

L. AND CHICK EVANS'S COMMENT ON GOLF BASEBALL AND OTHER NEWS OF SPORTS WORLD

LOUIS DUE FOR LONG, HOT SPELL WITH RAJAH MANAGER OF BROWNS

Giant-Cub-Card Backstop Will Try His Hand at Major League Piloting Once Again—Has Had Turbulent Baseball Career

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger. RAJAH BRESNAHAN is back again in that dear old St. Looie to the scene of his former triumphs. The former Giant-Cub-Card has been named to appear in the town which handed him the tinware and re-assigned his managerial duties with a big league club. He is not with the Browns this time, but with the lowly Browns. Owner Phil Ball slipped the job yesterday, and it did not take much to pry "Rajah" loose from the ball club in Toledo, which is staggering along with more or less success with the accent on the less. The report was turned loose in Toledo and the new manager is expected to get on the job at once.

Bresnahnan has had a checked career in the great and only national stadiums. Starting out with Baltimore in the dark ages, he soon convinced manager and later himself that he was an exceedingly bum pitcher and shifted to third base. He did very well in that position for a time, until the catcher's job attracted him and he donned the mask and mitt. He alternated behind the bat and at third, which showed that he was versatile.

In 1901 John McGraw took a flock of Baltimoreans with him to the National League and Rajah was with the bunch. He was the star backstop on the Joints and soon was famous throughout the country. He was the first to wear the shinguards which now are in the regulation make-up of the big league catchers. Bresnahnan was allowed to drift to St. Looie in 1905 and he continued to play good baseball. He managed the club in 1912 and 1913 and was made the victim of a terrible revenge, or something like that.

According to the story, Mrs. Britton, who owned the Cards, decided to humiliate Rajah as much as possible; so, it is said, out of pure spite she publicly fired her manager. For two days Bresnahnan was disconsolate and was knocked off his pins. He felt sad and morose, but the sadness and moroseness did not affect his business sagacity. He got on the job, sold himself to the Chicago Cubs and profited greatly thereby. It is said he received \$10,000 for himself and a salary equal to that amount. The deal was a big laugh in baseball circles, for Mrs. Britton discovered too late that she had parted with an asset who could have brought a big figure at the auction block.

Rajah Easily Defeated Mrs. Britton RAJAH went to work for the Cubs and devoted most of his spare time in aiding Mrs. Britton for some back salary. Some sort of a settlement was made and the catcher did not get the worst of it.

But Rajah was not satisfied with being a plain, ordinary catcher. He wanted to be the big noise and laid his plans accordingly. Hank O'Day, the old National League umpire, was manager of the Cubs and was not getting by as well as he should. It was easy for Bresnahnan to succeed him and in 1915 the job was his. He lasted only one year, however, for the club changed hands, the Federal war was over and Joe Tinker was handed the reins by Charley Weeghman.

Bresnahnan went back to the old homestead in Ohio and soon acquired controlling interest in the Toledo ball club in the American Association. He stayed for a time in the outfield to save the salary of an athlete, but later resigned himself to his managerial duties. He broke into print this year in the Vic Saler case, which he finally won.

Rajah is a good manager, knows baseball and can teach it if the players listen seriously. He has had two shots at the job in the big leagues, this makes the third.

But maybe he won't be glad to get back to St. Looie! Maybe he won't knock his head off to convince the good citizens that the American League club has it all over the Cards! Maybe there won't be some hot times in that hot town this summer!

New Baseball-Pass Pest Is Working Well This Year THE new Government law which requires the active members of the Loyal Order of Deadheads to deposit a war tax of one dime—ten cents, tenth part of a dollar—at the gate before entering the ball park is a wonderful thing for the U. S. A., but not quite so wonderful to the sports fans. The tax problem has brought up a question of conduct, for it is hard to determine how to act when approached by a charter member of the L. O. of D. H.

Once upon a time the pass pest would rush into the office, demand a seat for the game, grab it from our hand and rush out again so quickly that the barber, or Mike Gannon, the thirteenth artist, what good 'll' of it he and the sports editor are. It is different now, and in order to evade here is an actual case:

A HANDY MAN AROUND THE HOUSE



BIG CROWD SEES SHIBE PARK BOUTS

Overseas Tobacco Fund Gets a Boost by Navy Show

PLENTY OF ACTION

More than 5000 enlisted men and civilians and hundreds of women contributed to the Philadelphia Navy Yard employees' overseas tobacco fund and the Pennsylvania Auxiliary of the Navy Relief Society at Shibe Park last night. As a reward they witnessed fourteen boxing contests, a battle royal between nine negroes and a pantomime on boxing by Eddie Mack. The boxing bouts were real contests. There were no exhibitions. All the competitors, with but a few exceptions, were men in the employ of the Government at League Island. They were expected to deliver the goods, and they did. The bouts were conducted under Government rules, four rounds of two minutes each, and all clinching was knocked. As a result the spectators witnessed plenty of action and several decisive results.

