

HARNESS RACING
MORE POPULAR
THAN EVER IT WAS

Lexington, Ky., May 24—Nominations to the number of 780 in the Kentucky Futurity to be raced in 1930-31, gross value \$26,000, serve to show the scope of the harness horse breeding industry in the United States. Owners from 27 states are represented in the long list, which is nearly 100 greater than that of 1926 and is a material increase over 1927.

Nominations have just been made known and the showing of the various states is as follows: Kentucky 341, Indiana 115, New York 56, Pennsylvania 54, Ohio 48, Illinois 38, Georgia 35, Massachusetts 25, Michigan 13, New Jersey 9, Minnesota 4, Wisconsin 4, Connecticut 3, Oklahoma 3, Maryland, Nebraska and Iowa 2 each, California, Delaware, Florida, Louisiana, Missouri, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Texas and West Virginia 1 each, with one from Ontario, Can.

The purse of \$26,000 is apportioned: \$7,000 for three year old trotters \$2,000 for two year old pacers \$14,000 for three year old trotters, \$3,000 for three year old pacers. It is of interest to note that the Kentucky Futurity is the oldest rich fixture for colt trotters on the American turf, having been raced every year for over 40 years.

BUNION DERBY

Wellsville, N. Y., May 18—Finishing in a dead heat for first place in the 49.8 mile lap from Bradford, Pa. John Salo of Passaic, N. J. today cut nearly an hour from the lead Andrew Payne of Claremore Ok, holds on the field in C. C. Pyle's transcontinental derby.

Payne finished sixth today in Sh 43m 34s.

Salo tied for the day's lead with Ed Gardner. They covered the lap in 7h 52m 11s. Paul Simpson, Burlington, N. C., was third.

Toledo, O., May 21—Frank Cares, Fremont, O., is the latest addition to the trailing colony preparing for the inaugural Grand Circuit meeting here June 25-30. In his string are the stake pacers, Brook Volo 2.04% and Yedno's Bonnie 2.05%, and the trotting stake candidate Azon 2.07%.

Client—Everything I look at I see double, sir.

Optician—Surely you must find that a great handicap to your work?

Client—No sir I read meters for the gas company.

ATHLETICS GAIN FULL GAME
AS YANKS SPLIT WITH BOSTON

Morris, Boston Recruit Wins Over Yankees—Quinn and Walberg Deliver Victories For the Athletics—Reds and Pirates Split — Cards Hand Cubs Licking in Batting Spree.

American League—
New York, May 21—The Yanks spit even with the Boston Red Sox in a double header today, losing the first game by a 8 to 4, score and winning the second 3 to 2. Home runs played a big part in both games, providing the margin of victory each time.

Todd and Refan won the first game for Boston, each got a homer with two men on base. Bob Meusel did the same thing for the Yanks in the sixth inning of the second game when the Red Sox had a 2 to 0 lead. Combs and Tait also got homers.

First game—
R H E
Boston 8 6 2
New York 4 9 2
Batteries—Morris and Heving: Shealey, Moore, Campbell and Grabowski.

Second game—
R H E
Boston 2 8 2
New York 3 4 1
Batteries—Ruffing and Hofman: Hoyt and Collins.

First game—
R H E
Washington 1 6 1

Philadelphia 2 3 0
Batteries—Zachary and Tate: Quinn and Fox.

Second Game—
R H E
Washington 1 6 1
Philadelphia 2 6 0
Batteries—Harley and Ruel: Walberg and Cochrane.

Only games scheduled.

National League—
First game—
R H E
Pittsburgh 3 9 2
Cincinnati 4 6 0
Batteries—Dawson, Braeme and Hemsley: Rixey, Donehough and Pinichich.

Second game—
R H E
Pittsburgh 6 11 0
Cincinnati 3 8 0
Batteries—Russell and Smith: J. May and Sukeforth.

Chicago 7 12 0
St. Louis 8 8 3
Batteries—Malone, Root and Hartnett: Alexander, Hald and Wilson.

Only games scheduled.

THE RACE POT

No. 4—Pete Green, 2.02.

Pete Green, the diminutive Wisconsin sidewheeler, always will be remembered as the "nickel horse." He was sold for the trifling sum of five cents several years ago, his owner thinking him worth less. But lo and behold, the horse developed into a real Grand Circuit star and landed many victories on the big time.

Pete has a race record of 2.02 and any performer that can go that fast is always dangerous. He is an eligible to the \$25,000 Page Dairy at Toledo, July 10. S. F. Gutterstein, director of speed at the Wisconsin State Fair, is his owner. Tom McKay of West Allis, Wis. will hold the reins behind him.

