

EPPA RIXEY IS REPORTED TO BE A PHILLY HOLD-OUT, BUT HE PROBABLY WILL SIGN UP

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Southpaw Reported to Be Hold-out, but Friends Declare That He Is Ready to Join the Phillies Again

WILL Pat Moran permit Eppa Rixey to dodge the spring training trip and report in June in poor condition? Rixey was still a student at the University of Virginia when he signed with the Phillies, and for two years was permitted to attend college until the end of the term instead of joining the team. Each season he was expected to report after the close of college in perfect trim and ready to take his regular turn on the mound, but he failed to do it.

Last year Moran insisted that Rixey report at the training camp. He received much valuable coaching in the South and had the best season of his career; but even this was not entirely satisfactory. Rixey has been one of the greatest disappointments in years from a Philly standpoint.

The giant Virginian apparently has everything necessary to make him a great pitcher, but he cannot seem to learn anything. Rixey is unusually bright in other ways, but does not pick up baseball knowledge as well as the hot recruit who had not had the benefit of a college or high school education. Still he insists on trying to dodge the training trip, which after all is the best school of baseball.

Rixey Reported to be a Hold-Out

Rixey is reported as a hold-out, but Washingtonians who know the Virginian well, insist that the "hold-out story" is merely a bluff to enable the southpaw to remain in the capital until June. At the present time Rixey is teaching at the Episcopal High School in Washington and does not want to leave, as he prefers to work to baseball.

If Moran is willing to increase his salary to such an extent that he will be receiving more than the amount he loses by giving up his position, Rixey says he might be tempted to report at St. Petersburg Saturday. It is not believed that Manager Moran will give in to Rixey, and if he does he is storing up trouble for himself for the future.

If Rixey thinks more of teaching than of baseball, let him retire from the game and devote all his time to it. While it is admitted that a ball player cannot last forever and must prepare for the future, there is no reason why a business which pays as much money as the national pastime should be used as a side issue by a man who owes his reputation and success to it.

Must Sign Before He Reports at Camp

It is certain that Rixey will not be permitted to report at the training camp, even to talk the matter over with Moran, until he has signed his contract or accepted terms. Manager Moran intimated that he would release Rixey unconditionally, suspend or sell him if he does not report at the training camp, and it is hoped that he will go through with it.

With a powerful and well-rounded staff, Rixey is not a necessity on what he has shown in the past, and though he should be developed into a most valuable hurler, he would not be missed, as he probably never will star if he is going to place other interests ahead of baseball.

"Pass Out" Checks for St. Louis Fans

Schuyler Britton, president of the St. Louis National League Club, must be interested in the summer garden and saloon across the street from Robinson Field. He has decided to issue "pass out" checks, such as are used by theatres, to enable spectators to come in and out of the park at will. This is one of the most ridiculous moves ever made by a major league president, and the National League would do well to instruct Britton to rescind the order. Baseball is a continuous performance, excepting for the brief intermission between doubleheaders, and if a fan fires off an exhibition he should leave the park. There were too many disgraceful scenes in St. Louis a few years ago, due to the sale of liquor in the park, for the owners to encourage persons to leave the park and go to the beer garden across the street. Everything else that a fan could wish for can be purchased inside the park, and there is no need for "pass out" checks. Manager Mack declares that the St. Louis Club will make a serious mistake if it allows the fans this privilege. He says: "There is no need for 'pass out' checks in baseball, and it should not be permitted. Baseball is a continuous performance, and if a fan is not satisfied with the exhibition let him leave for good. This passing in and out of a ball park at will is going to cause trouble in more ways than one."

Pete Hastings Aided American League

A fan reminds us that we overlooked two of the greatest achievements of Mack's career in the development of pitchers, and asks if we have entirely forgotten Berthold "Pete" Hastings and Rube Waddell? Neither of these men was mentioned in yesterday's column because they were developed more than nine years ago.

It might be well to mention that Pete Hastings did more for the American League in Philadelphia than any other player, barring Waddell, and has never received a bit of credit. Hastings was picked up by the Athletics after Boston had released him after the training season of 1902. He was just out of college and absolutely green. With the aid of Mike Powers, Mack developed Hastings into a star in a remarkably short space of time.

