# AGERS CLAIMING PENNANTS ARE ALSO PREPARING ALIBIS FOR ALONG ABOUT OCTOBER

## WAY SHOULD BE FOUND FOR INISHING PLAYERS RESPONSIBLE FOR RECENT TIGER-GIANT BRAWL

ress Culprits With Fact That Gutter Ethics Will Not Be Tolerated in Baseball, Even Before Season Is Opened

EANY conflicting yarns have come out of Dallas, Tex., concerning the trouble on the New York Giants and Detroit Tigers that it is difficult to get at According to the newspapermen, Cobb and Herzog put on a fistic n in a hotel room following the spiking of the Giant by Tyrus, but both and Jennings state that no such conflict took place. The fact that d Herzog came to blows on the field when the Tiger slid into Herzog fenied, and it is more than likely that the two firebrands did settle the the hotel later and that McGraw and Jennings have no OFFICIAL knowlof the affair. In any event, it is patent that a disgraceful exhibition took on the Dailas diamond, which will damage baseball. When two major teams—teams made up of men who should stand for all that is best in —meet on neutral ground before a crowd which has a right to look for onal sportsmapship of the highest character, and apply the ethics of itter in contesting for supremacy, the time has come to give somebody the to re-establish the dignity of the game in southern cities by laying a heavy on the culprits. The spiking of Herzog is to be deplored, but it must be red that baseball is not a ; ink tea and basemen run the chance of injury time they touch out a runner. To those who know Cobb off the field it is believe that he would deliberately injure another player. The spiking an unfortunate occurrence that might happen in any ball game, but for layers to put on a pugilatic exhibition as a result of it is deplorable.

It is not strange that two such firebrands as Herzog and Cobb should forget es in a moment of passion and resort to fisticuffs. But for the two to coolly plan a personal encounter hours after and to put on the brawl hotel room is inexcusable. The report that McGraw gave Cobb a verbal g in the hotel corridor may or may not be true, but if it is true it is evident at the New York manager has little respect for the dignity of the game which him a living. Further, if the story that Benny Kauff strutted around offerto wager a sum of money that he could lick Cobb is founded on fact, then it is that somebody in authority impressed upon the belligerent Benny the fact at baseball is a clean sport and not a gang fight.

IT IS virtually impossible to deduce from the reports of the affair just where the blame lies. It is significant, however, that most of the stories mention the fact that the Cobb-Herzog fight took place in Cobb's room, which would seem to establish something of an alibi for the Tiger.

### Tyrus Raymond Discusses Spiking

MAY be illuminating to consider a little talk on spiking the writer had with yrus Raymond some months ago. Said Ty:

"I have been accused of spiking a lot of players since I broke into baseball, I suppose I will always be the goat whenever my spikes burt some one. I nt to say right now that I never deliberately injured another player with spikes and I never will. I admit that I go into a bag hard and I always what is coming to me as a baserunner. I look at it this way: The Detroit b pays me a good living to play the best baseball that I am capable of and ald certainly not be treating them squarely if I allowed basemen to crowd me d thus lessen my chances of making the bag I am trying for. Look here showed a couple of spike wounds), I have been cut a little myself by baseand probably will be again, but I don't blame the men that did it, for it's a ice I take when I go into a base. The wonder to me is that more fellows are t cut with our modern baserunning methods." .

It is a frank sort of a statement, not given as an explanation for any unforits spiking incident, but simply in the course of everyday conversation. ery one who has seen Cobb play baseball realizes that the Tiger gives the ne everything that he has. When the umpire says "Play Ball" Tyrus gives quarter and he expects none, but it seems unfortunate and unjust that should be accused of resorting to dirty and dangerous tactics every time spikes injure another player. The writer has heard many players who have od Cobb say a baseman who plays the base right runs less danger when Georgia Peach slides than when a dub flounders in.

