VETERAN "NAP" LAJOIE MAY GO BACK TO CLEVELAND CLUB AS NEW MANAGER

LARRY LAJOIE MAY LEAD **CLEVELAND AMERICANS UNDER** THE REORGANIZED REGIME

Athletic Second Sacker Would Be Allowed to Buy Block of Indians' Stock-Not Likely to Play With Mack Again

TF THE Cleveland capitalists who are now dickering for the controlling interest of the Indians are successful, Larry Lajoie, the veteran second baseman of the Athletics and one of the most historic figures ever connected with the national pastime, will never be seen in a baseball uniform again.

Latole has the consent of the Athletics to dicker with the prospective buyers in case they are successful, and the famous slugger will purchase a block of stock in the Cleveland Club and act as manager of the team. In case he is appointed manager of the Indians Lajoic says he will retire from the game as a player. There is no denying that Lajole is not the Larry of old, but he is still a good ball player. His 19-year record is one that has been approached only by Wagner and Anson. Cobb has a chance to equal Larry's mark, but it is doubtful if the "Georgia Peach" will be starring 10 years hence.

New Man for Athletics at Second

It is a foregone conclusion that one of the Mack recruits, probably Malone, will be stationed at second base next season and Lajole can be spared by Manager Mack, although his knowledge and coaching ability will be missed by the recruits. Larry was playing under a great handicap last season. His legs were in bad shape and he had a youngster playing the other side of second base after Barry's departure. While Barry was stationed at short Larry pl yed brilliant ball, but his work gradually fell off after the brilliant Barry was sold

In a letter to a friend in this city Lajoie wrote: "If my friends are successful in purchasing the Cleveland Club I expect to be allowed to purchase a block of stock, and I understand I am to be seriously considered for manager. I like Cleveland and think the Indians are going to be a big money-maker in the future. You can bet I will do my best to turn out a winner if I am given another chance to manage. I thought I would never want to handle a team again, but have changed my mind."

St. Louis Browns Have Profited by War

War has been kind to the St. Louis Browns. In the three baseball wars the Browns have been the greatest gainers in the matter of getting star ball players. Fourteen years ago when the American League decided to switch the Milwaukee franchise to St. Louis, it raided the National League and turned over Bobby Wallace, Emmett Heidrick, Jesse Burkett, Jack Powell, Willie Suthoff and others to Jimmy McAleer. The Browns had a wonderful team and were big money-makers until 1908, when McAleer's carelessness placed the Browns in the rut from which other leaders could not lift them.

The declaration of peace between the Federal League and organized ball will result in the transfer of Eddie Plank, Dave Davenport, Armando Marsans, Harry Chapman, Ward Miller, Young Tobin and other stars who will bolster up the weak points of the tail-end Browns. After the Brotherhood war the same conditions prevailed. The Browns have been the luckiest club in the game in this respect, as the majority of the teams have suffered financially and in the loss of players in each war.

If the St. Louis Browns decide to retain Marsans, Cincinnati will have to turn Ivy Wingo, the hard-hitting young catcher, over to the Cardinals. It will be recalled that Marsans was traded by Cincinnati to St. Louis, but he jumped to the St. Louis Feds. Wingo was permitted to remain with the Reds, but one of the conditions was that Wingo must be returned to the Cardinals at the end of a year if the Reds could not induce Marsans to return to the Cardinals. Wingo's loss will be a great blow to the Reds.

Tourney Like That of 1892 Planned for New Orleans

The proposed boxing tournament at New Orleans, at which the promoters expect to stage three championship battles within a week, recalls the famous tourney held in the Crescent City in 1892, which was brought to a climax when James J. Corbett knocked out John L. Sullivan in 14 rounds.

It is the intention of the promoters to stage 20-round bouts to decide the bantamweight, lightweight and heavyweight championships, two of the titles which were at stake in September, 1892. Kid Williams, the bantam champion, already has been matched with Pete Herman. The promoters now are negotiating with Freddy Weish and Charley White, while it is planned to have Jess Willard meet the winner of the Frank Moran-Jim Coffey bout, which is to be fought in New York tomorrow night.

Corbett's Victory Caused New Era in Boxing

In the famous New Orleans tourney George Dixon, featherweight, knocked out Jack Skelly, of Brooklyn, in eight rounds. The negro received \$17,500 for his 28 minutes' work and also retained the title. The following night Jack McAuliffe, the lightweight champion, knocked out Billy Myers, the "Streator Cyclone," in 15 rounds. McAuliffe received \$25,000 and the championship for victory.

