MUGGSY M'GRAW'S IDLE BOAST-"THE BULL MOOSE OF THE BLEACHERS"-VAN LOAN

MUCH-TOUTED GIANTS NOW LOWEST OF LOW; McGRAW'S IDLE BOAST

New Yorkers in Last Place for First Time in Eleven Years at This Stage of Race-Phillies Must Hustle, as Braves Are on Their Heels-Cincinnati a Puzzle

Manager John McGraw, of the New York Giants, declared several weeks see that the National League was so weak that it was a joke. He also stated that his team was the best in a poor league, and should easily win the pennant in the final dash. For making these statements McGraw was criticized by magnates and managers throughout the circuit, but he insisted that he was right, and so stated in signed newspaper articles.

When McGraw made these statements the Giants were four games behind the Phillies and apparently due for a spurt. Today the Giants are in last place, having dropped into that position by losing to St. Louis, while Cincinnati was

McGraw Can Now Sympathize With Connie Mack

Baseball fans throughout the country are the same. They love a winner and despise a loser, forgetting the triumphs of the past. Today McGraw is being reasted in the city whose fans idelized him until four months ago. There is no denying the fact that McGraw is one of the greatest leaders the game has ever had, and there is also little room to doubt his ability to rebuild another great machine, but, like Connie Mack, McGraw is feeling the sting of criticism for the first time in 12 years.

In his first season as manager of the Giants, in 1903, McGraw was not successful and was frequently criticized, but this was due mainly to the manner in which he "double-crossed" the American League in jumping to New York from Baltimore with his whole team. In 1904 McGraw built his first championship team in the National League, and since that time has never been in last place at this time of the year.

An Odd Position for the Giants at This Time of Year

The Giants had their troubles in 1906 and again in 1910, but in both seasons McGraw had a strong team that was in the race more or less until the finish. Then McGraw built his second pennant-winning machine in 1911, and it reigned supreme in the National League until the unexpected overthrow by the Braves last year. McGraw made two deals which, it was thought, would strengthen the team to such an extent that he would win the pennant. This was when he got Lobert from the Phillies and Perritt from the Cardinals,

Lobert and Perritt Have Failed to Boost Team

Both Lobert and Perritt failed to live up to expectations. But, even at that, the Giants still look like a good team, but they are in last place and McGraw is the target for bitter criticism, which he brought on himself for his remarks concerning the strength of the league. Like Connie Mack, it is certain that McGraw will come back, but his road will be harder because he is due to meet with more resistance because of the things he has said about the seven other teams and the players in the National League.

Boston and the Reds the Real Hummers Now

Boston and Cincinnati continue to pick up games on the leaders in the National League, while Brooklyn and the Phillies have been able to make little headway on the home stands that were anxiously awaited by the fans of both cities. Boston is now back where it was before the three straight reverses at the hands of the Phillies. Its pitching staff is working smoother now than any in the league, with the exception of Cincinnati, which has been favored with remarkable twirling for three weeks.

A Possibility! Cincinnati in First Division!!

Cincinnati is now out of last place, and unless it is stopped by the Phillies it is likely Herzog's team will be in the first division before they return home for a solid month. There is practically no chance for Cincinnati to pick up eight games in the few remaining weeks of the season, but that club can trouble the leaders, while Boston must be stopped by the Reds later in the week, or the Braves will again be on top.

Brooklyn Stung Right in the Same Spot

The Phillies were fortunate again. Although beaten by the Cubs, Moran's men still hold the same lead over Brooklyn, thanks to Cincinnati's third straight victory over Robinson's team. So long as the Phils can stick in the lead there is little use of worrying, but it behooves Moran's men to hustle, as the "dark horses" generally slip in about this time in every close race.

Cubs Got the Jump and the Game

The Chicago Cubs got the jump on the Phillies in the farewell game of the season in this city, and, with superior pitching and all the breaks of luck, managed to hold the advantage without much trouble. Eppa Rixey had two bad Innings, in which the Cubs took advantage of the breaks and piled up such a lead that Lavender's work was made easy. Poor judgment on the bases in the sixth inning broke up a promising raily, and that was the only real chance the Phillies had to cut down the lead.

The first good break for the Cubs came in the first inning. Rixey hit Good. and Fisher then shot a high fly to deep left, which bounded into the bleachers for a home run. Then, after Schulte was retired, Zimmerman lined a wicked single to left, which took a bad bound to Whitted, and Zimmerman reached second. He went to third on an out and scored on Williams' short single, which would not have scored him from second.

