

MIKE AND PAUL A GOOD MATCH

But If McTigue Fails Beat Berlenbach Chance of Ever Getting Back in Popular Favor Appears Slim.

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New York, Sept. 16.—Mike McTigue can help his reputation a lot by beating Paul Berlenbach when the two meet in the city next month. If Mike can make a good showing against any top-notch fighter, Paul would seem to be the lad made to order for him.

For Michael is clever and has done his best work against clouters who have little skill as an asset. McTigue will not be risking his title as a world's champion evidently and he is in the happy position of not having much to lose in this battle. This is because his reputation is not high, and because every one believes that any good fighter of his weight ought to beat him.

Should McTigue, therefore, outpoint Berlenbach by a wide margin—there seems no chance he could score a knockout—he will be in demand for some paying bouts.

Mike is not taking any chances of being rusty when he meets the former wrestler. On October 1, he will box a light heavyweight yet to be named out in Ohio. The best man obtainable will be secured as McTigue's opponent, say the promoters.

Young Stribling is going to make his Boston debut next Tuesday against a tough middle weight, Tommy Robson of Malden, Mass. The bout will go ten rounds to a decision and is certain to attract a great crowd of spectators who have yet to see the Dixie youth in action. Stribling must be made of rubber, the way he is barnstorming the country, fighting here, there and everywhere. Some day he will go too far and run into a snag.

New York, Sept. 16.—Pennsylvania may ask a favor of New York State in relation to the projected Walker Barrett fight in Philadelphia, or, the matter may be submitted as a mere common-sense proposition.

To come to the point, the Pennsylvania commission will intercede with the New York body in behalf of Walker. The Quakers think Walker should be permitted to mingle with Bobbie without being misled by the New York solons.

Walker went to the Pennsylvania commission about the Barrett matter.

"All I want to do," he said, "is to make some money. In the past two years everything has been going out and little coming in. The blow-up of the Lenoard fight cost me a lot since I had passed several good offers."

"Now I want to dig in and make my bank balance look like something. I'm willing to meet Shad, but I think I ought to have a fight packed away first. Besides, I need the money."

The Pennsylvanian's told him to go ahead and get ready to do battle against Barrett and promised to present the matter to the New York commission in an appealing way.

Just now there seem to be prospects of a Gibbons-Taney battle and of all fights that have been held or promised this year, that particular prospect thrills the writer.

There would be science a plenty—and some hard wallops. But somehow Gibbons appeals to the writer as too knowing and strong for Gene to tackle just yet awhile.

YOUNG STRIBLING TO FIGHT AT RALEIGH

Raleigh, Sept. 16.—Young Stribling was yesterday signed up to meet Vic McLaughlin here on September 27.

Major League Scores

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Monday's Scores
Pittsburgh, 4; Boston, 3.
No other games.

Standing of Teams.

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	86	55	.610
Brooklyn	86	57	.601
Pittsburgh	82	56	.594
Cincinnati	76	65	.539
Chicago	74	64	.536
St. Louis	59	82	.415
Philadelphia	51	89	.364
Boston	48	93	.340

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Monday's Scores
New York, 2; Chicago, 0.
St. Louis, 4; Boston, 2.
Washington, 0; Detroit, 2.

Standing of Teams.

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Washington	82	59	.582
New York	82	59	.582
Detroit	79	64	.553
St. Louis	74	69	.517
Cleveland	66	77	.461
Philadelphia	62	78	.443
Boston	62	81	.433
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TIGERS KEEP IN THE RACE

Will Take Playing on Own Part and Loss of Form by Washington But Detroit Has Chance.

New York, Sept. 16.—The Detroit Tigers kept themselves in the running in the spirited American League race by defeating the Washingtons on Sunday and Monday but their only chance now is to trim the Yanks and then wipe up the floor with Boston and Philadelphia. Even then it is no certainty that the Washingtons would not win out.

Last week showed the greatest loss to Brooklyn of any of the National League contenders and the most beneficial gain to Pittsburgh. The Giants moved evenly. The Brooklyn now have two more defeats chalked against them than the New Yorks, and as has been remarked before, it is the blooming defects which do everlastingly eat up a team's earnings at this stage of the race.

More and more it looks as if the National League pennant may be decided by the difference between the New York and the Brooklyn clubs on their season series which is a matter of three games. Pittsburgh will have to clean up both of them in order to have a look in.

The Yankees had a grand chance to tie Washington for the lead on Sunday but Thurston pitched against them one of the better class of games which he delivered earlier in the season and the White Sox were enabled thereby to break their winning streak. Washington, to maintain its speed against Detroit, should have won the Sunday game. That would have given the Senators 15 victories for the season against the

Tigers. It is very doubtful if the Washingtons are really a 15 team against Detroit.