The last battle was the famous Corbett-Sullivan mill, the result of which

other setto ever staged. Corbett got \$45,000, the championship and theatrical engagements which netted him over \$100,000 for defeating the wonderful Sullivan, who had never known defeat until that memorable night. Perhaps a few champions will be toppled over in the proposed tournament if the promoters are successful in matching the champions against worthy opponents.

Fans Will Get Money's Worth at Coffey-Moran Scrap

After Frank Moran knocked out Jim Coffey in the fourth round of their bout two months ago, the sporting public appeared to take it for granted that the latter had been put out of the running as a contender for the right to meet Jess Willard. When it was announced that Moran and Coffey had been rematched, the wise ones declared that history would repeat and that it was a mistake to give Coffey another chance.

Until a few days ago this feeling continued to prevail, but suddenly, for some unknown reason, sentiment has changed and not a few who were predicting another knockout victory for Moran have switched to Coffey. The latter has not boxed a single opponent since Moran put him away, but he has trained faithfully and has developed a great punch, if reports from his training camp are to be relied upon.

Moran and Coffey may both be far below the championship class, but those who witness the battle surely will get the worth of their money. Both are anxfous and willing to fight. They have not been clamoring for a match with Willard without being willing first to prove their right to the match by defeating all contenders. It should be a great battle and the winner is clearly entitled to a chance at Willard's crown, providing the victory is decisive.

Local Billiardist Dies at Atlanta, Ga.

Word has been received from Atlanta, Ga., of the death of A. J. Rogers, a well-known local billiardist. Rogers was one of the best money players in the three-cushion, balk-line and pocket-billiard games in the East, but seldom took part in tournaments. He died at the Grady Hospital after a brief illness. Pneumonia was given as the cause of death. Rogers was on his way home from Florida when taken sick.

American Jockey Missing in England

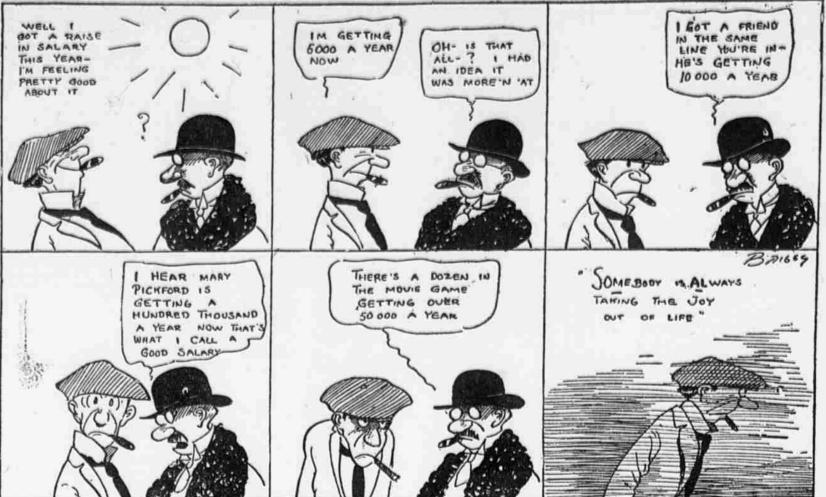
Matty McGee, who rode Durbar II when it won the English Derby in 1913, is among the missing in England and his parents, who reside in Cincinnati, have requested the State Department to try to locate him. McGee was under contract to ride for Herman Duryea, of Paris, who owned Durbar II, but Duryea cannot locate him either. His friends believe that he enlisted in the English army and may be dead, wounded or a prisoner.

Williams Was Not Offered Coaching Position

A member of the Pennsylvania football committee declares that there is absolutely no truth in the report that Dr. Carl Williams was offered the position of head coach at Penn for next season and that the committee wanted him to sign a three-year contract. He says that there was never a chance for Williams to get the position and that the choice was between Folwell and Mike Bennett

Rain caused the postponement of the great intercity soccer match between the Packards, of Detroit, and St. Georges, of New York, which was scheduled to take place in Detroit last Saturday. It is not likely that the game will be played off. The two teams have met twice before, but neither team has ever been able to tally and the postponement was a keen disappointment to soccer fans in both cities

SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE



STARS OF TRACK ARE LIKELY TO BE REINSTATED

Cases of Kiviat and Smith Still Under Advisement by the Committee

EFFECT ON OTHER MEN

By EDWARD R. BUSHNELL

The whole athletic world, collegiate as vell as amateur, is interested in the final disposition of the cases of Kiviat and Smith, the New York distance stars, who are at present under suspension on the charge of having asked and taken ex-cessive expense money for competing in an upstate meet. Obviously the original verdict of the Registration Committee in refusing to permit these men longer to compete as amateurs branded them as professionals.

