



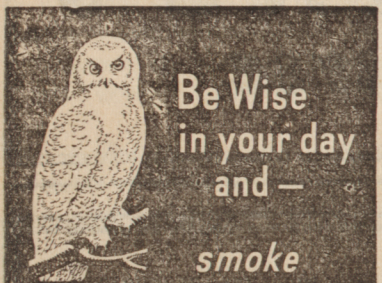
WHYS AND OTHERWISE

AS SEEN BY
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The race track at the Fredericton Exhibition holds the half-mile record for Canada. The track will be in the best of shape for the races which are to be held on September 15, 16 and 17. Racing records are very likely to be shattered at that time.

Golfing fans here will learn with interest of the brilliant exhibition of Mrs. D. Leo Dolan in winning the Province of Quebec Women's Golf Association title last week. The sports writers give Mrs. Dolan splendid praise for her approaching and putting. Says "Baz" O'Meara the Montreal columnist, of Mrs. Dolan: "Mrs. Leo Dolan winner of the Quebec provincial golf championship, is the wife of Leo Dolan, who is making the United States aware of Canada. He is the government tourist publicity man. Mr. Dolan is from the Maritimes and is reported to be better than average putter."

Those fans of boxing were often curious about the reputed fondness for books of Gene Tunney, retired undefeated heavyweight champion of the world, and the only man who ever looked anything like Jack Dempsey's master. Perhaps you didn't know it but among Tunney's favorite books in his fighting days were "Quo Vadis," "The Last Days of Pompeii," "The Story of Man-Kind," "The Outline of History," "The Meditations of Marcus Aurelius," "Franklin's Autobiography," "Les Miserables," and "Of Human Bondage." What Gene is reading now we don't know but he's pretty much interested in the U. S. Political situation. Gene Tunney was never a popular appeal fighter, but as a well known critic of boxing history says "in many respects he is one of the most glamorous figures the ring has seen or ever will see."



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BEST PITCHER IN JR. LOOP MOOT QUESTION

American League Has
Many Contenders for
Honors—The Sumup.

NEW YORK, Sept. 1—An easy way to stir up a debate in baseball circles today is to ask, "Who is the best pitcher in the American League?" That's because there really isn't one outstanding pitcher, but instead a number of hurlers can lay strong claims to the honor by choosing one phase of pitching as an index.

There is Bump Hadley, who has a current winning streak of eleven straight games, as well as the best won-and-lost record of all the pitchers. Does that make Bump the best of the lot? Some will say it does, but majority opinion is that Hadley has been fortunate in being started in the best spots and in being used as a relief hurler when the Yanks were hot at the bat and supported him with plenty of runs.

Vernon Kennedy, young White Sox right-hander, would get a good share of votes in a poll. Kennedy has won the most games, sixteen; he has the second best won-and-lost record, with only five defeats; he had a neat winning streak of ten straight, and he must be remembered as the last American League pitcher to be credited with a no-hit, no-run game, the feat having been performed last summer.

Kennedy also won a place on the all-star team, though it didn't come until Tommy Bridges had reported he would be unavailable on account of illness. In two pitching departments, however, Vernon is not equal to some rival hurlers. He has yet to toss a shutout game this year, and he is tied with Monte Pearson for having issued the most bases on balls in the loop.

Grove Has Most Shutouts
That brings one down to Lefty Grove, who was beyond a doubt the most effective of the early season pitchers. Lefty's spurge of shutouts early in the campaign still makes him the busiest employer of the calcimine brush, he having blanked the opposition on five occasions.

Red Ruffing, probably the most dependable and consistent of the league leading Yanks, certainly is a topnotch right-hander this year. Red isn't leading the field in any particular subdivision, but he has a notable record in all of them. He has gained fifteen victories against only eight defeats; he has completed eighteen games; he has worked harder than any other Yankee hurler, and he has tossed three shutouts.

When completed games are used as an index of a pitcher's value, Wes Ferrell ranks as the league leader. Wes has finished twenty-two games, four more than the second-place Ruffing. Being such a useful hand at the plate, Ferrell doesn't have to give way to a pinch-hitter, a fact which has also helped Ruffing compile his splendid record in finishing what he started.

Johnny Allen, the hot-headed Cleveland right-hander, has settled down to gain a number of supporters. Johnny is the strike-out king in the circuit. He has also run up a current streak of nine straight triumphs, giving him a neat won-and-lost mark of fifteen and seven.

Harry Kelley, in his first year with the A's, a rookie despite his advanced age, deserves mention among the top-flight pitchers. The veteran right hander has notched fourteen wins with a team that is trying to lift itself out of the league depths. Harry gets by with a lot of slow stuff and a noodle that works overtime on the mound.

