DER'S WORK-OR-FIGHT ORDER INTENDED TO KNOCK PROPS FROM UNDER KULTUR LEAGUE

EBALL STAGGERED, **UT NEVER WILL STAY DOWN FOR THE COUNT**

ates at Present Undecided What to Do-One Major League Possibility-Novel Plan Suggested for Plaving World's Series

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger

EBALL as the national pastime is not dead, nor will it ever die as iong as America is America. The old same has just received a severe of bumps; but just as Fred Fulton will survive the quick but effective toping he got from Jack Dempsey, so the grand old game, which has hstood many wars, will rise from the present embers and blossom. It is ikely, of course, that there will be two major leagues after September a until after the Kaiser's seconds have tossed the sponge into the ring, but the highly probable that the magnates of organized baseball will get Surether immediately and begin planning for the future.

What the plans will be it not known. They don't know themselves," the odds are they will have some kind of a league for 1919 that will be able to operate and still keep within the work-or-fight mandate recently mulgated by Provost Marshal General Crowder and approved by Secretary of War Baker.

It would be possible to form one league that would give the fans of the majority of the cities on the major league circuits high-class baseball next sion. A circuit, for instance, composed of eight clubs would give all the cities that enjoy it now, except two. By this arrangement one club could be operated in the Metropolitan district, a complication of the Glants, Yankees and Brooklyn; Philadelphia, Boston, Chicago and St. Louis, which now have two clubs, could be supplied with one first-class club each. To these five clubs could be added three more from Washington, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Cleveland and Detroit, depending on which three the magnates deemed the best to support the game

With the veterans left and the youngstors that are coming along there in ne doubt that a league of high-grade talent could carry during the war period and that it would be patronized as well, if not better, than the clubs are today

Here's a Suggestion Which Should Be Considered by Magnates

NO ONE knows what will happen to baseball after September 1, but according to President Tener, of the National League, there will be no world series, as in former years. This big event will be missed by the fans. and already suggestions are coming in from those who support the game The best we have seen comes from "P. E. H.," of Harrisburg, and is printed in full

"Dear Mr. Maxwell-I always have looked forward to the world series with a great deal of interest and early this year had visions of another. Since clubs of each league have been so depleted, however, it seems like a real opportunity for the American and National circuits to add a fitting climax to an unfortunate situation.

"I have a suggestion that two clubs be picked similar to the ones I am ring and play a short series, all of the receipts to be donated to the ed Cross or to use them in some way that will lend cheer and help the rale of the men who are fighting so valiantly 'over there.'

"A series like that would furnish the men in the United States training mos and on the battlefield much diversion-a thing they need. Most of coldiers are baseball fans and anxious to discuss the game. They would find plenty of opportunity to talk things over if the all-star teams get ogether. The games would draw enormous crowds and pack any park in the country. Here are my selections:

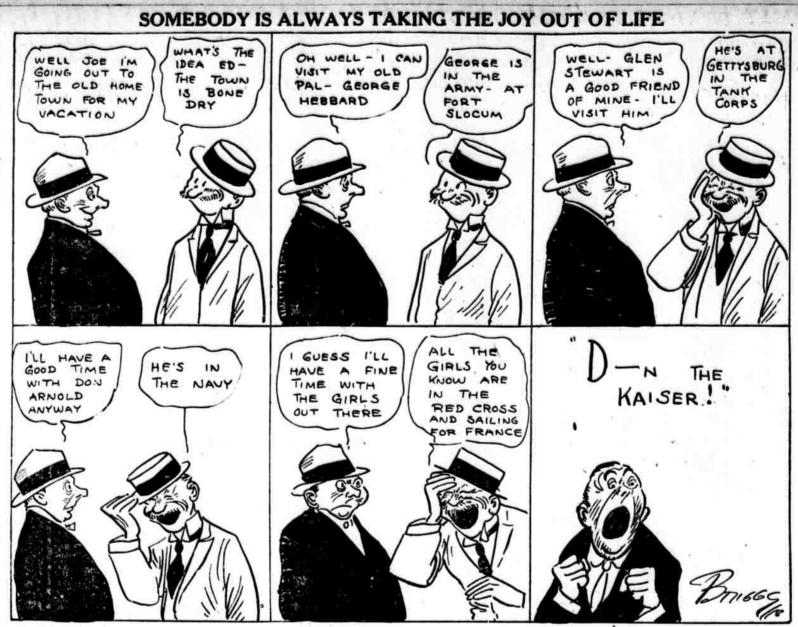
ational League-Groh (Cin.), third base: George Burns (N. Y.), right Bold; Roush (Cin.), center field; Hornsby (St. L.), shortstop; Chase (Cin.), trat base; Doyle (N. Y.), second base; Wheat (Brooklyn), left field; McCarthy (N. Y.) and Killefer (Cubs), catchers: Vaughn (Cubs), Rudolph (Boston), par (Brooklyn), Douglas (Brooklyn), Tyler (Cubs) and Toney (N. Y.),

