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GIANTS STAND ON THRESHOLD OF COMING SEASON SOMEWHAT **WEAKER THAN AT FINISH OF 1917**

Loss of Temperamental Herzog Will Help, but Infield Cogs Are Showing Signs of Rust. Short and Third Going Back

THE Giants stand on the threshold of their 1918 senson weather than when they finished last fall. Whether that fact will hinder them from winning another pennant remains to be seen.

They have lost Charley Herzog, which fact in itself will make a better club of the Giants, for Herzog, dissatisfied, would have been a Hability rather than an asset. However, Herzog played wonderful baseball last summer. It was his efforts more than anything else that set the Glants at the top of the heap and placed them in the world's series,

Larry Doyle cannot even make a commendable effort to play such base ball as Herzog is capable of. He never saw the day when he was as value able for all-around ability as the new member of the Boston Braves. He is a far better hitter and is possessor of a sunny disposition, something that was not Herzog's boast,

In addition to Herzog's per the Ginnts stand denucled of the cumning ability of a trio of the greatest left-hand flingers ever herded together on one baseball club. Slim Sallee is virtually through as a regular effective worker. Fred Schupp never will be any better, although it is probable be will be just as good during the coming season as he was a year ago. Rube Benton will be virtually as effective as last suppose, although he is nearing the point that divides between superlative effectiveness and the decline

THE pitching staif of the Glants, however, will have some right-handed support the coming season, something that was decidedly

Jess Barnes Will Bolster Hurling Department

BARNES has been added and he is a most effective round man. It has been noted, however, that John J. Mediraw falled to make use of Polt Perrirt, one of the best right-handers in the National League, when he had the opportunity, and probably lost the world's scries because he ignored the fact that Perritt would have been able to stop the White Sox.

Barnes will be of undoubted value to the pitching staff. He and Perritt. provided McGraw tan't still determined to heep nway from using the former Cardinal, will fill in the weak spots of the pitching corps.

But pitchers cannot pitch and score runs at the same time. And runs are a most necessary commodity. The Glants, with their power, should be a better run-scoring machine. This year Robertson is not likely to be the litter or the base runner

that he has been in the past, and Benny Kana' is going to experience direntished speed. George Burns undoubtedly will be just as good as ever, There is retrogression among the Giants at third base and shortstop. Neither Pletcher nor Zimmerman can be expected to play so brilliantly as a year ago. Young Holke never has been more than an ordinary first baseman and he will remain so.

The Glants' catching staff is admirable. George Gibson and Bill Barider both are virtually through with their stardom days, but in Lew McCarty the Giants possess the best young catcher in baseball, and Juck Onslow is expected to become a most capable receiver.

DECLINE in the infield will lift the Glants hardest. It may affect their chances for the pennant more than can be observed at

Evers Declares Baseball Has Become Effete

JOHNNY EVERS is one of the few men in baseball who seem to understand why the national game has lost a bit of its grip on the American people the last few years. "The players are at fault," said Johnny the other day, "They should not go to the ball parks when they are on the road in ones and twos, like actors going to a show. They should dress in their hotel and go out in a team bus and give the fans a look at them as they ride through the streets."

This is the secret of it all. The fan has grown away from the player bit. The Federal League war gave the noble athletes so much money that they lost their perspective on their profession.

In the days when the Cub-Glant rivalry was at its height the Glants would be stoned as they rode through the Chicago streets in their bus on the way to the ball park. This was rowdylam, if you will, but it showed the partisan spirit that prevailed in the heart of the fan at that time.

Today, when the Ciants arrive in Chicago, they go their way unnoticed. Familiarity may breed contempt in some relations, but not in that between the ball player and fan.

Fans Want Hitting; All Freak Balls May Go

THE exaggerated importance attached to pitching has brought about a I bitless era in baseball that the fans do not relish. Many years back when the batter had the leeway the same extreme in play was witnessed as is seen today. The batter was given too much latitude, hitting was too frequent and the games became too long drawn out and tiresome both to mina ever and spectators

In order to shorten play and reduce swatting the pitcher was moved loser in and elevated to a point where he had a down-hill drag on the satsman. This situation doubtless would have been satisfactory had not the pitchers discovered a new method of further increasing their advantage. This came about through the adoption of freak deliveries, which produced deceptive breaking balls calculated more than ever to make the batter take the count. The breaking point seems to have arrived. Nearly everybody realizes the necessity of giving the batter a better chance in the interest of injecting pep into play, and a general discussion now is waging which may result in every variety of crazy delivery being abolished. The section of the American Association as a pioneer in this field of reform has given prenounced impetus to the general movement.

