

RICKEY THINKS HE WOULD HAVE A ROYAL FLUSH IF HE HAD A PITCHING ACE ON HIS CLUB

ONE CLASSY CURVER WILL PUT ST. LOUIE CARDS IN RUNNING, SAYS RICKEY OF HIS "IF" CLUB

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL
Sports Editor Evening Public Leader

Orange, Tex., March 15. "GIVE me one good pitcher," said Branch Rickey, "a pitcher who can go out and win twenty-five ball games in a season and I will not be afraid of any ball club in the National League. I am not about to explode with enthusiasm, nor can it be said that I am overly optimistic, but if a man like Alvin Karpis stepped into the line-up of the Cards this year, we would be battling for the pennant from the very start. As I see it now, everything depends upon the pitching."

The manager of the Cardinals allowed himself a couple of minutes to deliver this address at the ball park during the practice session. Strews all over the field were ball players, some good, others not so good, a squad of forty athletes all working at once and apparently enjoying their work.

Rickey leaned against the fence, not that he was tired, but it was the best place to make a speech and keep an eye on his pitchers at the same time. Bill Doak, Jess Haines, Bill Sherdell, Jakey May, Ferdie Schupp and Marvin Goodwin were warming up, but it was not difficult under a tropical sun.

"You can see for yourself," continued Rickey, as he pointed to his star fingers. "There are six good performers, but Haines is the only huckster one in the bunch. Most of our moundmen weigh from 150 to 165 pounds. They do good work, but seem to lack the endurance of an Alexander or Vaughn or Toney and a lot of the other big boys. Judas Priest, but I wish I could find a husky pitcher sometime."

Then the peppery manager rushed away, spoke a few words to Sherdell, hustled to the far corner of the field to observe his rookies in batting practice, dashed into the outfield and told Higginbotham, a recruit, how to back up first base, and ran to the third base to have a look at a couple of new men who were rehearsing there because Milton Stock was holding out and had not signed the papers.

It is a rare treat to see the St. Louis Cards in their training camp. One sees something different, because Rickey has such a smooth working organization. The work is so evenly divided that every man on the squad is doing his bit without any extra or confusion. No time is wasted because the Rickey system is thorough.

Sudden Watches Hurlers

FOR example, Joe Sturgeon is responsible for the pitchers. He keeps a mental notebook on every man, knows how much work he has done, what condition he is in, and how long he can last in the game. Charley Barrett, the tender scout, is the "fixer." He has the confidence of the players, listens to their troubles and patches up all differences. Lew McCarthy looks after the catchers and Johnny Lavan has charge of the sliding practice. Ferdie Schupp is boss of the bunting game and sees that certain players get that form of exercise. Bert Shotton is field general.

Rickey has a corps of assistants. He gives his men some responsibility and they enjoy it. Therefore, when the players get out on the field, work begins at once, and the different squads are kept busy until it is time to play the afternoon game between the "Varsity and the Goofs."

