

GOOD COLLECTIONS FROM AUTO OWNERS

RECEIPT FOR THE MONTH OF JULY REACHED TOTAL OF \$1,498,499.25.

INTEREST PAID BY GASOLINE

Chairman of the Highway Commission Says Sum Collected Will be Spent Before End of Present Month.

Raleigh. Automobile tax collected by the state for the month of July amounted to \$1,498,499.25 and the gasoline tax for the same period, amounting to \$57,677.91, ran the state's revenue from two sources alone well above the million and a half mark.

The gasoline tax is in excess of the collections for June while the automobile tax is a little under the month previous. There are many licenses yet to be renewed and the total tax on automobiles for the season, independent of the "floating" collections at other periods of the year, will run the amount well above \$3,000,000.

The gasoline tax goes to pay the interest on the outstanding notes for construction funds while the bigger sums are being used exclusively for construction purposes. Chairman Frank Page, of the state highway commission, has informed State Treasurer Lacy that the sum collected during the rush season will be spent before the end of the present month.

With these expenditures on the roads, the state will then touch for the second time its \$10,000,000 allowance for the year.

Postmaster Examinations. Washington, (Special).—Examinations will be held September 10 for postmasters at the following places: Angier, Badin, Banners Elk, Bayboro, Black Mountain, Candler, Candor, Caroleen, Clarkton, Cleveland, Cliffside, Connolly Springs, Cooleemee, Council, Elon College, Fletcher, Franklin, Garrysburg, Hope Hills, Huntersville, Lake Junaluska, Leaksville, Lowell, Mayodan, Moncure, Montreat, Morven, Newport, Parkton, Pinetops, Polkton, Pomona, Princeton, Richlands, Rural Hall, Sanatorium, Seaboard, Sparta, Stony Point, Trenton, Vass, Weaverville, West Jefferson, Whitakers, Whittier, Woodland.

Chalmers L. Sims has been appointed postmaster at Harrisburg, Cabarrus county, vice Dwight L. Morrison, resigned.

Probable Compromise on Power. Negotiations looking to a compromise of the differences over power rates now existing between the cotton mills and the Southern Power company are well under way, according to semi-official information given out here.

It is expected here that an agreement will be reached within the next few days by which all litigation save that involving the North Carolina Public Service company, will be stopped.

Charter for Peanut Growers. The peanut growers of Virginia and North Carolina have secured the charter for their new and enlarged organization, which will bear the short and expressive name "Peanut Growers Exchange, Inc." The minimum capital stock is placed at \$151,000. Of this amount \$150,000 is common and \$1,000 preferred stock.

The Southern Training School. The Southern Training School for Christian Leadership will be held at Blue Ridge the week of August 23 to September 1. It will be under the auspices of the Sunday School associations of South Carolina, Kentucky, Alabama, Tennessee, Florida and Georgia. This is the first year for this training school, which promises to become an annual institution.

New Chaplain of N. S. U. C. V. General James I. Metts announces the appointment of Rev. Edmond Joyner, of Edgemont, as chaplain of the North Carolina Division of the United Confederate Veterans.

Meeting of Guernsey Breeders. The mid-summer meeting of the North Carolina Guernsey Breeders association will be held at "Belmont Farms," F. H. and J. L. Beall, owners, Linwood Davidson county, Thursday, August 25th, according to announcement made by T. D. Brown secretary.

Among the speakers are R. H. L. Chichester, of Fredericksburg, Va., R. M. Hooper, of Wisacky, S. C., W. W. Fitzpatrick, of Clemson College, S. C., and J. A. Arey, dairy division, Department of Agriculture, Raleigh. There will be two sessions daily.

Some New Corporations. Charters were filed with the Secretary of State for the following corporations to do business in North Carolina: Johnson Miller company, of Statesville, to conduct a general furniture business with \$100,000 authorized capital and \$6,000 subscribed. Farmers Economy Store company, of Granite Quarry, with \$25,000 authorized capital and \$800 subscribed by J. M. Monbarrier, of Granite Quarry, J. H. and C. F. Frick, of Salisbury. Orange Motor company of Hillsboro, with \$50,000 authorized capital.

