

Boston President Has Stronger Team and More Money in the Bank After Exchanging Players

TRADES HELP BRAVES AND ALSO INCREASE OWNERS BANK-ROLL

George Washington Grant Proves That It Isn't Absolutely Necessary to Spend Large Gobs of Coin in Order to Strengthen Ball Club

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IN THESE days of frenzied finance, when fortunes are paid for individual players, a manager finds it difficult to get by without flattening his bankroll in several vulnerable spots.

Arnold Stutz brought something like \$125,000 in money and players. Benjie Groh cost McPraw a big bundle, and O'Connell was allowed to go to the Reds for the price of \$75,000. Shivers was valued at \$25,000 by Jack Hendricks at Indianapolis, and there are many others in the fast set who caused a run on the bank when lifted from the bushes.

All of which leads one to believe that it is impossible to get together a winning ball club unless the kale is distributed in bundles. Perhaps this is true, and then again perhaps it isn't. George Washington Grant has a right to brag that he has entered in the National League derby, and will be heard from during the entire race. The infield, outfield, pitchers and catchers are all to the good, and if the Braves do not finish one, two, three we will be greatly mistaken.

But here is the catch to the story. Money is NOT required to get together a winning team, and the greatest living example is none other than George Washington Grant. The Boston Braves have a right to brag that they have entered in the National League derby, and will be heard from during the entire race. The infield, outfield, pitchers and catchers are all to the good, and if the Braves do not finish one, two, three we will be greatly mistaken.

George Washington Grant is a David Harum, plus. He has traded and traded, allowed his stars to depart, and when the transactions were finished he was strengthened, but George had more money in the bank. He has used unmany judgment, or was hit between the eyes by a streak of luck, but whatever it was, the Boston Braves have profited considerably, and instead of trailing in the last half of the second division are creeping to the front.

THE players think so much of their chances this year that already they are discussing the World Series and the whereabouts which goes with it. This comes under the head of confidence.

Got Better of Deal With the Reds

GEORGE WASHINGTON GRANT hasn't cut out much of a star in baseball because he does his stuff without the aid of fireworks or a brass band accompaniment. He has been among us since February 1, 1919, and not until this year have the other magnates given him a tumble.

For example, he made a trade which sent John Scott to Cincinnati in exchange for Marquard and Larry Kopf. The Braves needed a south-paw and would pay almost anything to get one. Fortunately, the Reds needed a right-hander, and an offer was made. Grant not only got Marquard, who is considered a better pitcher than Scott, but the Reds threw in Larry Kopf for good measure.



G. W. GRANT

And that was not all. For some reason or other, Gerry Herrmann included \$2000 cash payment to make the deal more lulling. That was one of the wiser trades Grant has ever pulled in the history of our grand and national pastime. Looks as if Gerry were entitled to the brown Mackin.

To get back further, take the Neff deal. John McCreary needed a left-hander and Grant listened to his conversation. The result was that Neff went to New York amid loud and noisy cheers from the Boston faithful.

Then came the famous Maranville deal. The Rabbit in a great big trade and will strengthen any ball club in position. He was traded to Pittsburgh for Billy Southworth, Fred Nichols, Jesson and Walter Barbare. If Boston got the worst of that deal, have a look at the standing of the club last year. Those men played the Braves in the first division and made money for the owner.

Trading ball players is all right if you know how to trade. Connie Mack has tried it with disastrous results and the same goes for the Phillies. Frazer has let go of more star players than any one else, but look at his ball club—if you can find it in the league.

WHEN it comes to swapping ball players the better ones, leave it to George Washington Grant, of the Braves.

Braves Today Valuable Team—Financially

AS THE team now lines up it is worth considerable money. It would take a big bundle of coin to pry any of the regulars loose from the line-up, and this goes for Larry Kopf, too.

Hank Gowdy was a blowover from Gaffney days. O'Neil was purchased at a nominal price. That sounds up the catchers. Oeschger was a throw-in. McQuillan was purchased for \$1500; Watson also was a cheap buy, and Ellington came in the draft. Frank Miller was purchased two years ago and NOT at a staggering price.

The infield did not cost much. Sammie Holtz was purchased from Cleveland and Tony Riddle was a second-hand buy. Paul Dribbitt is a free agent and Kopf was included in the Maranville deal. Compare that with the infield of the Giants, or better than that, the Reds. Caveny and Pinelli cost Hermann back considerably and they have yet to make good.

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AMATEUR BASEBALL GOSSIP

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TILDEN "IMPORTED" OWN CONQUEROR

Champion Urged Richards to Play Here at Indoor Tennis Tourney, Only to Lose

GREAT MATCHES STAGED

TENNIS fans, mulling over the results today of the first indoor championship of importance ever held in Philadelphia, have plenty to think about on the way they turned out. In the first place, the mighty Bill Tilden, champion of the world, was beaten in the final round by Vincent Richards.

