MAJOR LEAGUE MANAGERS LIKELY TO CUT DOWN THEIR PITCHING SQUAD IN 1917

PITCHING OF DOUBLE-HEADERS BY MAJOR LEAGUE STARS MAY AFFECT FUTURE OF BASEBALL

Success of Demarce, Davenport, Perritt and Others Probably Will Cause Managers to Go Back to Old System of Working Hurlers

BACK IN 1884 Charley Radbourn pitched eighty full games for Providence, inding thirty-eight consecutive games, of which he won thirty-four. During earn captured sixty-six games and single-handed won the National pennant for Providence. In those days it was a common thing for a er to twirl fifty or sixty full games in a season, but after Radbourn went aly to pieces within three years managers began to work their pitchers re carefully until in the latter nineties, and since that time it became the custom ork the hurlers once every three or four days.

The downfall of Radbourn completely revolutionized pitching and the method ing pitchers, and whereas in the old days a club carried no more than three ers, the present-day manager feels that he is shy of huriers if he has not at least eight around, two or three of whom pitch about one game a month. Things were going from bad to worse in the matter of extravagance so far as pitchers concerned, but the season of 1916 will go a long way toward bringing the pitching eltuation back to a sane basis.

For several years the pitcher has been of the opinion that he was being abused If he was asked to pitch more than thirty games a season, and he is given the title of "Iron man" for pitching in forty games, many of which generally consist of ing sames for other burlers. But a great change is about to take place, and we will venture a guess that very few clubs will be carrying ten pitchers in 1917.

Seven major league pitchers have pitched double-headers this season, someing that has not been done in National and American Leagues since Joe Mcity's day, barring Pete Schnelder's attempt to turn the trick against the a last season; and three of the seven have got away with a pair of victories, mly one was batted hard enough in the second contest to deserve defeat.

Others Find Double-Headers Are Not Tiresome

DAVE DAVENPORT started the "Iron man" act when he beat the Yankees both games of a double-header, and then George Tyler, Dick Rudolph, Pete Schneider, Rube Benton, Pol Perritt and Al Demaree followed in the order named. port, Perritt and Demaree are the hurlers who succeeded in winning both rames, while Rudolph was relieved with the Braves behind, but his team won out. On another occasion Rudolph beat Brooklyn in the first game of a double-header and saved the second game by relieving Tyler.

The fans are looking about for a solution to the problem, and the only plausible we can find is that the war with the Feds is over and the majority of the dad" contracts expire this fall. The star ball player always will be in demand and will draw a large salary, but almost all of the players expect the magnates to start cutting the salaries right and left at the end of the present season and are hustling as they never hustled before. That is one reason why the two races are greater than ever before.

The present-day pitcher is as fit physically to stand what the old-timers went ugh and should be able to do even better, as the defensive end of the game has been perfected since the days of Radbourn, Keefe, Clarkson, Ramsey and others. Radbourn's break-down was attributed to overwork in 1884, but we have it from one who knows that the greatest of all "iron men" would have lasted ten years longer if he had taken care of himself.

Joe McGinnity is still able to pitch double-headers and the "iron man" act never sted him. McGinnity could have pitched in the major leagues for five years after he left the Giants if he had not asked McGraw to let him go in order that he might purchase the Newark franchise. McGinnity was better two years after he left the Giants than he ever was, barring 1905, and he has pitched several doubleheaders for the Butte team of the Union Association this season

Present-Day Pitchers Do Not Work Enough

OVERWORK will not ruin any pitcher who takes care of himself and who has a natural easy delivery. Some of the game's greatest hurlers at the present time could not stand the strain of pitching fifty games a season, as their delivery aires too much strength, but pitchers of the Demarce and Rudolph type can stand the grind with ease, as they do not exert themselves much

We were taken to task several times for suggesting that Al Demaree was not ing given enough work, the claim being made that Demaree was too light and was not physically fit to stand more than one game every five days. But his exhition yesterday proved beyond doubt that the slender westerner can stand the grind as well as if not a trifle better than any man in the game, again barring

Earlier in the season we were talking to Rudolph about the Braves' pennant chances, and he said, not immodestly: "I think we should win out, as we have five er six pitchers in good shape; but even if they should 'blow' late in the race, I really think we will be all right, because if I am in shape I can pitch five games a veek without it hurting me. You know a lot of fellows exert themselves a lot, but I don't pitch that way. I merely throw, depending upon control and ability to outguess the batter. It is not much harder for me to get them up there than it is for the catcher to toss them back, excepting, of course, the worry of working the

Demarce is a pitcher of the same type. He is one of the brainlest hurlers in the game, and any time be has the average amount of "stuff" and his control is the new "Iron man" is going to be hard to beat, because he will not beat simself. Some pitchers beat themselves and make a game hard because they fail to use their head, but Demarce is always thinking and trying more to outguess the hitter than to throw them by his bat.

Managers Likely to Switch Style.