Grand Encampment of I. O. O. F. The Grand Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of North Carolina met in its 74th annual session August 9th in the hall of Buena Vista Lodge, No. 21, in the city of Greensboro. At the afternoon session the Grand Encampment degree was conferred on new members, the reports of the grand officers submitted, various committees appointed and matters of routine business transacted.

On Tuesday night the degree staff of Asheville Encampment No. 2, conferred the Patriarchal, Golden Rule and Royal Purple degrees on a number of candidates. This is probably the best encampment degree staff in North Carolina and a large number of members of the Patriarchal branch of the order were present to witness this exemplification of the encampment degrees.

The officers of the Grand Encampment are as follows, Grand Patriarch, C. H. Beine, Raleigh; Grand High Priest, A. C. Melvin, Durham; Grand Senior Warden, J. C. Wright, Shiloh; Grand Junior Warden, D. W. Davis, Goldsboro; Grand Scribe, L. W. Jaeneret, Asheville; Grand Treasurer, John E. Wood, Wilmington; Grand Marshal, H. A. Ballard, Asheville; Grand Sentinel, D. R. Aiken, Greensboro; Grand Outside Sentinel, H. G. Godfrey, Elizabeth City; Grand Representative, John D. Berry, Raleigh.

Decrease in Pellagra. Dr. W. S. Rankin, secretary of the State Board of Health, has returned from Washington, where he has been in conference with other public health officials from the South and representatives of the Federal bureau of health and Red Cross officials.

Dr. Rankin has stated that so far as the records of his office show there has been a decrease in pellagra.

The Coming Legion Convention. "Hendersonville and her environs will be turned over completely to the former service men when they gathered there for the annual convention of the North Carolina state department of the American legion on August 26-27," was the statement of Walter B. Smith, of Hendersonville, chairman of the entertainment features of the convention.

Reason for Webb Resignation. Washington, (Special).—It is now understood that Marshal Webb was asked to resign because of editorials in The Citizen, which he partly owns, criticizing the administration.

The attorney general has been asked if that is not the case, but he is out of the city and will not answer until he gets back. He may put his action on other grounds.

Trying to Secure Pension. Representative Weaver is making an effort to get \$10,000 for Mrs. Laura E. Alexander, widow of Samuel H. Alexander, who died from injuries received in the defense of the Emma postoffice, where he was assistant postmaster when it was attacked by robbers years ago.

Psychiatrist to Be Employed. Announcement was made here by Mrs. Clarence Johnson, commissioner of state welfare, of the employment of a director of child helping and a psychiatrist who will divide time between the board of charities and welfare and the University of North Carolina.

Senator Ladd to Speak. Washington, (Special).—United States Senator Ladd, of North Dakota, and Gov. Thomas Campbell of Arizona, will be among the speakers at the Southern Tariff Congress to be held in Greensboro, N. C., August 15 and 16.

Will Not Buy Kenilworth Inn. The government will not buy Kenilworth inn. That fact became known sometime ago. It will give it up as a hospital when the lease is out.

Minerals and Forestry Exhibit. As state geologist, Colonel Joseph Hyde Pratt, will have to do with placing both minerals and forestry exhibits in the Made-in-the-Carolinas exposition. He plans to exhibit a large array of both forestry and mineral products, in both of which North Carolina has a great variety.

Viaduct to School for Blind. If the state will indemnify the city against financial loss, the city of Raleigh will require the Southern and Seaboard railroads to construct a viaduct over their tracks at Ashe avenue leading to the new grounds, according to a tentative agreement reached between the city commissioners and representatives of the board of trustees of the State School for the Blind.

Attorney General J. S. Manning appeared with the Supt. Lineberry and members of the board before the commissioners.

Inspected Disputed Routes. Chairman Frank Page of the State highway commission, and highway engineer Charles M. Upham went to Forest City where they, together with Commissioners McGirt and Stikeleather, and inspected the disputed routes of the highway between Rutherfordton and the South Carolina line. Mr. Page and Mr. Upham continued their trip to Asheville.

