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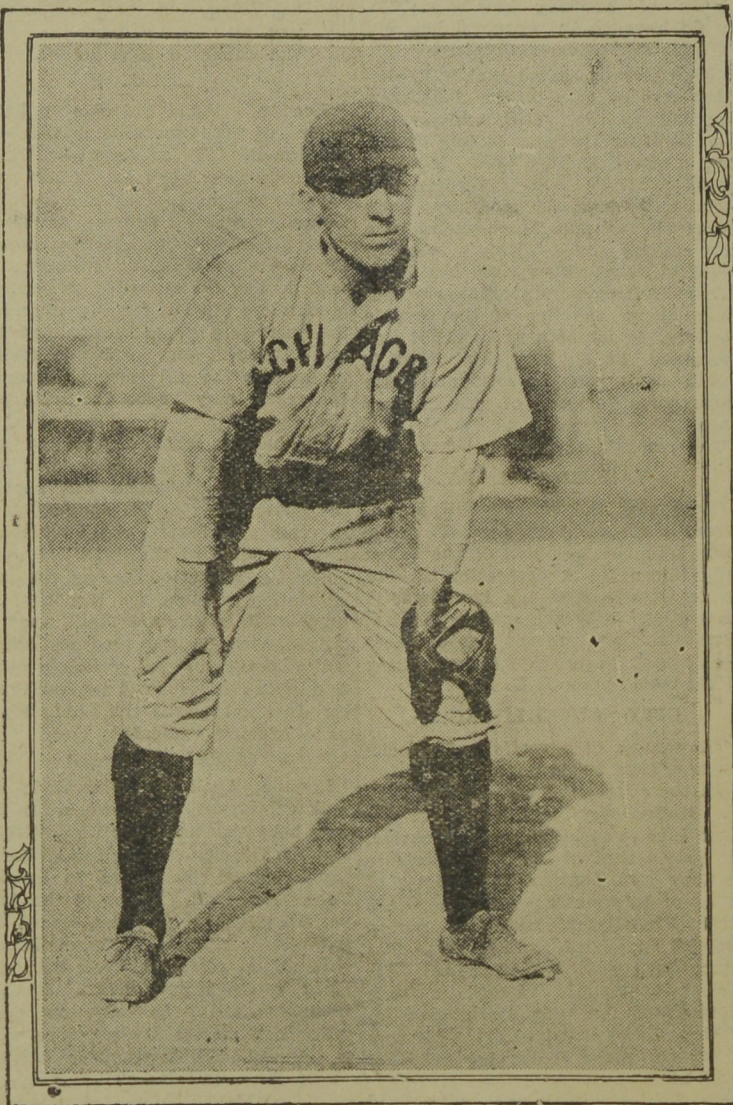
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NEWS OF SPORT



"JOE" TINKER

"Joe" Tinker, the hustling short stop of the Chicago Cubs, is in splendid shape to start the season and to give aid to Frank Chance in his effort to recapture the pennant. Tinker besides being a great fielder is a long distance hitter, and many a game has Joe broken up with one of his famous long swats.

NEW BOOK FOR MADDEN'S GREAT LEXINGTON FARM

The New York Herald says in its columns devoted to horse interests:

"Compiled by W. H. Gocher, secretary of the National Trotting Association, a very elaborate catalogue, or stud book, of the trotting bred horses at John E. Madden's farm, near Lexington, Ky., has just come from the press. The light harness horses at Hamburg Place are the property of Mr. Madden's sons, Edward and Joseph Madden, and they are a notable collection.

Nancy Hanks, 2.04, now twenty-four years old, is one of the blood mares, and her three daughters, Nancy McKerron, 2.10; Markala, 2.18; and Nancy's Todd, the latter a two year old, are others in the select selection. Vice Commodore, 2.11, a grandson of the old trotting queen, is among the stallions.

Most of the blood mares at Hamburg Place are direct descendants of three old-time speed producing mares, viz.: Sophy, by Edwin Forrest; Silverlock, by Mambrino; Time and Mamie, by Star Almont. These mares Mr. Madden calls the tap roots of families from which he is breeding. Sophy is a grandam of Nancy Hanks and of Adrian Wilkes and Ida Wilkes, two noted sires. Silverlock's descendants include Silico, 2.13; a brood mare at Hamburg Place and the dam of Silico, 2.08; and Sister Frances, 2.11. Mamie produced six fillies all of which are in the 2.30 list and four of which are in the 2.20 list. Mr. Madden has almost cornered this remarkable family, fifteen of the brood mares at Hamburg Place being descendants of Mamie in the direct female line.

An unusual and interesting feature of the stud book is the department of "blood lines for reference," in which are published the pedigrees

and something of the history and achievements of the British racehorse Mambrino, his son Messenger, his son Mambrino, his son Abdallah and his son Hambletonian, the latter the real progenitor of the present day breed of trotting horses.