"American League-Hooper (Boston), right field; E. Collins (Chicago), cond base; Speaker (Cleveland), center field; Sisler (St. L.), first base; Cobb oits, left field; Baker N. Y.), third base: Chapman (Cleveland), shortp; O'Neil (Cleveland) and Schalk (Chicago), catchers; Ruth (Boston), Johnson (Washington), Coveleskie (Cleveland), Harper (Washington), Love (N. Y.), and Mays (Boston), pitchers."

The idea is wonderful, and Presidents Johnson and Tener could make a Mg hit by considering it seriously. Perhaps other line-ups could be sug-rested, but most of the stars are mentioned by P. E. H.

World's Series in October Wouldn't Pay

was not a representative score by any means for the steel man, for he has play-ed the Country Club of Baltimore in 78. TF WE are to judge the future by the recent actions of National League and he has gone around Seaview in 75.



TWILIGHT GOLF HAS DONE **WONDERS FOR E.G. GRACE**

By WILLIAM H. EVANS

THE latest volume of "Who's Who in ally. In his two days of goif he crowds America" contains 3000 pages and in seventy-two holes. Luncheon means it are brief biographies of the great and near great of this country, yet the name in of the afternoon. As soon as he can he is away for the afternoon round.

of one of the admittedly biggest men in the country is not even mentioned, and He mentioned and the country is not even mentioned, and that man happens to be Eugene G. Grace. president of the Bethlehem Steel Com-president of the Bethlehem Steel Com-

pany, and under him are a hundred thou-sand men. But that is typical of Mr. Grace, w ϕ cares nothing at all for that sort of thing, and who is one of the most modest of the really great men of the series golf faults. As a driver he will rank with some of the best swatters

Buxton Takes a Day Off I ran across Cameron B. Buxton, our local champion, on Chestnut street yes-terday, and he had just rational for the best swatters more pleasure into two days of golf than most of us get in a week. He plays his tron shots with judgment and the rough and hazards do not bother him. At times his putting is uncanny and it is terday, and he had just returned from a two-days' trip to Shawnee, where he At times his putting is uncanny and it is had been playing in a four-ball match rare that he takes more than two putts with Mr. Grace, Reggie Worthington and On any green.

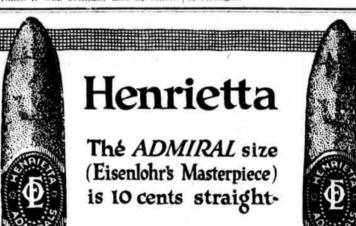
on any green. Buck believes that the marvelous im-Bill Howland, of Chicago. It is the first Saturday and Sunday off that he has had in months, for down at Washington provement in his game since he played with him last fall at Pine Valley is due to the fact of constant practice. He has one of the show places at Bethlehem and there he has built a hole on his grounds. the best he can get is twilight golf, and every now and then he runs up to Pine Valley for a Sunday on the links. Nearly every evening when he is through Last October Buck played at Pine Ne Valley with Mr. Grace, Chick Evans, George A. Crump and Paul Mackall, as-