The two factions contending over the routing of the road agreed to have the chairman examine the roads and report to the full commission.

GOVERNOR COOPER'S INTEREST EXCITED

THE GOVERNOR OF SOUTH CAROLINA TO BE AT MADE-IN-CAROLINA EXPOSITION.

HUMAN ELEMENT IN INDUSTRY

Throws Weight of His Influence and Efforts Back of Plans to Broaden View-point of Rank and File.

Greenville, S. C.—The Made-in-Carolinas Exposition will afford Gov. Robert A. Cooper, of this state, an opportunity to make an address on a subject which he has given much thought during recent months, and the chief executive of the Palmetto State admits an increasing interest in the exposition. He expects to talk on "The Human Element in Industry," and said he felt his appearance at the opening on September 12 would be the proper occasion and time to tell the people of the Carolinas the views he holds as a result of his study and thought.

Governor Cooper has a broad vision of the future greatness of these states, as he explained during a rather extended conversation. Much of the importance he attaches to the Made-in-Carolinas Exposition is due to its educational value, particularly to those who are not industrial executives.

One of the first outspoken of South Carolina's exponents of compulsory education, Governor Cooper invariably throws the weight of his influence and efforts back of every plan intended to broaden the understanding of the rank and file of the people, for he pointed out that progress of every nature is based on knowledge and made stable by loyalty, faith and co-operation.

False Report About Bernhardt. Paris.—Sarah Bernhardt, the world famous French actress, rumors of whose illness were current here on Saturday, is in good health, says a telegram from an editor on the staff of the Journal.

Government Loans to Farmers. Washington.—Government loans to farmers of the South to tide them over until they can market their cotton crop was urged by Martin Amourous, of Marietta, Ga., before the congressional committee investigating agricultural conditions.

DeValera's Letter No Surprise. Belfast.—Little surprise was felt here at the tenor of the letter from Eamonn de Valera to Prime Minister Lloyd George, rejecting the government's offer of dominion status for Ireland, as talk of peace has been regarded with much skepticism.

A Noted Woman is Dead. London.—Miss Sarah Emily Davies, a pioneer in the woman suffrage movement, who recently died in London at the age of 91, was one of the founders of Girton college, the first English college for women.

Growing Chaumoogra. Oroville, Calif.—Sjeps have been taken to grow the Chaumoogra tree in the United States plant introduction garden near Chico. The tree's oil has proved a great benefit in the treatment of leprosy in Hawaii.

Greeks Begin Second Offensive. Smyrna.—The Greeks have begun a second offensive against the Turkish nationalists. The latter are retiring rapidly toward the Sakaris river.

President Asks For \$200,000. Washington.—President Harding asked Congress for an appropriation of \$200,000 required by the state department for defraying the expenses of the disarmament conference.

British Want U. S. in Pact. Washington.—Great Britain would like to broaden the Anglo-Japanese alliance so that in its place would be a treaty between the United States, Great Britain and Japan.

Would Advance Inaugural Day. Cincinnati, O.—Advance of the presidential inauguration from March 4 to the third Monday in January is recommended by a committee of the American Bar association at its meeting here.

Chicken Thief is Killed. Miami, Fla.—Robbing other people's hen roosts cost Luther Dorsey, negro, his life, for he was shot dead by E. W. Martin of Cocoput Grove as he was leaving Martin's chicken yard with a couple of plump pullets.

Priests' Murderer Examined. Redwood City, Calif.—William E. Hightower, accused of the murder of Rev. Patrick E. Heslin, was brought here from San Francisco, where for four days he has been subject to examination.

Dynamite and Carrier Sinks. Wilmington, N. C.—The Louise Howard, dynamite-laden schooner sailing from New York, foundered in the Beaufort, N. C., harbor entrance bar this morning, and a short while later broke up and sank.

CONDENSED NEWS FROM THE OLD NORTH STATE

SHORT NOTES OF INTEREST TO CAROLINIANS.

Salisbury.—In the recent baby clinic held here about 400 babies were examined and a number of prizes were offered for the finest babies.

