

CATCHER RARIDEN MAY DISPLACE ONE OF ORGANIZED BASEBALL'S BEST FRIENDS

CHARLEY DOOIN AND MYERS TRUE TO THE MAJOR LEAGUES; WHAT WILL BE THEIR REWARD?

Neither Would Listen to the Call of the Federal League, But Stuck to Organized Baseball

WHAT will be Charley Dooin's reward for loyalty to organized ball? The same question applies to "Chief" Myers, the Giants' veteran catcher. It is certain that the purchasing of "Bill" Rariden, star catcher of the Newark Federal League team, will mark the passing of one of McGraw's veterans, who was loyal and faithful to the New York Club and the National League.

If Dooin is the man who is to go, baseball will suffer in the eyes of the old guard, who remember just how much Dooin has done for organized ball. It is true that he has been well paid for his services, and he is considered a wealthy man today, but it seems that he should be rewarded with something better than his release when one recalls his long service, loyalty through two baseball wars and the spirit he put into his work.

Dooin may have failed as a manager, though there is nothing to prove that such is the case, and he may be going back a trifle, but it seems that he should be rewarded with a coaching position in the major leagues if his playing days are over. He is surely more entitled to consideration and knows more about pitchers than many of the men who have been allowed to come back to the ranks they deserted.

Phillies Target in War of 1910

When the American League started its famous raid on the National League in 1910, the Phillies were the target, as in the recent struggle between organized ball and the Feds. Larry Lajoie, Elmer Flick, Chick Fraser, Bill Bernhard and others were induced to desert the Phillies.

Even with the team riddled, the Phillies managed to plug up the weak spots and finished second to Brooklyn after a great race. The pitching staff, which was thought to have been ruined, was made one of the strongest in the country through the unexpected development of "Doc" White, afterwards a member of the famous White Sox team, which won a world's championship, and Jack Townsend. The great success of the Phillies after losing many stars caused the American League to again turn its attention to the Phillies at the close of the season.

The mighty Delahanty, Eddie McFarland, a wonderful catcher; White, Townsend, Monte Cross and Bill Duggley jumped the Phils and left Bill Shettsline, who was then manager, with a sorry looking ball team on his hands. Roy Thomas remained loyal, but he was the only veteran worth taking who stayed with the Phils. Before the season was a month old, the fans became aware of the fact that the Phillies had picked up a remarkable young catcher in Charley Dooin, who was proving a great drawing card.

Dooin Was Besieged With Offers

Naturally, Dooin was besieged with offers from the American League, as he was receiving less than \$1800 a year. Dooin remained loyal to the Phillies, although he could have received almost three times the salary he was getting and a long-term contract from one of Ban Johnson's agents. He remained and did much to build up the great team which represented the Phillies in 1911, 1912 and 1913. The team failed to win the pennant and the owners decided that Dooin was a failure as a manager after the 1914 season.

There was a reason for the Phils' poor showing in 1914, as everybody knows. The Feds induced Knabe, Doolan, Seaton, Brennan and lesser lights to jump and approached Dooin at the time. He turned down all propositions, but was released at the close of the season. Again the Feds were after Dooin before the start of the 1915 season, but he remained loyal. He could have taken many players with him had he jumped in the spring of 1914 or 1915, but instead he did everything possible to keep many wavering players in organized ball.

Myers Would Not Listen to Feds

Matty was immediately tied up to a long-term contract by the Giants, but Myers would not even listen to a proposition from the Feds, although in a position to do so. He told Fed agents that they were wasting their time, as he intended to remain loyal to organized ball. Myers must have known that he was starting to go back. He had taken on a great deal of weight, and he knew it would be harder to get off than was the case when he was a youngster. He could sign a long-term contract with a Federal League club for a large salary and be comfortably fixed after his playing days were over, but, like Dooin, Myers said that he would not leave the Giants under any condition.

These two veterans, who were loyal to organized ball, will be forced to stage an elimination contest at the training camp next spring, as it is practically certain that Rariden will be the first catcher. Rariden is younger than either, his arm is as strong as ever and he has a great head. All things considered, he is a most valuable man, and probably of more use from a playing standpoint than Dooin or Myers.

Manager McGraw intends to carry but three catchers, one of whom will be a youngster, which makes it certain that either Dooin or Myers will be released. Which of these stars will be rewarded with his release for his loyalty to organized ball, as room must be made for a jumper?