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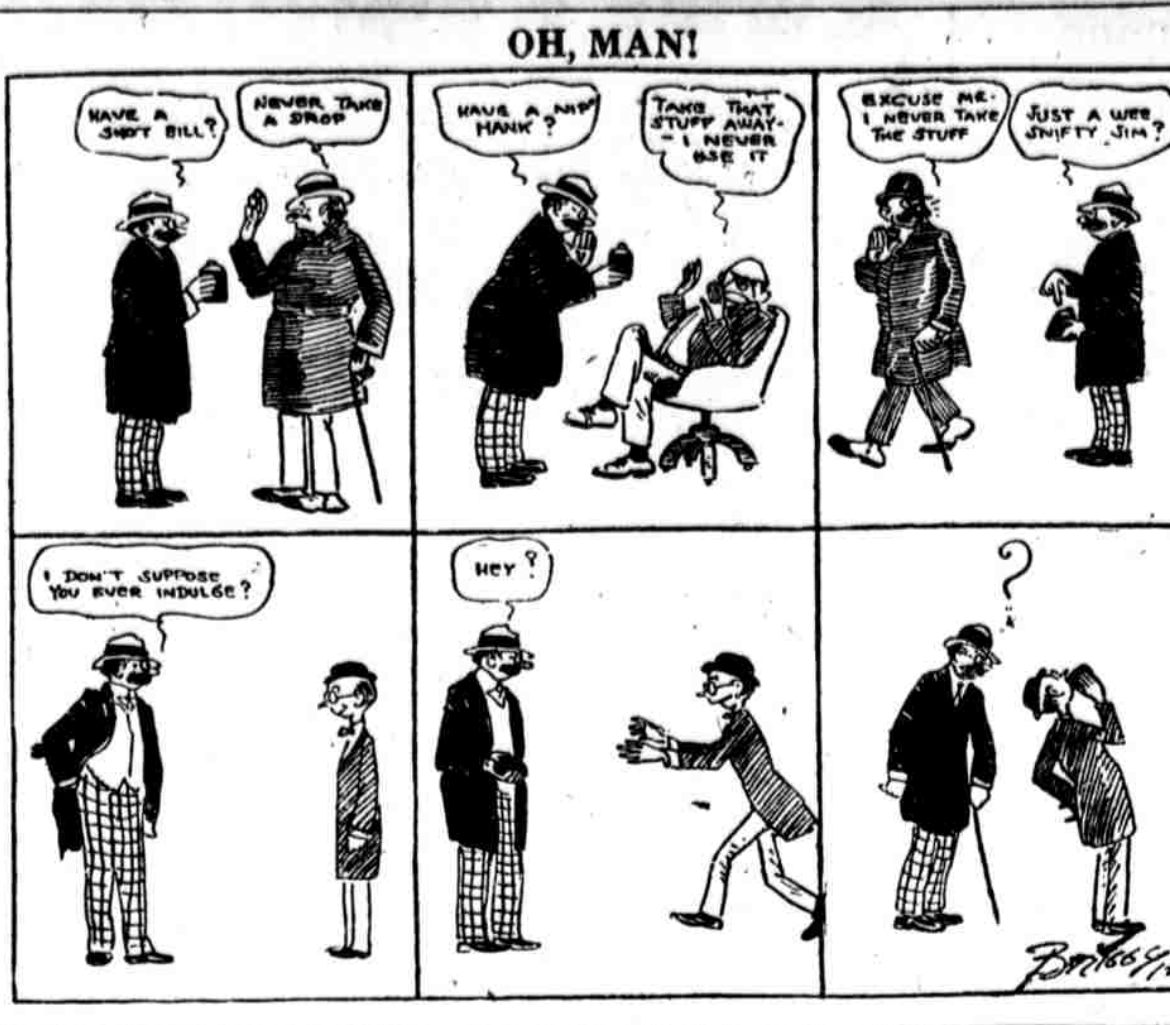
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"GERMS" TO PLAY FINAL HOME GAME

Meet Trenton at Auditorium Hall
Tonight—Sure of Title or
Playoff by Victory

EASTERN LEAGUE
W. L. P. C.
Cameron, 14 4 174 Reading, 9 9 222
Danforth, 11 10 180 York, 10 10 221
Frederick, 10 10 180 York, 10 10 221

THIN WEEK'S SCHEDULE
Tonight—Trenton at Germantown.
Wednesday—Reading at Philadelphia.
Friday—York at Philadelphia.
Saturday—Philadelphia at Reading.

INTER-COLLEGIATE LEAGUE
W. L. P. C.
Penn, 1 1 273 Princeton, 2 2 273
Cornell, 6 4 260 Yale, 1 1 1 1 111

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Wednesday—Princeton at Dartmouth.
Friday at Yale.
Saturday—Pennsylvania at Princeton.

Trenton and Germantown, contenders for the first and second ball honors in the Eastern Basketball League, meet this evening at Auditorium Hall, Chelton avenue and Chew street. It may be the last time the suburban fans see their favorite in action on the home court and only in case of a playoff for the title will basketball again be witnessed in Germantown this season.

Both contestants played Eastern League games last evening. The Germs journeyed to Coatesville and handed the tallenders a 28-25 reverse, while the Poters slammed Reading to a 28-25 reverse. Trenton will play in the line-up to night and the Bennis clan need him, judging by their playing at Coatesville. Hines will put of guard with Nat Holman, while Harry Franckle will draw the forward assignment with George Glasgow on the wing. Trenton will have a tough job to do on Friday at Trenton.

Two games are on the schedule to-morrow night. The Phils finish the season at Musical Fund Hall with Reading. The downlanders always play on Saturday, but they have been moved forward one day to accommodate Reading.

O'DONNELL IS CONFIDENT
Hopes to Reverse K. O. Win of Kid Williams at National

"So Mr. Kid Williams is thinking about challenging me for the title of national champion," interrogated Knocout Joe O'Donnell, of Gloucester, while permitting himself to be rubbed down by a diligent afternoon. "I believe I can do it. Why, after I got through with him on Thursday night, the only thing Williams will think of is to retire. I have never forgotten that knockout of Williams over me about five years ago. You know, that was my sixth fight, and no doubt had he been pushed too far. But I'm going in there to reverse that decision against the Kid."

