

JAP BABE RUTH FALLS IN U. S.

Unable to Solve American Pitchers' Curves; Japs Love to Play.

Chicago, June 23.—American college pitchers have proved too much for K. Tanaka, center-fielder on the Waseda University Japanese ball team now touring the United States. In the Tokyo college league Tanaka is known as the "Babe Ruth" of the league. He holds a record of six home runs in six games during last winter's season in Japan, but thus far he has failed to solve the American puzzlers for a circuit.

G. Taniguchi, the Japs' star left-hander, has been likewise unable to duplicate his record made in Tokyo, during his American trip. Last winter he pitched two no-hit, no-run games for the Japanese team.

Taniguchi is mainly a swift drop, with which he has often retired his opponents with two strikes in a row. Taniguchi is 20 years old and a freshman. He has two good right-handers, S. Matsumoto and F. Arita.

In the last of the three games series with the University of Chicago, Arita replaced Taniguchi in the 7th inning with the bases full and two out. He pitched the next man up, but when Chicago filled the sacks again in the 8th, a single drove in two runs and lost the game and the series for the Nipponese.

Matsumoto is a short little fellow, quite in contrast to J. Kull, the catcher, who is probably the tallest man on the team. In practice Matsumoto has pitched uphill to his lanky receiver, Kull crouches behind the plate, he picks off the speediest balls and unwinds himself in ample time to whip them over to second.

Captain S. Takamatsu, the left-handed pitcher, is a lively player and eastern baseball men told him he was worth a substitute's berth in major league ball, according to H. S. Benninghoff, an American professor of political science at Waseda who is manager of the American team.

T. Kato and T. Oshito cover left and right field, respectively. N. Tomonaga plays second. T. Kubota occupies the third in lively American fashion at short. The third baseman, J. Ishii, is one of the best all-around men on the team. J. Nagano is the reserve pitcher.

The Japanese seem to have a different psychological slant on baseball than the Americans. The whole team plays with constant smiles, wrestling their countenances and a mistake means only an excuse for another display of pearly teeth. They are an alert lot of ballplayers, never still, and always eager to get at the ball. There is none of the serious expression or half-bangy look which is seen on the faces of most American ballplayers in the middle of a hot game.

Real pleasure in playing the game comes out all over the Jap team. So eager are they to "get into the game" that twice during the last game with Chicago players collided in the field in their scramble after the ball. Each time they came up smiling and took the mistake good-naturedly.

Champ Takes 24-Hour Lay-Off

LATE FIGHT DOPE

No Chance For Carp To Rest

DEMPSEY CARPENTIER

Atlantic City, N. J., June 24.—Jack Dempsey today is celebrating his 29th birthday by taking a 24-hour lay-off from all training activities. The champion did no real work and suspended his usual gymnasium exercises. The camp was closed to the public for the day and his sparring partners rested up preparatory to the resumption of boxing tomorrow.

Dempsey received a hundred or more telegrams from admirers and relatives extending birthday greetings and wishing him good luck in his defense of the championship against Carpentier in Jersey City, July 2. He looked eagerly forward to a message he expects from his mother in Salt Lake City.

With the championship battle only eight days away Dempsey is progressing so rapidly in his training and is in such splendid condition that Manager Jack Keenan has decided he will not require the services of Kid Norfolk, the negro heavyweight, Harry Greb, Mike Gibbons, and others who were expected to be in Dempsey's camp for the final week of training.

It is planned to have the champion and his party leave here late in the afternoon a week from today and spend the night in Jersey City, quietly at a private residence. He will remain in seclusion in Jersey City until time to go to the arena.

Title Battles of The Heavyweights

Jack Dempsey played the accompaniment to Jess Willard's swan song on July 4, 1919, at Toledo, O. It was all over in the third round. Jess got \$100,000 for the fight, but he lost the amount Caruso earns in a whole opera. Dempsey got \$27,000.

The champion fell down and got up so many times in the first round that the referee became dizzy from counting, and failed to hear the bell. This was on the fifth lissan between Willard and the floor.

The going slowed feebly on the seventh round, but Referee Ford continued chopping the air over Willard. When he had finished he informed Dempsey that there had been a knock-out and the champion left the ring, only to have his manager come running after him with the information that there had been a mistake.

That first round was awful. But it prepared everybody for the worst and no one was surprised when Willard lost in the third round.

Dempsey opened the fight by accepting some taps on the face. Then he hauled off and busted Willard in the stomach so hard that a fixed expression overspread the champion's countenance. Dempsey then landed several blows to the jaw and Willard dropped to the floor for six counts. Only to fall again with a blow that costed his life.

As he got up a second time he turned his head away but the Giant Killer struck him twice and he fell on his hands and knees.

