

YOUNG GIANT SIGNS WITH GEORGE COCKILL

John Brink, of Eaglesmere, Will Play With Harrisburg; Byers Is Also Coming

Special to The Telegraph
 Williamsport, Pa., Feb. 17.—John E. Brink, of Eaglesmere, was in Williamsport yesterday and signed his name to a contract tendered him by Carson Pool, acting for George Cockill, manager of the Harrisburg Tri-State baseball team.

Brink, who is a young giant, is one of the most prominent baseball players in the State. He is over six feet tall, not too heavy, naturally athletic and can play any position on the baseball field.

Brink played last season with the Eaglesmere team, which was made up of college stars, and easily held his own in fast company. He took his turn in the pitcher's box, played third base and caught. It is understood that Manager Cockill will try him out behind the bat.

Brink is the second man secured here by Mr. Pool for Manager Cockill. Last week he secured the name of John Byers, captain of the Brandons, of the Trolley League, to a Harrisburg contract. Byers will be used in the outfield. He is a good sticker and at the close of the 1913 season was named by the league officials, a cup for being the player of greatest value to his team.

Peace Terms Refused; Feds Return West

Special to The Telegraph
 New York, Feb. 17.—In a special column for errors of judgment some of the recent occurrences in the baseball "war" would force the names of officials in organized baseball. It developed yesterday that the Federal League contingent came to New York last week on the invitation of Thomas M. Chivington, president of the American Association, who saw a chance to end the Federal League expansion by turning over to Charles Weisman, of Chicago, and James A. Gilmore, a franchise in the American Association on the understanding that the Federal League would cease its activity. The national commission killed that scheme, figuring that if the Federal League could be bought off with a franchise in class A, it was not worth seriously considering as an opponent, the national committee, much to the chagrin of Mr. Chivington.

At his home in Louisville, Mr. Chivington is now trying to comfort himself with the knowledge that he made all possible overtures to a movement that is now recognized as more than merely threatening. Until all chances of an agreement with all organized ball had been exhausted, the Federal Leaguers did not uncover the financial backing of Robert B. Ward, the friendship of Henry C. Frick and the possibility of enlisting others financially able to supply the needs of war.

The National Commission is in sole charge of the fight of organized baseball against the Federals and sanction of the triumvirate is needed to bring about the removal of the pennant winning Newark team of the International League to Ebbett's field. Edward G. Barow, president of the International League, declared yesterday that abandonment of Newark was suggested but not thoroughly appreciated as the needed move in the fight.

"Fighting Bob" Lost to Johnny Greiner

Lancaster, Pa., Feb. 17.—Johnny Greiner, of Lancaster, had the better of "Fighting Bob" Givler, of Allentown, in a six-round go before the Lancaster Athletic Club, last night. It was one of the cleverest fights ever seen in Lancaster, and the men were so eager to fight that they did not want to stop when the last gong sounded.

Greiner landed the majority of the blows, and for the first five rounds had things pretty much his own way. "Fighting Bob" warmed up in the last round, when honors were even.

Young Russell, of Lancaster, and Kid Beebe, of Philadelphia, went six rounds with honors even. In the semi-final, Tim Droncy, of Lancaster, had a decided advantage over Al Hayes, of New York, who substituted for Tony Burns, of Philadelphia. Young Morris quit in the fourth round of his go with Harry White, of Lancaster. The preliminary between John Tyler, of Williamsport, and Sim White, of Lancaster, was stopped in the third round, Tyler having had enough.

FIRST CRIBbage CONTEST SHOWED THREE WINNERS

The first cribbage series at the Elks' clubhouse ended last night and the second will start within two weeks. The winner of the first prize was E. J. Lewis, margin 145 points; second, James E. Morsereau, 22 points; third, Eugene J. Fogarty, 21 points. There were eighteen players in the tournament.