Lumberton.—Tobacco prices were considerably higher on the Lumberton market this week. The average was several cents higher than last week.

Winston-Salem.—John L. Ebaugh, who has been general manager of the Birmingham News, has been elected manager of the Winston-Salem Journal, and entered upon his new position.

Releigh.—The work of draining the Cemetery lake, the state of North Carolina's old rock quarry, in East Raleigh, was virtually completed without disclosing any "evidence of crime."

Durham.—A first-class military band will probably provide music for the Confederate State reunion to be held here August 22-23-24, if plans of T. F. Southgate, a member of the program committee, go through.

Raleigh.—William Hardy Burt, of Holly Springs, one of the oldest citizens of Wake county, and a justice of the peace for more than 50 years, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. F. Shaw, at the age of 84 years.

Winston-Salem.—At a meeting here, attended by about one hundred and fifty men, steps were taken for the organization of the Ku Klux Klan in this city. About forty remained for the final membership ceremony.

Lenoir.—Miss Pansy Barber and Miss Lethia Griffin, John Sudderth and Clark Downs were slightly injured when their automobile turned over the road about a hundred yards beyond the concrete house on the Jones hill.

Rocky Mount.—With the confiscation of two stills and the arrest of four men, revenue officers brought their total arrests in this immediate section since July 15 up to 22, while in the same period they have destroyed 14 stills.

Wilmington.—Ten accidental deaths have been recorded in Wilmington and New Hanover county during the first eight days of the month. The latest addition was made when John Melton, a 17-year-old convict, was drowned in Smith creek while taking a swim.

Winston-Salem.—One of Forsyth's leading farmer citizens died as a result of a bite from a copperhead snake three weeks ago.

Lenoir.—Mrs. Ayery Powell, aged 63, who was stricken with paralysis July 22 after returning home from a funeral, died at her home here.

Spencer.—Several children were dangerously poisoned by eating at a big dinner spread of Calvary Baptist church, near Spencer, when Children's Day exercises were held.

Winston-Salem.—The plant of the Dan Valley Power company at Walnut Cove, which furnished lights for the town, was completely destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of many thousands of dollars.

Wilmington.—After half a century of service in the public schools of Wilmington, Miss Adelaide Mearns has been retired on a pension. Miss M. E. Cook, who has served on the same school for 45 years, was retired at the same time.

Reidsville.—G. W. Hill, aged about 55, committed suicide at the home of Mrs. Jarrell on the Wentworth road. He shot himself through the temple with a revolver and death was almost instantaneous.

High Point.—The Commercial National bank of this city has acquired from Mrs. J. J. Cox the lot at the northwest corner of Main and Commerce streets, opposite the postoffice, and plan to construct a modern seven-story bank and office building on it.

