



I BROKE UP THE ATHLETICS TO PREVENT BASEBALL RUIN, DECLARES CONNIE MACK

Federal League Wrecked Champion Team by Completely Changing Spirit of Players, Says Greatest Manager in First Interview Ever Given Any Newspaper.

I Was Caught Napping When the White Elephants Began Slipping, He Says, but I'll Have Another Top-Notch Aggregation Within Two Years.

By CORNELIUS MCGILLICUDDY (Connie Mack)

Manager of the Athletics

DICTATED BY HIM PERSONALLY

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I HAVE been asked time and again to explain why I broke up the Athletics and why it is that we are not up in the fight for the American League pennant.

Three separate machines I have built, and I will have another in two years that will be greater than the one I just broke up.

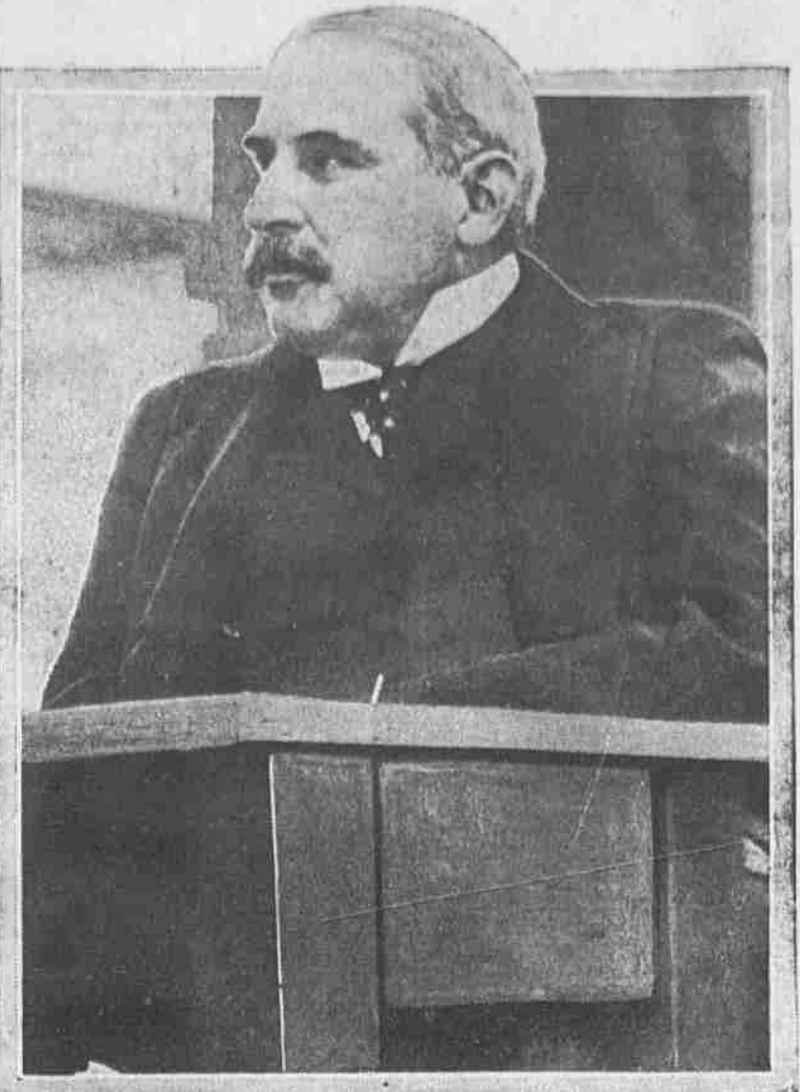
The claim has been made that I broke up my team for the sake of economy. In fact, you cannot convince some people that I did not, so I do not bother trying.

They say I like money too much. Well, if half of the people who make this claim were as poor as I am, they would have my sympathy.

Money had nothing to do with the breaking up of my team, except that I

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FINANCIER SHOT TWICE IN HIS OWN HOME



J. P. Morgan, head of the banking firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., was shot at his country home. His wounds are not considered serious.

J. PIERPONT MORGAN SHOT TWICE BY FORMER PROFESSOR AT CORNELL, CRAZED BY WAR

Financier Slightly Wounded in Side and Leg by Assailant Who Seeks to Force Way Into Summer Home. Man Shouts "This War Has Got to Stop"—Arrested After Deed.