Fistic Fans Disgusted With Welsh's Tactics

If the wishes of the fight fans who attended the Freddie Welsh-Eddie McAndrews bout on Monday night are respected, it will be a long time before the lightweight champion appears in a local ring. Welsh's exhibition was not only displeasing to those who like to see boxers earn their money, but also was disgusting to fans who attended the show in hopes of seeing a champion perform like a champion.

Welsh made it apparent to local fans that he thinks far more of his precious title, and its earning capacity, than he does of his reputation. If the fans of other cities who have paid money to see a "champion" in action feel the same as Philadelphians, Welsh will be forced to meet a suitable opponent over the long route or pass his title along. The quickest way to force Welsh into a long fight, where he cannot demand a price for his services which would make the bout impossible, is for the fans to forget that Welsh carries a title when he fights 19-round no-decision bouts.

The more one sees of champions who are afraid to risk their title, and who do everything but fight in these no-decision battles, the more one wishes that we had a few more "cheese champions," the title bestowed on Ad Wolgast by Battling Nelson. Wolgast and champions of his type may not last as long as those of the sprinting type, like Welsh, but they always give the fans a run for their money, and leave a pleasant memory behind when they retire from the game.

"Come-Back" Athlete Again Proves Myth

In the pugilistic game there is an old saying that a champion or near champion can never come back with a victory over an opponent who has once knocked him out. The old adage ran true to form last night, when Mike Gibbons knocked out Young Ahearn, aspirant for the middleweight crown, in less than a round. Stanley Ketchel was the only champion who ever regained his title from an opponent who knocked him out. After being knocked out by Billy Papke, Ketchel came back a few months later and put the "Illinois Thunderbolt" away. But there was only one Ketchel.

Andy Smith or Mahan Will Coach California

Graduate Manager of Athletics Stroud, of the University of California, who was in Philadelphia for a week looking for a coach for the 1916 California eleven, has gone to Boston to talk to Eddie Mahan, captain of Harvard's great team last fall. The position now rests between Andy Smith, former Penn coach, and Mahan, since Frank Sommer could not come to terms with Stroud. Chances favor Smith being selected.

Another Pennsylvanian is in great demand as a coach. Eddie Bennis, member of the Penn team of 1905 and a successful coach at St. Joseph Prep and De Lancy School, of this city, and Georgetown University, has received many offers for next fall, but will probably decide between West Virginia and North Carolina. A. and M. Bennis has turned out strong and well-coached eleven every place he has been employed and should have little trouble making good.

SQUASH TITLE MAY BE DECIDED BY TODAY'S PLAY

Six Victories for Racquet Club This Afternoon Means Championship

STARS TO COMPETE

Today should decide the destination of the Interclub squash racquets championship. Much depends on the match between the Racquet Club and Team A of Merion at the Racquet Club. A victory in all six matches would almost certainly give the Racquet Club the championship and although the present leaders should be able to accomplish the feat it is quite possible for one of the Merion men to spring a surprise.

After the defeat of the national champion at the hands of W. F. Harry, on Monday last, anything may happen, and it will not do for the Racquet Club to leave anything to chance. If C. B. Jennings is still unable to play the Racquet Club team will be considerably weakened and Merion will stand a much better chance of slipping in a victory in at least one of the contests and thereby do Germantown, Team A, a good turn. The teams will probably be:

RACQUET CLUB, MERION, TEAM A.
 W. H. A. Huhn, capt. C. S. Rogers
 D. L. Hutchinson, Ed. H. Lee
 W. J. Jennings, H. Chryate
 W. J. McMillin L. Lee, captain
 F. G. Archibald E. H. LeBouffler
 W. Y. Stevenson

Although the Cynwyd Club has an excellent record for its first year in the competition there is little chance of the team winning a match from the title-holders, Germantown, Team A, in spite of the fact that the match will be played on the Cynwyd courts. Wallace F. Johnson is by far the best player at Cynwyd, but as he will be pitted against Stanley W. Pearson he will have only an outside chance of winning. Pearson is not likely to be caught napping twice within one week, and however well Johnson plays the national champion is sure to put forth his best efforts. In the remaining matches the Germantown men should prove fairly easy victors. The teams:

CYNWYD, GERMANTOWN, A.
 W. E. Johnson W. F. Pearson
 Albert Gray, capt. W. H. H. H. H. H.
 O. S. Carter G. R. White
 E. A. Johnson J. A. Johnson
 E. M. Spangler F. J. Pearson or
 F. H. Gibbs