THE success of the seven pitchers in double-headers will cause more than one nagnate and manager to do some tall thinking before next spring rolls around, and the fans can look for some modern records being shattered for number of es pitched in 1917. And so it should be, as too many pitchers do more harm than good. One major league manager recently made the remark that his pitching staff was not in shape because the pitchers did not do enough work, and he said that unless something unforeseen turns up (such as losing his job) he intended to adopt a different policy in 1917.

narce's brilliant feat of winning both games from the Pirates will linger a g time in the memory of the fans who were fortunate enough to be on hand, it was the first time in twenty years that a Philly hurler has pitched and won oth games of a double-header in this city. Demaree's work was particularly orthy because of the fact that the second game was a hard fight all the way ast one of the greatest pitchers in the game, Al Mamaux.

naree got off to a poor start in each game, but cleverly pitched himself out ible. In the first game the Pirates got six of their seven hits in the first nings and had at least one runner in position to score in each inning, but the test came Demaree always had comething in reserve. In the last five gs of this battle the Pirates got just one hit, a "Texas leaguer" to right by Warner in the sixth.

Mamaux Gave Al a Great Battle

SO HELPLESS were the Corsairs in the first game that Manager Moran asked Demares if he would like to go back to the mound. Demares informed Moran that nothing would suit him better, so the Philly pilot decided to take a chance, as he had no other pitcher excepting Rixey, whom he wanted to save for another te send against Marmaux. It looked like certain defeat before the game It was an excellent chance to take.

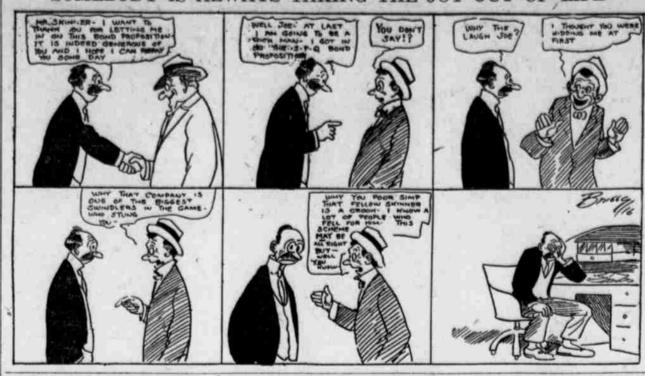
At the start of the last game it looked very much as if Damares was due for ound drubbing, but he actually did not seem to be warmed up despite the nine ings of tell in the first game, and after he pulled himself out of a couple of bad as Al was seldem in trouble thereafter. While Pittsburgh scored the tying run the ninth, Demares was just as fast, had as good a curve ball and was even steadier than when the first game started.

Pitching and winning a double-header from the Phils was quite a feat that Fel Perritt, of the Giants, pulled, but it was nothing compared to Demaree's work, for the simple reason that there was so much at stake for the champions. Two so great that both Alexander and Demaree cannot repeat it before the season

The Red Sox took another fall out of the Tigers and are now firmly entrenched in first place. The White Sox won from the Mackmen and advanced to second visce, but the Mackmen again gave Rowland's all-stars a great battle. It was the th game the Mackinen lost to the two pennant contenders by one run within the it week. It looks very much as if the Red Sox have the flag clinched and only a splete reversal of form can turn the tide.

Cincinnati's victory over the Braves helped the Phillies quite a lot, but as the less are the next team to visit this city. Manager Moran is worrying just a trifle bout how to stop the slugging of the Reds in the short home field.

SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE



JOURDET HAS FINE MATERIAL IN PENN FRESHMAN SQUAD

Rousch, Hedelt and Davis Among Promising Candidates on Franklin Field

JOE YATES MAY REPORT

By NEIL MATHEWS

Captain Penn Football Team. LANGHORNE, Pa., Sept. 21 .- By way o variation we will leave the varsity squad for a day and sojourn with the material on Franklip Field. Finding it necessary to ome to Philadelphia on business I went out to Franklin Field yesterday to see just what was happening, and at once was sur-prised and disappointed—surprised at the number and disappointed at the quality. With a very few exceptions the men are small and frail looking and are far from promising.

are reporting early. Several promising ones displayed their speed and ability, but little can be said of their real worth except as we consider their previous record. Probably

we consider their previous record. Probably
the most promising one in the lot is
Rousch, from Shattuck Military Academy.
Faribault, Minn., the schol which turned out
Derr and the Erriesvasy brothers.
Rousch was captain of football and basketball, caught on the baseball team and
ran the quarter-mile on the track team.
They say he starred in all of them; in fact,
he is the best athlete they have had in he is the best athlete they have had in years. He plays full back and is shifty and hard to tackle. Needless to say, Jourdet

was glad to see him.

Then there was Hedelt, a back, from Northeast High, who looks to be good, and Davis, of Lower Merion, who also has a If men of that caliber keep ning Lon will not need to worry over his

Coming Lon will not need to worry over his heavy schedule.

