HERZOG NOT AS MODEST AS ALEX; ALL HE WANTS IS CONTRACT EXTENSION AND BOND

HOLDOUTS FIND NEW SOURCES OF ENCOURAGEMENT THIS YEAR IN ADDITION TO THE WORLD WAR

Even Physician Recommends Resistance, While New European League Supplies Another Club to Brandish in Face of Employers

WHEN the doctors get to recommending "holding out" as a means of preserving human life some idea may be had of the seriousness of the Insurgent situation in baseball this year. Yet word to the effect named comes from Birmingham, Ala., where Pitcher Phil Douglas is resting following an operation for appendicitis. The attending medico is quoted as having declared that if Douglas could only hold out for at least a few days he would be on the sure road to recovery.

Coming on top of the report that holdours have become so general and so hold this season that they have formed a league of their own and will resist in a body and to the death the understood pact of club owners to chop wages, word of the recommendation of holding out by a practicing physician is most discouraging; but it is not all. Announcement of the formation of a league to play regular baseball abroad this season, coupled with the reported presence in this country of an agent armed with authority and coin to sign players, will come as gleefully to the rebels as it will depress the slave-trading owners. Think of having another regular league to jump to and of grabbing off a job of romantic possibilities, and one offering openings after the war for continued play, coaching, managing or promoting some phase of the sporting goods business! No doubt about it at all. If reports prove true the present holdout crop will have one more grand little bludgeon to brandish in the face of the bard-hearted managers and club bosses.

THE general scheme as proposed sounds plausible, for it naturally would be encouraged by the Government, as it would offer nunchneeded diversion to soldiers in the great recreation centers. Then, too, reports indicate that baseball already has taken a footbold both in England and France.

Herzog and Alex Old-Fashioned Types

SPEAKING of holdouts also suggests that some strange influence has come over the order this season. It appears that nobody except a perfectly shameless person wants to be classed as a regular holdout. Some of the more particular seem desirous of being known as conscientious objectors or something of that sort. Anyhow, they are not the common garden variety and have some well selected and diplomatic language to explain their position.

Derrill Pratt was one of the first to emphasize the position that he was no ordinary resister. And the Yankee acquisition doubtless made a good distinction, for what he meant, perhaps, was that he was not rejecting the Vankee contract merely for the looks of its face, but that he declined to sign away a good-looking lawsuit or at least a nicely appearing

Davey Robertson also is not a holdout: far from it. Davey is a Virginia gentleman and would not so far forget himself as to displease the "godewif" or to too long delay the establishment of himself as a real doctor; and then, too, he feels a stout obligation to accommodate the home schoolhouse, which needs coaching "powerful bad" this season

Alex and Buck Herzog are two shameful persons. They are of the old school and want to be soothed with virigar money, and they don't care at all who knows it or where it comes from. The latter is broader in his demands, however, for he modestly requests an extension of contract along with a bonus. The latest story from Boston is that \$5000 must be forthcoming or it will be absolutely nothing but melon-raising this year instead of raising the usual rough stuff on the diamond.

HERZOG must have been a deep student of psychology in his youth. He knows when to strike and he knows how to fortify himself with winning weapons of warfare. One of his most effective big guns is to get himself mixed up in a player deal where the team getting him is as anxious for his services as the other team is to get rid of him. Then he starts pressure both ways.

Thought of Pirate Contract Makes Saier Worse

You can't tell by the face of the returns or the referee's word who wins a decision in baseball. The National Commission awarded Saler to the Pittsburgh Pirates in an argument with the Chicago Cubs. This looked like Barney Dreyfuss had won a bout, but word from Teledo has it that the former Cub star, whose leg was broken last season, states that he doesn't feel strong enough to play this year and will remain idle.

