicago raids staged over the week-end.

Scores of saloons, cafes and "coffee houses" were closed and their patrons and proprietors lodged in jail. Mayor Dever said today he would order the licenses of most of the places revoked.

The activity of the police is an aftermath of the "beer war" in which six persons have met death so far.

Time is the herald of truth.

## PITTSBURG VARSITY AFTER CANADIANS

### Are Recruiting Athletic Teams Among Dominion Athletes — Duke McCurry of Toronto the Most Recent.

Toronto, Sept. 27—Pittsburg University's long arm has reached out again and seems well on the way towards grabbing "Duke" McCurry, another of Toronto's best athletes. It was stated here last night that McCurry, who is an all-round athlete of ability, has all but decided to take a course of study in the smoky city institution of learning.

McCurry ranks high in hockey, baseball, lacrosse, football and track athletics. He competed in the Canadian Olympic trials as a sprinter and made a good showing. Last winter he was the regular left wing with the Argonaut O. H. A. senior team, and during the summer he played on the St. Andrew's senior baseball team and the Riverside O. A. L. A. senior team. He also found time to play in the Beaches' Soft-ball League and he went through the season without making an error. At the present time McCurry is playing for the Argonaut Inter-Provincial football team and last night he was the star of the practice.

## PHONE A GREAT CONVENIENCE

Kansas City, Sept. 27—A Kansas City family recently employed as a maid a young girl who had come a short time before from Colorado Springs. When the housewife returned from shopping a few days later the young maid announced delightedly she had talked to Colorado Springs on the telephone. The startled housewife inquired who had paid the bill. The maid answered she "didn't know it cost anything." The housewife frantically called long distance and inquired about the charges. Said Central:

"Well the last call was \$8.50 and—here the housewife broke in: 'Was there more than one call?' 'Yes' Central concluded firmly, 'and the first was \$19.50. Total \$28.'"

## HEYDLER GIVEN SNUB WHEN SERIES IS ARRANGED

### Was Not Present — October 10th Starting Date — Officials Fail to Comment on Situation.

New York, Sept. 27—The 1923 World's Series will open on Wednesday, Oct. 10, at the Yankee Stadium, home of the three-time American League champions and greatest baseball park in the country, regardless of whether the New York Giants or the Cincinnati Reds win the fight to represent the National League in the annual classic.

This was decided at a meeting of local club officials with Commissioner Kenesaw M. Landis, when Col. Jacob Ruppert, owner of the New York Yankees, won the toss to decide which league should have the honor of opening the series.

"That's a good start, anyway," said Col. Ruppert afterward. Last year the Yankees lost the toss and also the series to their Gotham rivals.

Should the Giants stand off the 11th hour challenge of the Reds and capture the pennant, thus making the series an all-Metropolitan affair for three successive years, the title games will alternate between the Yankee Stadium and the Polo Grounds, until one club wins the necessary majority of four contests.

### Snub For Heydler.

Some surprise was occasioned in baseball circles by the fact A. Heydler, president of the National League, did not attend the session, which was held within a few blocks of his uptown office.

"I was not aware of the meeting nor did I know that Commissioner Landis was in town," said Mr. Heydler, when his attention was called to the announcement of series arrangements. Beyond this he declined to comment.

It was pointed out that while the settlement of series details rested between Commissioner Landis and the club-owners, they also were of direct interest and concern to Pres. Heydler.

Commissioner Landis, in announcing the business transacted by the meeting, did not refer to Pres. Heydler. He left New York for Chicago. Officials of the two New York clubs, when questioned about the situation, refused to comment on the meeting in any way, declaring that publicity concerning it had been left entirely in the commissioner's hands.

## ODD COMPANY FOR QUAKER

An interesting story reaches us from a Quaker source about the discovery of a German professor of phonetics who is engaged in collecting and analyzing phonographic cords of the voice of speakers of every country and language. During the war he not only got records from allies and war prisoners of nearly every country under the sun, but also carefully tabulated the voice reactions of the most famous of his own countrymen.

Recently he begged a well-known English Quaker, who was on a visit to Berlin in connection with international peace work, to allow a record of his voice to be made. This was Mr. C. Heart, the late secretary of the National Peace Council, and now secretary of the Friends' Council for International Service. He gave a brief address on the peace principles of Quakerism to the phonographic receiver, while the professor eagerly watched the machine's delicate indicator, which recorded all the lights and shades of the speaker's voice.

At the conclusion of the test the professor pronounced that the verdict of the machine was that the reactions to the Quaker's voice were exactly the same as those of Gen. Hindenburg's.

Do things and do not talk about them.

A tongue given to speaking evil is the sign of an evil mind.

All men think all men mortal but themselves.

## LESTER PATRICK WANTS MCGUIRE FOR COAST LEAGUE

Toronto, Sept. 27—Lester Patrick, manager of the Victoria team of the Pacific Coast Hockey Association, is seeking the services of Frank McGuire, late of Timmins, and now of Cleveland. McGuire is a poke-check artist, and plays much after the manner of Frank Nighbor, of Ottawa. St. Patrick's tried to sign him a year ago last winter.

## DEMPSEY NOW ON REAL WILD BULL HUNT

Salt Lake City, Utah, Sept. 27—Jack Dempsey, conqueror of the "Wild Bull of the Pampas," will attempt today to conquer a real wild bull—one of the heard of buffalo on Antelope island in Great Salt Lake. Dempsey and a party of friends, including Robert Edgren, sports writer, will spend the greater part of 10 days on the hunt.

Antelope island, off the shore from Salt Lake City, is about 15 miles long and about four miles wide. It is inhabited by privately-owned herd of buffalo numbering several hundred.

Those who have hunted buffalo on the island claim that the sport carries with it all the dangers of the old days and that some of the bulls are as mean as any of their plains ancestors.

## SIKI MANAGES TO GET IN BAD

New York, Sept. 26—Battling Siki Senegal heavyweight, was refused a license by the Boxing Commission because he has too many managers. When the commission straightens out the tangle it may allow him to meet Kid Norfolk in a bout planned for Madison Square Garden next month.

## TWO-MILE RACE FOR MONTREAL HARNESS MEET

### Flaxey the Great Made Best Time of 4.30 1/4—Revival of Racing Has Been Success.

Montreal, Que., Sept. 27—Flaxey the Great a mare by Peter the Great won the two mile event featuring the offering of the Montreal Driving Club at the harness meeting in Delormier Park. Flaxey won in two straight heats without ever being extended. She stepped the final heat in 4.30 1/4 while the previous heat was stepped in 4.34 1/2. The winner was well driven by Betanger and although challenged on several occasions was never dangerously threatened.

Billy Sunday a horse which has more than one Grand Circuit victory to his credit was always the most dangerous contender and finished in second position in both heats. Judge Ormond a veteran with a mark of 2.01 1/2 was always third.

The other event was won in straight heats. Ensign Tige taking the race for 2.13 trotters, with Otway Bryd second. Ensign Tige drew the pole position and went to the front in the early stages. Neville had her always well in hand and won by just enough to gain the victory without extending the horse. Otway Bryd held the others safely at all times and on two occasions was close up with the winner. The third race was even more interesting going four heats to determine the winner. Holt, which was favorite in the pool-selling was beaten by Reproachful in the first heat, the former starting from an out side position.

The 2.12 pace, carried over from the previous day, as won by Dei Pointer.

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