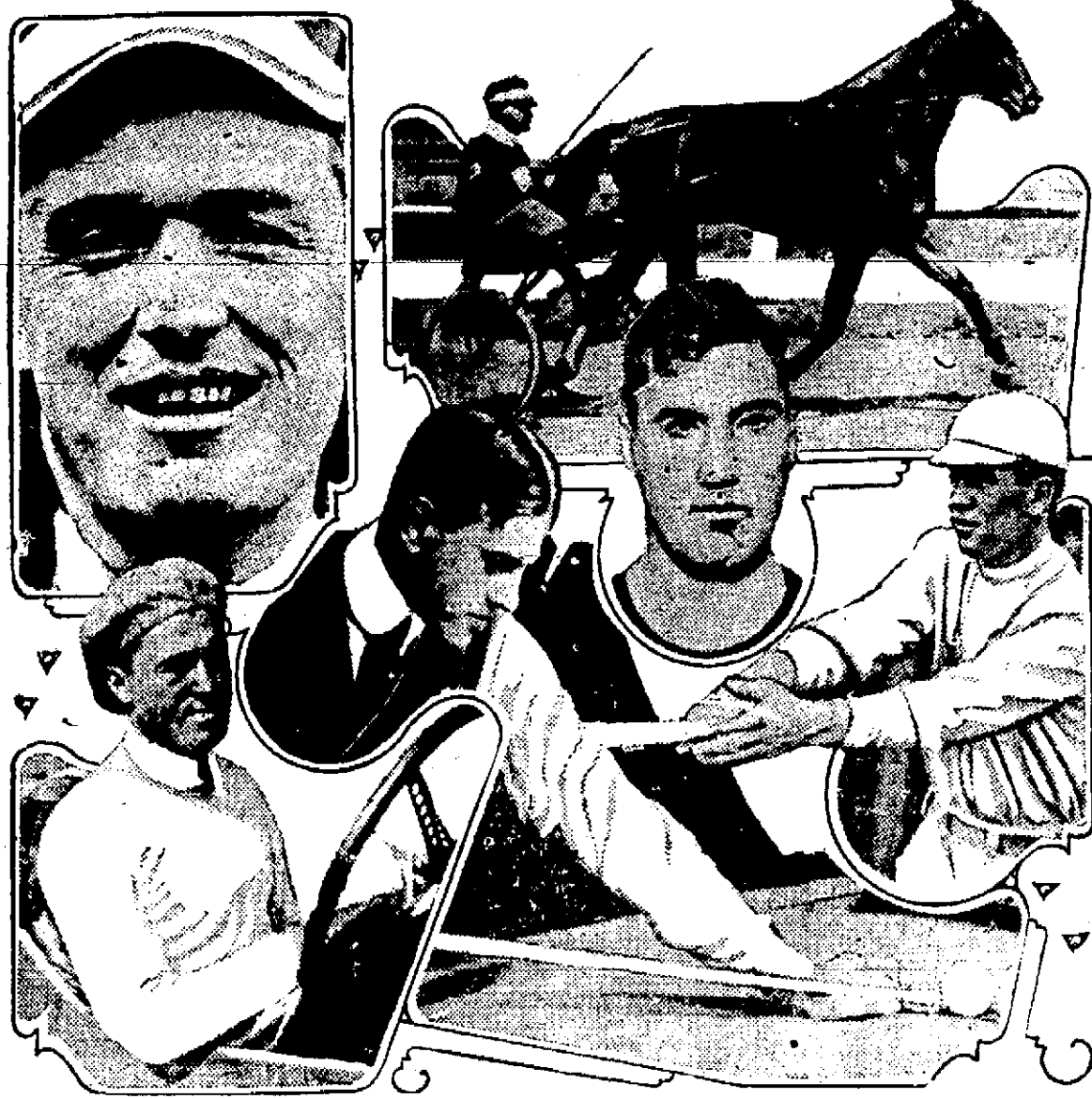


LATE SPORTING NEWS

HIGH STANDARD SET IN PROFESSIONAL SPORTS THROUGH 1916



Above: Bill Carrigan and Lee Axworthy. Below, left to right: Dario Resta, William Hoppe, Jess Willard and Tris Speaker.