No MAN in the game is subjected to so much vilification from the fans as Cobb. Few players, however, care to indulge in the well-known nmer sport known as "roasting Cobb" unless Tyrus is some miles away. Herzog's judgment may have been bad, but his nerve assayed 100

#### Former Catchers Are Successful as Managers

IN major league managers out of the sixteen have graduated from the battery department of the game. Six of the ten were catchers, while the remainder moundsmen-all of which goes to prove that battery experience is a valuasset in directing the work of a big league team. Philadelphia's two baseball thines are guided by men who have served their time behind the plate, as Mack and Moran were known as catchers long before taking the reins er a club. In the National League race last year the teams finishing in first, d and third place were led by former catchers. Brooklyn, with Robinson the helm; our own Phils, with Pat, and Boston, directed by Stallings, warped their respective positions under the guidance of their catcher chiefs.

A pair of world's pennants fluttered in Boston through the efforts of the team sected by the former catcher, Bill Carrigan. Connie Mack, though temporarily speed, continues to bask under the proud record of having brought home more league pennants than any other man in the history of the modern game. Mitchell, the new manager of the Cubs, has had double experience in the tory department, as he served as pitcher and catcher during his playing years. ewson and Callahan, both former pitchers, complete the list of pilots in the addy circuit who have had their names announced in the batteries. . . .

THERE are but two managers in the older league who reached their title through other positions. John J. McGraw, of the Giants, at one time held down third base, while Miller Huggins, of the Cardinals, is a second baseman

#### Fifty-Fifty Proposition in the American

OUR out of the eight managers in the American League are former battery m. Fohl, of Cleveland, once wore the big mitt and mask, while Griffith, of ton, and Donovan, of the Yankees, were well-known pitchers in their Hughie Jennings, of the Tigers, and Jack Barry won their greatest renown rt. Fielder Jones, of the Browns, is the only present manager who gradufrom a big league outfield, unless Callahan be considered an outfielder. se Rowland, manager of the White Sox, was never in a big league line-up had but a limited experience in the minors. Omitting Rowland, the catchers ed six managers, the pitchers four, infielders four and outfielders one.

The reason catching managers stand out so prominently is because of the ing ascendancy in the modern game. In the late '80s and '90s the great anagers were Cap Anson, a great first baseman; Ned Hanlon, an outfielder, and ank Sallee, a nonplaying manager who led the great Boston champions of 7 and 1898 and built up the Cubs in Chicago, which were later passed on to ok Chance. From 1901 to 1913 Fred Clarke, John McGraw and Frank Chance, fer, third baseman and first baseman, respectively, won everything in the stional League. Then the tide turned in favor of the catches chiefs and Stallin 1914, Moran in 1915 and Robinson in 1916 lifted the league championship.

MACK won his first pennant in 1902, again in 1905, then in 1910, 1911, 1913 and 1914. Clark Griffith, a pitcher, won with Chicago in 1901 nd Catcher Carrigan won in 1915 and 1916.

#### Youthful Mermaid Has Chance for World's Title

near-record time of Miss Gertrude Artelt, a fifteen-year-old swimmer of the phia Turngemeinde, made Saturday night over the 100-yard route, may in the youthful mermaid being sent to Honolulu to compete for the world's Miss Artelt churned the water, in the century distance Saturday finite 9 and 2-5 seconds, which is the fastest time ever made in a local pool soman. The national swimming record for 100 yards is little better, being and 3 and 3-5 seconds. It was made by another local girl in San Francisco, Dorfner, the wave wizard. Miss Artelt, despite her youth, stands a good of qualifying in the try-outs which will be held in the Honolulu events. tition seems to have narrowed down to Miss Dorfner and Miss Artelt. is the junior champion of the Middle Atlantic States, having broken of that body held by Miss Elizabeth Becker, of this organization. Miss the is a teammate of Miss Artelt's, was only just able to kick to the of Miss Artelt in the fifty-yard Middle Atlantic championship, and wall but a second sooner in the record-breaking time of 29 2-5 sec-try-outs for the world title should present wonderful competition to local speed artists.

#### Numbering Players Now on Baseball Field

en discussing the numbering of players on the gridthe same idea has been started on the baseball field. The other demphis, Tenn., the Brooklyn Dodgers and Boston Red Sox introand Arena, the Brooklyn Dodgers and Boston Red Sox intro-be first time on the diamond, wearing numbers on their sleeves the numbers opposite their names on the scorecards. The the regular season would be appreciated by Tans. The state of the regular season would be appreciated by Tans.

# AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?



# PENN-YALE OPEN 1917 CREW SEASON

Rowing Schedule, Starting Saturday, May Be Cut in Event of War

RACES ON SCHUYLKILL

With war threatening an early curtail-ment of the season, the intercollegiate rowing campaign will be, inaugurated with the Yale-Penn regatta on the Schuylkill next Saturday. College crews are working In the full realization that they probably will not be able to participate in their re-spective classics at Poughkeepsie and New London. If the international situation be-comes serious enough rowing will be the first college sport to suffer.

Just now it looks as if at least three events are sure to be decided, the Yale-Penn regatts, the Harvard-Princeton races on Carnegie Lake April 19 and the Childs cup contest between Columbia, Princeton and Penn on Carnegie Lake May 5. Beyond that the season depends altogether on what demands the nation may be called upon to make of the young men in the colleges. If the President is not forced to issue an urgent call to all collegians to join the colors the dual regatta season may be ew London races abandoned.

In view of that situation, the Yale-Penn regatta takes on added interest and im-portance. The Elis and the Quakers will portance. The Elis and the Quakers will contest three races, between varsity, junior varsity and freshman eights, over a one and

Later in the season, on May 12, at the American Henley on the same waters, the Blue and old Penn are scheduled to meet in a special event for crews no member of which is to weigh more then 150 which is to weigh more than 150 pounds.

The present make-up of the Yale crews

for Saturday's races here follows;

First—Bow, Harriman, No. 2, Ailen, No. 3, Head: No. 4, Captain Meyer: No. 5, Fox: No. 6, Salyards: No. 7, Green; stroke, Hyatt; coxawain, Lashar.

Second—Bow, Woolley: No. 2, Loveloy: No. 3, Camble: No. 4, Page: No. 5, Atkins: No. 6, Coleman: No. 7, McNaughton: stroke, Adams: coxawain, Underwood.

Captain Cord Meyer, Larry Fox and Ned Harriman are the only members of the first boat who sat in the same shell last season. Harriman stroked the crew in the race against the Quakers.

#### COBB REFUSES TO PLAY IN SERIES WITH GIANTS

Georgian Leaves Detroit Team and Will Practice With the Cincinnati Reds

CINCINNATI, April 3 .- Ty Cobb is here oday and will practice with the Reds until the Tiger series with the New York Glants at Wichita Falls, Tex., is over. The Georgian has refused to play with Detroit until after the Glants' games are over,

#### OWENS AND DINEEN OPEN ATHLETICS' 1917 SEASON

CHICAGO, April 3.—Umpires for opening games in the American League April 11 have been assigned by President Johnson. Connelly and McCormick will officiate at New York, Owens and Dineen at Philadel-phia, Evans and Nallin at Detroit and O'Loughlin and Hildebrand at St. Louis. The ninth member of the staff, George Moriarty, will be held in reserve.

### THEY DON'T PICK ON THE BULLDOG ALL A-GROWL AND PREPARED, BUT KICK RATHER A QUIVERING POODLE

#### By GRANTLAND RICE

The man who is there with the wallop and punch,

The one who is fixed for whatever they start Is rarely expected to prove it;
They pass him along for the next shot in sight
Where they take a full wind-up and groove it;
For who wants to pick on a bulldog or such
Where a quivering poodle is handy,

little on other details of this existence, where the break is well away from the expected line. Peace can furnish as many varieties of Gehenna as anything else. given a proper opening.

#### "The Days of Real Sport" Honus is now in his forty-fourth year

There are golfers bewhiskered and white; But the greatest old sport, and the one who

To me, I observed Sunday night;
While visiting home I was looking for beer,
And I found, by the cellar's dim light.
That father, who's far past his sixtieth Was making another kite.

#### SLEEPY STEVE. Baseball and War

Some one, it may have been us, has opened a discussion as to what effect actual war would have upon baseball interests in these U. S. of A.

The affirmative and the negative here each have good arguments. War news and war interest would, of course, far overshadow any sporting news or sporting interest, and in that way have a depressing

On the other side of the hill, the populace in times of gloom and depression has always seemed to crave some diversion to break the monotony of constant anxiety. As proof of this last statement, Toronto and Montreal last season in the Interna-tional League had very good seasons, de-



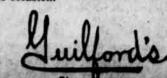
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#### On Being Ready

The one who is trained to the minute,
May well be around when the trouble begins,
But you seldom will find he is in it;
For they let him alone when they know he is there
For any set part in the ramble,

To pick on the guy who is shrinking and soft And not quite attuned to the scramble.

