

PITTSBURGH FANS AND MANAGEMENT DISSATISFIED WITH WORK OF JIMMY CALLAHAN

JIMMY CALLAHAN ON VERGE OF LOSING OUT AS LEADER OF THE PITTSBURGH PIRATES

Fans Not Willing to Wait for Manager to Develop New Team—Want Winner Immediately

ACCORDING to persons who always have been close to President Barney Dreyfuss, of the Pittsburgh club, Jimmy Callahan is about through as manager of the Corsairs. Dreyfuss believes that Callahan could make good if given time, but the Pirates fans and the Pittsburgh players demand a change. The fans have not been patronizing the games, asserting that Callahan should have the team higher in the race, while the players contend that the former White Sox leader is not handling the team properly. That there is dissension in the ranks is well known to Pittsburgh fans. Certain players are not at all backward about stating that they will refuse to report next spring if Callahan is still manager. Conditions are very much the same as they were with the Phillies just before the release of Charley Doolin and the appointment of Pat Moran.

Troubles have been multiplying for Dreyfuss and Callahan. The first intimation that all was not well within the ranks came when "Hack" Gibson, the veteran backstop, aired his views after refusing to go to New York at the waiver price. Dreyfuss was equally obstinate, and the result was that Gibson, one of the greatest catchers the game has produced, has gone to his home at London, Can., after announcing his retirement.

The following day Al Mamaux was suspended for one week without pay for breaking training rules. The brilliant young hurler claims that he did not break the rules and that Manager Callahan would give him no chance to prove that he was in bed at 10 o'clock on the night that he is accused of having been on a "joy ride" which lasted until long after daylight.

Mamaux Declares He Is Being Impersonated

MAMAUX declared that some one is impersonating him, and that it is not the first time he has been inconvenienced by rumors of the same kind. After being suspended, Mamaux stated that he would never pitch for the Pirates while Callahan was handling the team.

Dan Costello, Mamaux's chum, immediately started trouble after the young hurler had been suspended, and he also was suspended and probably will be sent to a minor league club. It is said that other players have been heavily fined when they claim that they did nothing to warrant the punishment.

Even if the players have been breaking the rules, it has been virtually proved that Callahan cannot handle the men and a change is demanded. Just who will be appointed manager is not known, but indications are that Honus Wagner, the grand old veteran, will be asked to try his hand at the managerial game. Wagner is in very much the same position Pat Moran was when he was appointed to lead the Phillies. He is popular with the players, who declare that they will "work their heads off" for the big German, whereas they will not be satisfied to have Callahan bossing again next season.

When Doolin was deposed as the Philly boss, Moran was appointed because several players had asked President Baker to select him. They liked him and believed that harmony and a hustling spirit could make the team a winner. Results have proved that the players were right, and Moran is today the most popular manager in the country with his players. This is the keynote to his success, and Dreyfuss is said to have decided to try the same plan.

Merion Course Calls for Slugging

THE golfer with a long ball off the tee is going to have a big advantage at Merion in the national championships, which start less than two weeks from today. One of the best shots in the bag of the present champion, Robert A. Gardner, is his long driving, and this will be decidedly to his advantage in warding off the enemy. The course is 6420 yards long for ordinary purposes, that is the east course, where the matches will be played, and it is always lengthened for championship bouts of local import. It is probable that from four to five hundred yards will be tacked on the course in the championships. The west course, where the second round of the qualifying round will be played, does not place so big a premium on long driving, as in some cases the "home-run-hitter" may find himself in trouble by trying to wallop the ball all the way to the pin.

Chick Evans, open champion, will have a good edge in the tournament, for he is capable of phenomenal distance with his wood, both on the drive and in his brassie shots. The gallery will have ample opportunity to witness all the distance that Jesse Guilford, supposed to be one of the longest drivers in the country, is capable of, for he will have to let out all his steam to lead the field. The distances of the holes, in yards, at Merion on the east course follow: 355, 513, 427, 355, 553, 420, 195, 350, 170, total out 3320, par 34. In, 385, 335, 435, 125, 407, 330, 435, 230, 420, total 3100, par 34.

Giants Held Scoreless for 37 Consecutive Innings

WHAT has become of McGraw's reputed aggregation of sluggers? Where are they now? They cannot be on the present western jaunt, for the Giants have been very shy of the plate. They have not scored a run since the first round of the 11-inning battle in Chicago last Saturday, and in three games at St. Louis have failed to cross the counting station. Some record for a collection that boasts of Robertson, Doyle, Burns, Kauff, Herzog and Merkle.

