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Adolfo Luque Was Imported in 1912

Vet Cuban Started at Long Branch, N. J.

**I**N 1912 an entire team of Cuban ball players was brought from Havana to Long Branch, N. J., and installed as that city's club in the old Atlantic Coast League. Dr. Carlos Henriquez of New York was the sponsor of the enterprise. Adolfo Luque, relief pitching hero of the recent world series, was a member of that old team of Cubans.

Previously Adolfo saw service with the Cuban Giants, and Indianapolis fans will remember him as a star with Louisville. Luque was an all-around pastime in the early days and often played third base or in the outfield. Of that Long Branch team of 1912 eight members were sold to the majors, Luque, Marsans, Gonzales, Tuero, Acosta, Calvo, Padron and Aragon.

**L**UQUE is the lone member of the group still holding a big league job. Mike Gonzales was second catcher and assistant manager at Columbus this year. Luque gives his age as 43, but Dr. Henriquez believes Adolfo really is closer to 50. The veteran has played in the majors with the Braves, Cincy Reds, Brooklyn and Giants. When he defeated Washington in the world series title clincher his mates suggested he run for president of Cuba, until somebody remarked that down in that country "First you run for president and then you run for your life."

**W**HEN Fitz Lyons of the Indiana U. eleven snatched a fumble in mid-air from Alphonse at Minnesota and streaked fifty-five yards for a touchdown it was generally regarded as a "break" for the Hoosiers. And it was a "break," but not all of it was just luck. Lyons, the giant Negro end, plays for that sort of thing. Just a few minutes before his touchdown at Minnesota, he snatched a fumble but was called back when the referee ruled the ball was dead. After playing four years of high school athletics in all sports and a year of freshman football and basketball at Indiana, Wendell Walker of Vincennes, stellar triple-threat full back, got his first injury of any importance at Minnesota last weekend, and it is thought that a team mate did it. Bruno Vercuski was cutting in from the other side of the line and they collided as they attempted to tackle the charging Francis Lund. Vercuski was knocked out and Walker's ankle was sprained.

**D**URING a wrestling match in the east the grappler supplying the rough play was sent spinning and he landed on his back, with his head outside the ropes. Two women fans near the ringside jumped up and each cuffed him with a stinging smack across the face. It was their answer to his rough stuff. This recalls an incident in Philadelphia this year on a "ladies' day" at a big league game. After the last out two women leaped over the grandstand wall and charged at Umpire Charley Moran, brandishing parasols as weapons. The home club lost and the feminine rooters took exception to the umpire's decisions. "If I am going to be pushed around by women," Moran said, "it's time to ask them to pay to get in." Something similar happened at Perry stadium in Indianapolis the past summer. A feminine fan seated in a box seat raised her arm, clutching a pop bottle, and was in the act of "letting the umpire have it." An usher reached over and gently stopped the throw. When a home crowd attacks an umpire he holds the power to forfeit the game to the visiting team.

**T**HERE will be a few important college grid games on the air today. Barbasol is sponsoring the broadcast over WKBW, Indianapolis, of the Notre-Dame struggle. Kick-off is at 2 p. m., central time. The broadcast will begin at 1:45. The Stanford vs. Northwestern tilt, at Champaign will be described from Soldier field over NBC-WJZ network, broadcast starting at 1:45, central time. The Michigan-Cornell game at Ann Arbor also will be on the air over NBC-WEAF network.

Blondy Ryan, star shortstop of the champion Giants, took no chances on going "Broadway" with his world series profits. He contracted to put it in real estate and signed up for the purchase of a home for his parents. "Going Broadway" is said to have had much to do with the collapse of the champion Yankees of 1932.

St. Mary's of California will travel all the way across the country to battle Fordham in New York on Nov. 4. Jimmy Crowley, Fordham coach, says he hears the St. Mary's warriors are going to travel "one to a car." Meaning they are that big!

A Chicago prize fighter married his manager's daughter. Well, that's one way of beating the manager's cut of the gate. Keep it all in one.

**M**idwest Holds Spotlight With Inter-sectional Tilts

**F**rom the east, Gil Dobie's undefeated Cornell eleven marched hopefully against Michigan's veteran outfit, today as heavy football artillery from the east, south and west thundered at home-product huskies in important inter-sectional conflicts. Interest was at white heat with 200,000 expected at the various games.

Although heavy fighting centered in that sector, pre-battle blueprints showed one or two important melees slated on each of the other fronts, with the Navy-Pittsburgh game commanding the most eastern interest. Pitt was favored.

Prominent in the midwest invasion were Tiny Thornehill's Stanford Indians, who are attacking Northwestern at Chicago. Most experts believed the Californians would win. The Trojans were favored.

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