The past year of professional sport has had an unusually high class of competition in every department. Among its most prominent performances were the Giants' wonderful winning streak in baseball and the remarkable time made by the year's trotting sensation, Lee Axworthy. Soldiers before has there been seen in every field of sport a pace by all competitors approaching so closely to championship speed. Winners everywhere the past year have been well worthy of their laurels.

Though it had just been through the fire of war, organized baseball seems to have regained all of its old prestige. The disposal of various sorts of dissension in baseball has been one of the most helpful happenings of the year past. The national game seems to be ready for a greater prosperity now than ever before. The two major leagues exhibited pennant races more thrilling and tightly fought than any the game has seen for many years. Till within a few days of the playing season's close it was a matter of doubt just who would be performers in the world's series.

Speaker Brightest Star.
The Giants' great winning streak was another of baseball's most notable performances and several times through the season it seemed that the Giants were almost sure to have part in the world series. Tris Speaker did what no one else has been able to do in many years when he beat Ty Cobb in the chase for batting honors, and Tris also copied the title of being the most brilliant individual performer as well as the player of greatest value to his team. The Red Sox's easy capture of the world's championship again, under Bill Carrigan's guidance, was another leading feature of the year.

Lee Axworthy, the wonderful young trotter, gets the palm as the brightest performer of the season on the turf. Not only one but several times was the old trotting record broken till finally it was brought down to 1:58 1/2. At the Syracuse Grand Circuit meeting the world's mark was lowered to 2 flat by this trotter and a short time later at Lexington this time was bettered by half a second. On October 7 at Lexington, the 1:58 1/4 mark was made.

Willard Retains Title.
The only occurrence that could be considered important in heavy weight

fight circles was Jess Willard's one bout of the year at New York when he went ten rounds with Frank Moran. Moran, however, fell so far short of giving Willard competition that the fight stirred small excitement. Willard's inactivity seems to have brought him so much extra weight that he is not eager to train for another fight and has confessed that he will be glad when he is through with the game for keeps. Both Freddie Welsh, lightweight champ, and Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champ, defended their titles successfully in the course of the year, Welsh beating Charley White at Denver and Kilbane knocking out George Chaney, touted as a k.o. terror, when the two met at Cedar Point. The rise of Bennie Leonard in lightweight circles is one of the features of the past year of boxing.

No great excitement seems to have been had in billiards. William Hoppe, the brilliant champ, defended all of his titles without being very closely pressed at any time. In one tournament he broke his high-run record at 18.2 ballkine with a total of 398. The death of Firmin Cassagnol meant the loss of one of the billiard world's most brilliant figures and Hoppe's strongest opponent.

By winning six of the eleven races in which he took part Dario Resta, the Italian auto speed king, won the title of the season's greatest racer. Resta won the Indianapolis and Omaha sweepstakes as well as the Derby at Chicago and the Vanderbilt cup race. He won two other less important races. He made over \$52,000 in prize money and has the title in the first American championship competition.

CLEVELAND'S OUTFIELDERS RANK AS BEST THROWING TRIO IN BASEBALL



Bobby Roth (left), Tris Speaker (top right) and Jack Graney.

This Speaker, Jack Graney and Bobby Roth of the Cleveland Indians were without doubt the greatest trio of throwers from outfield in major league ball-dom during 1916. Tris led the Cleveland contingent with twenty-five assists, Graney following close behind him with twenty-two, while Roth brought up the rear with twenty.

AMONG THE BOXERS.

That Charlie White-Benny Leonard match which has been on again and off again so much of late, may be on again in about two weeks.