President Percy Haughton, of the Boston Braves, attempted to lead in an increased hitting reform last year, and while he succeeded in lining up some other league magnates, he was unable to put across the effort. Of late Magnate Dreyfuss, of Pittsburgh, has been plugging along the same line. He is against every form of freak or camouflage flinging, including the spit ball, the shine ball, the knuckle ball, the emery ball, the rosin ball, the Reorice ball, the salivated ball and the fine-cut, plug or twist ball. He would remove all moisture and make the performance a bone-dry affair. Big Alex, the Iron Man, also favors a nation-wide dry situation, as far at least as pitching is concerned.

OLD JAWN GANZEL, now moguling at Kansas City, says all the freak stuff ought to go. The fans want to see hitting, he opines. and he says it is an abnormal situation to give the pitcher all the advantage. He states that the only practical way to put through the reform demanded is not merely to legislate against foolish deliveries, but to refuse to allow a pitcher to put his hands up to his

Ebbets Will Pay Half Salaries During War

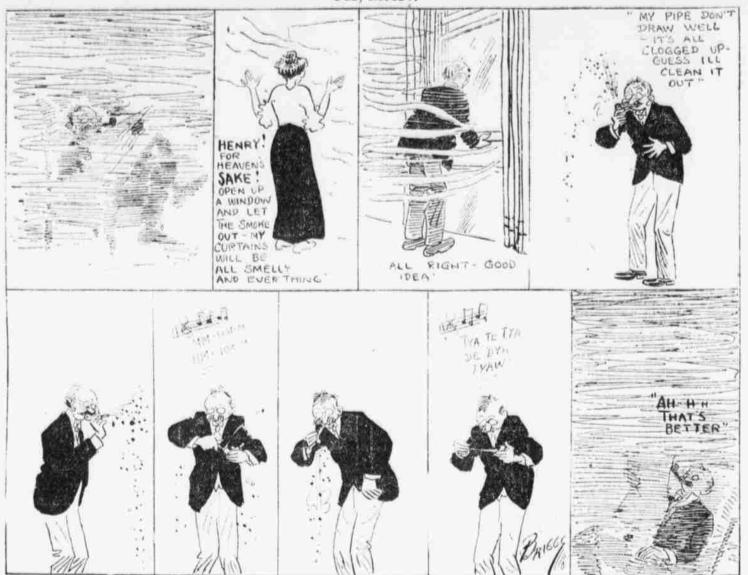
FEW leaders in big league baseball affairs have received as much unfavorable publicity as long-time owner Charles H. Ebbets, of the Brooklyn Dodgers. He has been accused of two things chiefly. One of commercialism and the other-more commercialism in holding on to that which he had received. He has been declared by some tighter than starney Dreytuss, and by others as a man who cared nothing for the sport and classed right along with Charles Webb Murphy as a true baseball

An announcement that well proves the stanch patriotism of the muchcriticized magnate is to the effect that he will reward the loyalty to the nation of those players of his team who either have been drafted or have colunteered to serve their country. All such players will receive half of their contract salaries during the entire period of the war. And inasmuch as Brooklyn probably was hit harder by the war than any other National League tourn, some idea may be had of the large amount of money sure to to indirectly donated by him to the country's cause. And certainly his action is a stroke that will bring applause both from players and public.

GENERAL announcement of like character would greatly boost A the game and serve to relieve the sport of the criticism of many that it is too commercial and is not making its due war sacrifices, Also it would serve to relieve to a large extent financial sacrifices forced upon players in giving up fancy salaries and accepting in ces an amount per month little more than they were accustomed to receive a day during the playing season.

Plant Now Stockholder in Boston Braves

ORTON F. PLANT, who owns the New London ball club and is a stockholder in the Phillies, has made another move. It was learned sandy that Plant had become slightly interested in the Boston National crave club. The owners of the Braves asked Plant to purchase a few was of stock to help matters along and he readily consented. Plant is stall fan of the thirty-third degree. He has invested money in the of more for personal absumement their for financial gain. It is said that et his assistance the Eastern League managed to keep alive last OH, MAN!



DORIZAS TUTORS PENN WRESTLERS

Big Greek Gives Lessons to Husky 'Babe' Lamberton, Quaker Heavyweight

CAGE GAME TOMORROW

Mike Dorinas, for three years the leavyweight intercollegiate wrestling champion and holder of the collegiate strength record, has taken the Fenn "Bravica" under his wing and intends to

Several large dauble centuries were made this treat when Thermen drew 230, Higgley ran second, with 226 and 238; History 230. Bresset, 217; Hill. 214 and 208. The league well open its woold season, beginning seat Tuesday right.