In their analysis of the factors which contributed to the greatness of Hambletonian as a trotting sire Mr. Madden and Mr. Gocher have not neglected to do justice to Bellfounder, the imported English hackney sire that was the sire of his dam, the Charles Kent mare. John H. Wallace and nearly all other early writers on the trotting horse studiously belittled the influence of Bellfounder and gave to Abdallah all the credit for the son Hambletonian; yet no other son of Abdallah got a 2.10 trotter, while Hambletonian's dam also produced the dam of Green's Bradshaw, one of the greatest trotting sires of his time in a country where Indian ponies were more numerous than trotting mares. Hambletonian himself was distinctly of the hackney type, and Alden Goldsmith has said that his actions are very much like Bellfounder.

Perusal of the new stud book discloses the fact that Mr. Madden is experimenting extensively with young and comparatively untried sires. Fanelia, 2.13, the dam of Sadie Mac, 2.06; and of Todd, 2.14, has just foaled a colt by Vice Commodore, 2.11, and is now to be bred to Peter Leyburn, 2.26; by Milton, 2.19. A great many breeders would, if they owned such a mare, send her back to the tried sire of Todd as long as she lived. Brighton, a young stallion that was bred to Nancy Hanks, 2.04, and several other great mares last season, has now been discarded for breeding purposes at Hamburg Place.

CANUCK BOXERS AT HUB

Canada will be represented at the A.A.U. boxing championships in Boston this week by its champions "Bob" Day, heavyweight; Hilliard Lang, 145 rounds; Charlie Christie, 125 pounds; and Scotty McEwen, 115 pounds. All these boxers will wear the I.C.A.C. colors in the ring. They appeared in the preliminaries last night. Tim O'Rourke, the I. C. A. C. manager; Trainer Dom Daly Tom Bird, Hilliard Lang's adviser; Jim Corkery, the I. C. A. C. runner, who will compete in the Boston Marathon and Claude Pearce accompany the boxers.

The first report of an Achille foal for this spring comes from Mr. Geo. W. McKenzie, Rogers Hill, and he described it as "a beautiful black filly as straight as a rush. I am well pleased with it." Good luck to owner and filly!—Eastern Chronicle.

WOMAN PEDESTRIAN RECEIVES OFFERS

San Francisco, Cal., April 11—Every variety of request from "Miss Sears, will you marry me?" to "Will you finance an expedition to the top of Mt. McKinley?" has been received by Miss Eleanor Sears, society Marathon walker, since her recent trip from Burlingame almost to Delmonte.

With the fervid interrogations are lectures from spinsters shocked at Miss Sears' activity, expressions of admiration from schoolboy athletes, and offers from enterprising vaudeville managers.

A moving picture firm also wants the Boston girl to start another hike and allow herself to be pictured pacing out the miles.

Stannage and Casey will be Jennings' regular catchers at the start of the season. Schmidt has been relegated to the rear. Deckendorf is Jennings' fourth catcher.

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BOBBY KERR WILL BE ON DECK AS USUAL

Report of his Retirement Premature--Will Run in England it is Thought--He Says No.

HAMILTON, April 11—When the sprinters line up for the British championships at Stanford Bridge this summer in all probability Bobby Kerr will be among the number. The crack auburn-haired sprinter who breasted the tape in the 220 at the Olympic games in 1908, leaving Cloughen and Cartmel, the United States champions, in his tracks, announced yesterday afternoon that he would not go to England to compete in the championship.

His decision came as a surprise to the sporting fraternity of Hamilton. For some time past a movement has been under way to raise sufficient funds to send Kerr to England, but he declared that if he could again carry off the Canadian championship he would put his running togs on the shelf, and devote his time to coaching a local athletic team.

This year Kerr expects to find enough material in this city to organize a track team, and when the athletic meets begin Hamilton will be out to do things.

Old sprinters who have watched Kerr rapidly forge his way to the front in the sprinting game, think he is not yet due to retire. The way he has shaped up this spring with the few opportunities he has had to get into action outdoors, indicates that he is running as good, if not a shade stronger, than ever.

Kerr's friends will try to persuade him to take in the English championships despite his decision, especially the members of the Hamilton Football Club.

Bobby will try to turn the tables on Cloughen, who defeated him at the 100 in Buffalo recently, at Pittsburgh, on the 18th, where he will also face Rector.

DIAMOND DUST.

Pres. John I. Taylor of the Red Sox may come east to attend the opening game at the Huntington-Ave, grounds, Boston, April 18.

Cleveland's new ball park will seat more than 30,000. All the Naps want now is to be allowed to play Sunday games.

Harry Davis seems likely to be displaced on the Athletics by Ben Houser, whom Connie Mack got from Joe Kelley's Toronto team.

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