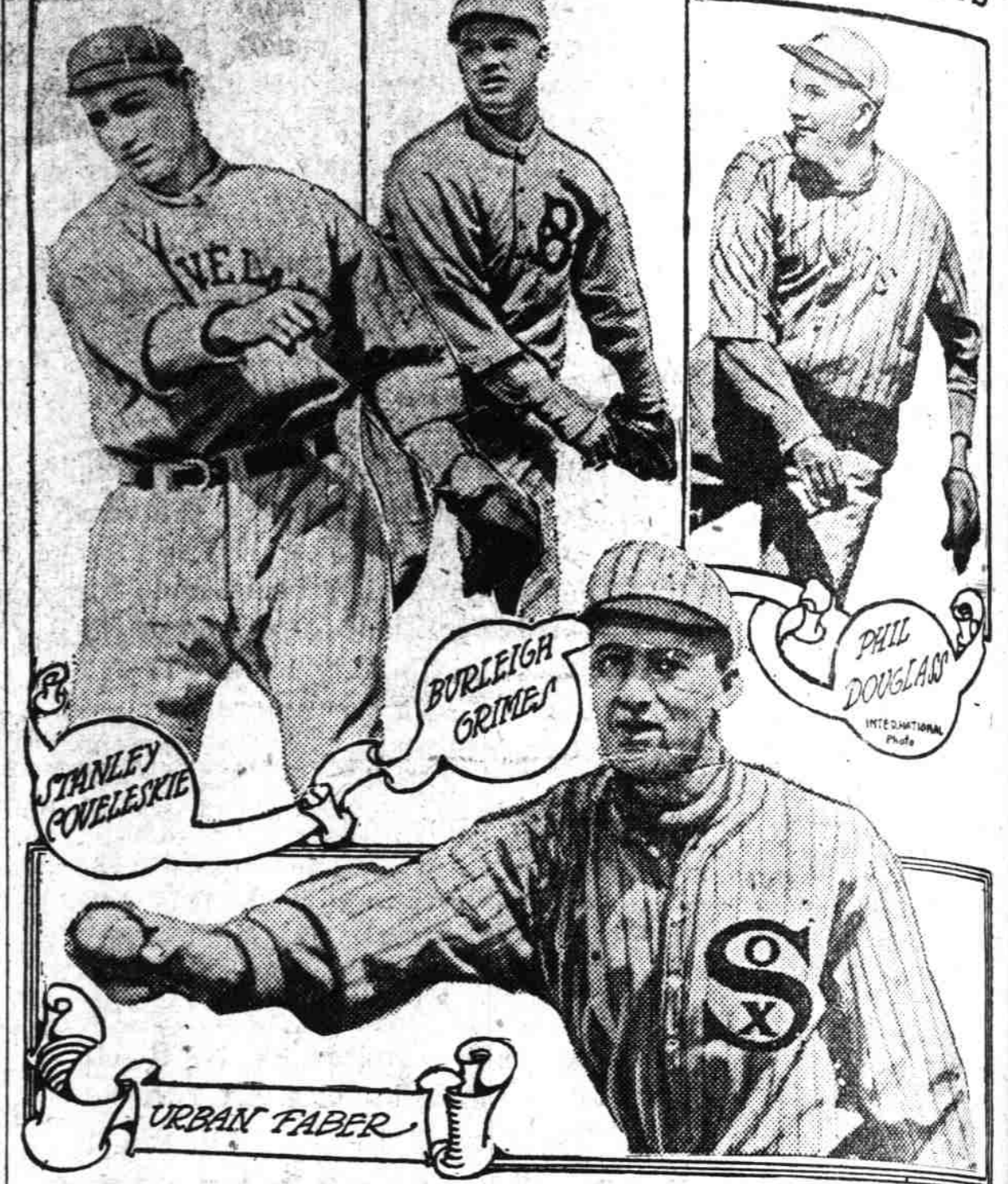
New Bern.—Mrs. Bettie Daden Wright, one of the most widely known women of Eastern North Carolina, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. B. Smith, here. She was 70 many years head of a private school.

Charlotte.—Acute shortage of housing facilities and inability to secure the loan of army tents were assigned as reasons for the withdrawal of an invitation extended last September to the Wildcat Veterans' association to hold its next annual reunion in Charlotte.

Wilmington.—Two concrete ships, a six-hundred-ton concrete river steamer and a thirty-five-hundred ton concrete tanker, will be launched at the local yard of the Newport Shipbuilding corporation this month.

Kinston.—Ollie Williams, a negro, has been sent to the roads from the police court here for theft of a watermelon. Williams stole the melon from a suburban patch. After a few minutes' intimate association with it he curled up and went to sleep beside the rind in an adjacent wood.

FABER, COVELESKIE AND GRIMES STAND OUT AS WET-BALL ARTISTS



Pitchers Who Use the Speed Spitter.

Spitball pitchers—dying race in major league baseball—are having trouble with the new lively ball as well as the dry-ball hurlers.

Only the fast-ball spitters are proving effective. Of the fifteen major league pitchers eligible to moisten the ball, but three in the American league and four in the National have won more than half their starts.

Of these Urban Faber of the White Sox, Stanley Coveleskie of the Indians and Burleigh Grimes of the Dodgers are the real wet-ball aces, writes Dean Snyder in the Chicago Post. They all use the speed spitter.