Outside of Titzel, last year's freshman pitcher, who throws a forward pass like a baseball; Rafetto, a lineaman of two years' experience; Cleary, who was on the second varsity last year; Harron, last year's scrub outstetchek; Turner, a six-foot linesman. quarterback; Turner, a six-foot linesman, and Crane, an end, there is little varsity ma-terial on Franklin Field at present. I understand that Joe Vates, the former

St. Joseph player and freshman baseball captain, is coming out for the team. They say he is a fast man, a good punter and good passer. There is also a possibility that Lou Martin, who made such a name for himself last winter on the basketball floor, will be a candidate for a backfield position. If Lou can do the same stunts on the gridiron as he gets away with in the

cage he will prove a valuable asset.

Coach Gaston put the men through the same paces as we are getting here, namely, nassing, rushing, charging, falling on the ball, etc. Harold watches the linemen and Lon Jourdet, with the assistance of Si Pauxtis, takes care of the ends and back letter that some and backs. It's a pretty safe bet that some-how out of the chaos Harold will emerge with a first-class scrub team, as he has

done for the last few years.

There is an old saying that a first-class scrub is the making of a first-class varsity, hence the interest in the work at Thirty-third and Spruce streets. However, the varsity is the chief matter

of concern. We gradually are rounding into shape, and with the addition of Derr, who reported yesterday in fine shape, many backfield problems were solved. Folwell probably will put Derr at rear half and Ross at front half, with Williams and Quigley alternating at fullback.

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SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS By LOUIS H. JAFFE

Satior Grande boxes in New York tonight He takes on Jack Herrick, an Illine's light heavyweight, who has appeared in many 20 round bouts through the West.

Both Adam Ryan and Barney Ford have ar-

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Evening Ledger Decisions

of Ring Bouts Last Night

rett defeated Farmer Sullivan. FUEBLO, COL.—Frank Barrieu eut pointed Dick Wells.

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UNLESS SUPER-MIRACLE OCCURS TY COBB MUST TRAIL SPEAKER TO THE WIRE FOR FIRST TIME

With Tris Refusing to Give Ground It Begins to Look as If Georgian's Ten-Year Ambition Is Doomed

By GRANTLAND RICE

the batting stretch. Since that dates decade back the eternal Tyrus has taken/no man's dust in the most maning batting record ever known. But here had to be a turning point somewhere In the long lane, and unless a super-miracle occurs Cobb, now must follow Speaker to the wire, for Tris, unlike the others, has refused to break and slip back against the

test.

So it begins to look as if Ty's ten-year embition is doorned; but even if it is, that nine-year mark will stand as a worthy target for a great many generations yet to come. If no man in the game before—Wag-ner, Liajole, Keeler, Anson, Burkett, Dele-hauty—was able to beat a four-year reign, what, chance is there shead to beat a nineyear rule in the Kingdom of Swat?

To Any Friend

IffI may call you friend, I solsh you this— No gentle destiny throughout the years. No soft content, or ease, or uncarned blies Bereft of heartache where no sorrow

But rather rugged trouble for a mate
To mold your soul against the coming
blight,
To train you for the ruthless whip of fate
And build your heart up for the bitter
fight.

fight.

If I may call you friend, I wish you more—
A rare philosophy no man may fake.

To put the game itself beyond the coore
And take the tide of life as it may break,
To know the struggle that a man should

Before he comesithrough with the win-

ning hit,
And, though you slip before the charging foe,
To love the game too well to ever quit.
If I may call you friend, I wish this, too,
As you grope blindly out the narrow beat,

TEN years ago this fall a St. Louis outfielder named Stone led Ty Cobb through

Which is one more than meet men age That you will hold this as a worthy pre-For all the traps with which the com-

Not scorning it with too ambittons and That look for something you can

Settling a Bet

Sir—To settle a wager, wasn't Com-Mack the author of "The Fall of the Head of Busher"? FRISCO PETE

Yes, and in about a year from now will be the author of the popular refrait"This is the team that Mack built."

Harvard's Big Margin

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K. H. F.—As we recall the figures, is to last four years Harvard has scored ill points to Yale's 5—the scores being to 0, 15 to 5, 35 to 0 and 41 to 8 the same four years Harvard has scored he than 50 against Princeton, yet Yale has he all the better of Princeton in the four Tipe-Buildog contests. Yale has played as poorest games against Harvard and Princeton has done her worst playing against Yale Part of this undoubtedly has been done the fact that Princeton had to meet Tale immediately after the Harvard game, whin Yale had to meet Harvard immediately after the Princeton game. That one Saturday erest for Harvard has been quite a factor, but not enough to take anything away trea Harvard's undoubted superior power.

Discovering Connie.

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"I see," a friend of ours remarked a day or two ago, "that a number of sporits writers suddenly have discovered Comme Mack. They suddenly have discovered that a wise, patient, persevering man who picks out a certain goal to reach is going to arrive in a given time. Just as if Comis already had not built over three machine with which he has won six permants.