GLEN COVE, N. Y., July 3.—J. Pierpont Morgan, head of the great banking firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., was shot twice at his summer home today by Frank Holt,

of Ithaca, N. Y., a former professor of modern languages at Cornell University, who is believed to have been driven insane by reading accounts of the European war.

Holt talked in an irrational manner after his arrest, saying: "I have been sent by God to do this. Morgan is the only one who could end the war and I was a divine agent in trying to destroy him."

In Holt's pocket was found an American Express Company receipt showing that he had recently shipped a package from Ithaca to F. S. Sinaasch, 101 Marcellus street, Dallas, Tex.

Holt visited East Island, the Morgan summer home, three days ago to reconnoiter before he tried to kill the financier.

Holt, who was overpowered after the shooting by servants in the Morgan home, was brought here pending his removal to the county jail at Mineola.

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ing statement, setting forth the reasons why he shot the financier.

"I, F. Holt, of Ithaca, N. Y., lately a professor at Cornell University, do hereby swear before Judge William E. Luyster, of Glen Cove, to tell fully the facts of my attempt to assassinate J. Pierpont Morgan on the morning of July 3, 1915, at East Island, Glen Cove, N. Y.

"About three days ago I decided to come to Glen Cove, the country home of Mr. Morgan. My previous trip to his home was to find out where he lived and study the surrounding country.

"This morning, July 3, I decided again to come to Glen Cove. I caught an early train out of New York to Glen Cove. The purpose of my coming here was to catch Mr. Morgan before he went away for the day. I arrived at Glen Cove at 9:30. I walked up to a gentleman who runs a taxicab at the station and asked him to take me to the home of J. Pierpont Morgan.

"On entering the grounds of Mr. Morgan's estate, Mr. Ford, who was driving the taxicab, drove up to the door of Mr. Morgan's house. The butler asked me what I wanted to see Mr. Morgan about. I told him that it was very important—that it concerned the European war.

RUSSIAN FLEET ROUTS GERMAN SHIPS IN BALTIC

Damaged Cruiser Lowers Teuton Flag and Runs Ashore on Gotland Island.

Slav Squadron Attacks Foe's Flotilla in Fog—Enemy Returns to Action With Armored and Light Cruiser and Torpedoboat.

Hostile Warcraft Forced to Retire Under Muscovite Fire—During Retreat Another Cruiser Attacks Pursuers—U-Boats Finally Cover Flight—Russian Losses Small.

PETROGRAD, July 3. Russian and German warships have met in their first big naval battle in the Baltic Sea, and the czar's fleet has won, according to an official statement issued by the Admiralty today.

A German cruiser was badly damaged by the fire of the Russian gunners, and was run ashore to escape sinking, the official statement says. The battered warship lowered its flag before it was beached.

"The battle took place off the island of Gotland. The text of the Admiralty's report follows: "Friday morning our cruisers encountered during a fog two light cruisers of the enemy and some torpedoboats on a line parallel with Oostergarn lighthouse, on the east coast of the island of Gotland, and engaged in battle with them."

"A German cruiser, at 9 a. m., being badly damaged, lowered its flag and ran ashore. The other cruiser and torpedoboats retired.

"At 10 a. m. our squadron encountered the armored cruiser Roon, one light cruiser and one torpedoboat. The battle was renewed.

"At 10:30 a. m. the enemy began to retire southward. During his retreat the enemy, who had now been joined by another light cruiser, was attacked by our cruisers. The enemy's warships then fled hurriedly and the pursuit ceased at 11:30 a. m.

"After the battle our squadron was unsuccessfully attacked by submarines. The damage inflicted upon our cruisers was insignificant.

The armored cruiser Roon is a sister ship of the Yorick and carries a crew of 515 men. Her displacement is 2000 tons and her armaments consist of the following: Four 8.5-inch (40-calibre) guns in pairs in turrets fore and aft; ten 5.5-inch guns, six in main deck battery and four in turrets on the upper deck; 14 3.4-inch (30-pounders) gun machine guns and four 15-inch torpedo tubes, submerged fore, aft and amidships. The Roon is capable of 20 knots and is protected by Krupp armor throughout.

CROWN PRINCE'S ARMY REPULSED ON ARGONNE LINE

German Host Again Driven Back by French on Third Day of Battle.

Joffre's Troops Resist Successfully Desperate Night and Day Attacks of Foes—Teutons Suffer Heavy Losses in Alsace.

PARIS, July 3. Another repulse of the German Crown Prince's army in the Argonne is announced in the communique issued by the French War Office this afternoon. The battle is still in progress, however.