Saier's sudden relapse doubtless is due to nothing more than that he has been offered a contract with Toledo by Roger Bresnahan much more attractive than he could hope for by Pittsburgh. Nothing talks like money and nothing heals a baseball wound, whether of the flesh or of the feelings, like the long green, and Saler's bruises may be expected to remain serious unless Dreyfuss proposes at least to meet Bresnahan's figures, stated to

Cubs did not intend, it seems, to let the crippled player slip away. He was paid \$2500, the remainder of his year's salary, although disabled, with the evident intent of making him a free agent and picking him up again, The round-about method was to avoid player-limit violation, it is said, Pittsburgh claimed the player by the walver route, however, and then the Cubs "hollered" for the \$2500, which the National Commission rules they cannot get-at least in the manner proposed.

Four Philly Players Offered Southern Club

TDEAS that the Philly team lacks talent, this season at least, are not shared by the club management, which has bundled up one neat package of four marked "Surplus" and offered it in en masse to a certain Southern League outfit. Word to this effect is spread all over the sports page of a Nashville morning daily, which calls names and sets out details and states that the proffer came directly through Scout Billy Boyle to his old pal, President Shropshire, of the home nine. Players named are Schulte, Lavender, Dugey and Weiser The story is that Dugey is the only one likely to be desired and that chances for a deal with respect to this player are uncertain on account of his liability to the draft.

The players were offered singly or one at a time, according to the story, and the only figures mentioned are \$1000, said to be the price placed upon Lavender. No definite trade proposition is mentioned.

According to the account in question, the view taken of the reported offer by the Nashville management was not that any of the players was not worth while as possibly available material. The idea was that in all likelihood all doubtless would be able to command a better bid for their services in either of the two higher minors, the American Association or the Pacific Coast League. That Dugey was given more consideration than the rest is said to be due to the fact that the second baseman's job likely will be wide open this year.

Stallings's Desire for Pitcher Not Clear

STALLINGS sees no hope of getting Frank Allen back into the same this season is the gist of a newspaper jot in a Boston sport page. The point of the report is not why the southpaw should prefer to remain on the old plantation down in "Alabam," but why Stallings should want to do any coaxing. A glimpse of the official returns of 1917 shows the imposing record for the Braves' and former Fed flinger of three wins and ten defeats.

The report in question, which called for a sight at the records, throws ome light upon the necessity of having pitchers to win ball games. Of the eight last pitchers who won any games at all. Pittsburgh claimed six in Steel, Jacobs, Evans, Grimes and Mamaux. The name of Allen appears right in the middle of this distinguished galaxy.

The scintillant record of these stars, however, is excelled by the notable careers of Pitchers Smith, of the Giants, and Dell, of the Dodgers. These sterling moundamen broke into only one side of the win-and-lose column.

Says Baker Brings Players Back to Earth

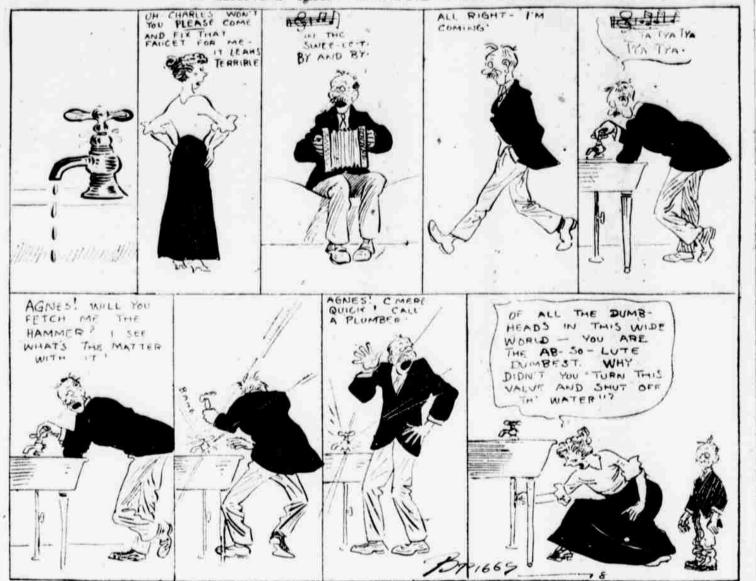
ATROY (N. Y.) paper highly commends our Mr. Baker in his attitude with regard to player dictation. It says:

"There is one thing that commends itself in the Philadelphia National agement: it will not brook dictation by the players in the matter of It is understood that Alexander, Killefer and Paskert all were swapped to the Chicago club because President Baker had tired of demands which he considered exorbitant. Baker is determined to impress on his layers the fact that the Federal League war ended two years ago. Others we been trying the same thing, but not exactly with the success of Baker, to is bound to run his club as his business training dictates. His policy p bring the players back to earth is being watched with interest by mag-

Dodgers Claim Swell Pitching Staff

TILBERT ROBINSON, manager of the Dodgers, believes he has one of the best pitching staffs in the National League. "Most folk have supped to realize the pitching strength of the Dodgers this year,"

"In Mannairs, Mitchell, Grimes and Griner we have four new and Griner we have four new parts of the parts A HANDY MAN AROUND THE HOUSE



LEONARD RESUMES KILLEFER SIGNS UP. **DUTIES AT UPTON**

Lightweight Champion Says Men Are Taking Hold of the Work

structor of the Seventy-seventh Division, are much elated. Killet stationed at Camp Unton. The conqueror of Freely Weish has fully recovered from his attack of pneumonia and OLGA DORFNER

Scraps About Scrappers

Young Morthew, better known to local mains fans as folly Rule, will meat Joersher at the National A. C. louight for he lightweight championship of the navy, his bont will be the wind-up to a monster oxing carnival arranged for the entertainment of the soldiers, sallors and marines over in the city by the United Service (the core in the service will be admitted free dotton pictures of the hout will be taken. So women will be admitted free dotton pictures of the hout will be taken. Lee Houck, of Lancaster, needs to be in he best of condition if he expects to carry of leading honors in his scrap with dack declared. Friday night, in the final bout of he Cambria A. C.

Dan McKetrick announces that he will personally guarantee Lew Tender \$1000 if he will meet Frankie Callahan at the Olympia A. A. Monday hight March II hew defeated Frankie several wester ago in McKetrick believes his how should be given a return bout. Callahan will agree to make 13d pounds ringside.

As heavyweights seem to be minking a "hit" with the local fans, Manager Johnny Hirras, of the Cambria, has booked Marry West. of this city, and George Christian, of St. Louis, for his winding. Both mentip the scales, past the 200-mark.

Presion Brown, the clever negro feather-weight of this city, through his manager Tominay Rellly, chains the world's feather-weight title. Presion has never been stopped and, with Johnny Kithane retired helieves he has the best cleim to the crown Brown expects to be called to John the National Atmy in a short time, but before soing he would lik to conge, in a few houls. He will gleatly donain de per cent of his end to the basing slows fund.

One of the best heavyweight contests in

Joe Dillon, the New York flyweight who fought at the local clubs several times, hus returned to the big town. He will rest a few weeks before engaging in another fight.

Red Delan has joined the naval reserves and expects to don his "bine" before the close of the week. Unless he is "shipped." Dolan will set a crack at trian Patsy Cline.

Frankie Williams is training every day and will be in fine shape for his bout with Eddie Palmer next Monday night at the Olympia A. A.

South Philadelphia High BUT ALEX HOLDS OUT

With Cubs CHICARIO Feb. 20. Once again the dispute over the bonus demanded by Grover Alexander before he will consent to pitch for the theago tube has bended an Alexander, who is at Hot Springs, Ark., has sent postitive word here that he does not intend to play ball unless it be

RESULTS PLAINLY SEEN By BILL BELL

Lightweight Champion Benny Leonard has resumed his duties as boxing intract to the Cubs and the baseball Cane

Twirler Insists Bonus Question Must

Be Settled Before He Plays

plainly seen in the bouts the men hold in their barracks and in the camp recreation buildings. Instead of lowering their heads and swinging wildly in wind mill fashion, which is the style of the novice, they square off and sail into each other with heads erect and their guards up, just like real professionals.

