

MORE TROUBLE FOR BAN: MINOR LEAGUES INSIST ON HAVING REPRESENTATIVE ON COMMISSION

EDDIE COLLINS AND CONNIE MACK LAUD "SILK" O'LOUGHLIN

"His 'Stri-ik-e Tuh' Will Be Missed," Says Veteran Manager, "and His Passing Is Baseball's Loss." Last to Wish Star Infielder "Good Luck"

FRANK H. (CLEPT "SILK") O'LOUGHLIN is dead, but that still, penetrating "Stri-ik-e Tuh" will live in the memories of the baseball fans just as long as the great national pastime. Mention the name of "Silk" O'Loughlin in baseball circles, and just as certain as Eddie Collins bats left-handed, as sure as Ty Cobb wears spiked shoes and as positive as Walter Johnson pitches with his right arm, your listener, if he is a baseball fan, will link his name with "Stri-ik-e Tuh."

FEW managers in the American League came in contact with the famous "Stri-ik-e Tuh" O'Loughlin as did Mack, who concluded his eulogy of O'Loughlin with the fitting tribute that his death will be a big loss to the American League and to baseball.

EDDIE COLLINS LAUDS THE ECCENTRIC "SILK" PRIVATE EDDIE COLLINS, the well-known marine, always will cherish a bright thought for "Silk" O'Loughlin. "Sorry and greatly surprised to hear that 'Silk' has upped his last game," said Eddie. "Will I remember 'Silk'?" "Well, I guess I shall," said the Lansdowne fighter. "That 'Stri-ik-e Tuh' he called on me many a time is enough for me to remember him forever, but I shall remember him especially because it was none other than 'Silk' O'Loughlin who was the last person to wish me goodspeed in my last game in the American League prior to entering the service of Uncle Sam."

"It was up in Boston. We were playing the Red Sox. I had made up my mind to get into the big battle against one Bill Hohenzollern. My pals, the White Sox, and the Boston players all had wished me luck as a wearer of the marine uniform, and I was vowing my way off the field not to return to baseball until the big fight was over 'over there.'"

"Then came 'Silk' O'Loughlin rushing across the field. I just happen to recall it now, that he was the last person in baseball to wish me the luck of 'beating' the Kaiser. "Personally and as an umpire O'Loughlin was a great fellow. He had a personality and an originality that could not be overlooked. Speaking of originality reminds me of a favorite habit of O'Loughlin's. This probably never has been pointed out before and that's why I make mention of it. When there was a runner on first base 'Silk' always had the habit of shouting to the batter, 'Stay in it if he goes down.' By that he meant that the batter should remain in the territory designated as the batter's box if the runner attempted to steal second. What brought about this original saying I do not know, but it probably was some incident that occurred in the early days of O'Loughlin's umpiring."

"KNOW the fans are going to miss 'Silk' and the same thing goes for the players. We, too, shall mourn his loss."

Fine Hair Gave O'Loughlin "Silk" Nickname

DOUBTLESS many have wondered how it was that O'Loughlin acquired the nickname of "Silk." Some guessers ascribed it to the high quality of his work, others to clean, the repartee; but none is correct. When he was a lad he had long, silky hair, which caused his brother to call him "Silk." The other boys were very quick to adopt the new title, and "Silk" it was from that time until he said farewell to all.

"Silk" began his career as an amateur in his home city, Rochester, N. Y., where he was connected with some of the best amateur teams. He played baseball until 1884, when his general technical knowledge of the game was recognized and he was drafted into the ranks of umpiremen in a somewhat precipitous manner. The city of Rochester and vicinity always was noted for its high-class amateur clubs, and the intense rivalry that existed between teams of that city and the neighboring towns and villages probably was unsurpassed in any other section of the country. In the season of 1884 the town of Palmyra had a strong team of professionals, among whom was "Stump" Weidman, formerly a member of the Detroit team and a brother-in-law of "Silk"; Paul Cooke, who was connected with the Brooklyn brotherhood; Mark Baldwin, Pete Sweeney and other headliners. The Palmyras had an important game scheduled with one of its noted rivals. Considerable difficulty had been experienced before in procuring the services of a competent umpire, as the games were extremely exciting and the rivalry at fever heat. One of "Silk's" admirers suggested to the management that he would be just the man to officiate as umpire in this game. He was requested to officiate and accepted. He gave his decisions clearly, distinctly, fearlessly and with entire satisfaction to all concerned. He umpired the rest of the series in the same acceptable manner, and it may be said that this was the beginning of his career as an umpire. For the remainder of that season and for two succeeding seasons "Silk" was in constant demand as an umpire throughout New York State.