Johnny Kilbane's ambition to knock Freddie Welsh's crown off and thus wear a double title himself may be realized now that they have got together on the weight question and agreed to meet in a ten-round go at New York.

Billy Kramer, Milwaukee, handled Stockyards Tommy Murphy of Chi-

cago a stiff lacing in a six-round bout at Philadelphia Monday afternoon.

Ivo (Pep) Lanning, welter of Merrill Park, is seeking a bout with Billy Mantz at Janesville January 7. Lanning is also anxious to arrange a contest with Eddie Black of St. Louis at some local club.

Roy Moore of Minneapolis and Jack Douglas of San Francisco have been matched for a ten-round go at Minneapolis January 12. In the semi-Jack Rose of Milwaukee will battle Joe Burger of Minneapolis.

Mike McNulty, manager of Johnny Ertle, has taken charge of Billy Whelan, the Twin City lightweight. Ertle has been matched to meet Young Cou-

ATHLETES RESOLVE TO BE PREPARED

WILL KEEP IN PHYSICAL TRIM IN READINESS TO DEFEND THE UNITED STATES

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—A resolution endorsing physical preparedness in the cause of national defense was adopted today by the National Collegiate Athletic Association. It was a substitute for one proposed by the conference committee on national preparedness and was reported by a committee composed of Professor H. A. Farr and George W. Ehler of Madison, Wisconsin. The resolution follows:

Resolved, that this convention call upon all affiliated persons to give their entire support to the cause of the national defense to the end, that the nation shall be assured of immunity from invasion and that all members be urged to emphasize the necessity of physical preparedness on the part of each individual.

Amateur Status Defined.
An amateur athlete was decided by the convention to be "one who participates in competitive physical sports only for the pleasure and the physical, mental, moral and social benefits directly derived therefrom, as suggested by the Athletic Research Society. The vote on this question was 24 to 11.

Delegates From All Sections.
For the first time in the history of the association delegates were present today from all the districts. They came from local conferences all over the United States, including the Rocky Mountain country, the Pacific coast and the south, representing more than 200 colleges, demonstrating the national character of the organization.

Indorses Football Rules.
Summarizing a joint report made by Chairman E. K. Hall, football rules committee, and himself, Dr. Harry L. Williams, coach of the Minnesota football team said: "It is not too much to say that the present rules have given us the best game of football that we have ever had and it is to be hoped that the rules will be allowed to remain about as they are."

Favorable reports also were read on track athletes, basketball and swimming.

DUFFY WILL BATTLE BRITTON FOR TITLE



Jimmy Duffy.

Jimmy Duffy, the Lockport fighter, who while a lightweight beat almost everyone in the division, will battle Jack Britton at Buffalo New Year's day for the welterweight title.

Ion at Jamestown, N. Y., about January 20.

Johnny Tillman has been matched to box Brayon Downey in Columbus, O., on January 1.

Charlie White of Chicago outboxed Harry Pierce of Brooklyn in each round of a ten round match in Brooklyn Monday. Pierce weighed 132 pounds and White 137.

In one of the greatest ten round bouts ever seen in New York Frankie Burns and Pal Moore went ten rounds to a draw Monday. It was nip and tuck all the way, first one having the lead, then the other.

Tom Cowler, English heavyweight, outpointed Gunboat Smith in a fast ten round boxing match at Rochester Monday afternoon. Cowler had the advantage in eight rounds. Cowler weighed 207 and Smith 183.

MIDGETS TO PLAY STANLEY TONIGHT

This evening at seven-thirty the Continental Midget basketball team of the Y. M. C. A. will meet the fast quiet from Stanley. This has been a long anticipated game and the two teams have put all their efforts into practice. This game will weed out one of the contenders for the state midget basketball championship. The lineup for the game will be: Stakes 1, g.; Hartwell r. g.; Bertsch, c.; Curtiss, f. f.; Trestrail l. f.; Wing and Peterson r. f.