"In bayonet work, where the boxing instruction is particularly valuable because the principles are so much alike, the results are even plainer. The men charge the dummies with more dash than before and send their their blacks through the figures of boughs and bursting when a swintle on the content the content that the profession is the content of the swinning authorities present that a new mark would have been established had the content there is no much alike, the results are even plainer. The men charge the dummies with more dash than before and send their their blacks through the figures of boughs and bursting their professionals.

than before and send their their blades through the figures of boughs and burlap with a force that speaks volumes for the boxing training. When some of these men come back from France our champions will have had to improve mightly in the meantime if they expect to hold their titles?"

Leonard was one of the boxing instructors throughout the country selected by the commission on training camp activities of the war and havy departments to pose for the motion pictures illustrating in detail the proper way of starting and landing the different blows, and how to put the full force of the body behind them.

would have given Miss Dorfner an added turn, which in a smaller tank is equal to at least one-fifth of a second. Ernest Sopp had an easier time than Miss Dorfner in defending his laurels in the 500-yard Middle Atlantic chaming the feet to be determined by time. Sopp won his hear in the fast time of 6 minutes the fast of 1 the second heaf. The following in the structors throughout the country selected by the commission on training camp activities of the war and havy departments to pose for the motion pictures illustrating in detail the proper way of starting and landing the different blows, and how to put the full force of the body behind them.

In the other events, Mass Helen Pennippacker, of the Turnsemelide, the pressent Middle Atlantic A. X. i. champion, won the finey diving for women: Miss Jane Guest, of West Branch, finished first in the 100-yard novice tace for women: F. J. Jenkins, unattached, was the winner in a similar event for men, and F. D. Lind, unattached, nosed out Andrews for first honors in the fance. Andrews for first honors in the fancy

Andrews for first honors in the fancy diving for men.

It was estimated that more than 1500 spectators witnessed the events, and those who perspired and sweltered in the throng were fully rewarded for inclediscomfort by the wonderful performances of the contestants. It was necessary to close the doors before the first event was started. event was started.

American League Games Tonight Two games will be played in the American Busketball League forhight at Travmore Hall Franklin street and Columbia avenue, Bath Brael meets Girard Alumni and Y. M. H. A. oppesse Fort Richmond.

Has Six-Fingered Pitcher

The past and present major league pitchers have devoted sleepless nights to inventing the so-called "freak" deliveries, but Benny Pellowitz, a fifteen-scar-old freshman of the South Philadelphia High School, is credited with having the "freakiest-of-the-freak" deliveries. And it comes natural. Pellowitz has four diagers and TWO thumbs on his right hand. This peculiarity enables him to command a "freak" curre, which mystilles the opposing butsmen. Coach Ker believes that Pelly will bring the Interscholastic League champlonship to South Philadelphia High.

PREFERS EDUCATION TO BALL CONTRACT

NEW YORK, Feb. 29—A young ball-player was found today who doesn't cars a whoop about the clamor and giory of a big league player's life. Smooks lowd, a highly touted player with the Springfield, Mass, High School tesm, refused to sign a contract with Miller Huggins, manager of the Yankees. He wants to finish his education, he said.

Carroll I. Wilson, of Rochester, Minn., has been elected septain of the Harvard rifle team, and colls H. Hotladay, of San Francisco, sindoser

Dave Astes, of New York, should meet Jue Tuiner before going 'over there' to mix with Jimms Witte, of London, for the world's flyweight championship. Many speciators at the Glympia Monday night were of the opinion that Astey wouldn't last six rounds with Jue.

Miss Edith Campbell, of the Overbrook Golf Club, won the qualifying round medal in the women's annual golf tournament for the championship of Florida at Palm Beach, with a source of 88.

The Griscom golf trophy will probably be returned to this city, as there is very little likelihood of the intercity each being held this year.