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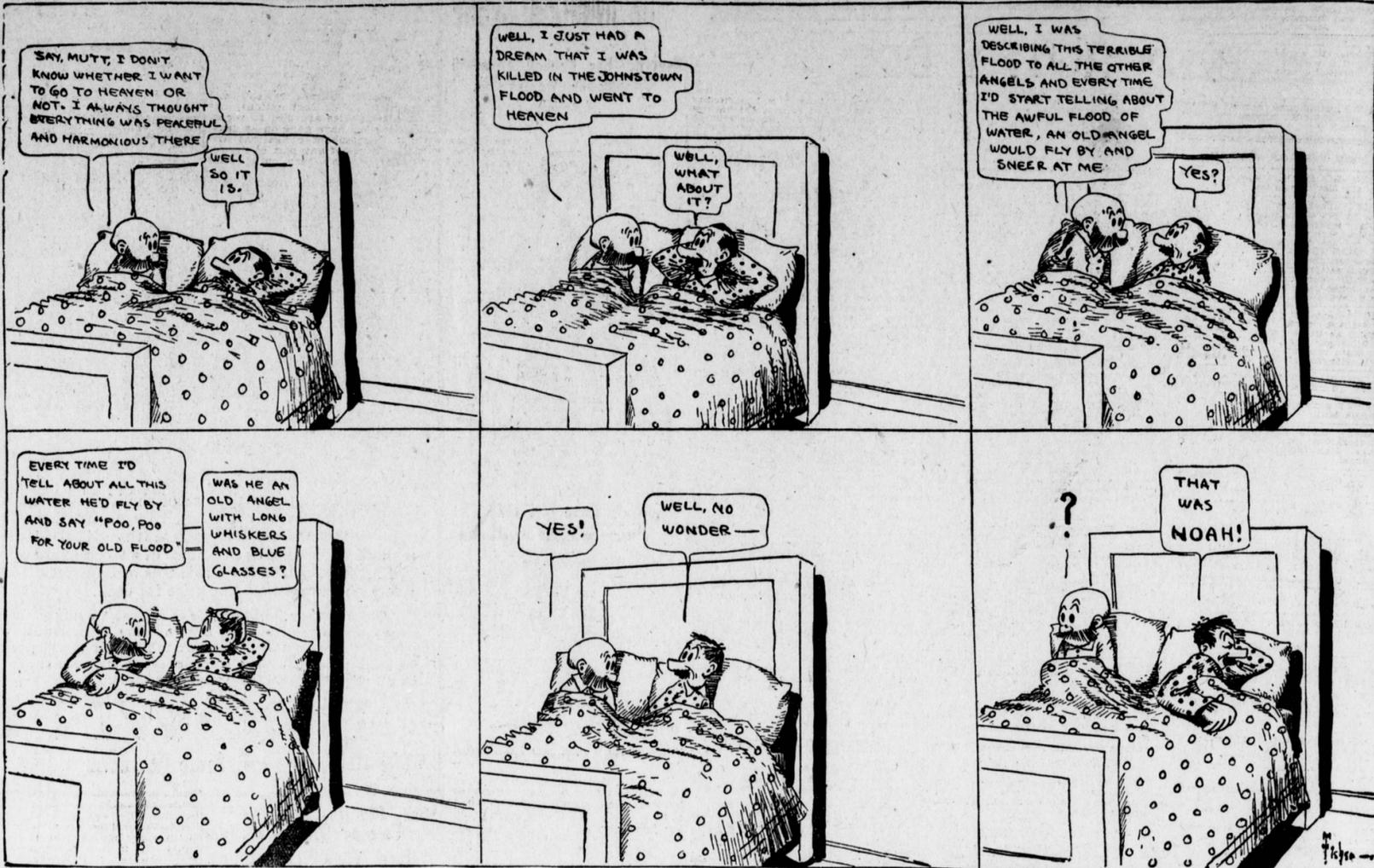
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JOHNNY EVERS AND HIS FRIEND, CATCHER BRESNAHAN



New York, Feb. 17.—While looked upon as impossible, rumors were flying to-day about the activity of Johnny Evers to land Roger Bresnahan from the Chicago Cubs. It is a well-known fact that Bresnahan and Evers are fast friends and that it was due to this friendship that the former St. Louis Cardinal backstop came over to the Chicago Cubs. Bresnahan has been heard to remark that he wants to work under no one but Johnny Evers. It may be idle talk, but if there is any chance to land Bresnahan, Evers can be depended upon to take that chance.

Four Clubs Ask Salary Change; Wilmington Men Still Silent

Schedule Will Not Be Made Public Tomorrow; Hard Time Fixing Special Dates

Special to The Telegraph
 Philadelphia, Feb. 17.—Four of the six representatives who will attend the Tri-State meeting here to-morrow favor the abolition of the individual limit. Trenton and Wilmington have not been heard from. It is understood that Wilmington will advocate an increase in the monthly limit.

Harrisburg will oppose any limit over \$2,000.

President Graham last night stated that the Tri-State schedule would not be made public until late in March. It is probable that another meeting will be necessary before the dates are fixed. Every manager and representative wants special dates, and President Graham has been unable to meet the demands and will leave it up to the meeting to-morrow.