Faber is Ace. So far this year Faber outranks the great Coveleskie, recognized before as the king of spitters.

What makes Faber's victory record all the more brilliant is the fact that he is backed up by a team—now a mere shell of the defense put up by the old Sox machine.

Covey should hit his stride soon and give the Sox star a race for throne honors by the end of the season. In the National league Burleigh Grimes is the leading moist ball pitcher. Phil Douglash of the Giants has a better record, but has not worked as many times.

How long this race of pitchers will last is questionable. One by one they will drop by the wayside.

Wears Arm. The moist ball trick is wearing on the arm. Coveleskie, the great-hearted Shamokin miner, however, doesn't think wetting the ball hurts his pitching super. Perhaps Covey is too rugged to note the strain yet.

Before this year the spitters could get by without whipping the speed into every ball. They'll burn up faster now at the pace they have to travel in order to gain effectiveness.

Besides Faber and Coveleskie other American leaguers on the accredited list of Ban Johnson to fling the spitter are: Urban Shocker, St. Louis; Jock Quinn, New York; Dutch Leonard, Detroit; Allan Russell, Boston, and Ray Caldwell or Al. Sothern, Cleveland.

Caldwell has practically dropped the wet-ball delivery altogether under Tris Speaker's advisement and is doing better without it.

Allan Sothern, formerly of St. Louis and now with Cleveland, takes Caldwell's place as an eligible spitter for the Indians. But he's slipping and unless Speaker can revive him won't be in the big show long.

Diamond Squibs

"Swat the fly" is the motto of other players besides Babe Ruth.

Des Moines has a new second baseman answering to the name of Yuna.

Barrett, the young shortstop for the Athletics, looks like a good ball player.

Manager Jawn Evers sometimes leaves the field during playing hours—by request.

Report has it that the New Orleans club will ship Pitcher Abe Lincoln Bailey back to the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Reports circulated that the Florida State league might close its season earlier than scheduled time are denied.

Babe Ruth would be the greatest single attraction in baseball if he wasn't the greatest four-base attraction.

Earl Sheely is starting to crown the ball, and is rising so rapidly that he soon will be numbered among the elect.

Scott Perry jumps again. Thus far this season he has played with the Athletics and two other semi-pro teams.

Pitchers who admit that the ball is lively have probably been in there when Babe Ruth was exercising his wrists.

Umpiring is becoming simpler. When a ball is hit all the ump has to do is wait until the runner circles the bases.

Oscar Stanage, veteran catcher, now with the Los Angeles team, has been laid up with a burst blood vessel in a leg.

Manager Kid Eberfeld of Little Rock is elated over the work of Giles Mettser, the young semi-pro catcher picked up in Memphis.

In order to make room for Pitcher Abe Bailey, sent from Brooklyn, the New Orleans club sold infielder Henry Demoe to the Little Rock club.

Artie Butler declared he could not stand for the brand of weather handed out in Kansas City, so he quit the Blues and went back to his home in Massachusetts.

SCHALK'S BURDEN

Catcher Ray Schalk is working himself thin handling Kid Gleason's kid pitchers.

A great deal of the burden of developing the young Sox moundmen has fallen to the lot of the diminutive Schalk.

There isn't a catcher in the game today who works as hard as the diminutive Ray.

He loses from five to ten pounds during an afternoon's battle royal.

If other players worked as hard as Schalk they'd lose poundage, too. It would do Babe Ruth a lot of good to get Schalk's recipe.

MITCHELL WON'T LEAVE RING

Milwaukee Scrapper Has No Intention of Retiring Despite Many Recent Reverses.

Ritchie Mitchell, odds gamened against overwhelming odds has made him the prize fight idol of the central West, has no intention of retiring from the ring despite recent reverses.

Following his sensational losing fight against Champion Benny Leonard in New York, Mitchell met



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defeat twice at the hands of Rocky Kansas and lost a newspaper decision to Johnny Mendelson. The defeat caused reports that the Milwaukee fighter would retire, but Mitchell insists that he is far from through and after a short rest will be back facing the topnotchers.