Every Break of the Game Was for Chicago

In the fourth inning Rixey allowed an easy grounder to get away from him, and two runs were tallied after the side should have been retired. On the offensive everything broke wrong for the Phils. Three times double plays were made just when it looked as if the Phillies were about to stage a rally. One of these double plays was due to Bancroft's attempt to score from third on a short sacra lee fly to Good. He was nailed at the plate easily, and had no right to try to score, as the chance was too great and one run was of little value when it entailed such

On the other double plays Paskert and Niehoff were unfortunate enough to hit hard drives straight at Zimmerman, and both balls bounded perfectly. There were several other stages where a break of luck might have put the Phillies in the game, but it was one of those days when all the breaks went the other way.

Umpire Cockill a Little too Speedy

Perhaps the poorest breaks of the day were received on base decisions. Umpire Cockill has a bad habit of calling the plays too quickly, and while most of the decisions which drew jeers from the crowd were on plays that were close, it seemed that at least three rulings at first base should have been given to the Phillies, if that old idea of "tie in favor of the runner" is still in vogue. . . .

Marquard and Benton on Same Team! Horrors!

Pity poor John McGraw! He has been awarded Pitcher Rube Benton before the waivers on Marquard have been obtained. There i snothing worse that could be wished on a manager than to have this pair of temperamental and eccentric southpaws on the same team at the same time. Marquard was a great pitcher and probably will come back, while Benton should be a star right from the jump

Magnates Have No Respect for Their Contracts

The selling of this pair of stars is another evidence that the baseball contract is not worth the paper it is written on, if a magnate really wants to break Unconditional releases are flying thick and fast for high-priced stars who have failed to make good. Many players were of the belief that these players would not be released, with the Peds still in the field, but the independent league can gain no prestige, and therefore steers clear of men who have been stamped with the unconditional release brand.

If all the major league teams waive on Marquard, the Feds will certainly pass him up, but it is also almost certain that several major league teams will hid for his services, as Marquard's salary will be almost halved.

Thomas, of Cubs' Management, Has Mental Lapse

President Thomas, of the Cubs, is evidently an absent-minded sort of an individual. He forgets what he says a few moments after he tells something that he should not tell. Thomas denied that Chency was on the market and that there was any chance of his joining the Phillies a few hours after he had talked et the proposed trade. Perhaps Charley Murphy wired from Chicago and spilled the deal or ordered Thomas not to talk, despite the fact that Murphy is

MAXWELL SETS PACE IN BALA GOLF MEET

Aronimink Man Has Card of 86 and Leads 110 Players in Fall Tournament

BALA, Pa., Aug. E.-The opening gun of the fall golf season was fired at the Bala Golf Club this morning.

Norman Maxwell, of Aronimink, who gained a place in the Hall of Fame by winning the Gelst cup at Whitemarsh last fall, was the leader of the first section of the field of 110, with a capital score of 36. Under the conditions that existed at the time, Maxwell's round was high class in every respect, and but for missed putts on four holes coming home he might have bettered this score by at least half a dozen strokes. His card:

Cecil Calvert, George K. Lauder, Frank Bicking and C. B. Webster, Jr., winners of the 1814 tournament, are down among the afternoon starters. As the course will be considerably dried out then, it is hardly possible that Maxwell's 86 will re-

Second place is occupied by F. L. Maister, of Phoenixville, who returned a score one stroke higher than Maxwell's. These two alone of the first 30 were under 20. Maxwell's card;

Out 4 5 4 5 4 5 6 4 3-46 In 4 6 5 6 6 5 7 4 3-46-86 Paul Haber, of the Scottish-American Golf Club, of New York, an organization that uses the public holes at Van Courtlend Park, was considered by many a dark horse. Unfortunately Haber, a la Henny Sayres, couldn't putt, and will be lucky to find a place in the second 16

with a. 93.			
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WILLIAMS DEFAULTS IN TENNIS CONTEST

Champion Concedes Match to W. P. Snyder at Southampton, New York

SOUTHAMPTON, N. Y., Aug. 25.—Evidently believing that he has had enough match play to put him on edge for the championship tournament next week, R. Norris Williams, 2d, tennis champion, de-faulted his match in the tournament be-ing conducted here. Summaries:

MEADOW CLUB CUP SINGLES.
Third Round.
P. Snyder defeated R. Norris Williams,
y default.

Waiter Merrill Hall defeated Dr. William losenbaum, 6-2, 3-6, 6-1. Edward H. Whitney defeated W. P. Suyder, 9, 6-2.