There is a growing feeling among the friends of the two men that the special committee appointed to hear their appeal and which is headed by Gustavus T. Kirby, the former A. A. U. president, will recommend a lifting of the suspension some time in the near future. The committee, however, has given no inkling of what it will do. The prinicpal reason for the belief that the men will eventually be reinstated is

that the violation of amateur rules of which they were accused is one which followers of amateur athletics know has good many years. The reason that it has not been more generally detected and the men punished is that the athletes are usually too clever to be caught. The usual way this subterfuge is attempted is through an athlete's management of the really big fellows now taking Yale courses. through an athlete's manager who knows how to manipulate expense accounts in such a measure that his protege is not involved. And even if the manager is dis-covered to have taken excess expense money the athlete escapes.

Even if the committee should eventu-ally reduce the penalty to a suspension it will have a salutary effect on a good many club stars who have profited in a financial way not allowed by the amateur rules. The rule is explicit that a man must not take more than his legitimate expenses and that when an athlete pads his ac-count or gets additional money through a manager or coach who acts as his banker he is a professional and ought to be flagged and punished. If Smith and Kiviat are let off easily it will be because this violation of the rule is general and has been winked at too long. The case will have served some useful purpose if it makes all athletes live up to the spirit

AMATEUR CAGE NOTES

The Tigris B. C. fourth and fifth class team, has a few oren dates in January, February and March. It would like to hear from teams in or out of the city having halls and paying reasonable inducements. The forward positions are held down by Schuster and Lipman, Linsky plays centre and Hand and Pepperman make up the guards. I iedman is the utility player. Address all eminumications to Charles Klavan. Starr Garden Recreation Park, 6th and Lombard streets.

Amicus, a fourth and fifth-class team, has few open dates in January. Pebruary and farch, and would like to hear from teams or out of the city having hale and paying ducements. Address Herman Schwarts, 720 allibridge street.

Columbia A. A., a first and second-class team, has signed several new players and is now in a position to give the best third-class teams in the city a hard battle. Columbia has scheduled West Park and Delanco, N. J. Would like to bear from home clubs having one or two teams in this class and paying expenses. Address Leo Rodgers, 5229 Baltimore avenue.

Red Sox Want Mahan

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 6.—Eddie Mahan, Harvard football and baseball star, it is re-ported, may wear a Red Sex uniform next summer. Having made up his mind to enter upon a business career. Eddie has thus far sidestepped all offers to play professional base-ball, but a big play is being made, it is said, in the hope of setting his name on a centract. Ackerland to Hold Stock CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—Harry Ackerland, who can held 10 per cent. of the Chicago Cubw stock for several years, will not sell out to Charley Weeghman. Ackerland plans to stick right the organization and is ready to let weeghman handle the team any way he de-

Chance to Lead Los Angeles LOS ANGELES, Cal. Jan. 6.-Frank Chance, who piloted the Cubs to three Na-tional League championships and a world's title, will head the Los Angeles Facific Coast League chib in 1918, it was announced today.

YALE'S GREATEST FOOTBALL HERO NEVER ON VARSITY

C. S. Osbourn, an Ineligible, Recommended for His "Y" as Token of Great Work for Old Eli

HARVARD UNIVERSITY football men | chased a loving cup, which they presented are now discussing a story that has | to Osbourn. come out of Yale, following the football season—a story of unselfish loyalty and hard, grueling endeavor, all done without hope of recognition or reward—a story that has served as an inspiration to many Yale undergraduates, who know the particulars and one that demands the respect of every college man or follower of col-legiate athletics—a story which will have a happy ending, if Frank Hinkey's efforts in Osbourn's behalf are to bear fruit. It was from Frank Hinkey's lips that the story was learned by Charles E.

Parker. Yes, Frank Hinkey, formerly known as the Silent Captain, later as the Silent Coach and the man to whom Yale's foot-ball failure has been unjustly charged. Hinkey is not always silent; neither is he isy. He occusionally becomes reminis-nt, however, and he was in such a good when he told the story of C. S.