Merion, Team B, and Overbrook should be well matched at Haverford, and it is not at all improbable that Overbrook will win a majority of the matches on the occasion. W. F. Harry has proved himself in fine form this season and whoever he meets he should credit his side with a victory. E. B. Mosier and L. S. deLone should win their matches, and in the other three there is not much choice one way or the other. The teams:

MERION, TEAM B, OVERBROOK.
 R. S. Francis W. F. Harry
 J. S. Francis W. F. Harry
 A. B. Mills W. H. H. H. H.
 J. E. Wetherill A. S. Harding
 R. C. Mason J. deLone
 E. A. Johnson H. H. H. H. H.
 F. H. Gibbs

Germantown, Team B, should experience no difficulty in defeating Huntington Valley at Manheim, and the probabilities are that Huntington Valley will be hard put to get away with a single match. Neither team has any chance of hitting the championship, but a substantial victory for Germantown today will land the team well up among the leaders. The teams:

GERMANTOWN, HUNTINGTON.
 F. Bradley G. W. Ekins, Jr.
 W. M. Peacock G. H.razier
 H. F. Wireman G. H. B. Bates
 Sheldon Foster, Jr. or S. A. Boyce, Jr. or
 F. C. Brestler F. F. Merritt, Jr.

Offer \$25,000 for Baker
 NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The Yankees are still after "Home Run" Baker. The latest offer is \$25,000 for Connie Mack's former third sacker.

BINGHAM HOPES TO BEAT TED MEREDITH THIS YEAR

Captain of Harvard Track Team Training Hard to Win Either Quarter or Half Mile



W. S. BINGHAM

BILL BINGHAM, captain of the Harvard track team, has one athletic ambition and that is to beat Ted Meredith, the Pennsylvania captain, in either the quarter or half mile run. Bingham has met Meredith in about half a dozen championship runs, and always the Quaker has triumphed. What makes it all the harder for the Crimson leader to endure is the fact that on three important occasions the Red and Blue flyer has been handicapped by the necessity of a second competition, while Bingham was saving himself for one event.

In 1914 the two met in the quarter at Cambridge, and Meredith won it in 48 2-3 seconds, with Bingham in second place. Previous to this Meredith had to run an additional heat in the half-mile lap and then to prepare for the final in this event later. The two men ran the final relay in the mile event at the Pennsylvania relay carnival last April, and once more Meredith was victorious, in spite of the fact that he had run a half mile the day before. On that occasion Meredith was timed in 47 4-5 seconds, the team's time being 3:18, a new world record. Five weeks later, in the I. C. A. A. A. A. A. championships, Bingham switched to the half mile, but Meredith again took the two races. After winning the quarter in 50 seconds, Meredith beat his field in the half in 1:54 2-5, Bingham being unable to score.

Despite the fact that Bingham has not shown to advantage when pitted against Meredith, he is a wonderful runner. He has done 48 seconds in the quarter and beaten 1:56 for the half mile. His greatest weakness is the lack of that final spurt which distinguishes Meredith.

This year Bingham is specializing on the half mile, with the intention of being on edge at the time of the I. C. A. A. A. A. A. games instead of the Yale-Harvard dual meet, as heretofore. He and his Harvard friends think that a new intercollegiate mark will be the result, and that it will be made by either Meredith or Bingham.

Bingham is one of the most popular men in Harvard. Just how much his classmates think of him is shown by the fact that when class officers were

selected, shortly after the football season ended, they elected Bingham chief marshal over Mahan, the football hero. This is the highest honor in the gift of the class. In addition to his athletic skill, Bingham is a splendid singer, and had charge of the Harvard undergraduate singing at all the football games.

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CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—Major and minor league managers and managers alike here today to frame schedules, with Charles Weeghman assuming official ownership of the Cubs and break records in swapping Barney Dreyfuss and Jimmie Callahan, of Pittsburgh; Rufus Gibson of Terre Haute; Howdy Elliott, of Oakland, Cal., and Manager Holland, of St. Joseph, Mo., club, were among those trying to make deals with Weeghman and Manager Tinker.

Secretary John A. Heydler, of the National League; Drayfus and Ban Johnson spent the entire morning drafting schedules for the two big leagues. This afternoon Charles Schmitt was expected to arrive from Cincinnati to complete the club transfer.

"Deals galore will be made," said Tinker. "I received queries from the Giants, Dodgers and Cincinnati." Callahan will confer with Tinker today. He is angling for Art Wilson, catcher, and Outfielder Cy Williams.

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