



BABE RUTH VALUABLE

Considered Likely That Yankee Management May Come Through With His \$80,000 a Year

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—With wage cutting the order of the day as far as the diamond talent is concerned, present prospects are that Babe Ruth is about the only of the stars who may be able to make demands for 1932 and get away with it. The Babe is holding out for his \$80,000 a year and there is just a chance that the Yankee management may consider he is worth it and come through again.

Ruth is considered the greatest drawing card in professional baseball today, a position he has enjoyed for many years.

Billiard Averages

Junior League		
G.	T.	Av.
R. Fong (LN)	2	400
E. Batt (LN)	2	400
J. May (H)	2	400
R. Wicks (H)	2	400
G. Howe (E)	2	400
W. Stewart (J)	2	400
F. Johnson (E)	2	397
P. Chenoski (E)	3	568
A. Zadcroski (E)	2	368
W. Hudson (H)	2	365
W. Punnell (J)	2	362
N. Chenoski (E)	2	359
P. Vaecher (LN)	2	347
F. Aldridge (LN)	2	338
W. E. Hayhurst (H)	2	336
A. Murray (LN)	2	335
A. Strachan (J)	2	313
L. Raabe (J)	2	291
C. Perry (H)	1	130
J. Bulger (J)	2	250

(Note—H., Hawks; J., Jewelers; L. of N., League of Nations; E., Empress).



Miss Cilly Aussem, German tennis star, who won the women's singles tennis championship in Buenos Ayres, recently. She won similar title in last Wimbledon play.

LEAD IS LARGER

Culbertson 12,895 Points Ahead of Lenz in Seventy-Fifth Rubber

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—In the seventy-fifth rubber of the bridge marathon last night, Ely Culbertson and Theo Lightner, exponents of the official system, were leading Sidney Lenz and Oswald Jacoby by 12,895 points.

Culbertson took the seventieth rubber and built up his lead to 11,795. He also won the seventy-first and went up to 12,015. The seventy-second took three hands and Culbertson won again to go 13,390 into the lead. Lenz took the seventy-third rubber in seven hands and cut the Culbertson lead to 12,915. Culbertson's lead was further cut to 12,745 when Lenz won the seventy-fourth rubber in ten hands.

BASKETBALL

December 28
32 Taxi vs. C. N. R.
Tuxis vs. Merchants.
Comets vs. Amazons.
Scouts vs. Japanese Ass'n.

January 4
Panthers vs. 32 Taxi.
High School vs. Merchants.
Cardinals vs. Comets.
Rovers vs. Scouts.

VANCOUVER WHEAT
VANCOUVER, Dec. 23.—Wheat was quoted at 60c on the local exchange today.

LEAFS ON TOP NOW

Scored Wild 9 to 3 Victory Over Americans and Also Overtake Canadiens

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—New York Rangers defeated Montreal Canadiens last night by the decisive score of 6 to 2 and increased to seven points their leadership of the American division of the National Hockey League over Chicago Black Hawks, who were sharing honors at Montreal with the Maroons in a one-all overtime tie.

Toronto Maple Leafs went wild on the home ice and defeated New York American by a score of 9 to 3 and captured first place in the international division. The Americans and Canadiens are now tied for second place one point behind Toronto.

In last evening's fourth game which was played at Boston the Bruins defeated Detroit Falcons 6 to 2 and moved up to within one point of Chicago Black Hawks for second place in the American division.

Hockey Standings

International Division				
	W.	D.	L.	P.
Toronto	6	4	5	16
Canadiens	6	3	6	15
Americans	5	5	5	15
Maroons	4	2	9	10

American Division				
	W.	D.	L.	P.
Rangers	5	4	2	22
Chicago	5	5	5	15
Boston	6	2	5	14
Detroit	4	3	8	11

JUNIOR BILLIARD STANDING

	G.	Ttl.	Av.
Empress	1	1892	946
Hawks	2	1833	917
League of Nations	2	1820	910
Jewelers	2	1621	811

GREAT SCENE AT CAPITOL

Hundreds of Young People Brought Parcels For Those in Need as Price of Entry

It was a great scene yesterday at the Capitol Theatre when hundreds of kiddies came, each bearing a parcel to be devoted to relief work as the price of admission to the matinee. Most of them brought staple goods but there were all sorts of curious parcels, some large, some small. All were stacked up in the entrance and made an imposing display.

More than that, everybody seemed to enjoy the fun of giving for those who are in need. The theatre was crowded to the doors and the picture much enjoyed.

Before the picture program commenced, Col. S. P. McMordie, D.S.O., theatre manager, and Capt. Steele, Salvation Army, spoke briefly, thanking all present for their generous donations.



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