"There is one thing I would like to do before I say good-by to Yale, and that is to secure some suitable reward for this fellow Osbourn," began the Yale

Getting to Know Him

"You don't know him, eh? Well I didn't know him for a while, but I've made his acquaintance, and he's stood for my sometimes ungentle remarks, and

"It was when I was helping Howard Jones with the Yale team three years ago that I first noticed him. "At Yale the ineligibles wear gray sweaters, which are known among the football candidates as 'scarlet letters'—the name typifying the wearers as football candidates as a second to the season."

the name typifying the wearers as football outcasts for the season.

"Well, when the varsity and ineligible teams of that year opposed each other on my first practice I saw this rangy chap in the 'scarlet letter' busting up my plays and making things generally bad for the regulars, both on the offense and defense, and I began wondering why he wasn't on the varsity side of the line helping them. When the scrimmage finished I went to him and asked him the whyfor of the 'scarlet letter.' He told me he was a graduate of a Southern college and was ineligible for the varsity, but that he loved Yale and wanted to help in any possible way.

Played for W. and L.

any possible way.

"I made further inquiries from fellows who knew him. 'Cleon Scott Osbourn,' they said was his name, and informed me he was of an old mountaineer family hall-ing from Shenandoah Junction, W. Va. It seems he entered Washington and Lee University several years ago, taking an arts course and playing a whirlwind game on that leading Southern college eleven for four seasons. Following his graduation he entered the Yale Theological School, from which he will go to India as a student missionary.

"Here he was reporting every afternoon for the second and third ineligible teams;

day after day taking the batterings that the men of all such elevens must take, all for the love of Yale and the love for the sport, and without the remotest chance of playing to the applause of the thousands or winning any reward. I can sell you I warmed to him right away. "The year went along, and every day found Osbourn on the job. Sometimes coaching, other times playing and always working with might and main for Yale's

"The next year found him at it again He was a wonder, and being head coach, I wished more than ever that I could place him on the varsity. He was not a terribly heavy chap, weighing but 180 pounds, despite his height of six feet and over, but he knew how to play, and his long, stringy muscles were like steel. You could pretty near tell whether your varsity linesman was good or not by giv-ing him a session or two opposite Os-bourn, and that was the dose that most often was given to men I had any doubt

Loving Cup Presented "By the close of that season his case was known to every man on the squad, and Bud Talbott, who was captain, went to the boys after the final game, and together they contributed for and pur-

CAMDEN TEAM

CLIMBING FAST

TOWARD PINACLE

Jasper Jewels Tonight

in Kensington

OTHER NEWS OF CAGES

third place in the Eastern League race.

goals and assists.

unable to get over from New York.

The American League basketball series resulted in easy victories for the Hancock quintet over St. Columba by the score of 52 to 22 and in Girard Alumni downing Xavier by 37 to 18 points.

to 12.

"Somehow or other, loving cups seen pretty hollow gifts in more ways than one, and although I, had I been in his position, would have appreciated the spirit that prompted the gift and would have cherished the cup because of that spirit, I could never associate a loving cup with a reward for football world. cup with a reward for football merit. The opening of the recent season found Osbourn again on the job. Out upon the

field he trotted with his old Washington and Lee uniform, and into the line of the ineligibles he went, after asking me what I thought would be the best thing

"You probably know of some of the con ditions encountered at Yale this fall. Too much already has been said of them. You can realize, however, what a help it has been to have a chap like Osbourn backing you up and trying in every possible way to help you. I wanted to give him some sort of a reward, so at my suggestion he was made coach of the second team and the ineligibles. He did remarkable work as a coach, but he wouldn't be satisfied with that. He was a born football player and he just had to play, so together with his duties as coach he would be found playing on the line are in the be found playing on the line or in the backfield of the second and ineligible teams, and playing football that every man on the squad and on the coaching staff respected and tried to pattern after.

Suggests Real Reward

"Now this season has gone into history and I don't like to see it pass without and I don't like to see it pass without Osbourn receiving some real reward. I'd like to present him something for my part of it, but he is the sort of chap that a 'thank you' is all the reward he looks for from his friends, and he accepts a 'thank you' as all he deserves. I don't know just what to do about him."

Hinkey's remarks recalled to one of his listeners the treatment accorded by the officials of another university to an athlete similarly situated as Osbourn. These officials had given this man a varsity letter, despite the fact that he had never made a varsity team. The incident was related to the Yale coach.