The Giants have played 11 games since leaving the Polo Grounds and have dropped 10, winning only one, and that the first game of the double-header with the Cubs last Friday. Six of these 11 games have been shut-outs, the Phillies, with Alexander and Demaree, holding them scoreless twice. Last Thursday Vaughn beat Sallee, 1 to 0. The Giants found their batting eyes for the first time in the double-header on Friday, winning the first 8 to 1 and losing the second by 8 to 6. They scored again in the first inning on Saturday and were held scoreless in the next 10, the Cubs winning out in the eleventh by 3-2. Since that first inning not a Giant athlete has touched an alien rubber, and for 37 consecutive innings McGraw and his warriors have been held runless.

Here is the Giants' record since leaving New York: Phillies took four straight, the Cubs three out of four and the Cardinals three straight. This record should dim what pennant thoughts McGraw and his boys had entertained.

Paralytic Stroke Probably Has Ended Drew's Career

HOWARD DREW, the sensational colored sprinter, probably has run his last race. A stroke of paralysis which has affected his left side has forced him to cast aside the spike shoes and running tops for all times. This will be a hard blow to the cinder path, for the colored sprinter has been one of the most consistent performers of the present. On Saturday last he participated in the far western meet at San Diego, and the effort resulted in the aggravation of an old injury and the stroke followed.

Drew first came into prominence in the spring of 1912, when he took part in the Olympic trials at Cambridge, and his wonderful form there against the classiest competition in the East brought about his selection as a member of the Olympic team. At the time Drew was a student at the Springfield High School and was working under the double handicap of supporting a wife and child and endeavoring to gain an education.

Hard luck has pursued this ebony-hued athlete, and after winning his heat at Stockholm in the 100 meters he pulled a tendon in his next start and was out of competition during the games. After his return to this country he was induced to enter the University of Southern California, and while performing for the institution, along with Freddy Kelly and a few more of the coast phenoms, he has collected honors aplenty for himself and his college.

Drew came East twice, wearing the colors of the California institution, to compete in the Pennsylvania relays, and on both occasions romped away with the hundred-yard dash. He has taken part in many indoor meets in the East during the last year, and it was in one of those he received the injury which probably has brought about his end. While running in an indoor meet in New York last winter Drew injured his back and was taken from the track. Since that time he has not been very active, but trained hard to gain something like his past form for the big meet which was held at San Diego, the most important outdoor competition on the coast.

Drew was suffering from a dislocated vertebrae, and in his supreme effort to come back at San Diego he wrenched his back and the nerve was paralyzed. Drew held the record of 9.2-5 seconds for the 100-yard dash and has been clocked in 9.4-6 often. He has negotiated the 220 yards in 21.1-5, equaling the mark held jointly by Ralph Craig, Don Lippincott and Barney Wefers.

Since Bill Rumber has passed out of the league and joined the St. Louis Browns, Frank Thrasher, recently signed by Connie Mack, has taken the lead in the Southern Association batting race. Thrasher, the Atlanta slugger, passed Jacobson, the former Detroit utility man, and now paves the way with a mark of .334.

Some one remarked that Pat Moran's pitchers seem to be slipping badly. Not exactly slipping. Several of them simply had their props brutally knocked from under them. But they'll get up again. Worry not, little one.

HERE FOR LAST TIME THIS SEASON



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GIANTS' INCONSISTENCY THIS SEASON WILL BE HELD AS ONE OF MAIN MYSTERIES OF GAME

After Losing 13 Out of 15, Team Won 19 of Next 21, Then Slumped, Revived and Now Is Slumping Again

By GRANTLAND RICE

Diogenes Up-to-Date
Diogenes dwelt in a tub, so ancient stories say. Which shows that rats remain unchanged from that old Grecian day: And day and night with lantern light he wandered up and down, Patrolling all the avenues which twisted through the town.

As each citizen passed by Diogenes would throw His lantern light upon each face and sigh in abject woe: And through the throng he'd move along continuing his search, A vain and most unhappy one that left him in the lurch.