Weak Wrists Kept Jim Thorpe From the Ring

EASTERN LEAGUE STARS WILL PLAY

Schedule Makers Will Consolidate Playing Dates as Much as Possible

Tuesday right

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Arrest Two Western Fighters OKLAHOMA CITT. Jun. 24.—Yeats Jachapp. Oklahoma City bantamwelaht beker,
nind Kid Rassa, of St. Louis, are under
overest here today following a raile by deputy
sheriffs on the City Auditorium, where Joekeps and Rassa boxed fifteen rained least
night. 6 W. Sumpson, the presenter and
las referee also were arrested.

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NEW YORK, Jun. 21, Two Phicadelphia hore, Eimer Smith of J. Howard Berry, were the stellar

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Riverett Sinalley, the former Central High caption, competing for Fort Siecum, Rulehed second in the 70-yard bigh hurdles. Signi, the Middle Athantic cross-country channelson, running for Meadowbrood, run a fine race from scratch in the three-sulfe handicap run. He finished third, severall yards behind Nightingale, of New Hampshire Aggies, and Nick Giannicopoulae, of Camp Wadsworth, who also ran from scratch.

The majority of the athletes who compored has night will run in the Meadow-brook games in Philadelphia on March 5-9. Samuel Dalias has alto accured many other first-class men.

The Usaars squad, of Allentown, through the ability of Goorge Kline, who captured second place in the three hundred yard dosh, and M. Burke, a former university of Wasonain student, who won the seventy yard law hurdles, captured urit place as a team.

Waiter Johnson, the famous twicer, has received notice that he is in class 4. He saw a will and two children.

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Fred Fulton Will Box Charley Weinert Here

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 24. Fred Fulton, henvywelght pu gilist, today announced he had made arrangements for the follow ing bouts: Tom Cowler, at Denvey, February 1: Charley Weinert, at Philadelphia, Petersary 7, and Frank Meran, at New Orleans, Feb.

PRO GOLFERS

JINERUIST, N. C. Jun. 24.—Charles If. Newcomb, of Philadelphia, led the field of trapshooters at Phochurst yea-terday with a score of 151. His total score is now 286 in the 600-target event. Newcomb has a lead of four turget over his nearest rival."

Ted Lewis Defeats Bartfield TORONTO, Out, Jan 33 - Ted Lowler as awarded the popular decision, by a narrow margin, over Soldier Bartfield in a ten-round bout here tonight

SPORTS SERVED SHORT

Jacob Pineus, the sidest justey in America, and in New York at the use of eighty-ight, it was the only Arterizan Jonkey hing an American-bred heres to win the highlish derey. Ernesi Kosh, pitcher for the St. Louis Americans, has applied for enlistment in the aviation corps. Mrs. Nora B. Murphy, widow of the amous Mike Murphy, died at Detroit after about Illness.

Paul Harmon, coach of the Trinity College track team sizes 1913, has enlisted in the naval resource.

BALLTOSSERS' PROFESSION BRIEF. BUT PATRIOTIC REQUIREMENTS ADMIT NO SPECIAL EXEMPTIONS

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raths for off,
Certainly leading baseball stars of

Certainly leading baseball stars of nulltary age could have rendered invaluable service by way of example in collecting. Many were unable to do so through dependent families. Most of the others were not willing to make the others were not willing to make the sacrifice, just as millions have yet made he sacrifice against the big day of accounting that waits ahead.

They not only finished the game in good shape, but one eleven executed three forward passes that led disease. counting that waits about

A CITIZEN wher registers binnest? "A Fan" comes to the resemble of the ball binyer with the following comment:

"Welle is in underbucily true that fewer professional hampleyers especially those of higher leagues, have extered the service than have gone from other sports, don't forget these things:

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"Second. Any sort of accident or indight; have been players for further service. And, once thanked, their professions are gone for good."

The Other Side. ter of drill and routine.

If every one could understand what

The Other Side

These claims are true, but they should have no direct hearing on the case. This war will never be wen through each citizen first considering his own personal interest or interests.

To a certain extent the avarage ball-player has been made refish by conditions. He knows that at or around thirty-four years of age his profession is about over. He knows that at this age he must have necessarily the competency, for thereafter his caraing power rails far of.

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