Waddell Got Credit for First Pennant

Hastings carried the pitching burden for the Mackmen during the first half of the season, and if it had not been for him the team would have been so far back that the sensational work of Waddell, who joined the club in midseason, would not have carried the team to the top. Waddell received all the credit for the winning of the first pennant Philadelphia had won in 21 years, but Hastings was the real hero of the season. That one season made the American League in Philadelphia. Prior to that time the Phillies had a great team and were out-drawing the Mackmen, but after midseason of 1902 the Phillies dropped into last position and the Athletics at last drew the fans. Hastings retired the following season to practice law in Milwaukee and was for years president of the Wisconsin-Illinois League.

Cornell Out of Basketball Running

Dartmouth's surprising victory over Cornell at Ithaca eliminates Sharpe's team from the championship running. Cornell must win every game, including contests with Princeton and Penn, to finish on even terms with the Red and Blue and Tigers. If Cornell has slumped badly enough to permit Dartmouth to defeat it, there apparently is little chance for the Ithacans to beat both Penn and Princeton.

The failure of the Cornell five to carry off the championship was a distinct surprise to followers of the collegiate game. Coach Sharpe had eight veterans from his 1914-1915 team available, but instead of improving the Ithacans went back. Too much individual play, which Sharpe could not break up even by switching the line-up, was responsible for Cornell's downfall.

Jones, who has played regularly at guard for the Penn five throughout the season, is to be benched in favor of "Joe" Connolly, the former La Salle star, unless he shows a decided improvement in his work during practice for the rest of the week. Until the Princeton game Jones had shown signs of improvement; but his poor work and constant fumbling is generally believed to have been the main cause of Penn's defeat at the hands of the Tigers, as the team became rattled after Jones went to pieces.

Cleveland fans are greatly excited over the purchase of "Chick" Gandil from Washington. If Gandil could show his 1913 form he would be a wonderful help to the Indians, but when the warm weather sets in it is likely his legs will go back on him again. Gandil is still a good hitter, but from midsummer on is virtually useless, and Washington will not miss him with Joe Judge to take care of first base.

George Chip or Mike Gibbons would have a chance "literally to coin money" if either decides on a trip to Australia, according to a dispatch. That would be a delightful pastime, but one grave difficulty in the way of literally coining money is that Governments have a stern way of objecting to that operation being added under the head of "popular indoor sports."

Hans Wagner, the Pirates' veteran infielder, may be the greatest all-around man in baseball, but Wilbur Robinson, manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers, looks to be further all around.

Frank Baker, former Mackman and home run king, will have another chance against the Giants now that he is a member of Bill Donovan's Yankees, either in a world's series or an intracity series next fall.

Craig Biddle, of this city, lost an opportunity to play for the Florida tennis championship when he was eliminated from competition at Palm Beach yesterday. He was beaten by Harold Throckmorton, who will meet Fred Inman today for the honor of opposing George Meyer Church, with the championship at stake.



"BULL" LOWE Lafayette football star, who entered Syracuse University.

LOWE, FOOTBALL STAR, ENTERS U. OF SYRACUSE

Lafayette End and Tackle May Be Eligible for Hollenback's Team Next Fall

The prospects of Bill Hollenback having a high calibre football team at Syracuse next fall is heralded by the announcement that "Bull" Lowe, the Lafayette College end and tackle, and Mike Wilson, halfback on the Pennsylvania Military College eleven last fall, have entered the New York institution. This pair of footballers last season won distinction in every game in which they played and were big factors in bringing victories to Willie Crowell, at Lafayette, and Hollenback at P. M. C. Lowe two years ago was a mainstay in the Exeter team and last fall tried to enter the University of Pennsylvania, was unsuccessful and went to the college at Easton. He at once made good on the team and was placed at end in the early games and at tackle later in the season. Mike Wilson is a former Philadelphia schoolboy, playing on the football, baseball and basketball teams at Northeast two years ago. Later he joined Hollenback at P. M. C. and in the absence of good backfield material was shifted from his old position at end.

BASKETBALL NOTES

Regarding the central board for basketball officials, the feeling is that it is to help some officials get work who cannot get on now.

Trenton will exhibit its youngsters in Camden this evening. Harlow, Harrows, Stimpinger and Zabo will more than likely line up with Hough on the Trenton team.

Teamwork and Lennie Frost are complete strangers. Every time Frost gets a hold of the ball he shoots, and he is the poorest shot in the league. He doesn't average one goal in 50 shots, but he keeps right on shooting.

Jimmy Kane's record of 120 field goals will not be broken by any player in the Eastern League this year.