Very heavy losses have been inflicted upon the Germans, but they have maintained their attacks. This is the third day of the conflict.

The French have succeeded in holding their positions, although subjected to fierce assaults, both by night and by day. The text of the afternoon communique follows:

"The struggle in the Argonne continued all night with the same tenacity. We maintained our positions and inflicted very great losses on the enemy.

"In the region of Metzeral (Alsace) two new attacks against our positions on the crest located to the east of the village were repulsed.

"On the other sections of the front there was a fairly active cannonade with shells of all sources. Some shells thrown on Arras set fires which had been extinguished.

"Our aviators have bombarded successfully Challevauche, Xertion and Langemarcke, as well as the German batteries at Vimy and at Beaurains."

GERMANS MAKE READY FOR GREAT OFFENSIVE

LONDON, July 3. The Daily Mail's correspondent at Rotterdam has received information that the

There will be no issue of the Evening Ledger on Monday, July 5, which will be observed as Independence Day.

TODAY'S BASEBALL SCORES

Table with 2 columns: Team and Score. Boston 1st 100000, Phillies 002200, Athletics 1st 10010, Boston 02000.

GERMANS LOSE TWO WARSHIPS, REPORTS U. S. MINISTER

WASHINGTON, July 3.—Minister Morris, at Stockholm, reported to the State Department today that a naval battle had taken place between Russian and German vessels off Vihby, Sweden, and that two German ships were reported lost.

U-39 HIT SHIP ENGAGED IN RESCUE, IS CHARGE

CARDIFF, Wales, July 3.—That the crew of the German submarine U-39 fired upon the British steamship Inglemoor while she was engaged in rescuing the crew of the steamship Caucasian, was the charge made here today by Chief Steward Owens of the Inglemoor.

PRESIDENT NOTIFIED OF MORGAN SHOOTING

WINDSOR, Vt., July 3.—President Wilson learned of the attempt on the life of J. P. Morgan and of the bomb exploding in the Senate building when he returned from 18 holes of golf. He made no comment and retired to his study where he worked until lunch.

U. S. ATTORNEY FOR CONNECTICUT

WASHINGTON, July 3.—Thos. J. Spellacy, of Hartford, Conn., was today appointed by President Wilson United States Attorney for the district of Connecticut.

MRS. UPTON SINCLAIR WANTS HER BOY

MOBILE, Ala., July 3.—Mrs. Meta Fuller Sinclair, former wife of Ppton Sinclair, filed a chancery suit at Gulfport, Miss., today for possession of her 13-year-old son, now, she said, in his father's custody. She asserted Sinclair promised she would have the boy with her several months each year, but kept this alleged agreement only a short time.

VITTORIA ITALIANA TRA PLAVA E GORIZIA

Gli Austriaci Respinti Dappertutto—Tolmino Sarebbe Stata Occupata dalle Forze di Cadorna.

Diepacchi giunti a Roma da corrispondenti italiani che si trovano nelle vicinanze del fronte di battaglia dicono che gli austriaci sono stati battuti su tutta la linea sul fronte Piava-Gorizia e sono stati respinti. Essi avevano preso l'offensiva, ma non sono riusciti ad avere che gravi perdite e a perdere altre importanti posizioni.

Gravi perdite hanno pure subito gli austriaci nel settore di Marborghetto e precisamente a nord-ovest di quella importante fortezza, dove gli austriaci hanno tentato di riprendere il possesso di perdute trincee e filocanti. In un solo punto gli italiani hanno seppellito 150 austriaci.

Un dispaccio da Ginevra dice che gli austriaci hanno evacuato la fortezza di Tolmino, che e' stata subito dopo occupata dagli italiani. Sebbene la notizia non abbia ancora la conferma ufficiale, pure non e' inverosimile, giacche' si sapeva che Tolmino era violentemente attaccata da nord e da ovest.

Le posizioni austriache di Pleszo, dove e' una buona fortezza, sono circondate da lati dagli italiani e gli austriaci non possono che riprendere le perdute trincee e filocanti. Si dice anzi che essi abbiano di gia' portato via dalla fortezza i loro grossi cannoni.

(Leggere in la pagina le ultime notizie editate notizie sulla guerra, in italiano.)

Berlin Denies "Sinking" of Cruiser BERLIN, July 3.—In regard to the Russian report that a German cruiser had been destroyed off the Courland coast, the Admiralty issued the following succinct bulletin:

"The Russian report that one of their torpedoboats sank a German cruiser is pure invention."