FEDERALS OFFER COBB

FORTUNE TO SIGN

Report Says Detroit Star Is Tendered Contract for \$100,000

NEW YORK, Aug. 25 .- An offer of \$100,-000 is reported to have been made to Ty Cobb to sign a three-year contract to play with the team that the Federal League will place in New York in 1918. Of this amount, \$50,000 will be paid to Cobb immediately upon signing the con-tract, while the balance will be paid to him over a stretch of three years

Cobb, it is said, has taken the matter under consideration. Cobb's contract with the Detroit Tigers has three more years to run, and it is understood that the document is of the iron-clad nature. The Federal League officials, it is un-ierstood, have told Cobb that if he signs up with them and is barred from playing by a court injunction he will be paid his full salary by the Federals for sitting on the bench, but this arrangement is not entirely satisfactory to Cobb. Cobb signed a five-year contract with

the Detroit club at the beginning of the 1314 season. The real salary that Cobb gets has not been made public, but it is believed to be in the neighborhood of \$17.500 per year. \$17,500 per year.

THE BULL MOOSE OF THE BLEACHERS

A Prophet of Evil Honored in His Own Country - A Concerted Attack on the Bull Moose-A Detective on the Job and a Plan of Action

By CHARLES E. VAN LOAN

for a month without pay, d'ye get me?"

Twenty-four hours later the report was

Copyright, 1912, by Street & Smith, The Moose turned out to be a competent prophet of evil, for the Ponies laced the Bantams by the scandalous score of 14 to 2, and each addition to the heavy end of the count was the signal for a fresh outburst from the human megaphone, so craftily concealed on the



On the third day the bantama expected to hear from the unknown, and awaited his opening salute with tense nerves. On the fourth day they dreaded him, and after that he became a nightmare, a pest, an abomination, and any man on the club would have poisoned the Bull Moose with all the pleasure in

Day after day the Bantams lost, and Day after day the Bantams lost, and day after day the terrible voice gloated over their defeats and led the increasing anvil chorus. In the minds of the ball players the Bull Moose was the personification of hard luck, the symbol of the losing streak, and the cause of the weeful slump into which they had fallen. The very fact that they did not know what he looked like added to their discomiture, and, though the extra men on the bench watched the crowds carefully, they were unable to pick out the storm they were unable to pick out the storm centre in the sea of faces.

The Bantams boasted a modern ball park, with seating accommodations for 20,000, and from the home bench a face 20,000, and from the nome bench a tace on the bleachers was no more than a tiny red speck. Silent McCloskey, still on the invalid list, put in a whole after-noon with his wife's opera glasses, but the identity of the Hull Moose remained as much of a mystery as ever.

After the Bantams dropped their eighth 6-0 6-2.

Wataou M. Washburn defeated Ward LawWataou M. Washburn defeated Ward Lawstraight game-Gildersieeve pitched it,
son 6-4, 2-6, 8-6.

G. Colte Caner defeated Lyle E. Mahan.

6-2, 7-5, E.

Leonard Reckman defeated Harold A.

Throckmorton, 6-4, 3-6, 8-6.

house. "Now, here," said the manager. "I won't stand for any more of this fight-ing on the bench and jawing in the clubhouse, d'ye get me? Gildersleeve, if you can't keep your mouth shut, I'll suspend you till you learn how. You, too, Anderson, and the same thing goes for Kehoe and McCloskey. If you'd fight the other fellows half, as hard as you fight among yourselves, we'd win a game once in a

"About this loud-mouth who's been getting the crowd after us, well, I've got a plan. I'm going to have him spotted and



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there. He has four tables over in the far corner of the room."

"A waiter!" ejaculated O'Hara.

"Yes, and the last man you'd ever pick out to be carrying around a voice like that. He's a little guy, about 40, I guess, bald and fat. He lives over on..."

"Never mind where he lives," interrupted the manager. "I've got an idea.
A waiter, ch? Gee! This is going to be good. This is going to be immense!"

There was a long, thoughtful slience, during which the manager of the Ban-tams sucked vigorously at his unlighted cigar.

trailed, and maybe something will happen to him that'll keep him away from this place for a while. I don't know yet just what it will be, but I won't have one man bust up my ball club if there's any "I don't suppose," he remarked, at "I don't suppose," he remarked, at length, "that any of the boys have ever been in that joint. Nobody there would know 'em by sight. It's a little too swell for 'en: too rich for their blood, but still-Crabbe. Kehoe, Gildersleeve. McCloskey and Mulholland, they've all sor aplke-tail coats, I know. That ought to help some." With this rather rambling and ambiguous conclusion, lan rose and clapped Lenny Austin smartly on the shoulder. "You and me," he said, "will eat at this millionaire joint tomorrow night, see? In our moonlights, d'ye get me?"

