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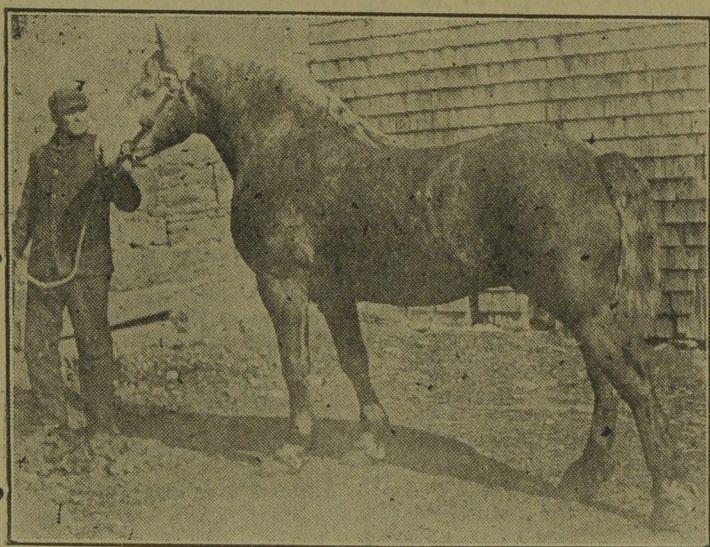
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BASEBALL WAR NOT NEW FEATURE OF THE GAME

Famous Struggles Between Leagues
and Clubs in Past Years---
American-National Combat

Today the minds, if any, of baseball fans are filled with thoughts of war for this day is scheduled to witness the inaugural of the major league baseball season with the Federalistas, as the Mexicans would call 'em pitted against the established order of baseball government. To the old-time fan this situation recalls memories of past battles for baseball supremacy. The National, daddy of all ball leagues was organized in 1876 and held the field without opposition for several years. The old International League, founded in 1877 and its successor, the National Association, launched in 1879 had circuits that did not conflict with the older organization and the same was true of the Eastern Association of 1881 and the American Association of 1882. The Eastern had clubs in Philadelphia and New York which had been expelled from the National League at the close of its first season, and the American Association was represented in Cincinnati, St. Louis and Louisville, which cities had been charter members of the National League but had been dropped. In 1883 the National League put teams in New York and Philadelphia, and in that year the Metropolitans played in the American Association, New York thus being the first city to have two major league clubs in its midst. The first real baseball war broke out in 1884 when the "outlaw" Union Association started with a circuit composed of Baltimore, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington, Altoona, Chicago, Cincinnati and St. Louis. This was one of the most disastrous seasons financially in the history of the game. Three of the Union Association clubs went on the rocks and were replaced by Kansas City, Milwaukee and St. Paul. After that came a period of peace but in 1890 the Brotherhood war broke out. The players' League was formed as a protest against the reserve clause and other methods of the magnates to which the players objected, and clubs were placed in all of the National League cities. Both organizations lost money, and a peace was patched up. The American organization, dissatisfied with the terms of settlement, continued the war another year, with competitors in Boston and Cincinnati. The dove of peace hovered over major league diamonds for several years took flight when Ban Johnson appeared on the scene. After the American League had lured away many of the National's stars and the base ball situation had been utterly demoralized, the National League magnates decided to let Ban in the game.

BIG LEAGUE GAMES

NATIONAL

Philadelphia, 10; New York, 1.
Cincinnati, 10; Chicago, 1.
St. Louis, 2; Pittsburg, 1.
Brooklyn, 8; Boston, 2.

AMERICAN

Washington, 3; Boston, 0.
Chicago, 5; Cleveland, 2.
New York, 8; Philadelphia, 2.
Detroit 3; St. Louis, 2. (thirteen innings.)

FEDERAL

Brooklyn 1; Pittsburg, 0. (ten innings.)

SCHULTZ FOR GRAYS

Detroit, April 13—Pitcher Wallace L. Schultz of the Detroit Americans, was released today by the Providence club of the International League.

BIG CROWD SAW FEDERAL OPENING AT BALTIMORE

Baltimore, April 13—Not since the Baltimore Orioles captured three National League pennants has such a crowd witnessed a game of baseball in this city as today saw the Baltimore club of the Federal League defeat Buffalo by 3 to 2.

Twenty-seven thousand persons saw the game and the gate receipts were a trifle more than \$15,000. The attendance at the New York National League vs Baltimore International League exhibition game was 1600.

Vice Commodore 2.11 will probably go to Russia.

HOCKEY PLAYERS MOST HIGHLY PAID IN THE WORLD

Taylor Receives \$3.33 for Each Minute of Play---
Tris Speaker gets \$1.20 per Minute---Average for
Professional Hockey Players is Higher Than That
for Ball Players

(Toronto Globe).

Some of the statisticians are now delving into dope to prove that baseball players are the highest paid athletes in the world. Tris Speaker's salary for this year is reported to be eighteen thousand dollars and that is taken as the basis of comparison. One soccer scribe has the nerve to state that "players (soccer) in the old land are getting just as princely salaries as the baseball players." L

There is no doubt that the despatch quoted recently from London, as to the average soccer salaries placed the sum rather low, but it is extremely doubtful if there is any soccer player in the old land who is drawing down eighteen thousand dollars for a season's play.

