

VARSITY LETTERS

TODAY'S SPORTS PARADE

By HENRY McLEMORE

SARASOTA, FLA.—(UP)—Mickey Cochran doesn't want to be contrary, so the thing, but he doesn't understand how any man, woman or child with enough grain of things to add three to three and get six, can see anything but the Detroit Tigers in the American league this year.

He is perfectly willing to admit that the Boston Red Sox, with Jimmy Pox on first and Roger Granger in center field, constitute a menace. And that the Cleveland Indians with their pitiful ace a threat, and the New York Yankees with their power ace a contender. But as an old manager, player he doesn't see how any one can judge the words "menace," "threat," and "contender" as so to spell championship.

Tigers Hardly Lack a Thing

"They all three lack something," Cochran said as he waited to tie off with Babe Ruth and Dizzy Dean in the final round of the Baseball Players' tournament, "and a team that lacks can't win. Because we have done our best everything. What team in the league is going to outthink this year? Then we need Simmons, Greenberg, Gullis, and Mickey. Mickey has been a bit, reluctant to include himself in the lineup of sluggers."

"And Cochran, up there," he added.

"Okay, and me," he said. "I'll be pretty good hitting. And don't think that Simmons isn't going to hit this year. I saw him a few weeks ago and he's happy as a child, and strong as a horse. He'll be up there anything he likes to hit, 200 this year. You know, Al is not the kind of a player who goes well on a second division club. He loves him. But put him in there with a club that's going somewhere and try and find a better center fielder."

Mickey is high on the Tigers' pitching, and thinks it will be the class of the league. "Schuchman Rowe," he said, "has been a pretty good pitcher for the last two years, but he's going to be better this year. The kid's just 23 and he's gaining strength and knowledge each season. I don't see how he can miss winning 25 or more ball games this year, and you know about Tommy Bridges. If there's a better pitcher in the league I'd like to see him. I mean, I'll never forget that night lining he struck in the last game of the World Series last year. I've caught a lot of ball in my time, but Tommy there me six of the greatest curves I ever saw. Aaker is in his top form, and General Crowder will be around to whip the tough hitters when they're not to be whipped, and Lawson ought to be hot, too."

Why Should Mickey Worry?

"I suppose I shouldn't be worried," Cochran said, "because all the doctors say I'm all right. But you know the only real test of a ball arm is on the wrist a week, and I can't be perfectly satisfied until Hank gets out this year and starts like he did and he's hot."

Cochran figures to be one of the biggest injuries in the United States this summer, in addition to catching 100 or more ball games, and managing the club, he must, as vice-president of the league, supervise all the minor league players of the clubs affiliated with the Detroit team.

He figures hell manage to get it by getting up early and staying up late.

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UNITED STATES LACKS SPRINTERS FOR BERLIN TRIP

Metcalfe, Peacock and Owen Picked To Dominate Field; O'Sullivan Threatens

By GUSSEN KERR

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—(UP)—The heavyweight boxing division will meet a white hope nearly as big as the cinder punch.

After all, James J. Braddock still retains the heavyweight crown and Joe Louis is only the chief contender. But on the cinder punch stage there is a mauler in the sprint championships. The main question about the 100 and 200 meter races at the Berlin Olympics seems to be which Negro will win—Joe DeLoach, Ralph Metcalfe, or Bruce Mason.

Right now that trio looks like the most formidable group of sprinters this country has ever had to represent in the Olympic games. But every one and their "a" whole brother is trying to challenge the speed supremacy of the black race and one of them might get a shot at the Berlin Olympics.

Eddie O'Sullivan, a Wall street clerk, is the first white boy to show enough speed in the sprint races to draw much attention to himself. He has won several races in the United States and is expected to be a contender for the honors of the three Negro aces.

Peacock Takes Two

O'Sullivan's training partner in the States and Charlie Hersholt took in a sprint race, last week the Tampa Negro Sprinter in the 100 meter race. He is the No. 1 in the United States. His first best time was 10.6 seconds. Many spectators thought that Peacock had snatched the victory by accident, but he was not. He was beaten by a very close margin. His second best time was 10.8 seconds. He is the world record holder, and there wasn't any doubt about his supremacy over Peacock for the event.

"That white boy can move his legs," said Peacock afterward.

Peacock is training in London.