Arising once more, Willard was cornered by Dempsey who pounded him to the mat with rights and lefts to the face. Again he got up and once more he was knocked down.

Scared the giant groped his way through the second round, suffering nothing more humiliating than a full punch through the ropes. Dempsey tore into him when the third round started. Willard was dizzy and weak with one eye out of shape and everything gone wrong. His seconds threw the towel into the ring and called it a day.

Ring Battles of Jack And Georges

"ONE ROUND" DEMPSY.

During the journey across the continent, Dempsey was establishing a record which would have made the name "One Round" Dempsey not inappropriate. The record book recites with monotonous regularity in list of knock-outs: Homer Smith, 1 round; Jim Flynn, 1 round; Fred Pultone, 1 round; Bull Sadee, 1 round; Tom Riley, 1 round; Dan Ketcher, 2 rounds; Arthur Pelkey, 1 round; Kid McCarthy, 1 round; Bob Devere, 1 round; Porky Flynn, 1 round; Fred Pultone, 1 round; Jack Moran, 1 round; Carl Morris, 1 round, with others of more or less note meeting the same fate.

It was in mid-summer, 1918, that Fred Fulton, the Minnesota fighter, six feet, four and a half inches in height and weighing 220 pounds, was selected to stop this sensational drive of Dempsey. The bout was held in the open in Jersey City, N. J., 1918, and proved to be one of the shortest bouts on record, Dempsey winning in 27 seconds.

Fulton, who is still fighting, is one of the most curious of American boxers. Possessing a physique that should make him a champion, he never has been able to emerge from the second-rate ranks. On this day, he appeared nervous as Dempsey gazed at him from the other side of the ring while seconds laced up his gloves. At the gong, Dempsey tore at him with the fury of a tiger. Easily getting inside Fulton's guard, despite the long reach that should have protected the Minnesota, Dempsey rained rights and lefts to Fulton's jaw. Fulton went down under the furious pelting and stayed down.

The Minnesota tried in various ways to explain his poor showing after the bout but to the spectators, the fiasco only gave one more indication that Dempsey was the proper challenger of Jess Willard for the heavyweight championship.

ODDS ON TENNESSEE TO WIN GOLF TITLE

Nashville, Tenn., June 24.—Odds were on Tennessee to win the southern amateur golf title when the semi-finals were reached here today for three representatives of that state and one Georgian were left to fight it out for places in the finals tomorrow.

Perry Adair, Druid Hills, Atlanta, faced Frank Cienaux, Belle Meade, Nashville, and H. Wenzler, Colonial Club, Memphis, was pitted against Polak Boyd, of the Chattanooga Golf and Country Club.

NEW LEAGUE BEGINS SEASON ON SATURDAY

Asheville, June 24.—According to an announcement made Thursday night, the newly-organized western Carolina baseball league will be formally opened Saturday with Hendersonville at Asheville. The new league will comprise Asheville, Hendersonville, Brevard and Canton. The final schedule will be adopted Saturday and the teams will give this section semi-professional baseball.

VIRGINIA LEAGUE.

At Norfolk 15; Newport News 8. At Richmond 4; Rocky Mount 9. At Portsmouth 2; Wilson 4. At Petersburg 7; Suffolk 5.

Piedmont League

CLUB STANDINGS.	Won	Lost	Pct.
Greensboro	29	19	.604
Raleigh	28	21	.571
Durham	23	24	.491
Winston-Salem	23	27	.460
High Point	22	26	.458
Danville	19	29	.396

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.
Raleigh 3; Greensboro 4.
High Point 5; Danville 3.
Winston-Salem 6; Durham 3.

TODAY'S GAMES.
Durham at Greensboro.
Danville at Winston-Salem.
High Point at Raleigh.

BOXERS TIE.
Terre Haute, Ind., June 24.—Harry Cox, of Pittsburgh, and Chuck Wiggins, of Indianapolis, boxed ten rounds here Thursday night with the honor tied, according to local sport writers.

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HARVARD AND YALE CLASHING

For Supremacy in the Water—Rivalry Began 66 Years Ago.

New London, Conn., June 24.—Sixty-six years ago next July Yale and Harvard started their time-hallowed struggle for supremacy on the water, and Harvard won.

Today, with honors evenly divided between them after more than three score years of rowing competition, the Blue and Crimson oarsmen of the rival universities renewed their annual struggle on the rolling waters of the Thames in their fifty-third regatta.

Out of fifty-two races, the first of which was rowed in July 21, 1855, Yale has scored twenty-six victories against a like number of Harvard, whose stalwart oarsmen evened up the score by leading a badly beaten Yale eight to the finish line last year by more than eight boat lengths.