This was a terrific upheaval of the dope. Naturally, the winner was expected to win on any court where he throws his racket. But even in defeat he goes the fullest credit. He virtually underwrote the success of the tournament when he passed up the same day to enter the local tournament. Furthermore, he acted as chairman of the Tournament Committee, and rather than about him on the courts out there at the Commercial Museum a collection of tennis satellites such as generally grows on the occasion of a tournament, he has been busy every waking moment before and during the tournament on the tennis and tennis courts to direct them to their matches, coach them were to take, etc.

Despite all these activities he went on through merrily down to the finals, dusting them off as they came. In the final round he met Vincent Richards. Tilden had gone specially to New York to get Richards to enter. The latter had been quite ill, but was about to enter the national.

THE Braves will be up there fighting this year with a ball club which was virtually made by three players—Neff, Maranville and Scott—who are no other than. And last, but not least, the Boston Braves were got together by Grant at a nominal price. In fact, the \$35,000 received from New York has not been spent as yet.

Weissmuller Will Swim for U. S. A. in Olympics

New York, April 3.—A famous hydroplane, John Weissmuller, is being developed to represent the United States in the Olympic games at Paris in 1924. Still in his teens, Weissmuller's ambition is to lower the world's best time for every event on the swimming card. He already has created records for at least a score of distances in the six months he has been in national competition. He will be eighteen years old June 2. He was born in Vienna, Austria, but his family emigrated to Chicago when he was an infant.

MEALY IS A REAL RING COMEBACK

John Has Won Six Bouts in Row Since Being Stopped by Barrett

WAS READY TO RETIRE

THIS seems to be the comeback season. There are a number of boxers who have been lured back into the ring harness recently, after they had been on the sidelines for some time. But the man who came back more impressively than any—after it looked as if he had been knocked into fistic oblivion—is Johnny Mealy. When Mealy was knocked out by Bobby Barrett, it was believed that the Southwark boxer's career had ended.

DAN O'LEARY, AT 80 YEARS, IS TOURING COUNTRY AFOOT

Veteran Pedestrian Walks to Atlantic City for Exercise Dan O'Leary, the eighty-year-old pedestrian, paid a visit to the office of Mayor Moore this morning to secure the signature of the chief executive in his official book, which, when completed, will contain the names of the Governors of the forty-eight States and Mayors of all the principal cities.

CUTBILL DENIES CHARGES

"Flying Parson" Says He Received Only Legitimate Expenses

Boston, Mass., April 3.—President William C. Durant, of the Amateur Athletic Union, has instructed the local registration committee to investigate charges that Harold G. Cutbill, the "Flying Parson," has received money in connection with the Hartford, Conn., Industrial Athletic League on February 25.

AMATEURS BEGIN SERIES

Mervine and Lorraine Meet for Phila. League Honors

Mervine and Lorraine met for the first time before the steadily placing of the Phila. League. The two youngsters play first-class amateur basketball and interest is especially keen in the result.

JOB FOR TIPLITZ

Will Try to Stop Winning Streak of Mealy

Joe Triplitz, lightweight, who has turned back many a climbing monarch, will try to check the triumphant march of Johnny Mealy at the Olympia tonight. Harry (Kid) Brown will meet one of the most rugged fighters in his division when he clashes with Ever Hammer, of Chicago.

SCHOOL LEAGUE BEGINS TOMORROW

Three Games Are On for the Opening of 1922 Inter-scholastic Circuit

GERMANTOWN VS. C. H. S.

THE 1922 scholastic baseball season will get its real start tomorrow afternoon. The interscholastic League will open its campaign with six of the seven teams in action, and Northeast High's second team will play the Frankford High reserves on the latter's diamond.

CUP SOCCER HOLDS ATTENTION OF FANS

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PHILS AND TODDS TIE

Several of the games will be played next Saturday, and a preliminary one on Sunday. Wildwood was beaten by Canadian War Veterans in the second round, but the Frankfort team entered a protest against the winners, and the match was suspended.

MILTON SETS WORLD'S AUTO RECORDS

Los Angeles, April 3.—Tommy Milton won the championship sprint automobile race at the Speedway by taking the second preliminary round in 21.43 minutes, and the main race in 15.23 minutes. 1.95 seconds, an average of 115.2 miles an hour.

ARGENTINE POLO TEAM IN ENGLAND

London, April 3.—The Argentine team of polo players, which is to play in matches and tournaments at England during the coming week, arrived in London yesterday.

Week-End Soccer Scores

Table listing soccer scores for various leagues and divisions. Includes American League, Allied League, and others with team names and scores.

SUNDAY SCORES

Table listing Sunday soccer scores for various leagues and divisions. Includes American League, Allied League, and others with team names and scores.

Neville to Coach City College New York, April 3.—Joseph Neville, Yale football star and all-American backer, will coach the City College football team next fall.

Tareyton are a Quarter again! London Cigarettes advertisement featuring a portrait of a man and a cigarette pack.

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