Thirty-three games have now been won by the visiting teams in Eastern League matches, with Graystock leading with nine.

Indications are that Trenton picked up a good foul shooter in Harrows. The youngster isn't the least nervous. Harlow, his older partner, is just the opposite. Harlow broke in with 5 field goals on Noonan, but since that time he has failed to impress any one.

Harry Boers of Reading, will find plenty of clubs willing to give him employment next season if his ankles are strong enough to allow him to play.

Out in Chicago they are playing "dancing basketball." They say it will knock the leading game all to pieces.

Camden scored more than 1000 points in the Eastern League race last year, but the Jerseyans will have to sprint a little to get up to those figures this year.

Carter Wins Gold Medal

PHILADELPHIA, N. C., March 1.—Philip Carter, of New York, with a card of 138 for the 36 holes, won the gold medal for low qualifying score in the annual spring golf tournament here.

KAUFF TO JOIN GIANTS; NOT TO BALK FOR BONUS

Secretary Foster Believes No Petty \$10,000 Will Keep Star From South

WILL LEAVE ON FRIDAY

NEW YORK, March 1.—Benney Kauff, the Federal League star who was purchased by the Giants for \$22,500, is due to show up at the Pennsylvania Station on Friday with his grip packed ready to go to Marlin Springs and report to Manager McGraw at the training camp. John B. Foster, secretary of the club, said yesterday that as far as he knew Kauff would be on hand ready to go.

Kauff, however, is reported to have told his friends that he would not report until he has received a \$10,000 bonus—\$5000 from the New York club and \$5000 from Harry P. Sinclear, who sold him to the Giants. Kauff is quoted as saying:

"Harry Hempstead will have to come across with that bonus of \$5000 he promised me when I signed with the Giants last summer. Another \$5000 will have to come from Harry Sinclear, who sold me to the New York club. What right has Sinclear to make any money on me, when I never had any contract with him, never spoke a word to him, and he never even wrote me a line telling me that he held claim to my services?"

"The Brooklyn Federal League club never had a contract with me either. It was a case of playing under the best conditions obtainable or being out in the cold, so I had to accept what they gave me. But I defy anybody to produce a valid contract with the Brooklyn club signed by Benney Kauff."

Secretary Foster says that if this is true Kauff has not notified the New York Club about it, and the secretary indicated yesterday that he was quite sure Kauff would be ready to start with the other players in the second Giant party on Friday.

JUDGMENT AGAINST JOHNSON

Big Black Fails to Appear in Court to Answer Suit Charges

LONDON, March 1.—Jack Johnson, ex-champion heavyweight of the world, failed to appear today, when the trial of suit brought against him in connection with printing posters for his "Revue" was called, and a judgment of \$720 was entered against him.

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NEW YORK—Young Fulton and Frankie Dixon drew.
PITTSBURGH—Young Goldie won from Eddie Winkler.
DOSTON—Fredie Yells stopped Frankie Nelson in the sixth.
COLUMBUS—Johnny Griffiths shaded Matt Wells.
DENVER—Billy Mike was given the decision over Dick Gilbert after 15 rounds.
FOND DU LAC, WIS.—Charley Metrie beat Benny Palmer in 10 rounds.

PENN QUINTET GAINS BY CORNELL DEFEAT

Dartmouth Scores Surprise and 29-24 Victory Over Ithacans

Intercollegiate League

Penn.	W. L. P. C.	Yale	W. L. P. C.
Princeton	2 2 3 1	Dartmouth	4 4 2 0
Cornell	2 2 3 1	Columbia	4 4 2 0

SCHEDULE FOR FRIDAY.
Columbia at Cornell.
Yale at Princeton.

The Penn team has an increased lead over Cornell today as a result of Dartmouth's victory over the Ithacans on the latter's floor last night. The score was 29 to 24.

The defeat of Coach Sharpe's men makes it impossible for them to finish better than a tie in the league race, as Pennsylvania and Princeton have an opportunity to win. Previous to the game Cornell was picked by all to win, in view of the fact that all games remaining on her schedule would be played on the home floor.

Cornell was no doubt weakened due to the recent loss of Ashmead, the regular centre. Sutterby, however, played a strong game, scoring four field goals. Hanson, of the Green team was the individual star by landing seven field goals.

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NO; HIS FIGHTER GOT KNOCKED-OUT.

THAT MADE HIM SORE!

I'LL MAKE YOU SORE.

UNKEL! UNKEL!