FOLLOW THROUGH A FINE ASSET, BUT WASTED IF YOU DON'T HIT BALL FIRST

Chick Evans Advises Players to Make Good Shots Habit, for They Are More Likely to Follow in Hard Match

BY CHARLES (CHICK) EVANS, Jr.

ALMOST every day of my life just now I have occasion to bless the extra hour of daylight. To get out from the hot, close city, noisy, restless and nerve-racking to the cool, green peace and quiet of the country, is a heavenly experience at the end of a hard day. Take it all up, there is no tonic in the world equal to the late midsummer afternoon found on the quiet links. To forget for a blissful moment the trouble of the world and to give one's mind to the little details of a golf problem rests both body and soul.

ST. COLUMBA GETS ENLISTED STARS

Navy Players Signed by Manager Coffey Add Strength to Line-Up

HAVE GAME WITH CURTIS

St. Columba's entrance into the baseball field has thus far been a great success. The followers, after a championship year in the basketball cage, were clamoring for a team to continue and uphold the name of their club on the diamond, so Jimmy Coffey was appointed to handle the affairs of the nine.

CHANCE FOR SOCCER CLUBS

Industrial League Franchises Will Be Distributed Tonight

The annual meeting of the Industrial Soccer League will be held tonight at the Inquirer Building. At this meeting election of officers together with the awarding of franchises for next season, will be the principal items on the agenda. Secretary announced that the league will be in the field again, while it is possible that with the new team knocking at the door for admission to the circuit the coming season will be made up of eight strong clubs.

SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

AN ALL-STAR boxing show and smoker will be held tonight on the roof garden of the United Service Club, 207 South Twenty-second street. Enlisted men in the army, navy and the marine corps will be admitted free.

BIWEEKLY FOOTBALL

Yale, Princeton and Harvard May Arrange Such a Schedule

There is the possibility in event of a decision being reached to organize football eleven at Harvard, Princeton and Yale next season that the Big Three may make an agreement whereby the eleven would practice two or three times a week and play games every fortnight. In this way military and other studies would not be affected by football practice and at the same time the two practical weeks, or say two practices in two weeks, would harden the players sufficiently to enable them to undertake a schedule on the fortnightly basis.

RIVERTON HAS A COURSE THAT SHOULD SERVE AS REAL LINKS STANDARD

Some of the Finest Two-Shot Holes in Country and Splendid Undulating Greens Features of Links. Twenty-two Members in Service

THOSE Philadelphia golfers who have missed the pleasure of playing over the new eighteen-hole course of the Riverton Country Club have missed one of the very best courses in the Philadelphia district and a links that a few years from now will compare favorably with any inland golf course in this country. It is a course that every member of a greens committee should see, for Riverton has greens and traps and holes that are models.

The backbone of Donald Ross, the best of our American course architects. He said gets \$100 a day for his services, but he is worth every cent of it. Clarence H. Galt got him to trap the Seaview course, and if you have played over it within the last six months you will begin to appreciate just what a first-class architect can do.

Beautiful Undulating Course Of the eighteen holes, eleven are on the new addition to the links, and the old nine-hole course makes up the other seven. While the old holes as changed by Ross are good, they are not in the same class with the new holes. There is a big grove of trees that divides the two sections of the ground, which is the third, and the drive is through a clearing in these woods. It is more than a dog-leg hole, for it is built at right angles to the straight drive takes and the ball into the fairway. Unless the player can get away with a sliced ball that just clears the edge of the woods he has a long brassy to the green. The green is well guarded for poor seconds.

Notes from the alleys The Duck Pin League had an upset when Plevin cleaned up his second series with the White Elephants and moved into first place. One of the scores was rolled by Plevin in the third game when he tossed 138.

Coroner Knight, in Role of Pitcher, a Comeback Coroner Bill Knight, of the City Hall, proved that his comeback of last year was a real affair when he handed the aggregation captained by Chief Deputy coroner Sellers a 17-to-2 setback yesterday afternoon at the annual outing of the Coroner's Office at Bethaysa.

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Jake Beckley Dead

Kansas City, Mo., June 27.—Jake Beckley, the former National League champion, died here today at the age of 57. He had been suffering from heart disease for some time.

Robertson Not to Report

New York, June 27.—Davy Robertson, outfielder of the New York Giants, will not come to the rescue of the Los Angeles Angels in the second round of the World Series, as he is expected to report to the Yankees.

Corby to Captain Tennis Team

West Philadelphia, Pa., June 27.—Edward Corby has been elected captain and Loren Jones manager of the tennis team.