GRANTLAND RICE
SPEAKS TO YOU

This present sporting generation can lay claim to the three greatest showmen in sport. They are Dempsey, Ruth and Hagen. Forty years ago there were John L. Sullivan and King Kelley, but there was no golf along serious lines, although almost any brand of golf is pretty serious if you are one or two down.

Around 1900 there were Jeffries, Wagner and Willie Anderson. They were far below the present trio in the showmen's division. Dempsey, Ruth and Hagen have never been occasional showmen. They have continued to repeat for more than a dozen years. They have all been as colorful as a purple sunset but they have also had something more than color.

Hagen's last party in England is typical of his career. In 1920 he went across to finish 55th. A week later he beat the same field to win the French open. Just as they were listing him as a third rater he was marching in front of the procession.

Comston beat him 18 up and 17 to play one week. A week later he wins the British open.

Dempsey, Ruth and Hagen haven't gathered their mob appeal from any mere technique. All three belong on the side of power. Of the three, Hagen has the greatest competitive temperament. He doesn't burn up nervous energy as Dempsey has always done. He is less inclined to be worried or discouraged in the face of bad breaks. When you give some golfers a big gallery it usually wrecks them. When you give Hagen a big gallery he usually wrecks the pair of the course.

Dempsey, Ruth and Hagen all like to have crowds around. They like the buzz-buzz of the multitude. Tunney doesn't. And the multitude can sense both attitudes in about two and a half flashes. The solitude that appeals to Tunney would be plain lonesomeness for Dempsey, Ruth or Hagen.

Lexington, Ky., May 21—June Abbe, 2.04, the pacing stake candidate owned by W. M. Wright of Chicago and Lexington, is showing good form in preparation for her \$25,000 engagements at Toledo and Kalamazoo. With Ben White in the sulky, she already has worked in 2.08½ with the last half in 1.02 and the final quarter in :30¼.

GUNBOAT SMITH
LATE HITTING
WALL STREET

New York, May 22—Brains do not count. It is youth and dumbness that get results.

Such is the philosophy of Gunboat Smith, one-time contender for the heavyweight boxing championship of the world, but now a man of Wall street.

Gunboat's Theories

Gunboat seems to be making a success. But he wishes he had hit the street when he was about 20 years old. He expounds his theories in slang, which makes them none the less effective.

"Dumbness and youth can land the knockout blow to wisdom and age every time," says the ex-prize fighter. "So long as you are dumb, the world is yours. Once you get wise and try to use your nut, you start slipping."

The first 30 years are the dumbest, he has found, and hence the best. After that one is apt to get a little sense in spite of himself. And when dumbness starts to go, the landslide is almost inevitable and as rapid as when a woman's look starts tobogganing.

Dumb and Young

"If I had struck Wall street at 20, well and good. I could have gone into the game right. The same dumbness and doggedness that makes you take punches and never doubt you can give better than is sent—that's what puts the boys over down here. You've got to make your pile and get your stride before you wake up and wonder what all the whanging is about."

"You have to be dumb and young to believe you can be one of the fortunate ones, and that General Motors and Bank of Italy didn't skyrocket for your particular benefit."

HOOF PRINTS

Evanston, Ill., May 21—A record breaking list of 638 entries received for Hambletonian Stake No. 5, premier light harness horse classic, it was announced today. The former mark was 624, set in the inaugural in 1924. The new stake has a pacing as well as trotting division, named The Geers in memory of the late Edward F. (Pop) Geers. The Hambletonian is for three year olds.

Cleveland, May 21—Twenty-one royally bred two year old trotters have been entered in the Rainy Day Sweepstakes, one of the leading juvenile events on the Grand Circuit to be raced at the North Randall race track, Aug. 15.

The Good Time stable of Goshen N. Y., which is trained by the veteran Walter R. Cox, leads in nominations with four. The Hanover Shoe Farms of Hanover, Pa, is next with three. Then follow H. K. Devereux, Cleveland, Ben F. White, Lexington Ky., Walter T. Candler Atlanta, and Lon McDonald, Indianapolis, with two each. Calumet Farm and James Snell, Lexington, Ky., David M. Look, New York City, P. W. Harvey, Cleveland, Fox Stock Farm, Indianapolis, and Nat Ray, North Randall, each has named one.

Urbana, O., May 21—Charley Boswell, Memphis, Tenn., and Richard Rogers and Henry Scott, Concord, N. C., are new arrivals among the reinsmen for the opening meeting of the light harness horse season here, May 29-31. Boswell has the extensively staked pacer, Lucy Wood, 2.05¼, who won 10 victories and was second twice in 12 starts last year, in charge. Rogers is tutoring another heavily engaged sidewheeler in Macaroon Patchen, 2.07¼.

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