The Negro didn't mind his defeat, but explained that he was undergoing a line course of training to get his shape for the Olympic team. He does a lot of work in a gym, practicing the high and low hurdles, and other movements to build up his legs. He also skips rope and top down. O'Sullivan has been running about two years, and has won a medium class of success in the metropolitan area, where he captured the outdoor 100 meter championship last year. He didn't take up running seriously until a couple of years ago, and has received most of his training from his father, who was an athlete with the old Flatwax Athletic club.

His case is similar to that of Bob McAllister, "The Flying Cop," who became one of America's greatest sprinters while a member of the New York police force. McAllister won the 100-yard dash in the final Olympics in 1908, and was one of the stars at Amsterdam. He was running well among the leaders when he finished to make his move at 70 meters and pulled a tendon, which caused him to break down.

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DUKE TANK TEAM ENGAGE W. & M. IN WILLIAMSBURG

Blue Devils Favored To Take First Win of Season Over Indians; Fresh Swim Also

By GUSSEN KERR

The Duke swimming team, out for its first season at Williamsburg last afternoon for Williamsburg, Virginia, where it will meet the tankmen of Williamsburg and the Blue Devils. The team is made up of 10 swimmers, and the varsity and elite freshmen swimmers are making their trip and will attempt to duplicate the last year's 3-0-0 win over the Indians.

Devils Improve

Despite its setback, by a strong Virginia squad last week, the Blue Devils are considered a good chance of outscoring the Virginia, because of making progress that has been made in the past two years. The team has been under these made in the last year's 3-0-0 win over the Indians.

Wallace Wade

Renowned grid mentor, who has led Duke athletic teams to national heights since taking over the reins in 1931.

STEADY RISE EVIDENT IN MENTOR'S CAREER

Wallace Wade Rises to National Fame Since Paying Days at Browns; Coached Bowl Entries

(Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of articles that will be run from time to time concerning each of the Blue Devils coaches.)

The career of Wallace Wade, athletic director and head football coach at Duke since 1931, has been a steady rise in the field of football and athletics in general. Starting at Brown University as a stellar coach in 1917, he has shown himself to be the best in collegiate athletic circles.

After leaving Brown to go to the 1920s in the Tennessee National Guard, he was discharged in 1919 with the rank of captain. From 1919 to 1921 he coached the Fitzgerald Clark football team and won the National title. His success brought him to the attention of Dan McGuffee, coach of the Vanderbilt football team, and two years later Wade took that institution as the coach. During that time Vanderbilt rolled up two undefeated records.

Alabama Mentor

In 1923 he was appointed director of athletics and football coach at the University of Alabama—where that line never a power in the Southern conference series race. With the coming of Wade, Alabama experienced a series of powerful teams which won the conference title four times in five years.

These three of his Crimson Ties were coached to play in the Rose Bowl. In 1923 Alabama was a thriller from the University of Washington by a 20-0 score. The next year they beat the University of California by a 7-0 tie, this time coming out with a 7-0 tie with the Stanford Indians. His last year as Alabama mentor saw his team lose over Washington State by a 14-0 score.

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First Blue Devil Victory In Five Years At Chapel Hill

Edwards, Podger, and Bersbach Lead Roles in Thrilling Encounter; Score 30-All at Whistle

By ROBERT D. TAYLOR

In a game that was packed with plenty of thrills and spills, a courageous Duke University basketball team accomplished the impossible last night in Carolina's over The Cans by defeating them, in an extra period, top-favorite University of North Carolina game, 30-0. In their greatest victory, the Blue Devils, who had been one of the league's worst teams, showing themselves Duke's ability to fight back, the Blue Devils won the game, 30-0. In their greatest victory, the Blue Devils, who had been one of the league's worst teams, showing themselves Duke's ability to fight back, the Blue Devils won the game, 30-0.

With The Blue Devils

CHARLIE WENRICH
Sports Editor

The scheduled basketball match between the Duke and N. C. State has been called off and the forfeit order has been issued. It is held at this writing the Blue Devils are decided favorites to take the title from Virginia. The Blue Devils are in the lead for the prize for the past five years.

Track Coming Up

Track may be a little out of season, but the cinder tracks have been working hard and Coach Voyles is planning to send relay, high jump, and hurdle vault participants to the A. A. U. indoor meet in Charlotte on February 24. The annual Southern conference indoor meet will be held in Chapel Hill.

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