When he knows he can win with a kick or a brick

With no further trouble to bandu? IT HAS been remarked before that "war spite the fact that Canada has been head his hell." In which respect war has very high into this war since the start.

Sport in time of war is nothing like as important a matter as it is in time of peace. But it still has its uses as a diversion—as a section of the program that is cast in lighter vein. For that reason sport will not be shelved by any means. No nation, even in war times, is going into sackcloth and ashes unless it is being crushed or pressed to the limit. Those not actually engaged will still stick to old habits of diversion, just as one in time of trouble craves tobacco more than at any other period of his life.

#### For Ball Players

The best move the ball player and the club owner could possibly make would be to follow out the American League idea of military training advanced by Captain T.

In case a call for enlistment was made, the country at large would look upon base

# INDUSTRIALS ARE READY FOR OPENING

Season Starts April 28 Home-Defense Plan Meets With Ready Response

SCHEDULE OF 21 GAMES

Regardless of the war situation, the schedule of the Industrial Baseball Leagus will not be interfered with and the outlook is for the most promising season in its history, which opens in three weeks.

At last night's meeting at the Bingham a number of delegates reported their entire plants enlisted in the home-defense plan and the players and workingmen ready to serve country at their trades when called The league is divided into two sections,

The league is divided into two sections, north and south, which will meet in a series at the conclusion of the season. The season will open on April 28 and close September 15. The post-season games will be played the following three Saturdays. played the following three Saturdays.

The schedule for the opening games is:
North section—Keen Kutter at Electric
Storage, J. & J. Dobson at Hale & Kilburn,
Midvale Steel at American Manganess
Bronze, Disston at Standard Rouer Bearing,
South section—Ward at Lupton, Houghton
at Hess-Bright, Miller Lock at Quaker City,
Philadelphia Roll and Machine at Barrett

#### Plan Stricter Discipline

President Cittell is determined to have President Citted is determined to have stricter discipline in the organization this year and has formulated a list of rules which he insists must be adhered to. He will insist that teams must be on the will insist that teams must be on the grounds promptly at 2:20 p. m. and the game will be called promptly at 3 p. m. If a club is late in getting on the field that team will lose its time at practice for the minutes late of arrival. Cittell is also endeavoring to make it easier for the publicity deavoring to make it easier for the publicity department and will impose a fine if the standing of the score at 5 p. m. and also at its conclusion are not furnished.

#### Dobson Getting Busy

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The Dobson team is planning one of the best diamonds in this vicinity. Yesterday John Smith, who laid out the Federal League grounds in Baltimore, began work on the new park, which is situated in the rear of the Dobson plant, at Queen lane and Norristown Railroad. A grand stand accommodating 600 spectators will be crected.

The John & James Dobson Co., Inc., Athletic Association has just been formed with the following officers: Honorary president, James Dobson; honorary vice presidents,

the following officers: Honorary president, James Dobson; honorary vice presidents, Arthur Spencer, John Pyvon, Mr. B. Dobson Altemus, Richard Norris, Mrs. Arthur Spencer; acting president, John James; acting vice president, Fred Reynolds; recording specialry, Robors E. Rates, Spancial seven Otherwise, more than a few citizens will be asking why a lot of husky young athletes are hanging back if the call should come. And if this query assumed the form secretary, Robert E. Bates; financial secretary, Robert E. Bates; financial secretary, John E. Brooks; treasurer, John Mitcheft; manager baseball team. Robert Calhoun; assistant manager, William Von-

Disston expects to have virtually the same team in the field that won the pennant last year, with the exception of Schaeffer, who will be with Midvale Steel.



Henrietta



ball with far greater favor if every league

was also a military training camp, where the players were drilling in the forencon

This move would not only be a boost for

patriotism, but, looked upon in the more sordid commercial way, would add greatly

of general resentment the attendance would

soon fall away. But 10,000 ball players in all leagues getting ready for any needed

military duty would not only be a big boost

for general training but would also be a big boost for baseball.

to the player's interest,

rounding out their schedule in the

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