The natives marvelled at his job, which left them all at sea, They wondered what the object was and what his craft could be: "Oh, tell us, please, Diogenes, at last each passer cried, "What are you hunting for, old dog?"—and straightway he replied:

"I'm hunting for a southpaw who is good as Eddie Plank; I'm hunting for a poet who has money in the bank; I'm hunting for a college kid that hasn't signed with Mack; I'm hunting for a Yankee star without a broken back.

I'm hunting for a pitcher who is keen on facing Ty; I'm hunting for a beaten club without an ally; I'm looking for a ball club that can hammer out a score Each time it faces Leonard, Ruth, or Foster, Mays or Shore."

The Mystery of the Giants

THE GIANTS of 1916 always will be held as one of the main mysteries of the game. There never has been another ball club in memory that maintained its existence so far beyond the dope.

First, it loses 13 out of 15. Then the same club wins 19 out of 21. Then comes another big drop. Then comes a rally that yields seven out of nine, then a slump that leaves but two out of eight.

At this point Buck Herzog and Sheriff Sallee are added. Now, exclaims the multitude, the machine is rounded out at last. As a starter it wins 13 out of 15 games at home. "Nothing to it, now," exclaims the Giant fan. And then—Wow! Kasunk!—another long string of defeats comes on apace and the pennant aspect for the year is officially discarded.

The Reason

"A bum ball club," you interject. Yet bum ball clubs are going out over extended

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streaks winning 19 out of 21 and 13 out of 15. In two stretches lasting through 37 games, which is a stout test, the Giants were good enough to win 32 and lose but five.

The power and the speed or something must be there to accomplish any such double drive. The query is—how can a club that is good enough to win 22 out of 35 games over two winning stretches be weak enough to lose 26 out of 31 games over two losing stretches? You answer it.

Shows You Should See

"The Old Homestead"—By Bill Carrigan. "The Fighting Hope"—By Pat Moran. "Under Fire"—By Benny Kauff.

Three Fires

As a nonpartisan fanatic we stand among three fires—First—The desire to see Brooklyn achieve a triumph after 16 years of famine. Second—The desire to see if the Braves have any Miracle Stuff left for another world series.

Third—The desire to see Grover Cleveland Alexander get another crack at a world series target.

How True!

On this one fact I'll make a bet: The slowest man Can run in debt.

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"What is personality in sport?" asks a critic. Well, not very many are picking Maurice McLoughlin to win at Forest Hills. But when he plays you might watch where the bulk of the gallery congregates.

Measurs Johnston, Williams, Church, Griffin, Murray and the others are all great tennis players, fine sportsmen and estimable young men. But the most popular sporting achievement of the year would be an overwhelming triumph on the part of a certain California tennis player christened by Charley Van Loan as Eric the Red.

As to why so many still are pulling lustily for McLoughlin—no one who saw the Comet roll back Brookes and Wilding in succession very well could pull any other way.

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PITTSBURGH PIRATES STAGE ONE OF GREATEST COME-BACKS IN HISTORY OF THE GAME

By CHANDLER D. RICHTER

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 23.—Baseball's greatest charm is its uncertainty. The poor team really is never beaten if it has the right spirit, and it always has been said that one can never tell just what will happen in a ball game. Some things in baseball are looked upon as clinches, but there is no such a thing in the national pastime, as was proved conclusively when the Pirates spilled the Phillies yesterday after the National League champions had gotten a 7-to-0 lead.

The Pirates are about as weak as any team in either major league on form, and the dope pointed to an easy time for the Phillies in the series, but the uncertainty of the game has asserted itself throughout the series and Callahan's misfits won three out of the first four games played.

Umpiring Poor

No doubt the poor work of the umpires had something to do with the double defeat of the Phils on Monday, but at the same time if there was such a thing as a clinch in

baseball, the champions' superiority in all departments would have overcome this handicap. It did not and there was little difference in the brand of ball played by the two teams, and certainly there was no element of luck attached to the most remarkable victory of the Pirates yesterday.

A gambling man would have placed the odds at 50,000 to 1 that the Phillies would win yesterday's game when the Pirates went to bat in the fifth inning, and he would have found no takers unless the party risking the lone dollar had no idea of the value of money.

The score stood 7 to 0 in favor of the Phillies when Fischer stepped to the plate in this inning and "Chief" Bender had been pitching as of yore. Half of the crowd of 5000 fans, who attended the double-bill had left the park thoroughly disgusted with the miserable work of Callahan's team and the manner in which the Phils had outclassed them. They were roaring the Pirates unmercifully and reminding them that the double victory Monday must have been a fluke, when suddenly things began to happen.

