

THE OLD DAY COACH WOULD CAUSE BASEBALL SLACKERS TO REPENT THEIR FOLLY

CONTROL MAY PLAY WITH BALL SCHEDULES DURING THE COMING SEASON Right of Way May Disarrange Passenger Service and Scramble the Cards. One Sport Helped by War

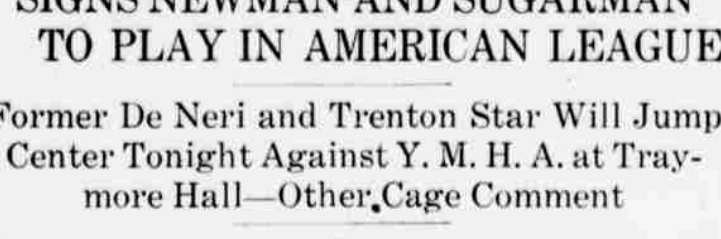
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-AND GET A SHINE AND SEE A GIRL AGAIN -AND DRINK A-A-A MILK SHAKE



-AND GO TO A CABARET AND RESTAURANT FOR A BIG MEAL -AND BUY A PAPER AND RIDE IN THE STREET CARS



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HICKEY, THE FAN, TALKS OF TRADES Discusses Sale of Alexander and Killefer and Other Stars AT BREAKFAST TABLE

THE fans and fanettes of this 'show town' seem unduly aroused over the sale of their baseball pitcher, Alexander, observed Jorkins to his friend Hickey at breakfast.

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PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 2.—Brown University has prepared statistics showing that athletes at the institution have been quick to respond to the call to arms. Undergraduates wearing the "B" of the college years 1916-17 and 1917-18 have enlisted to the number of thirty-nine.

TESCHNER HAS APPENDICITIS Former Harvard Track Captain Will Undergo an Operation This Week

AYER, Mass., Jan. 2.—Lieutenant Edward Teschner, former Harvard sprinter and captain of the track team, will be unable to respond to the call to arms, as planned, in the Milrose Athletic Association track meet in New York on January 23. He will undergo an operation for appendicitis this week.

Master of Fox Hounds to Meet NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The masters of fox hounds of the recognized hunts of the country will hold meetings in the city for the purpose of electing a committee for the purpose of organizing the National Staghound and Deer Association for the coming year.

Norman Maxwell Plays Today PINEHURST, N. C., Jan. 2.—The first three sixteen in the mid-winter tournament will play two match rounds over the number-two course at Pinehurst today. Other divisions will use number one course for both rounds.

Jimmy Walsh a Fire-Fighter SYRACUSE, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Outfielder Jimmy Walsh, former Athletic, became Ladderman James Walsh, Truck No. 1, Syracuse Fire Department, today. The ball player answered half a dozen calls in his first day's work, mostly to small fires from overheated furnaces. He will quit the fire-fighting this spring to report to the Red Sox.

Promotion for Golfer Quiet AYER, Mass., Jan. 1.—Francis Quiet, veteran amateur golfer champion, who entered the National Army at Camp Devens recently received word yesterday that he had been promoted to captain. Quiet is a member of the field artillery.

Arens Wins "250 Club" Bike Race CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—James Arens was a better showman than William Grotzsch in the annual New England "250 Club" bike race to Pullman. He won by twenty feet.

LEDGER'S MAILPOUCH There is a program in the sports department for Nick Hayes.

Many Killed in Galician Wreck AMSTERDAM, Jan. 2.—Wreck of a passenger train near Sambor, in Galicia, forty miles southwest of Lemberg, causing the death of twenty persons, is reported by a Vienna dispatch to the Rotterdam Courant. The train caught fire while traveling at full speed, and the emergency brakes could not be operated.

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CHICK EVANS SEES IN NORMAN MAXWELL A COMING CHAMPION AND PREDICTS BRILLIANT FUTURE Titleholder Bases Statement on Youthful Philadelphian's Game as He Saw It in That Famous Evening Public Ledger Match

By CHARLES (Chick) EVANS, JR.

AMONG the coming national champions I place Norman Maxwell, of Philadelphia. I base my faith in his future on his record. As I see it, discriminating friends, his own make-up, and one day's close personal observation of his game.

First Impression I was finally introduced to him at Pine Valley last spring, but it was not until a cold day in November that I saw him actually setting a club. For several holes he did not look particularly like a golfer; he was all bundled up and appeared to lack the rangy, long-muscled appearance we are given to associate with the game. But on the contrary he appeared rather short of stature and heavily muscled. Looks, however, are very deceiving and I had decided occasion before that round was over to change my mind.