The schedule of today's regatta included three races, with the classic eight-oared varsity event at four miles scheduled for late in the afternoon, the time of starting depending on conditions of the tide and the wind.

The freshmen and junior varsity crews were scheduled to row their races this morning or early in the afternoon. These races were at two miles.

Despite the fact that neither Yale nor Harvard has shown flashy form in previous races this year, interest in today's race was at a fever heat as usual. The crews of the rival schools are always pointed especially for this one race, and, regardless of what fortune they meet in other events in any season, there is generally a

SPORT SNAP SHOTS

Jack Hendrick's Indianapolis team is setting the pace in the American Association. On the Indianapolis team are several former members of the Giants. Doug Baird is playing third base, Eddie Sicking second and Dick Kinsella right field. Henline and Dixon, two of Hendrick's catchers, went South with the Giants this spring. Stealing Stryker and John Paul Jones, pitchers, are former members of McGraw's team.

For several years Earl Sheely was a much discussed ball player. The critics had it that he was one of the game's greatest hitters, held down only because of a weak ankle that made him slow.

The ankle stuff went the rounds and major league clubs laid off him until the Chicago White Sox had to have somebody to play first base and took a chance. Sheely came up and fanned and held his breath, waiting for Sheely to do Babe Ruth stunts with the bat, willing to admit he wouldn't do much else. But Sheely has crossed all opinion.

As a hitter he had not lived up to expectations, while as a fielder he has shuffled around the first sack for the White Sox so niftily that the story about his ankle has been thrown into the factor class. Piece of late the former Pacific Coast player has been hitting better. If he can locate the big show pitching he's going to be a real find, for awkward as he seems to be he can, as stated, hold his own with most fielders around first base.

There are only two home run records which still defy the prowess of Babe Ruth—that for hitting homers in one game and the mark for clouting four-baggers in one inning. Booby Lowe of the old Boston Nationals and Ed Deleahanty of the Philadelphia Nationals hold the record for hitting homers in a game, with four each.

Lowe got four circuit smashes, two in one inning, and a single off Chas. Berlain of the Red Sox at Boston on May 30, 1894. Hitting homers in that little handbox park was comparatively easy.

Deleahanty got four homers and a single off Adonis Perry in Chicago on July 13, 1896. Deleahanty was the old prototype of Ruth. Ruth has yet to make two home runs in one inning. He has already 13.18 records a plenty, as follows:

- 1—Fifty-four home runs for a season.
- 2—Seven home runs in five successive games.
- 3—Three home runs in three successive times at bat—June 13 and 14, 1919.
- 4—128 home runs to his major league career.
- 5—Greatest number of home runs with bases filled in one season—44, in 1919.
- 6—Eight games in which he hit two home runs—in 1920.
- 7—Greatest number of home runs hit off any pitcher by one man—10, off Dawson.

It was in 1892 that the pitching rule was changed whereby the pitchers were moved back in the diamond to the long distance which is in vogue now. The batters revelled in hitting that year. They laced the ball all over the green grass and players, who had not gatted in the lodge of the 300 all their lives cluttered up the premises as if they had been born sluggers. It didn't last. The pitchers caught up with them. The pitchers always catch up. Give them time and they will catch up with some who are running wild now.

MANY ENTRIES FOR TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The list is filling up for the men's tennis tournament at the Charlotte Country club to start Monday afternoon. There are already fifteen entries in the singles, and several in the doubles. Entries close at 6 p. m. Saturday. Those who wish to enter are urged to do so at once.

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Shelby, N. C.	7.27	.58	7.85
Lincolnton, N. C.	6.62	.53	7.15
Charlotte, N. C.	6.02	.48	6.50
Monroe, N. C.	5.00	.40	5.40

Children five years of age and under twelve will be charged one-half of the fares shown above, sufficient to be added when necessary to make fares end in ".00" or ".50".

Tickets will be sold each Saturday, June 11th to September 3rd, inclusive.

Tickets will be limited to reach original starting point prior to midnight of Monday following date of sale.

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WILL PROTECT REAL HOLDERS OF TICKETS

New York, June 24.—Holders of bona fide tickets to the Dempsey-Carpentier match in Jersey City, July 2, will be protected, Tex Rickard, promoter of the bout, announced today. The arrest here of several men charged with counterfeiting tickets to the fight, and the knowledge that many fake tickets have been distributed throughout the country has caused steps to be taken to detain every person who presents a fraudulent admittance passbook.

WRESTLING MATCH SATURDAY EVENING

John Elliott has matched Ben Stansky and Charles Fox for a wrestling match at the Auditorium Saturday night. It is announced, that good preliminaries will precede the match.

KING TO PRESENT TROPHY.

London, June 24.—King George will present the international polo trophy to the American team at Buckingham Palace on Monday.