Brooklyn and Cincinnati have finished their season's series. So have New York and St. Louis in the National. Brooklyn won 12 games and Cincinnati 10. That is a bigger triumph for Brooklyn than it appears to be because at the beginning of the season Cincinnati was regarded as a 15-7 combination against Brooklyn.

The Giants beat the Cardinals 13 times and the Cards whaled the champions nine times. That is a percentage of 591 for the Giants and since the Giants are over 600 in the result shows that the Cards have labored pretty well against the champions.

If Pittsburgh should come through and win the pennant no little credit will be due to Emil Yde, the young pitcher who is carrying his first year in the National League. The fine game he pitched in Boston on Saturday, after he had been joined for his second defeat of the season on his previous start, showed that the young man has courage and confirms the opinion that was held of him in the West last year.

His Oklahoma City friends asserted repeatedly that Yde would prove the best first year pitcher that either League had taken on for 1924. They were right. For once, a prediction about a colt pitcher has come true. And the thing that helps most is that everybody in Oklahoma had faith in him when big league scouts had turned him down.

Over in Brooklyn they take

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Question—In a game on a muddy field a player tackles the back carrying the ball who has reached the defending player's two yard line. The ball carrier is downed but slides on across the goal line. Is this a touchdown? The tackler of course goes over the line grasping the back.

Answer—Not according to the Rules Committee who in an opinion on the subject says the ball should go back to the two yard line, or wherever first tackled. Rule 6, Section 13(a) is brought forth to bulwark this ruling. But the writer cannot see that it applies. In other words, were the writer the referee he would feel the scoring side was rightfully entitled to its score. On the other hand the approved ruling of the Rules Committee and not the referee's personal opinion is the thing that stands.

Question—In a football game played with the fence behind the goal very close to the field of play a back carries the ball over the line and then fumbles it. In the scramble to get it the ball bounces over the fence. A member of the team which had carried the ball back of the line scales the fence and falls on the ball. Is this a touchdown?

Answer—Yes, unless there has been a ground rule to some other effect.



New York, Sept. 16.—The defeat of England at polo in the first game of the series was foregone. So, unless all signs are at fault, is an American victory in the remaining two games, even with Stevenson, the regular No. 3 out of the game.

There was every suggestion in the play of the British on Saturday of a team of individuals. They seemed more intent upon following the ball than upon playing their opponents and as a consequence the American four was

their baseball seriously. Every Sunday now the fans almost tear down the park to get themselves all in. They not only want the Brooklyn to win but they want both the Giants and the Yanks to lose. Washington is the choice of the Brooklyn fans as the American League pennant winner. Perhaps they would like to see Dazzy Vance and Walter Johnson hooked up in an epochal pitcher's battle.

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able of look much more finished than it would have looked against men who understood the principles of play as well as they did and were thus in a position to checkmate them.

This is not saying that the American outfit was not first class in every way and perfectly geared for the supreme test. At the same time against a high type of game it would have been out of the question for the Americans to have given so adequate and graphic an exhibition of how polo offense should be conducted.

The attack lined itself out so beautifully, two forwards parading over the ball and the No. 3 or back coming up to hit it, as to cause old internationalists who have been accustomed to seeing formations of the sort smashed to and plans frustrated, to rub their eyes in amazement.

Was this, they asked, the greatest American international team ever organized? Or was there something wrong with the British? Answers, frankly uttered, would be that this is not the greatest American international team and that there was something decidedly wrong with the invading four.

What was wrong? First the British have advanced polo to the American standard. This was demonstrated most completely in the international service series last year when officers representing the American army, wherein the game is comparatively new,

snowed under a representative British polo four.

Of course heavy losses in the war have been largely responsible for a certain backwardness in the game overseas—but even so the English would have gone further had they developed their game along lines which experience against American teams here and abroad must have shown them more enlightened than their own.

JIMMY MURPHY IS KILLED IN THE RACE

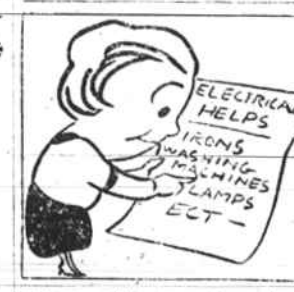
Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 16.—Jimmy Murphy, famous auto racing driver, was killed in a race here yesterday afternoon when his auto jumped the track on a curve.

FRANK CHANCE DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Los Angeles, Sept. 16.—Frank Chance, manager of the Chicago White Sox, died here last night after a prolonged illness.

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