Fischer Guilty

Fischer, who opened the inning with a bunt and eventually scored, felt just as every one in the park and strapped his shingard on ready to take his place behind the bat. He did not think that there was a chance for him to bat again in that inning, and if any one had told him that he and four of his teammates would step to the plate twice in an inning, the Pittsburgh catcher probably would have recommended the individual to an alien land.

But that is exactly what happened, as the Phils look back upon it today they can see at least a dozen different ways that the Pirates could have been retired, but the fact remains that they were not and for a brief spell it began to look as if they never would get out.

When one looks back over the daily box scores and sees the number of small score games he must wonder how such a phenomenon occurred. Before Bender and McQuil-

lian could retire the Pirates had tallied nine runs and was leading the Phils. Oddly enough the game ended 9 to 7, as the Pirates immediately fell back to their natural gait after this one spasm.

It was one of the most remarkable rallies in the history of the game, and we have seen only two more compared with it.

This Is Another

One occurred back in the latter nineties when the same Pirates, only with a vastly superior team, made seven runs on the Phils in the ninth inning and took a 13 to 7 lead, only to have the Phillies come back with seven more runs before a man had been retired, winning 14 to 13.

The other contest took place in Philly in 1913 when Brooklyn made nine runs in the first inning and did not score for the remainder of the game. They led by the score of 9 to 2 at the start of the seventh inning, but when the eighth had been completed the Phillies were leading 12 to 9, two unusual innings completely changing the game.

Today the Phillies are bewildered. They

cannot understand how it happened. Some blame Bancroft for failing to make a double play on Hinchman's hit when only two runs had been scored. Others blame Bender, while still others contend that McQuillican had no license to give Cooper a fast ball after having him two and nothing, but through it all no one has stopped to our way of thinking, was the real cause of the defeat.

Not a Clairvoyant

Moran could not foresee that Bender would blow up, nor could he tell that the Pirates would continue their rally, but the fact remains that he had a 7-to-0 lead when Bender was pulled from the mound, and the giant southpaw or even Alexander should have been sent to the mound.

No doubt we will be accused of "second guessing" but to our way of thinking a ball game is as good as another, and a contest apparently clinched should have been allowed to take care of itself.

Bancroft made his fumble on McQuillican, who did his part so far as that it concerned, but the fact remains that the game would have been different if Rixey had been sent to the mound for a pitch to Fischer, a left-handed hitter. Only three runs had been scored, and it is a 5-to-1 shot that Rixey would have pitched a batter to go out on an easy chance, and it is even longer odds that a pitcher would not have cleaned the bases with a double a moment later, as did Cooper.

In the Bull Pen

Rixey need only to have been kept on the mound for an inning, and he would have done no more work than he did in warming up for the last half of the game. It was a tough game for the Phils to lose individually more than Moran.

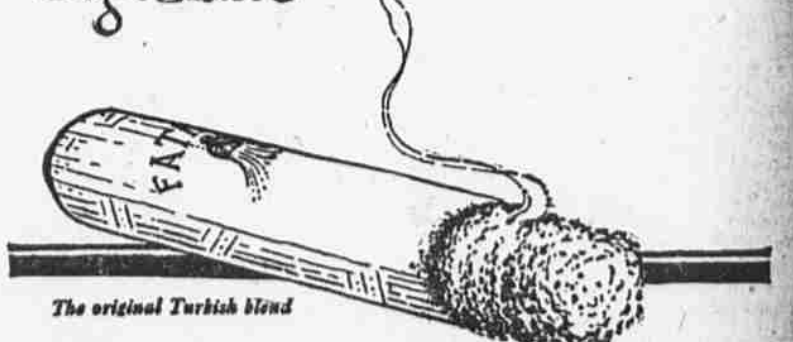
The day was made even more unpleasant for the National League champions because of the fact that Bert Niehoff was badly spiked that he probably will not be able to play for at least two weeks. It was thought that he would be out for the balance of the season, but Manager Moran says not. No matter how long Niehoff will be out of the game, his absence will affect the team, as the former Cincinnati player has been playing wonderful ball.

Fulton and Flynn to Go 10 Rounds

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 23.—Announcement was made by the local boxing club today that Fulton, the Rochester, Minn., heavyweight, and Flynn, the New York, middleweight, will meet in a 10-round no-decision bout here September 2.

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