Harder and Bridges Good

The curve ball twins, Tommy Bridges and Mel Harder, rank high in effectiveness. In a fast ball league, their benders loom as the best bets

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FASTEST BALL; FELLER'S FAST

CHAMPIONSHIP
WEEK AT N. Y.
MANY SCRAPS

Canzoneri Meets Am-
bers on Thursday—Al
McCoy Preps For Fall
Battles.

BOSTON, Aug. 31—This is championship week in New York.

Crowley made a good showing in England against Freddie Miller, the National Boxing Association champion, and when he challenged the New York champion to meet him for the Manhattan world's title, the sanction of the commission followed, and the boys will battle next Thursday night at the New York Garden.

Canzoneri Fights Ambers

Old rivals, Tony Canzoneri, the lightweight champion, and Lou Ambers will meet the same evening, Thursday, Sept. 3, the bout being a stand-out inasmuch as they traded wallops in a close and hard battle some time ago.

Canzoneri right now is boxing wonderfully well. Ambers, too, is fighting better than ever, and he says he will beat Tony.

Asked why he thought he would do so, he informed his audience that he is not doing so many jumping jack tricks as he formerly did. In other words, he is set to punch now.

Warrenton at Portland

"Tiger" Terry Warrenton swings into action again Thursday at Portland, Me., where he will meet Buck Tracy, of Everett, in the feature bout of ten rounds.

They are hard hitters and the fans of the Forest City are likely to witness a real old-fashioned slugging match. Immediately after his Portland engagement, Warrenton will embark for Scranton, Pa., where on Sept. 11, he meets Billy Ketchell over the 10-round route.

McCoy Starts Training

Because of his achievements in the ring with Tommy Loughran, a large crowd will wend its way today to the Buckley gymnasium on Friend street to observe Al McCoy, who will start preparing for the fall campaign. Just what his programme is has not been disclosed, but he will probably engage in light exercises until later in the week, when he will do some boxing after he acquires distance by shadow-boxing. Care is essential at present on account of his left eyelid having only recently healed.

JITTERS IN THE KREMLIN

New York Post: Dictatorships seem particularly susceptible to the jitters. The rulers of Soviet Russia seem to have them bad. The latest stories of a terrorist plot by Old Bolsheviks who have been in jail for more than a year, and a link between Hitler and Trotsky, seem fantastic. The good impression made by the new Soviet Constitution and recent moves in the direction of more democratic government are threatened by the Trotsky-Zinoviev-Kamenev "plot" stories.

on numerous occasions. Bridges, the lion-hearted, has fanned more batters than any other pitcher except Allen, he has won fifteen games, one less than the leading Kennedy.

Harder, the league's ace in those all-star pageants, is the winner of fourteen games. While he hasn't hurled a shutout this season, his pitching has been on the steady side.

One of the best gauges of a pitcher's value, earned run tables, is not available and won't be until released by league headquarters after the season is concluded. Grove was the most effective flinger last year. Who will it be this season? Perhaps the answer would give fans a clearer idea of who is the best pitcher. Then again it might not, considering the closeness of the race for individual honors.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1—The only man in baseball today who saw Walter Johnson's start in 1907 and also watched boyish Bob Feller make his major league debut a few days ago says Johnson had a faster speed ball. That man is Charley O'Leary, coach of St. Louis Browns.

"There's been lots of talk about how fast this Feller is," O'Leary said. "And he is fast, perhaps the fastest pitcher in the league, but don't let anyone tell you he's as fast as Johnson."

O'Leary should know. As a Detroit player 29 years ago he saw Johnson pitch his initial game for Washington. Little more than a week ago he saw Feller, 17-year-old Cleveland rookie, humble St. Louis and strike out 15 men—within one of the league record—in his first full game.

"Feller looks to me like the best pitching prospect of the year and he has a great future ahead of him," O'Leary said. "I know he lost to Boston yesterday, but you noticed he struck out five men in five innings. That's going."

AROUND THE BIG LEAGUE

American League
At New York—
Chicago 1
New York 5
Batteries—Dietrich and Shea; Broaca and Dickey.
St. Louis at Washington (Played former date).
Detroit at Philadelphia (Played former date).
Brooklyn at St. Louis (Played former date).

National League
At Chicago—
New York 0
Chicago 1
Batteries—Gabler, Castle and Mancuso; Warnek and Hartnett.
Boston at Pittsburgh (Played former date).
Philadelphia at Cincinnati (Played former date).
Brooklyn at St. Louis (Played former date).