FINAL BASKETBALL GAMES TONIGHT

PARENTS ARE INVITED TO SEE SONS CAVORT IN "Y" GYM. THIS EVENING

Boys from the different classes at the Y. M. C. A. will compete in the final basketball games of this season. Each class has a league which has been playing two and three times a week since the first of October. Some of the leagues are close enough so that the game tonight will decide who are champions for this season. In the employed boys' league, Glen Bartlett's Wanderers are at the top with 31 points. Joe Prokop's Ramblers and Melvin Larson's All Stars are tied for second with 29 points. Vernon Cleasby's All Stars are at the bottom with 20 points. In the Intermediate class:

Wisconsin, Capt. Elliott, 52 pts. Yale, Capt. Sulver, 41 pts. Harvard, Capt. LaLonde, 38 pts. Chicago, Capt. Mittelstadt, 20 pts. In the Junior class, Floyd Hastie's Pirates are at the top with 44 1/2 points. Art Bartlett's White Sox second, 43 points. Ned Allen's Braves 42 1/2 points. Harold Running's Red Sox, 24 1/2 points.

Saturday afternoon at 2:30 the Prep class will give a gym exhibition and have the final relay races in their league. The standing: Giants, Danny Francis, 47 pts. Cubs, Billy Branham, 32 pts. Young Americans, Gordon Stein, 31 pts. Athletes, Lee Lutz, 19 pts.

This is an opportunity for the parents of the boys to see the activities in the gym and pool. Everybody is cordially invited to these exhibitions.

SHOOTING KEEPS HIS EYES BRIGHT



Jake Daubert.

Capt. Jake Daubert of the Robins has been keeping his batting eye bright this winter by doing a great deal of bird and rabbit shooting in the vicinity of his home, near Pottsville, Pa. Incidentally Jake has invested his share of the world's series money in Pottsville real estate.

WILSON PUTS BAN ON PEACE MOVE NEWS.

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especially emphatic tonight in saying that Germany necessarily would be able to make much terms in confidential negotiations better than in public. The radical element in German politics, it is said, must be considered. In admitting today that no further communication had accompanied the German or the Austrian reply to the president's note officials stated flatly that such questions to this effect in the future would not be answered.

President Wilson, believing that the peace discussions may go on for months, is looking forward to the most arduous and troubled work on foreign affairs that he has ever faced.

The president is said to realize that a complete failure of the peace negotiations probably would be followed by very serious difficulties with Germany over the submarine issue.

TIMES DYNAMITER IS GIVEN 10 YEAR SENTENCE.

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 28.—David Kaplan, last of the alleged dynamiters brought to trial for the destruction of the Los Angeles Times building in 1910, when 20 men were killed, was sentenced today to ten years in San Quentin penitentiary on a charge of manslaughter. The court granted a certificate of probable cause for appeal, which will suspend execution of sentence until there is a decision of this expected appeal.

MAN EJECTED FROM SALOON DIES; SALOONKEEPER HELD.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 28.—A coroner's jury late today recommended that Frank Teich, a saloonkeeper, be held for further investigation in connection with the death of Thomas Kearney, formerly steward of the Riverside Club, Elgin, Ill., who died of a fractured skull sustained when he fell on the sidewalk after being ejected from Teich's saloon.

FARGO, N. D.—John A. Fortin, manager of the North Dakota branch of Crane & Ordway, St. Paul, died at his home here yesterday.