"I don't yet," said Lenny, cheerfully, way to stop him short of murder. We'll get him, boys, and we'll get him right. Now, then, let's bury the hatchet and play baseball again! The first fellow that starts anything is going to lay off That very night Dan fook the first step toward the unmasking of the Bull Moose. The manager looked up Lenny Moose. The manager tooked up Austin, a shrewd, thin-faced young man, who had performed many anonymous services for O'Hara's ball club.

services for O'Hara's ball club.

'It's like this, Lenny," said Dan; "this fellow has got our goat, and I want to get his, see? I want him spotted and trailed. I want to know who he is, where he works and all about him. Get out there on the bleachers tomorrow and move around until you've got him pegged. Then trail him after the game. Make a report to me here tomorrow night, and we'll try to frame up some way to put a silencer on him, d'ye get me?"

Twenty-four hours later the report was "I don't yet," said Lenny, cheerfully, "but I'll bet you I return any lead you make! (CONTINUED TOMORROW.)

SWIMMING MEET AT ST. RITA'S

Many Have Been Entered as Contestants for Prizes

The second annual swimming meet of

Twenty-four hours later the report was made, as follows:

"Well, I've got your man," said Lenny, "Fine!" said O'Hara. "Who is he?"

"Did you ever eat at the Metropolitan Grill?" asked the amateur detective.

"What do you think, I am—a millionaire?" demanded Dan. "That ain't any place for a ball player to eat!"

"Well," said Lenny, "I eat there once in a while, and I knew this bird the minute I got where I could see his face."

"Does he own the Joint?" asked Dan.

"Not yet," said Lenny. "He's a waiter"

The second annual swimming meet of St. Rita's Catholic Club will be held on Friday evening at the club, northeast corner of Broad and Federal streets. The meet is under the auspices of the Athleit Committee, of which Tommy Moloney is chairman.

A large list of entries have been received and some lively contests are looked for. Johnny Tone, who won the meet last previous performance and secure the trophy that goes to the winner. There will be three other prizes.

Prize Bone in Minors When Runners Crossed

According to Ned Egan, the "Connis Mack of the Minors," more "honehead" plays are made in Class C and D leagues in a week than you see in the big leagues in a season. Egan describes a play made in the Central Association that kept the circuit amused for several days.

circuit amused for several days.

Waterloo was playing at Muscatine and Wetzell, Muscatine's right fielder, was at first base, with Sours, of the same team, at bat. Sours gave the hit-and-run signal and Wetzell started down for second base as soon as the pitcher began to wind up. Sours hit a long fly. Just as he reached second base Wetzell thought he saw Hill, Waterloo's left fleider, reaching up to catch the ball.

Without waiting to see whether the fielder made the catch, Wetzell raced

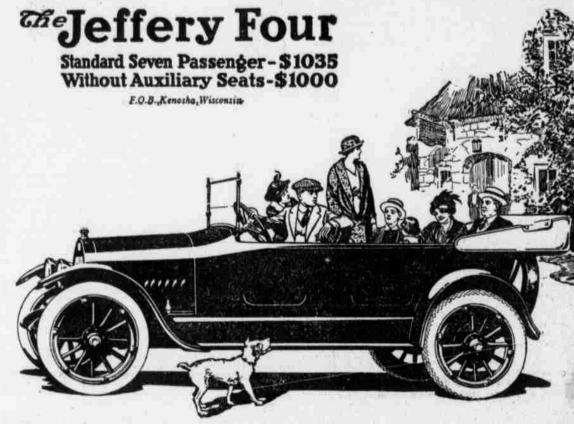
Without waiting to see whether the fielder made the catch, Weizell raced hack to first base. Meantime the ball had soared high over Hill's head, and Sours turned first base and raced for second, Wetzell passed him at full speed, going in the opposite direction. When Sours reached second, he thought that he had made a mistake about seeing the ball fall safe, and started back to first. Simultaneously Weizell saw Hill chasing the sphere and he again began the dash for second and once more both playery passed each other on the dead run, both badly confosed. The result was that a hit that should have been good for a triple and a score went for a double.

And all this happened without the unpire being entangled in the "bothchead" play.

Pitcher James Goes to Louisville LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 25.—President O. A. Wathen yesterday announced that I. I. Letty James, of the Cleveland Americans and been added to the pitching staff of the conteville American Association team and had experted to Manager Midkiff at Minneapolia.

One Pennant Race Decided

pittishurgh, Aug. 25.—The Central League season closed yesterday, the Evaneville Cub winning the pennant. The race throughout the season was close, the Indiana team not clinch-ing its hold on the title until yesterday.



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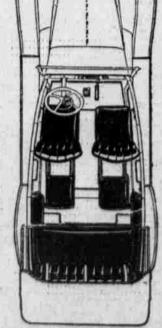
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