I think that Norman Maxwell is about nineteen years old, but I do not know how long he has been playing. I did hear, however, that he was a sickly boy and the doctor ordered that as soon as possible, and so it seems that in building up in health he has also built up a fine golf game.

On the day on which we played I watched him carefully for thirty-eight holes when they were over I was convinced that he was a fine golfer. There are those who say he has the wrong temperament. In other words, he has a temper and gets red-hot mad. I imagine that when he was learning to play he was a fine golfer, but I am well acquainted with a certain golfer who had just such a temper in his earlier days, and having been taught by him to control it, afterwards attained an exceptional degree of success.

I have been observing golfers and their swings so long that now I feel that I know a good one of each on sight. The length of Norman Maxwell's ball swing is more like three-quarters of the old horse trader, was only a rought now. A slick golfer, but he would go through them other birds like a ticket scalper goes through a flock of world series fans. If the Yanks could get a hold of him they would be a southpaw. We'd give 'em our sport sheets the up an' down some mornin' as read that David Harum, the slick baseball manager, had got 'em. He had traded in Maise, Ray Caudwell's toe-plate, the groundkeeper, four bats an' a catcher to Detroit an' just got the Detroit fans would get too sore, had eluded in twenty-seven last year's score-cards an' a Texas League put-down.

Speaker for Hornsby's Glove Then if the St. Louis Cards could get him he might be able to get Tris Speaker, Eddie Rowan an' the Cincinnati grand stand in a three-cornered trade for Rogers Hornsby's glove, the home plate an' a case of Budweiser. "Personally," sighed Jorkins, "I think the big sums paid for leading ball players are absurd and unnecessary. I read just yesterday that they've a shortage in the Wisconsin State League who greatly resemble Hans Wagner, and he was sold for only \$1200."

He might have been bowlegged, like Hans, an' wore a uniform, an' used to," replied Hickey, "but he's probably as much like the Dutchman used to be as Ping Bodie is like Napoleon. When Wagner was in his prime 1500 bucks wouldn't he bought the best he signed his contract with. Yagotta pay his coin for big players, an' a man who sells one without he gets some other player for him is apt to get in the man with the fans. His pocketbook might get a little fuller when he sets for cash alone, but his grand stand is gonna be so empty that a battleship could fire a broadside of shrapnel in it an' hit nothin' but sport writers an' peanut butchers at game time."

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Great national pastime had trouble last season, it is likely to have more the coming year when the great war god has hit his stride. Public mind becomes more centered on the great conflict. There is little likelihood of the two big leagues turning turtle, but there is a possibility that any of the minors will be able to "get by." So many are already in, in fact, that the general outlook for professional ball in the year to come is all in all, good.

Aggravation to the big league situation has developed as an incident of the government's taking over the railroads and the announced platform of the joint schedule committee of the two leagues. The joint committee is now scratching its head over the perplexities of the occasion, and suggests the possibilities of scrambled schedules with off-days and sequence double-headers crowding the scenery in a way to render it possible to play out the cards as planned.

The idea has already been suggested of clubs providing themselves with Pullmans. A shortage of the palace coaches already has been reported even with especially acquired cars the disarrangement of passenger service as a result of moving troops and munitions will of itself tend to make schedule fulfillment most uncertain. The congestion of double-headers early last season on account of the weather and the possibility of a situation developing again, considered in the light of traffic possibilities outlined, do not offer an optimistic angle to the general situation.

It would not be surprising to see a reversion to the ancient manner of transportation this season, now practiced only in the grass leagues—that of conveying ball players about the landscape in day coaches. This contemplation would incline to make many players who have gone to war congratulate themselves more than ever, for the average big league ball player is more particular over the facilities of travel than a prima donna.

Change Scarcity Another Cause of Worry BUSINESS managers and traveling secretaries of American League clubs are declaring that the financial problem is to be more than merely getting the dollars this season, and the Big Chief, Ben Johnson, executed a plan when he promulgated the plan of collecting the war tax from attending ball games in odd cents at the gate. The arrangement is to have each purchaser to come across with three cents extra for a twenty-cent ticket, five for a fifty-cent ticket, eight for a seventy-five-cent ticket and ten for a dollar seat.

According to park officials the amount of extra pennies, nickels and dimes necessary to make required change will be something awful. An estimated savings bank would, in fact, have to be maintained, it is deemed, to look after the exigencies of the occasion, while the time feature of making change will also figure in causing trouble to both the club secretaries and patrons.