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with his average arduous day he it was decidedly poor, isuek lived at to his grounds and for an hour Huntingdon Valley Club and every thanks to the daylight-saving morning before breakfast he made it a or so, thanks to the daylight-saving morning before breakfast he made it a plan, he practices. And he goes at it practice to get out on the course and have a work-out. There are traps and bunkers on the this practice hole and there is a well- built green. Here he can get all the for a period of more than a month not practice he needs with his wood and irons and this plan of daily practice in diving brasseying of playing cleek and course. If one of the very busiest men in the green with his error with his to be and the result of the very busiest men in the substance of the second working on the stream with his course.

midiron shots, of approach shots to the green and working on the green with his putter has enabled him to do wonders with his game. As a result his game is anywhere from five to ten strokes bet-ter than when he played at Pine Val-ley last fall and it demonstrates the great advantage of constant practice. Any golfer can cut as many strokes off his game if he will do the same. But it must not be haphazard work and above all it must be done intelligently. Take the case of Buxton. When Buck first came to Philadelphia from the South his game was rather indifferent. At times it was brilliant and at others first came to Philadelphia from the golf evils that we suffer from and turn South his game was rather indifferent. At times it was brilliant and at others of strength.



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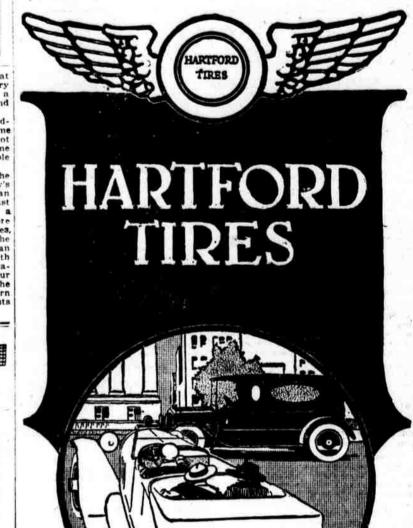
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BEST WOMEN GOLFERS ALMOST IN SAME CLASS WITH MEN SAYS EVANS

By CHARLES (CHICK) EVANS, Jr.

HAVE been playing golf for the Red, would say that I have seen some wome L Cross in all parts of the country for the last two months, and one thing that has investigated by the set of the country for the last two months and one thing that the last two months and one thing that which has for its object making the has impressed me very strongly is the course with the least number of strokes. very large and growing number of I have discussed the subject of woladies, young, middled-aged and old (if ladies may ever be said to get old). It is a fine sign that this is because a subject that too many women start a game with the idea is a fine sign that this is becoming rap-idly a health-appreciating country, for there is no sport which will put real roses in the cheeks so surely as golf, with its splendid outdoor exercise. In

with its spiendid outdoor exercise. In observing the play of women I have seen some really remarkable work, and I appreciate so well the skill some of the heading women golfers show that when I was recently challenged to play a mark as a match with one of them, who asked but a very moderate handicap. I am frank to say that I was quite doubiful of the issue. In addition to observing the play of many lady golfers, I have taken part in mixed foursomes with a number of the best, including Miss Alexa Stirling Miss Elaine Rosenthal and others—all of whom were capable of giving the best to as which will be helpful to women be as the so free and full a swing mark to take as of the association, perhaps, that a woman can developed the athletic instinct to play in the best to may along to other is ome suggest tons which will be helpful to women suggest tons which will be helpful to women golfers if they will set their mings to ther in their lives, at some time or other in their lives, training should easily become excellent, or and approaches the many professional steach their pupils to use the half swing for these clubs. It is surprising what a free and open swing a woman can develop if she only believes that a free and open swing a woman can develop if she only believes the play determing work. All women who have enjoyed this in an earnest effort to become good play ers. If I may venture a criticism, I



moguls, it is easily deduced that they are expecting, or at least hoping. to carry on until the regular time for the closing of the league. If the American Leagus should concur in this opinion, which seems to be held by the majority of the National League moguls, it would mean that a world's series that would be patronized by the fans would be an impossibility.

Patrons of the game are not going to see two clubs play for the mpionship of the world when the teams' members representing those which won the pennants are no longer among those present. This would necessarily be the case if a world's series were played in October. contending teams would be made up of players under and over the draft age limit, which, in fine, means that the players who wen the penints for their respective clubs would be at essential work or in the service. fur from the range of cushions, pop bottles and the wrath of the umps.