ON THE VALUE OF FOOTBALL

HELD BY COLLEGE PROFESSOR TO BUILD UP AN IDEAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—In an address on "The Value of Football," delivered at the eleventh annual convention of the National Collegiate Athletic Association here today, Prof. Raymond Garfield Gettell of Amherst College, said:

"A phenomenon of frequent recurrence in widely separated times and places has been the intense general interest in games or contests manifested by those peoples who held the leading place in the civilization of their day. The Olympic games in Greece, the gladiatorial contests in Rome, and the tournaments of the Middle Ages alike were characterized by the enthusiastic zeal of those actively engaged, by the presence of crowds of frenzied spectators, and by the interest and attention centered upon them by the public at large. All these athletic carnivals were subjected to severe criticism in their age, yet they increased in popularity in spite of opposition and declined only with the decadence of the peoples interested or with changes in culture that made them no longer possible. In the modern world, Teutonic peoples hold the reins of power, and among them great football, baseball and cricket contests inspire wide spread interest and enthusiasm.

"As might be expected, football has been subjected to unusually severe criticism. The danger to life and limb, the accompanying evils of gambling, professionalism, or unsportsmanlike methods, the enormous expenditures, the comparatively small number who actually take part in proportion to the numerous spectators, the false standards created in the minds of growing school boys, the over-emphasis on athletics in general in colleges and universities—these are some of the direct accusations that the sport has been compelled to face.

"In spite of these criticisms and these defects, however, football has become during the autumn season the preeminent sport, especially in American schools and colleges. The football 'star' is a college hero; ambition to make the team is a chief desire in the mind of many a student, and pride over football victories is a powerful stimulant to loyal college spirit.

"Football, while retaining the virtues of physical combat, remedies its worst evils by emphasizing organization, co-operation and obedience. These necessitate self-sacrifice, subordination, mutual aid and fair play. They discipline the individual, teach self-control and inculcate principles of honor and loyalty. Especially do they build up an ideal."

WOULD KEEP GOLD IN UNITED STATES

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Bankers here heard last night that cable instructions had been sent out by A. Bonar Law, British chancellor of the exchequer, in conjunction with Bank of England officials, to all British banks and banking agencies in this city directing them to discourage further shipments of gold to the Argentine—public and in general all gold shipments from the United States to any country.

The main reason for this is regarded here as being the desire of the British government to keep the New York money market as easy as possible to enable it more successfully to float a new British loan in the United States.

The allies have been big buyers of raw materials in Argentine since the war began. Sterling exchange there has been rather steadily quoted at from one to two points below the exchange rate in New York and as a result the Argentine republic has accepted sterling bills for its shipments to the allies and later sold them in New York at a profit and drawn on the city's gold in payment.

121 MORE APPOINTEES TO OFFICERS' RESERVE CORPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Names of 121 additional appointees to the officers' reserve corps created by the national defense act were made public today at the war department. They have been assigned in grades ranging from second lieutenant to major, both to line and staff divisions of the army, and are subject to call for active service in time of war.

HOAN DISAGREES WITH CLERGYMEN

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 28.—Mayor Daniel A. Hoan told a delegation of forty ministers that he would not give them a hearing on their demands to place the "lid" on New Year's eve until they had repudiated their statement that Milwaukee would be "wide open" during the celebration period.

The ministers then waited upon Chief of Police John T. Jansen who informed them that it was his intention to uphold the law.

Most of Milwaukee's hotels have licenses conforming to the "dance hall" ordinance which permits of music and dancing, but Chief Jansen stated recently that he would not countenance anything of a boisterous nature which may be attempted at any of the hotels or cafes on New Year's eve.

BELLANS Absolutely Removes Indigestion. One package proves it. 25c at all druggists.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Only Cheerful Words This Time—Mr. Liebau.

To the Leader:
This time, Mr. Editor, I hope you will look at my writing without suspicion, because I am not going to hurt anyone's feeling; on the contrary I want to try to make everyone feel better and hap-

py. It is an old custom, on the turning point of the years we bring to our relatives, friends, superiors, business relations and others our "best wishes" for another happy year. It might be true most of these wishes come from a sincere heart and mind, but it might also be true that some are offered, because it is even a custom and nothing is meant by it.