But why go to the old country for a comparison. In the days when Millionaire O'Brien was trying to get an all-star professional hockey team for Renfrew Ont., he didn't stick at paying a few thousand dollars for a player.

On the team for the Creamery City in the first year of the N. H. A., were Frank Patrick, Lester Patrick "Cyclone" Taylor, and other high-priced men. It has been repeatedly declared and never denied that Taylor received four thousand dollars for the season, and both the Patricks something like three thousand five hundred dollars each.

Let us take the case of Taylor as an example. The N. H. A. schedule calls for an average of twenty games at \$4,000 for the season that would be \$200 a game. It takes just sixty minutes to play a hockey match, so Taylor received something like \$3.33 far every minute he was in action in a game, assuming that he played every game, which was not the case.

Now for Speaker. Tris will get \$18,000 and can be called upon to take part in 154 games. Let us take 150 games as the figure, for it will work out easier. On the basis of 150 games Speaker's salary figures as \$120 a game. It takes an average of an hour and forty minutes to play a baseball game. On that basis he gets about \$1.20 for every minute he plays. Consequently Canadian professional hockey can still claim the honors for extravagance.

But it is extremely doubtful if there is a player in Canadian hockey now getting \$4,000 for a season. Taylor is getting something like \$2,000 from the Vancouver club for this season. That average \$100 a game, or still better than Speaker's average as it figures out at \$1.66 a minute. And the average salary in the Coast League this year was \$50 a week or \$1,000 for the season. Even that figure works out pretty close to the record salary in baseball across the line.

CARPENTIER KNOCKS OUT ENGLISH AMATEUR CHAMPION

Paris, April 14—George S. Mitchell the amateur heavyweight champion of the north of England, was knocked out tonight by the French champion Georges Carpentier, in the first round after one minute and thirty-five seconds of fighting. At that he managed to last twenty-two seconds longer against the Frenchman than did Bombardier Wells in his bout with Carpentier at the National Sporting Club in London a few months ago. Mitchell, who is the nephew of P. H. Hingworth, the chief Liberal whip in the British parliament, hails from Bradford. He stands six feet three inches and one hundred and seventy-seven pound about the same weight as Carpentier. He had the advantage, however, of his great height and reach.

In the single round of the fight Carpentier knocked the Englishman down five times. Four times he managed to get to his feet after the count of nine, but on the fifth knock down, the referee counted only as far as six and then said: "Gentlemen the fight is over. This man has had enough."

Mitchell entered the contest, he said, in advance, with no idea of beating Carpentier, he was merely curious to see how long he could last. He displayed great pluck and managed to land one or two blows on the Frenchman's chest and shoulder.

Before he was finally disposed of he delivered one vicious swing which doubtless would have knocked out the Frenchman, but it failed to find the mark by a fraction of an inch. The genuine sporting nature of the match and Mitchell's modesty aroused great interest in England and France, and the gymnasium where the contest took place was crowded to the doors.

OAKES FOR PITTSBURG

Pittsburg, April 13—Enis T. ("Rebel") Oakes, ex-National League player, today was appointed captain of the local team of the Federal League. Oakes plays centrefield for the Federals.

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KID MCCOY SAYS FRENCHMEN WILL NEVER BE HEAVIER

Carpentier Much Over-rated Says the
Kid---French Boxer Learning the
Game From the Ground up

Kid McCoy, who has just returned from France, says Carpentier has an inflated head and will never get the heavyweight championship.

"The average French boxer," says McCoy, "is better than the average American boxer, for the Frenchmen are learning the game from the bottom up. In any gymnasium or roadhouse you visit you'll see them all practising with both hands. Most of our boxers can only hit with one hand."

"The French boys, during the course of a bout, will stand for a time with right hand and right foot extended and then they will shift so that they'll have the left foot and the left hand extended. By this method they are learning a defense that baffles the ordinary opponent."

"I look to see many of them become title-holders in the bantam, feather and lightweight ranks. The reason that they'll never be successful in the heavyweight class is their natural lack of size. None of them has sufficient height and weight to reach the top rung in the division which Jack Johnson now holds the belt."

"They are just going dippy over that bout between the big black and the Pittsburgh boxer," says the Kid. "I wouldn't be surprised if they drew a \$150,000 house. It is the opinion over there that Moran is likely to win, as Johnson has been going along hitting the high places and any one knows that they can't do that for four years and enter the ring in fit physical condition."

CARPENTIER'S BIG PRICE.

Snowy Baker, the Australian promoter, who is abroad looking for boxers to send to the Antipodes, has finally got George Carpentier, the French champion, to agree to make the trip. Baker had to come up to his price, however, and not until he agreed to give the French boxer \$50,000 and three first class return tickets for three contests would Carpentier consent to make the trip.

In addition to signing Carpentier, the promoter signed Louis DePonthieu, the champion featherweight of France, to go to Australia. The latter is the boxer that Frank Erne, the ex-lightweight champion, brought and developed in this country.

The amount that is to be given Carpentier is the largest that has been offered any boxer to go to Australia. Carpentier will surely make the investment a profitable one for the promoter.