"By Jove, that's an idea. It may be my last act in Yale athletics-although always will be with Yale in spirit—but I'll put that matter before the Yale board, and I'll have the backing of everyone who knows Osbourn's value.

"Say, that's great. I'm glad of that say, that's great. I'm glad of that suggestion. And maybe Osbourn won't be tickled if we put it over. He's plugged and plugged and plugged, without thought of reward. There really is no reward suitable but the one you've mentioned. Maybe it won't make Osbourn happy. A varsity Y? The awarding of it may break a million precedents but it will be worth a million precedents, but it will be worth it, for there never was a man who more deserved it than this chap, Osbourn."

No Tiger-Rutgers Game

It has been definitely announced by the Princeton management that a football game with Rutgers next fall will be impossible. Coach Rush was opposed to playing Rutgers before October 14, and Princeton had no open dates after that. N. L. Meeting Called Off

CINCINNATI, Jan. 6.—The National League meeting scheduled to be held today in the Hotel Sinton, was called off shortly before noon, when telegrams were received from some of the magnates saying they found it impossible to be here. It was announced then that the meeting would take place in New York some time next week. Jasper Signs Kummer

The Jasper team, of the Eastern Basketball League, has signed Bill Kummer. He was to have come here to join the Jewels some time ago, but his business in Buller, Pa., prevented, Kummer will play with Jasper tonight at Nonparell Hall against the Camden five.

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SOCCER DOPE NOT RUNNING TRUE TO FORM

League Champions Fin "There Is Many a Slip" in First Half of Season

INDUSTRIAL'S

OPENIN During the first half of the secon son, which closed with old 1915, ast single league champion made a show good enough to warrant being picket repeat its 1914-1915 victory. In the Am can League, the Bethlehem eleven lest first league match since the club organized, Disston winning the Nov 20 game, by 2 goals to 1. Thus Taconyites hold a lead over Bethe of four points, a margin that the me workers will find it hard to overcom the closing days of the eampaign,

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Feitonville, the United League no.
holders, are tied for third place us.
Bristol. Shamrock is leading with
points and Vincome is second with a
point margin over Bristol and Feltosy.
The latter team has an excellent due
to gain on the leaders next Salues
when it plays Shamrock, but as Vince
a drawn with Ascension, which is when it plays Snamrock, but as vis-is drawn with Ascension, which is sixth place at present, the West Phlas phlans should find little difficulty in a taining their one-point margin.

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Although Putnam, the champlens the Allied League, did not lose a least match in the first half of the season, is were held to two 1-1 drawn games by Wanderers, holders of the Amateur of Falls C. and F. C., formerly of American League, is tied with Putnam 12 points: Disston F. C. is third, with Cardington fourth, with 10, and St. Na aniel and Wanderers tied for fifth, with 9. The Amateur Cupholders were use to place their full strength in the for a single game in the first half of season, but beginning with next a for a single game in the first half of season, but beginning with next urday all their regulars will be availand they should soon make up the spoints lead held by Falls and Put Purlan Y. M. L. stil. is in the run with 8 points, and so closely bunched these seven clubs that anything happen before the closing weeks. Viscose eleven of Marcus Hook, wheld the Hibernians to two draws is second round for the National Cup is out of the race by any means. In the very club has a chance but Pash South Jerseymen Meet the

The championship race in the Indus Soccer League, Philadelphia's baby so organization, will get under way Saturday with three games.

every club has a chance but Pes which, following its usual custom,



In spite of the fact that Jasper is se deeply entrenched in last place, the fans of Kensington are supporting the team in good style. Last week Nonparell Hall was crowded and there is every indication that it will be again tonight in spite of last night's defeat and the lowly position of the team in the league campaign The brilliant individual work of Jack Adams and Jimmy Brown, coupled with their teamwork, is responittle for the fine showing Camden has been making during the last two weeks. Adams in leading the Eastern League in total points scored, while Brown is leading in the official averages, which include field In an Eastern League basketball game feated Jasper by the score of 46 to 30, leading at half time by the score of 20 The contest brought an unusual feature in view of the fact that William J. Scheffer, president of the league, officiated in the absence of Ward Brennan, who was Sensible Scheffer who is considered the most au-Cigarette thentic man in basketball has not refereed in the league for several years. Men of the schools and colleges place great con-fidence and reliability in him. The Jersey fans were highly pleased with the work fans were highly pleased with the work of the president in last night's game.

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