The following figures show the amount of small change that must be on hand at each American League park to handle capacity crowds: Chicago, 22,000 dimes, 10,000 nickels, 32,000 pennies; Cleveland, 7500 dimes, 14,000 nickels; Detroit, 12,000 nickels, 6000 nickels, 18,000 pennies; St. Louis, 20,000 dimes, 4000 nickels, 24,000 pennies; New York, 11,000 dimes, 10,000 nickels, 20,000 pennies; Boston, 18,000 dimes, 6000 nickels, 25,000 pennies; Philadelphia, 12,000 dimes, 5000 nickels, 18,000 pennies; Washington, 2000 dimes, 2000 nickels, 1000 pennies.

IN VIEW of conditions set out it is likely that American League officials are open to a bright idea as to some way of getting round the situation. It is not altogether improbable that they would be willing to pay for an idea offering an easier way of handling Uncle Sam's little patriotic rake-off.

Series Money for Four Leading Clubs THE plan announced by the two big league authorities of allowing the four leading teams in each league to participate hereafter in the world's series is a good one and an opener to probably further legislation of the kind calculated to keep up interest among players of clubs hopefully on championship consideration. Undoubtedly the greatest weakness of the present so long in vogue has been the utter uselessness of fans and players when the race has been actually decided. Nothing is more melancholy than the tag-end of a season's play between two full-end aggregations. No one has ever suggested a good reason for an arrangement which would grant great financial bonuses to men who happen to be on a winning team.

of the great stars of the game have gone through their entire careers to a "bum out" while yearly many players who are most ordinary are, in fact, carried as mere fillers, are allowed to participate in fact in championship funds without having contributed anything to the success of their team and without even playing in any of the deciding contests. Minor leaguers without any real big league experience and acquired at a certain stated date prior to the playing of the contests participate each year, and men like Walter Johnson are never allowed a look-in. A simple illustration of the wrongfulness of the old system is to be found in the history of the Athletics. Too much world's series money undoubtedly has led the men to look annually for a big slice of championship boodle, when the scheme of disposing of big stars was announced the morale of the team was gone for good. A realization of no more world's series to come naturally made all of them yearn for other fields and better pay for a few hours' exercise.

IT is a good thing to divide the world series money among half the teams, as is now proposed, why not all, at least upon some part of graduated basis that would tend to maintain interest among the last four teams until the close of the season?

Boxing Popular in Allied Camps FROM abroad indicates that boxing has become the leading amusement and that in all camps the fight game is proving most popular. As a pastime and as a means of conditioning men for the great struggle, word from soldiers in all camps is to the foregoing effect, and the resulting reflection is as to the impetus sure to be given the sport, only as an amateur pastime, following the war, for report states that many fighters are being developed. Reports further have it that the game is popular in all Allied camps, and that some interesting inter-camp matches have been fought among Americans, English, French and Italian.

American officer of a New York regiment reports the discovery of a fighter in the person of a Belgian who has been licking all comers and has issued a general challenge to both middle and heavyweights. The Americans in the particular camp are grooming a powerful contender to take the measure of the Belgian by the name of Gunner Vandenberg. He is expected to have his champion ready to do the needful to the glory of the enslaved little country after about six weeks' training.

Boxing is not the same as fighting, however, is stressed by the coaching the report. He declares that real fighting is altogether different, and that a good ring boxer is not necessarily a better fighter than one unable to star with the mittens. He differentiates the two by the following analysis: "The man considered hopeless with their fists have shown the best of the ring when bullets and shells fly rather than fists. You know how easy can do most anything when the kale is hung up in large numbers, but when it's man to man with bayonets, and life at stake, money-chaser retires to the cyclone cellar and plays 'possum.'"

Has to do is to look over the present crop of so-called champions and listen to the alibi for noncommitment to realize the truth of the assertion, is the way he concludes his statement.

Tennis and Rowing May "Come Back" THESE two sports the adherents of which are willing to admit did not flourish on a championship or titleless basis of operation. Championships were held for next year and winners of the racket are inclined to think that more interest will be shown in the sport next season. It is expected that the opening for the youngsters next season will be a big one, and that the youngsters will be plentiful.

Interest in the sport is reported greatly improving as to the past season which college authorities will strive earnestly to make the season as successful as possible. No fewer than six colleges have already started indoor practice in rowing. Cornell University, Pennsylvania, Harvard, Syracuse, Yale, Cornell and other colleges there at least will be plenty of intercollegiate interest in the sport.

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