I also come to you that you may as a mediator deliver through your paper my sincere wishes to all mankind that they may be spared for the future from a very painful and detrimental sickness. I have chances to look in many newspapers and in all of them I find remedies offered against that most dreadful of all sickness, rheumatism. These many remedies and their much advertisement cause the belief that this sickness is not only most prevailing, but it also seems there has not been discovered a real remedy, because we still meet continuously many sufferers of that disease.

As you know Mr. Editor, that I am in possession of a heart full of compassion and pity for my fellow-men, I offer to them a good remedy as of a new years present. It might not be a universal remedy either, but it helped me and it might help others.

Generally I have been all my life a very healthy boy, but several times I have been attacked by rheumatism and each time in a manner, so I was not able to stand, walk, sit or lie down for any length of time, nothing to say about doing any kind of work. I tried every known medicine and doctors prescriptions, finally I was all right again, but after years, when the next attack came, I was not able to determine which remedy helped me, or if it came out all right from itself, so I had to go through the same trouble again.

It is about 18 years when the last attack came. It made me so desperate, I could have done anything to get relief. Then it came to me that I had a long fever, that bee stings would be a good remedy. I wondered why I did not remember it earlier. I did not reflect very long. I donned a pair of new overalls, the smell of which makes me very angry, put the veil over the head (I did not care much to be stung, but I did not like it in the face) besides I put on an overcoat and mittens. I had the most pain in the calf of the right leg, so I turned the trousers up and made one of my colonies specially angry by pounding upon the cover of the hive then lifted the cover entirely. In a moment I was covered with bees from head to foot and they pricked my leg fiercely, though I will state right here it was not worse than to have a tooth extracted. I indulged in that medicine for a while, but suddenly I found out some of the little rascals, or more correct beneficiaries had forced their way through some meshes of the veil and caused me a feeling in the face which you surely will doubt, very much if I would say it was nice. In fact it caused my concentration backward and even in a most lively tempo. My family had watched the performance from the porch and when I approached the children fled just as quick into the house, because I was still surrounded by a thick cloud of angry bees. Only my good wife met the attack courageously. With a broom she brushed all the bees off until I was able to complete my retreat into the house where my wife took more than fifty stings from the flesh. How many bees stung me without losing their weapon, we had no idea. This happened late in the afternoon and after one hour I became so dizzy and sleepy, I went to bed immediately and slept soundly until the next morning. When I got up my rheumatism was gone entirely and has not come back yet. I told many of my suffering friends of this remedy but I do not know if anyone has tried it. The medicine is not nice to take, but I think it is worth a trial.

REINHOLD LIEBAU.
Eau Claire, Wis. Dec. 29, 1916.

MAN WHO NAMED ELKS DIES AT AGE OF 72.

PLAINFIELD, N. J., Dec. 28.—Francis Charles Langhorne, who was a member of a committee that selected the name for the fraternal order of Elks, died at his home here yesterday. He was 72 years old, and was born in New York. His vote is said to have decided the choice of the Elks instead of Buffaloes.

Why Rubber Tires Grew Hot.

When an automobile is running at high speed the rubber tires are rapidly warmed, and the heat sometimes becomes very great, with resultant injury to the rubber. The cause of this accumulation of heat in the tire is ascribed to the kneading of the rubber, which generates heat faster than it can be radiated away. For this reason manufacturers have found it to be an advantage to have metal parts in the tread, such as the ends of rivets, in contact with the tire, because the metal, being a good radiator, helps to carry off the heat to the outer air.

VALLEY CITY, N. D.—Valley City will entertain the annual convention of the Stangoverlaget of America, which will convene here about June 21.

WINONA, Minn.—Thomas Severson, 21 years old, died at his home at Cedar Creek as the result of being kicked in the chest by a horse.

WANTS ZEHRRUNG OUT OF WESTERN LEAGUE



Frank Isbell.

Frank Isbell, president, half-owner and manager of the Des Moines club of the Western league, is leading a movement to have Frank Zehrrung of Lincoln ousted from the Western league presidency.