Such a series would be a travesty on the national pastime. It would unfair to the future of the game and unfair to the comparatively few na who spend their money to see a couple of teams battle for the world's onship, neither of which would be as strong as the lowest major gue club at present.

Suppose, for example, that the Red Sox won the pennant in the American League. If the series were played in October the club would be without the services of Strank, McInnis, Hooper, Bush, Ruth, Schang, Truesdale, whitman and others. In place of these stars there would be a bunch of seers that would rank little higher than our own Park Sparrows. Obviously for a club of this caliber to take the place of such veterans would be a hard blow to the game and would not soon be forgotten by fandom.

Eddie Burns Quits Phils and Leaves for Home Tomorrow

PDDIE BURNS, Pat Moran's star catcher, has quit the Phillies. Toborrow night he departs for his home on the Pacific coast and probably will remain for the duration of the war. He notified President Baker of his decision yesterday while the that; were trimming the Reds

Eddie is not jumping the club to join a shipyard-at least that is not intention at present. He says his wife's father is ill and he will acpany her across the continent.

rns's decision to leave caused President Baker to sign Mike Devine, New London club. Mr. Baker also took Garry Fortune, who has the gn of a good twirler, because Dixie Davis has enlisted in the navy and will report for duty on August 1.

Phils hammered the Reds into submission in eleven innings yestergrabbing the battle in the twilight, when Milton Stock poked a which sent Justin Fitzgeraid across the pan. The battle was hardand greatly appreciated by the loyal band of rooters which hid in

Beds are here today for the final game of the series, and St. Louis Thursday. Tomorrow will be an off day for the club.

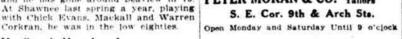
Fast Swimmers Anxious to Meet Kahanomoku

honor of meeting Duke Kahanomoku, the celebrated Hawaiian swimand Olympic champion, at the Winter Pool, Brighton Beach, on 7, is being sought by some of the fastest men. No less than five the first water have been lined up tentatively to meet the chamthe 220-yard race which he will swim here. Leeming Jelliffe and thel, of the New York Athletic Ciub; Hal Vollmer, of the Naval ry Training Station at Pelham; Norman Ross, of the United States Corps, and Ludy Langer are the candidates among whom will be he opponent for Kahanomoku.

igh a fortuitous circumstance Ross and Langer, of San Francisco, rry McGillivray, of the Chicago Athletic Association, will be in New ng the week Kahanomoku Swims at Brighton to participate in a meet of national scope that has been arranged at Belmar Beach. se men are anxious to swim the Hawailan. McGillivray having chance in Chicago recently when he beat the Duke over the fur-

ce Lane, of the Hawaii team, will swim fifty yards against either er or Leo Giebel, while Harold Kruger swims 100 yards back inst some metropolitan swimmer, who has not done better than that distance.

for juveniles between Helen Walnwright, the College Point mar-Riggin, of Brooklyn, and Mildred Sleple has been arranged.



Mr. Grace's Marvelous Improvement

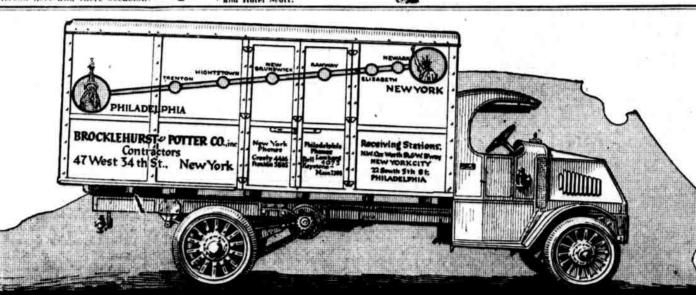
the country.

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sistant sales manager of the Bethlehem Steel Company. At that time Mr. Grace returned two cards of 99 and 103. This

fully admit. Here we have one of the busiest big men of the country, who carries on his shoulders tremenduous responsibilities, who works very hard and whose only who works very hard and whose only **nig** time for recreation is Saturdays and Sundays. He is too busy a man to get an afternoon off. With him golf is a diversion and a recreation and nothing more. He is a self-taught golf. more. He is a self-taught golfer and he has had very little professional teaching. taking a lepson here and there occasion.





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