F. D. Keeler, medalist in the Be-golf tournes, was eliminated by W Fitch, of Chesgo

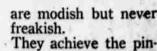
Afred be Ore, the dethroned three cushion tillined champion, defeated Augi Kiechheter in the ambulanes fund tourney at Chicago. Outfielder Eddie Murphy, formerly the Athlerics, has been affered to Yankees by the White Sox in a deal.

Princeton defeated Columbia in the allegate businethall series by a seco

Stanles Baumgartner, the Phil left-hander, who was suspended by the National Commission for refusing to report to a mison leavue the Phila had selected, has been reinstated. Came Grant soldiers today received word that Parkey McFarland has been engaged as boxing instructor for the men stationed

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Boosts and Bumps

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

CONNIE'S TEAM

Perhaps you think the A's are dead And there'll be nothing doing When Connie spills what's in his head; But wait! there's something brewing. You'd never read it in his eyes, And yet our instinct smells it; Oh, boys, you're in for some surprise When Counte tells it.

You think he hasn't got a team? We wouldn't think as you do. We'll bet the one he's got's a dream, Without a single hoodob. Of course as net they're safely hid Within the bean that claims 'em; But, boys, you'll cheer and toss your lid When Connie names 'em.

It may be Anson, Reach and Lang, Cy Young and old Dan Brouthers, Matt Kilroy, Farrar and a gang Of record-breaking others; But just you walt till March the first, The date he's fixed to buzz it; We'll het your blooming sides will burkt When Connie does it!

CONNIE'S cunning and lack of per-thing new in big league baseball circles. Instead of plodding along with a brazs band accompaniment and obligate of fireworks like Harry Frazee and Charley at the end pressed a button of fireworks like Harry Frazee and Charley. "I think we can adjust matter than the control of the contr band accompaniment and obligate of fireworks like Harry Fraze and Charley Weekman, the lean manager is minding his own business and asking favors of no one. He has a plan to reconstruct the Athletics hall club for 1918, and he alone knows what it is. He has the nerve and daring to go through with it unaided, and if he fails, no one clse can be

WON'T APPOINT

"PRO" AT NOBLE

Huntingdon Valley Decides Not to Name Successor to Dave Cuthbert

RETRENCHMENT PROGRAM

Methods are Successful

Mack's methods have made quite a bit thus far, for his phantom team has bit thus far, for his phantom team has been given lots of publicity throughout the country. The scribes are wondering what kind of a bail club he will have and the guessing is fast and furious. I husual interest his been aroused and when March 1 rolls around and Connie opens up the news will be as eagerly read an the story of an American victory in France. As we said before, it is something new and Mack's ball club will see away to a flying start—In the publicity league.

A report has been spread broadcast tournament for the championship of this one maximum salary to be paid by Connie his year will be \$2000. No one knows how the tale originated, but it is a club that Mack hier's talked and the areas played yesteria. She had an easy lead in the feld of originated and the areas played yesterial to the plate?

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a cinch that Mack hasn't talked and the entire yarn is pure guesswork. As yet Counte hasn't a ball club. He admits to the salary limit when there are no play the salary limit the other successor to Daye Cuthbert, the golf a big league manager can run a ball club on a \$2000 salary limit, the other professional, who has resigned to accept a similar berth with the Grand Mere

a similar berth with the Grand Mere Golf Club in Canada. A number of for years, local professionals who have applied for Dave's job at Noble have been told that

OLGA DORFNER

RETAINS TITLE

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So far as the course is concerned the him—that you want \$500 a month and untile work at present. The changes

"So far as the course is concerned the intention is not to do any more constructive work at present. The changes made last year straightened out the problem of congestion on the old second hole and with the elimination of that there is no need for other work on the course."

| Thin that you want less. Freedman won't sign for a cent less. Nothing definite has been decided about the Lynneword Hall cup tournament, which is held during June. This is like biggest amateur tournament held on This is like biggest amateur tournament held on

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