O'Donnell and Williams are scheduled to go eight rounds in the last bout of the National Tennis Association. The match will be held at the National Club, Philadelphia, on Saturday afternoon. Puryear will be 50 per cent of the semi-final program of the all-star special. Harry Kid Brown will be first in the ring with Ralph Brady, of Buffalo, N. Y., in the other corner. Next will come the contest between Joe Tiplitz and Gene Delmont.

Frank ("Pop") O'Brien will referee in the first three matches, while Frankie McCracken will officiate in the O'Donnell-Williams contest.

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COBB'S CREEKERS SHOW HOW PUBLIC GOLF PULSE BEATS

Week-End Brought Out Nearly 750 Golfers and Shows Need for Municipal Links in Four Corners of City

By SANDY McNBILLYCK
Cobb's Creek, the city's lone municipal links, makes a good pulse to register the boom golf is taking among those who have never joined a country club.

There is a distinct yearning in the masses to take up the game and a need for public courses in every section of the city was shown over the week-end. More than 750 golfers took off at Cobb's Creek on Saturday and 350 had teed off by 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. This is only March. It's furthermore a good three months before "you're got" to start playing regularly.

The question is, if nearly 150 players flock to Cobb's Creek in two successive days, how what will it be like in June? What would the greens committee of one of our regularly established country clubs do if 750 players reported on its course for two days' play in March 20? You couldn't print it.

Those in charge at Cobb's Creek are wonder workers for efficiency. It's a job to get the work done in all that time. The National Amateur Golf Association, which is in charge of the course, has managed to get the repairs done. The starting is handled calmly and philosophically.

Ten Hours
Three hundred and sixty players a day make ninety foursomes which, at five-minute intervals, it takes seven hours and a half to start. That gives the last quarter two hours and a half to finish out a perfect ten-hour golf day.

Well, one hundred and fifty players, say, on four public courses, for one thing, would be a whole lot sweeter.

Just a concrete example of the hold golf has on the masses of public links. Charlie McMillen, a public link, says that he has done it tramp the pavement. Block after block he has walked and he has reports at Cobb's Creek to play golf. He is in a position to say that he has done it tramp the pavement. Block after block he has walked and he has reports at Cobb's Creek to play golf.

Argentina Issues First Davis Cup Challenge
New York, March 15.—A Davis Cup challenge from Argentina, the first from a South American country in the history of the international competition, has been received by the United States Lawn Tennis Association.

The entry list, which closes today, was brought to twelve by the challenge, forwarded by John A. Gibson, of Buenos Aires, secretary of the Argentine Lawn Tennis League.

The challenge was considered by the association as an indication of the development of the game in South American countries.

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HOME RUN SATISFIES THE PRIMORDIAL SOUL

Fast Base Runner Gets No Part of Acclaim the Pop-Eyed Populace Hands the Cave Man Who Lifts 'Em Over the Fence

By GRANTLAND RICE
"I BELIEVE," writes S. H. F., "that the slugger in baseball is overplayed. Why should a home-run hitter be lionized above a fast base runner, who uses both feet and brain, or a smart pitcher, who uses both brain and arm? I can't see it."

This tawdry existence, S. H. F., is replete with such inequalities of justice—if they are inequalities. But deep within the soul of man the primordial flame still burns and glows. And the home run is nearer the old cave-man method than any other part of the game—being the matter of well-applied brain.

Another Illustration
WHY do the crowds follow "Babe" Ruth in place of surrounding a smart pitcher or a heady base runner? Here's an illustration: Late last summer an early fall was a father who was on the verge of popping wide open with pride.

On the afternoon before, when he returned home, he had found his young son aged eleven, waiting breathlessly at the front gate.

"Whaddya think, dad," he clamored, "hit a home run today with the bases full!"

It was the high spot in the kid's existence. And it wasn't far from being the high spot in the old man's.

The game is full of subtlety, of science and of art.

AMATEUR BALL TEAMS BUSY

The Mount Carmel Catholic Club, which made quite a record among the first-class clubs of the city last year, winning the majority of the games it played, is again in line for the ensuing season. The inability of the team to obtain suitable grounds again forces it to travel.

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INDIANA CLUB READY
Local Baseball Team
At the annual meeting of the Indiana Club, Joe Melman was again chosen to lead the baseball team. Louis Weisman was named as business manager, and will assist Manager Melman in arranging the schedule. The team will travel under the name of the Indiana Professionals.

