

SPOTLIGHT ON SPORTS

By JACK KEENE

fact that there is a long cam- head is taken into considera- this column whenever any...

a better ball club than the Hub entry in the old league was last year.

The Yankees right now are bearing out some prophecies regarding their tendency to falter. So far Huggins' pitching has not even approached the class of hurling he had last season.

Connie Mack's getting the pitching. Eddie Hommel is himself. Heimach is living up to advance notices. Simmons, Strand and Bishop are delivering. Watch that outfit!

The first freak play for the "book" is here recited. It was pulled by the Giant, first sacker, George Kelly, who, in the seventh inning of a recent game between the Giants and Braves, was charged with an error and credited with a putout in course of a single play.

In that inning Casey Stengel hit Kelly, who fumbled and followed his fumble with a wild toss past Jack Bentley, who had rumbled over to cover the bag. Stengel, rounding the bag, turned to the left preparatory to dashing for second base, but headed back to first when he saw that Hank Gowdy, backing up, had recovered the ball. Gowdy pegged quickly to Kelly, who pinned the pellet on Casey before he could reach the bag. Next!

New York fans speak highly of the umpiring of Monroe Sweeney, one of the newcomers in arbiting circles in the big show. His work in the early

games the Giants played at home was given much attention.

That J. S. Ward, Kentucky turfman, has plenty of confidence in his horse, Wise Counsellor, is indicated by the fact that he has entered this early Kentucky favorite in both the Preakness and the Kentucky event. The Preakness comes before the Louisville race. Ward believes that his horse can capture the \$50,000 event over the Maryland track and repeat his victory a week later in the other classic.

Ward laughs at critics who say his colt has grown so rapidly that it is now a bit too big and clumsy. "Watch him run" is Ward's answer.

Is it because the U. S. boys have it doped out that Georges Carpentier is now soft picking that they are rushing to get bouts with him? Or is it because they feel they can get a bigger handout for a scrap with him than with any other man outside of Jack Dempsey?

It's hard to tell. Tommy Gibbons still has a fair claim to the right to meet Dempsey. His 15-round affair with the champ at Shelby entitles him to consideration in a way. He's the only gent who has ever stayed the limit with the king since Dempsey ascended the throne. It doesn't seem as though Tom would be eager to take on Carpentier in that case, if he figured the Frenchman stood a chance of dumping him. And there's a big purse awaiting him for such a battle.

Gene Tunney, who couldn't hold the light heavyweight title when he had it, is more than willing to swap lefts with Dapper Georges. This despite the fact that there are several light heavies that Tunney could mingle with safely for fair purses.

Tunney must realize that if Carpentier the graceful catches him on the button early in their mill Gene's future will hold little.

Perhaps it is the sorry showing of Battling Siki in recent months in the U. S. that is egging the American fighters on. Having seen Siki lose to second raters here, they probably figure that Carpentier must be in punk shape to lose to the colored one who trains on bad liquor and fat policemen.

If they are rushing in with the belief that Carpentier is an easy mark, believe they are booked to get fooled. I think Georges can still give Gibbons a battle. Unless the French war idol has slipped horribly he is still wonderfully fit with his hands and feet. He can hit and get away better than Dempsey.

This makes him, in one way, a harder man for a fighter of Gibbons' type to beat.

As for Tunney, Georges ought to whip him handily.

Apparently the rigors of his cruise across the Atlantic in a 30-foot sailboat last year did not undermine Albin Gerbault's physique to any great extent. This French sportsman and tennis player of note has just won the eastern covered courts net title in France, and his general play indicates that he must be reckoned with in the coming outdoor matches.

Gerbault is jaying plans now to sail alone from New York to San Francisco via the Panama canal. After that he wants to sail across the Pacific to Honolulu. And then?

Well, about the only thing left for him is a cruise through the South Sea Islands and on to Australia. And that's what he intends to attempt eventually. That trip alone will take him five years, as he plans it.

Hand it to Gerbault. He is an intrepid soul, a true sportsman, and has the happy faculty of disregarding completely the passage of time.

To date Riggs Stephenson is making the Cleveland fans forget Bill Wamburg and his performances at second and at bat. Riggs' hitting in particular has been the big feature of the Indians' play to date. The season has several days to go yet, of course, and Wamburg's followers and the Red Sox fans may have the laugh later. But just now Cleveland believes the club made no mistake when it took a chance of Stevie filling Wamburg's shoes.

Psychology Class At Summer Session Of So. Branch, U. C.

As a nation we are "psyched" within an inch of our sanity. Not only the foreign psychologists, among whom towers the inescapable Freud, but our own, are standing in rows shrieking at us to ferret out our complexes, until a man's poor subconscious mind is rapidly becoming the hare in one of the wildest chases of hare-and-hounds the age has seen.

Yet the subject has its fascination, and that a great one. Therefore, says the state university, if you are going to be "psyched" do it well and thoroughly, and get the best psychologist you can to turn the trick. Doubtless that would not be given out in academic circles as the main reason for bringing Walter B. Pillsbury of Michigan university to the summer session at the southern branch in Los Angeles, but the university authorities admit that they got the best man they could find to come out for the courses which are to be given in psychology this summer.

Walter B. Pillsbury has been professor of psychology and director of the psychological laboratory at the University of Michigan since 1910. Prior to that he was the director of the psychological laboratory at Cornell, at which university he took his doctor's degree in philosophy. In addition to the interesting and valuable experimentation which Dr. Pillsbury has carried on in both these institutions, he has found time to write extensively on different phases of his subject. Psychology, as it explains the two contradictory ideas of nationalism and internationalism, is the basis of one book that has created much interest among psychologists, and another work has been translated into French.

Last year Dr. Pillsbury acted as exchange professor in the French universities, lecturing in eight of the

provincial universities and, in addition, giving a special course at the Sorbonne. The lectures which will be given during summer session will be scheduled daily except Saturday from June 23 to August 9.

SQUIRE MISSED An old and popular English country squire was succeeded in due course by a young and somewhat bumptious nephew. One of the first acts of the young squire was to address a meeting of the villagers, who were told that to get along with him they must invariably be "polite, punctual and precise."

The latter part of the injunction seems to have been taken to heart, for within a week the young squire, having been left by his field while hunting, came upon a small boy in a by-lane.

"Ah, my boy," began the squire, "have you seen anything of the hounds lately?"

"Yes, squire."

"Where?"

"Half a mottle up t' road, squire."

"When?"

"Last Toosday week, squire."

And then it was the squire who forgot to be polite.

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