HE HAD his first league assignment in 1898 in the Atlantic League of which Ed Barrow was the president. From 1898 to 1902 he worked in the New York State League. In 1903 he joined the American League and was a star until the end.

The Demon Statisticians at Work Again

HAVING exhausted the literature on the no-hit, one-hit and two-hit games, the demon statisticians have been delving into the dope on contests that contained three and four raps. An odd three-hit game was that pitched by Cy Seymour, of the Giants, against St. Louis on May 21, 1899. The Missourians made one double, one triple and one home run. They couldn't make a single.

This record twice has been bettered since then. Detroit made four hits on June 22, 1914, off Dr. Yancey Ayers, of the Nationals, each blow struck being a long one. Oscar Stange and George Burns doubled, George Moriarty and Bobby Veach doubled. Again a case of no singles.

On September 24, 1916, Hubert Leonard, of the Red Sox, let the Indians down with the same number of blows as Ayers committed the Tigers to, but wouldn't permit anybody to single. Bill Wambegans, Chic Gandil and Tyis Speaker tore off two-baggers; Marty Kavanagh, pinching for Joe Beelching, smote a homer with three men on the runway.

Kavanagh is the only major leaguer in captivity who has made homers in each of the big leagues with the bases fully tenanted. His hit in the National of this kind was acquired off Jack Coombs, the Phils' new manager, on June 4 of this year.

Rube Waddell pitched a four-hit game for the Athletics against the Yankees in 1903 or 1904, in which all of New York's wall-poppers were procured by Kid Elberfeld.

Larry Cheney hurled a three-hit game for the Cubs against Brooklyn in 1914, puzzling everybody but Zach Wheat.

Elmer Myers, of the A's, would have had a no-hit game against Detroit in 1916 but for George Burns. The Tigon made two singles and a double.

STANLEY COVELEKIE, of the Indians, was nicked for singles by the first three Tigers who faced him on September 11, 1917—Bush, Velt and Cobb—and that was all the hits they did get. Turvis & Co. were blanked, 1 to 0.

THE OLYMPIA has been the first club to announce its New Year's program. Benny Davis, who recently trounced Walter Mahr in Lowell, Mass., will be the champion of the season, playing himself.



Johnny Kilbane Plans to Defend His Laurels

Cleveland, Dec. 21.—Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion of the world, has resigned as an army boxing instructor and expects after the first of the year to go into active training to defend his title. It was announced here last night.

GIBBONS-DEMPSEY BATTLE LIKELY

Big Promoter Now Working to Bring Star Ring Artists Together COWLER HERE TONIGHT

By JAMES S. CAROLAN

While the promoters are vainly seeking opponents for Jack Dempsey, the twentieth century minute man, there is still one man who may step in and make it uncomfortable for the "man killer" in a match between Dempsey and Mike Gibbons is not beyond the realm of possibility. It is said that a famous promoter is after the bout, and according to one who is well informed, it is not enough to make the battle a one-sided affair. Shortly after Dempsey stopped Fulton in such a hurry he admitted that he liked to battle the big fellow for they always seemed lost in the ring.

Sharkey and Looman Draw

Baltimore, Dec. 21.—After being shut out for several months on account of the war boxing opened here again last night when Jack Sharkey, the New York champion, and Dick Looman fought twelve rounds to a draw. Arrangements are being made to rematch them.

Welling Stops Chick Brown

Providence, R. I., Dec. 21.—Joe Welling, who has been a member of the boxing team of the New York Yankees, stopped Chick Brown, of New Haven, in the second round of a scheduled twelve round match here last night. Both fighters slugged toe to toe for the first three rounds.