THE WEATHER

The breeze to whom a holiday is an abomination and who are planning to celebrate the Fifth of July by riding in a motor car, should be warned that the weather described thus as occupied with serious entirely surrounded by suitcases, handbags, portmanteaus and what-nots, will be the Sunday best, "well-dressed" suits brushed up and set off with black and pink-striped shirts were largely in evidence. Verily, America anticipates the greatest anniversary of its history in a wonderful sight. But our mission is to give assurance that, according to the present look of things, the clothes and get-up-arounded are likely to come back again on Tuesday without having been shed on Merry Fourth of June Year!

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Unsettled tonight and Sunday with probably occasional thundershowers; not much change in temperature; gentle westerly winds.

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ARMENIAN SINKING JUSTIFIED, GERMAN ADMIRALTY SAYS

BERLIN, July 3.—The German Admiralty issued a statement today justifying the destruction of the Leyland liner Armenian. The statement supporting the destruction of the Armenian by the submarine U-33 was evidently called forth by the fact that a number of Americans lost their lives.

The statement follows: "In regard to the sinking of the Armenian it is ascertained that the captain refused to heave to when ordered to do so, and for an hour tried to escape. In his own words he did not want to give up without a fight, and he only stopped his ship when 15 or 17 men lay dead upon the deck. The submarine acted in strict accordance with international law throughout."

SUE RELATIVE FOR \$25,000

Woman and Her Husband Declared Latter's Brother Attacked Her.

On a charge of assault and battery committed by her brother-in-law, Mrs. Annie E. W. Bassett and her husband have brought suit to recover damages aggregating \$25,000 from the accused, James Bromley, a mill owner, 470 Leiper street, Frankford.

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BANKERS' SYMPATHY GOES OUT TO MORGAN

City's Financiers Deeply Stirred by Shooting of Great Banker.

Deep sympathy for J. Pierpont Morgan was expressed in every banking house in the city when news of the shooting reached here. Philadelphia financiers united in expressing their regard for him, not only as the most influential banker in the country, but also as an individual.

"I think we all feel deeply grieved to learn that Mr. Morgan has been injured," said William Huhn, of George A. Huhn & Sons. "Our appreciation of him was not only for the able financier, but also for the man."

James Francis Sullivan, president of the Market Street National Bank, said: "I was extremely grieved to hear the bad news concerning Mr. Morgan. I only hope the wounds may not prove serious. I regard him as the most influential individual banker in the country. He has a keen sense of responsibility and enjoys the confidence of the business community."

Earl Mendenhall, of Chandler Brothers & Co., said: "Mr. Morgan possessed the entire respect of everybody in the financial community. The general feeling is that he filled his father's shoes better than any other man could."

John J. Henderson, of Newberger, Henderson & Loeb, said: "Mr. Morgan has represented the highest attributes of his distinguished father, modified with a deep regard for public opinion. He has been an inspiration and a help to all of us in the banking business in the economic revolution brought about by the war. We are deeply sorry that he has been harmed."

"If Mr. Morgan was not seriously hurt the shooting probably will have no effect on the money market," said Herbert Clark, of E. W. Clark & Co., bankers. "I am anxious to know the details. If the report is true that he was not badly shot we can expect nothing serious resulting."

Edward R. Bonsall, vice president of the Land Title and Trust Company, said: "The reported attempt on the life of Mr. Morgan is most deplorable and we grieve to learn that he has been injured. Mr. Morgan, as a financier, retains the deep respect of the entire banking community. Cooper Wistar Morris, of Atkins, Morris & Co., said: "We are grieved to learn that Mr. Morgan has been shot, and we trust the injuries may not prove to be serious. He is an able financier and has always merited the confidence of the entire banking world."

Charles S. W. Packard, president of the Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting Annuities, said: "It's a great calamity."

The Kensingtonian Says: Stanley Stewart, the well-known Corbin boy, is now engineer on a steam-turbine machine down at Woodbury, N. J.

LOST AND FOUND

Lost—Dark suit and white shirt, answer to the name of Queen Carter. No reward. E. W. CLARK & CO., BANKERS, 1115 and 1117 Chestnut St.

Lost—A milk white Bull Terrier, black tongue, white legs, eyes, ears, and feet. No reward. Mrs. J. H. BROWN, 321 and Spruce St.

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