

# FANNING AND PANNING

HAVING BUT one leg and a half means nothing to Buck Cole, star guard of the Methodist Orphanage football team of Raleigh. Cole has played on the team for the past two years, and is considered a tower of strength.

When he was seven years of age Cole had the misfortune of having his leg badly crushed in an accident. The limb was amputated about four inches below the knee. He has become so accustomed to getting about on the abbreviated limb that Jack Cameron, coach and athletic instructor at the orphanage, declares he is faster than a good many youthful athletes with two good legs.

Young Cole's gameness should be an inspiration to the youth of today, many of whom are fonder of peffing parties than football.

### Elected Captain

As strange as it sounds, Buck Cole does not use an artificial limb in playing football. He covers worlds of ground in a game, getting over the field with a kind of spring, instead of running.

Cole is 17 years old, and weighs 150 pounds. He will be captain of the Orphanage team next season.

### NEW LEAGUE PLANNED

IN THEIR DETERMINATION to secure organized baseball for next season, eastern Carolina sportsmen are planning the organization of an eight-club class D league, after Kingston broke up the eastern Carolina league by flipping over to the Virginia league.

Concentrated effort to organize the new circuit will be made only after it is apparent that Goldsboro and Wilmington are unable to secure berths in the Piedmont league. The personnel of the new league as planned will be Wilmington, Goldsboro, Fayetteville, Fort Bragg, Lumberton, Raeford, Laurinburg, and one other eastern Carolina city.

C. G. VanLandingham, organizer of the eastern Carolina league, stated to local officials that he was confident this league could be organized and that he had written letters to interested parties in all of these cities.

It was proposed to set a salary limit of \$2,000 for the new league, in this event it is organized. A meeting will be held at an early date.

### PIEDMONT UNSETTLED

THINGS ARE IN a chaotic state of affairs over in the Piedmont league. Danville dropped out, and Salisbury-Spencer immediately grabbed off the floating franchise. Now it seems that Danville may attempt to get in the Virginia league. Lee Gooch, former Durham pilot, was in Danville, recently, sounding out sentiment among baseball fans as to that city participating in the Old Dominion loop in the event it is converted into an eight-clubber.

Winston-Salem fans are making an effort to revive the baseball spirit that waned and died in the Twin City, and Greensboro moguls, have risen up the ghost. High Point is said to be wavering, and Salisbury-Spencer may not be able to keep the franchise after all.

Felix Hayman and Bud Moore, owners of the Charlotte Sally league club, who purchased the Danville franchise from Sir Herb Murray, agreed to place the franchise in Salisbury-Spencer, if the sportsmen of those cities could secure a site for a ball park between Salisbury and Spencer. Now it seems a question as to whether a site can be located between the two burgs.

There are some resourceful baseball men in the west. Time and again in the Piedmont seemed about to collapse, only to be saved at the eleventh hour. Chances are better than even that some kind of a league will operate in Piedmont territory when the balmy spring days roll around.

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# EIGHT CLUBS FOR VIRGINIA LEAGUE

## SOME SPORTSMEN THINK CLASS B BALL BIT FAST

Virginia League Moguls Meet and Kingston Formally Receives Franchise. William G. Brahm Directed to Invite Lynchburg and Petersburg to Join League and Make Eight Club Organization. Local Sportsmen are Said to be Skeptical of the Idea of Goldsboro Going After Berth, Believing the Class of Baseball Too Fast for This City. Chamber of Commerce Willing to Help in Any Way Possible to Secure Professional Ball for City.

There is a chance—a slender chance—that Goldsboro may secure a franchise in the Virginia League. President William G. Brahm, who is strong for the eight club league idea, having recently converted the Sally into an eight clubber, was authorized to invite the cities of Lynchburg and Petersburg to join the revamped Old Dominion circuit. In the event one of these cities declines the offer for a berth in organized baseball there is a possibility of Goldsboro obtaining a franchise.

### League Held Meeting

It would only be fair, at that to have 1 Virginia and 1 North Carolina city, since the league as now consists of three cities from each state, and to add two more Virginia cities would make the league top-heavy again.

The Virginia League moguls held a meeting Saturday night at which Kingston was formally awarded a franchise and the league president was instructed to invite Petersburg and Lynchburg to join and make the circuit an eight club organization.

### Open Season April 16

The opening date of the playing season was tentatively set for April 16, and the closing date for September 12.

The directors decided to cut the number of games to be played in 1925 from 138, as scheduled in 1924 to 129 games and that 18 or 19 of the Saturday games shall be played in Norfolk, Richmond, and Portsmouth.

The meeting of the directors was under way looking to a post-season held behind closed doors and newspapermen were excluded as the first step in the direction of the league's affairs by the newly elected president W. G. Brahm. A statement

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### SHORT SPORTS

#### Boiled Down So You Can Read 'Em in a Hurry

The British amateur golf championship was first played in 1886.

Tennis, played in an enclosed court, was a favorite game in the 14th century.

Hockey, of some kind is played in Asia, the South Sea Islands, and by the hill women of Algeria.

Several of the famous hunt clubs still existing in England, were founded early in the 17th century.

The Fort Worth champions were the only club in the Texas league which did not lose a double-header last season.

Kraft, the great batsman of the Fort Worth, Texas, league champions played with his team in every game last season.

The record in a six-day bicycle race is 2,625 miles, no laps, made in the Madison Square Garden contest in 1916 by Egg and Dupuy.

Phil Krug and Young Bob Fitzsimmons are among the Eastern boxers who will try their hand at been towards greater swiftness

the game on the Pacific coast this winter.

Mrs. W. C. Judson, an enthusiastic angler of Big Rapids, Mich., is the first woman to become secretary of an Izaak Walton League chapter.

Mickey Walters, welterweight titleholder, is to take on Warnie Smith, the Oklahoma Cowboy, in a 10-round bout at Milwaukee on the night of October 26.

The Continental football teams in Europe have shown wonderful improvement in late years. The crack English teams that have played recently in Copenhagen, Paris, Vienna, Barcelona, and other Continental cities, have had all they could do to hold their own.

The sport of fox hunting has flourished in the southern and eastern parts of the United States since colonial days, and is still pursued by several established clubs in Virginia, Kentucky, Maryland, and southern Pennsylvania, where the nature of the country favors it.

The first game between Yale and Princeton football teams was played in 1873, when Princeton won by 2 to 0.

Nearly all the changes in harness since the first introduction of harness are among the Eastern harnessers who will try their hand at been towards greater swiftness

Originally the net was 5 feet high at the sides, and 4 feet in the middle. It has been lowered to 3 feet 6 inches at the sides, and 3 feet in the middle. The service line has been brought nearer the net by five feet. Racquets are more tightly strung, and balls are more lively.

### STOCK MARKET PRICES REACT TO SELLING WAVE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Stock prices reacted sharply today on selling in-

spired by the marketing up of the call money rates to 4 per cent in anticipation of the heavy holiday demand for funds and the usual Christmas profit-taking.

The reactions which range from 1 to 11 points spread over a large part of the list although trading was in reduced volume, total sales for the day falling below 1,500,000 shares.

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