Cowler in Action

There now seems to be only one of the big fellows remaining with any kind of a chance against Dempsey. While Tom Cowler, sixth rounder, will fight once close to stopping Fred Fulton only to let down and have the rangy Minnesota platerer put him away late.

Scraps About Scrappers

HARRY EDWARDS, president of the Olympia, has been anxious to stage an all intercity match for many weeks. At last he managed to put this project into effect with the result that six Philadelphia boxers will oppose a quintet of New Yorkers and one Boston boy on the Christmas matinee program. Willie Crawford battles Harison Eddie Kelly and Freddy Reese. The rugged Eddie Crawford battles Harison Eddie Kelly and Freddy Reese. The rugged Eddie Crawford battles Harison Eddie Kelly and Freddy Reese.

THE CHRISTMAS FEED BAG

The following suggestions for a Christmas Menu are printed in English for no apparent reason. Anything should be tried at least once, and thus the load of freight is delivered.

THE TURKEY

Grab a bird of the Turk family. If it cannot be procured in any other way, buy it. If it is a live one be sure that it is fresh. To remove the feathers soak in coal oil and the plumage will burn easily. Open gently with an axe and remove the interior decorations. Stuff with cotton saturated with perfume to encourage a pleasant odor. Place in a pan greased with petroleum jelly and roast on an oil stove for two or three hours.

Mince Pie

A fish in the wild state is usually surrounded with large portions of water, and so the Christmas feed does not seem to be complete without a mince pie among those present. Any simple housewife can, or rather any housewife can make a simple pie with the help of a little imagination. Take a pot of cold mutton stew, color with a dash of liquid shoe blackening and run through a meat grinder. This will make a good inner tube for the pie. Merely surround with a flour paste, stiffened with glue and bake indefinitely.

Cranberry Sauce

Chop up a gang of maraschino cherries and add a bottle of red fountain pen ink. Stir for two or three hours on an open fireplace and add a cupful of vinegar to give the proper flat and sour taste.

VICTRIX BEATEN BY PASCHALL, 51-0

Hugo's Fifty-Yard Run Features Club Football Game at S. & C. Field TALLY 8 TOUCHDOWNS

NEW YORK LEADS PHILA. AT SOCCER

Visitors in Front by Two Goals to One in Intercity Cricket Club Match PLAY AT HAVERFORD

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Collegians Expect Hard Game From Service Cage Stars SIMENDINGER AT CENTER

MEALY BEATS MULLEN

Southwark Boxer Victor in Cambridge Windup

WEINER TO REMAIN

"Lefty" Weiner, the sensational twirl-er who souped up the West Philadelphia High School into the first baseball championship in the intercollegiate league last spring, has not left the institution across the river, as was reported the other day.

Bob Scott to Lead Episcopal

At a meeting of the football players of the Episcopal Academy, when the official team picture was taken, the captain of the team for 1919 is his first year, and the season will be his last. He is the captain of the team, and the season will be his last. He is the captain of the team, and the season will be his last.

Soccer News and Notes

Manager Clark of Pusey & Jones, has strengthened his team considerably for the game with New York City, Philadelphia and Lehigh at the Philadelphia Athletic Club, Third street and Lehigh avenue.

1919 Football Schedule

A new system for obtaining officials for Public High School League football games will probably be tried out next season as a result of a recommendation made at the meeting of the officials at a meeting held at Central High School yesterday. It has been suggested to have six officials and to use them in all of the intercity games.

Greenleaf Victor With Cno

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 21.—The 60th-point pocket billiard match between Earl Greenleaf and E. I. Ralph, of Hightstown, N. J., ended last evening in a victory for Greenleaf, who completed his string while his opponent was collecting 416.

Branch Rickey Stated to Manage Cardinals

St. Louis, Dec. 21.—Branch Rickey, president of the St. Louis Nationals, will be appointed manager of the club as soon as he returns to St. Louis, said James C. Jones, vice president and one of the principal stockholders in the club today.

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