A splendid schedule is being arranged and all home teams paying a good guarantee and desire to book this fast attraction. The team will play at the home of Joe Melman, 2630 North Thirty-first street, or Louis Weisman, 1833 North Marshall street.

SHORE FIVE COMING
Mayor Bader Will Lead "Caseys" for K. of C. Title
Tomorrow night the Atlantic City Council will play the Princeton team in the first of a series of games to determine the K. of C. championship of the East, at Knights of Columbus Hall, Thirty-eighth and Market streets, Baltimore and Washington councils have entered teams.

Philadelphia "Pro" Booking Games
The Philadelphia Professionals can be booked April 2 or 10 for exhibition games. The games will be held at the Philadelphia Club, 1112 Chestnut street. The Philadelphia Professionals can be booked April 2 or 10 for exhibition games. The games will be held at the Philadelphia Club, 1112 Chestnut street.

Carpenier Here by May 1
New York, March 15.—The famous Carpenier will come to this country by May 1, to prepare for his world's heavyweight championship title battle against Jack Dempsey, the titleholder, which will be held July 2 at a place yet to be selected. Carpenier, who has a record of 10 wins and 10 losses, is expected to arrive in New York by May 1.

FOUR GREAT FIGHTS
NATIONAL A. A.
WEDNESDAY EVENING, MARCH 15
LET'S GO
KID WILLIAMS vs. O'DONNELL
DANNY EARL vs. RALPH KRAMER vs. PURYEAR
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CHANEY SOCKS DELMONT, BUT FAILS TO STOP HIM

Genie's Defense Saves Him From Being Knocked Out, Although He Suffers Sound Thrashing in Eight Rounds

By LOUIS H. JAFFE
GEORGE CHANEY failed to live up to his name last night. He was unsuccessful in stopping a tough, rugged and great defense-fighting Gene Delmont in their scheduled eight-rounder, but Chaney's defense was sound and he was able to keep his opponent from being knocked out of the match. St. Patrick's night at the National with Joe Tiplitz.

For seven rounds Delmont suffered an unmerciful thrashing. Chaney winged Gene with innumerable right hooks to the body and left swings to the head. While Delmont was badly beaten at the finish, he was never on the verge of being stopped. Delmont's defensive and holding tactics, when under the well-known haymaker.

Delmont's face today looks as if he had escaped from a train wreck. The right side of his face, including his cheek bone and eye, are swollen twice their normal size. Chaney connected with a lot of terrific blows to Delmont's head, but with the exception of a nose knockout in the fourth round, Gene was always able to keep on his feet.

Delmont Flares Up
Early in the contest and in the latter part of the eighth round Chaney didn't have things entirely his own way. Delmont's unmerciful right hander's flush on Gene's chin, and Gene also connected with a few solid slams to Chaney's body, which wound up the Baltimore battle. In the seventh and eighth Delmont's mouth and nose bled profusely.

Outside of the first round, which was a draw, the remaining seven sessions were won by Chaney, who weighed in at 135 pounds. Delmont was two pounds lighter.

It took Battling Murray fifty-five seconds to reach Kid Wolfe's chin, each blow catapulting him to the boards, and the latter was knocked out in that time. A towel from Wolfe's corner was being used in the ring as a signal of defeat. The Kid was staggering around punch-drunk and unable to protect himself when his chief second used good judgment in halting hostilities. Battling Murray scored a five-round technical knockout over Frankie McManus. The referee stopped the bout

IN THE FIELD AGAIN
Cameron F. C. is Booking Games With Semipro Nines
The Cameron Field Club, which was organized late last season as the Cameron Professionals, will take the field this season with a stronger team. Grounds have been secured for practice and the players who have reported are: Rowford, Dougherty, McPeak and Trevi, catchers; Sweeney, Anderson and Bespe, pitchers; Carr, Michl, Welsh, Hughes and Hooven, infielders; Whitecar, White and McGowan, outfielders; Roebford and White starred in the Catholic School League last season. A schedule is being arranged with the leading semiprofessional home clubs in Pennsylvania and New Jersey by George H. Anderson, 1930 Girard avenue. Phone Poplar 3978.

Open Manufacturer Membership
Membership in the Northeast Manufacturers' Association is now open. Following a meeting of that body, open, following the annual meeting of the association, was agreed to eliminate boundaries as to the eligibility for admittance into this organization. The association is a non-profit organization and its purpose is to promote the interests of its members. The association is a non-profit organization and its purpose is to promote the interests of its members.

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