Semi-Final Clubs Battle
to 2-2 Tie at Hub—
Teams on Even Terms.

MONCTON, Aug. 31—Moncton Glants and Saint John Maroons battled nine full innings here tonight to a 2-2 deadlock in the third game of the New Brunswick senior baseball semi-finals. Darkness forced Umpire Joe Dever of Saint John to call the game in the last of the ninth.

The teams will enter the fourth game of the series at Shamrock Park in Saint John on Wednesday night all even in their games to date with a win, loss and draw each.

At the outset of the game tonight it looked as if the Maroons would take the lead in the race for a final berth in the provincial playdowns as they chalked up a run in the opening frame. But in the fifth the Glants took command with two runs and it was not until the sixth that the Maroons could score again to earn the draw.

The tie sent the series to at least five games. A victory for either in Saint John will give them the jump in the series with a pair of wins and one triumph more to enter the finals.

Dick Mockler, youthful Maroon import from Grand Falls, started on the slab for the Saint John city and district champions but was shelved from the mound in the fifth frame after the runs were scored and two opponents left in scoring position. Ira Hannah, the "Iron Man" of Maritime senior ball competition, was ushered into service and after walking his first batter to fill the bases, gained the respect of the large and enthusiastic crowd by turning back the next hitter for the third out of the inning. In the following innings the milkman-hurler allowed but two singles, one in the seventh and the other in the concluding session.

IT'S A GIRL!

NEW YORK, Sept. 1—An eight-pound, 9-ounce girl was born to Mrs. Jack Dempsey, wife of the former heavyweight champion, at 10.11, p.m., last night.

The mother, the former Hannah Williams of the stage, and daughter were "doing fine."

This is the second child and second girl of the couple.

SYD BARTLETT
MISS J. DICKIE
MAKE PROGRESS

Syd Bartlett and Miss Jean Dickie advanced in the mixed doubles section of the York County tennis tournament yesterday by defeating Jim Colby and Miss G. Burt, 6-2, 6-1, in a semi-final match. It was the only match played.

This was Colby's first appearance on the courts since being forced out of play early last week with a sprained ankle.

Sporting Briefs

NEW YORK, Sept. 1—Mike Jacobs, 20th Century Sporting Club promoter, said yesterday he has matched Henry Armstrong of California, claimant of the world's featherweight title, with Pedro Montanez, Puerto Rican light weight, for a 10-round bout here October 14.

NEW YORK, Sept. 1—There isn't a harder loser in baseball than Col. Jake Ruppert, owner of the Yankees. . . . The other day young Horace Stoneham, of the Giants, went to the Stadium to discuss world series arrangements. . . . He found Col. Ruppert worrying his head off, about a 3-1 lead the Yanks had piled up. . . . "You know, I'd feel a lot more comfortable if the boys would go out and get two or three more runs." . . . Incidentally, the visit gave Horace a good load of the Yankee power.

Max Butcher, the Dodger pitcher, hails from Man. W. Va. . . . Tony Canzoneri may get a crack at Barney Ross this fall. . . . Mike Jacobs who has been working on the match for months, hasn't given up the idea. . . . The one man Jesse Owens listens to (had no questions asked) is Bill Robinson, the Negro tap dancer. . . . Too bad about the death of Dave Barry, who refereed the second long count, Dempsey-Tunney battle. Dave always admitted he counted up to 14, but insisted Dempsey wouldn't go to a neutral corner.

HARD TIME AHEAD FOR THE TENNIS STARS

Fred Perry and Helen
Jacobs Are Headed for
Difficult Days.

NEW YORK Aug. 31—If Fred Perry of England and Helen Jacobs of Berkeley, Calif., are to fulfill the experts predictions that they will win the United States men's and women's singles tennis titles, they will have to do it the hard way.

Both Perry, who won the title in 1933-34 and is striving to become the first invader to capture it three times and Miss Jacobs landed in the more difficult brackets today as the United States Lawn Tennis Association completed the draw for the tournaments which start Thursday at Forest Hills, L. I. Eighty nine entries were accepted for the men's championship and 64 for the women's.

Donald Budge, seeded No. one on the American list in the absence of the entry of Wilmer Allison, who has been compelled to forego defence of the title due to a back injury, appeared to have an easier path to the final than Perry.

Perry, who lost the title a year ago in the semi-final round when he fell and was injured in the first set of his match with Allison, is grouped in the upper half among Betsy Grant of Atlanta, Ernie Sutter, New Orleans intercollegiate king; Jacques Brugnon and Pierre Pelizza of France; Sidney Wood of New York and Gene Mako of Los Angeles.

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