A revised schedule will go out to all clubs within the next two weeks and then a meeting will be held at either York or Harrisburg to take final action.

BITS OF SPORTS

Brooklyn, with three teams, will get plenty of baseball this season. Jake Stahl is spoken of as the probable manager of the Brooklyn Feds.

The big teams are moving toward the South.

Hank O'Day is on his way to Tampa, Fla., with the Cubs.

The Toledo club has been transferred to Cleveland.

The Holtzman bowlers won from New Cumberland duck pin team, last night, margin 253 pins. The game was played on Holtzman alleys.

Willie Ritchie and Ad. Wolgast are scheduled to meet at Milwaukee, March 12.

Allentown baseball fans will entertain George M. Graham at a banquet to-night.

The Central Pennsylvania League will meet at Steelton Friday night.

Manager Charles A. Comiskey is still quite fit, at Rome.

"Rube" Waddell is reported by his mother as beyond recovery.

"Rube" Bender and Izzy Hoffman will shoot a fifty live bird match at Reading on Thursday.

The Central High girls' varsity five will play the Williamsport High girls at Chestnut Street Auditorium Friday night. Miss Susan Shaffer says the regulation rules will be followed.

The Lions won the Pennsylvania Railroad Young Men's Christian Association bowling league games last night, defeating the Tigers by a margin of two pins.

The Cardinals won from the Casino League leaders last night, defeating the Orpheus by a margin of 73 pins.

The H. B. McCormick Class bowlers lost the Pine Street Presbyterian Sunday School League contest at Bonny-meade alleys last night, margin 107 pins, defeating Mrs. H. E. Dull's Class.

The International League schedule was announced to-day. The season opens May 6 and closes September 27.

GEORGE M. GRAHAM, TRI-STATE PRESIDENT, TO THE TELEGRAPH

"On the eve of the Tri-State meeting I feel confident that I will have the hearty support of every owner and manager of the league. Hearty co-operation and harmony will bring success. I shall put forth my best endeavors to bring Tri-State baseball up to a higher standard. In union there is strength."

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS

The Massachusetts Free Employment Bureau, maintained by the State, found work for approximately 21,000 persons in the fiscal year of 1913. The plan has worked so well that other States have copied it.

Lieut. J. McC. Murray, of the United States Naval Aviation Corps, was killed when his machine fell 800 feet, landing in Pensacola Bay.

From District Attorney Whitman's office came what is considered the real explanation of State Treasurer Kennedy's suicide, this being that he faced the alternative of a confession involving political friends or an indictment for perjury.

It was expected that Charles S. Melien, ex-president of the New Haven Railroad, and five other officials of the road would be placed on trial in Bridgeport on charges of manslaughter resulting from a wreck at Westport, Conn., in 1912.

Wisconsin farmers met and formed an organization to protest against the increased taxes, and it was said that the people were carrying a burden out of all proportion to the needs of the State.

Representative Grist, of Pennsylvania, condemned the proposal to build a government owned railway in Alaska as "unnecessary, undesirable, indefensible and involving a woful expenditure of money without resultant benefit."

Cumberland Valley Railroad TIME TABLE
 In Effect November 4, 1913.
 TRAINS leave Harrisburg—
 For Winchester and Martinsburg at 6:02, 7:52 a. m., 2:40 p. m.
 For Hagerstown, Chambersburg, Carlisle, Mechanicsburg and Intermidiate stations at 6:02, 7:52, 11:42 a. m., 2:40, 5:32, 7:40, 11:15 p. m.
 Additional trains for Carlisle and Mechanicsburg at 9:40 a. m., 2:18, 3:37, 6:50, 9:30 a. m.
 For Danburg at 5:02, 7:52 and 11:52 a. m., 2:18, 5:40, 8:32 and 6:30 p. m.
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Pittsburgh Man Leading New York; Federals Are Joyful

Robert B. Ward, the millionaire baker of Pittsburgh, who is said to be the head of several local bread trusts, is the man who has shocked the magnates of the National and American Leagues more than any one else except J. A. Gilmore, president of the Federal League.

For it was Mr. Ward who has put up the money for the entry of the Federal League into New York. He closed a deal the other day by which he took a ten-year lease on Washington Park, Brooklyn, the old home of the National League there. Inasmuch as the park is within thirty minutes' ride of the downtown section of New York city, where most of the baseball patrons come from, his action is virtually the same as placing a club on Manhattan Island. In fact, Washington Park, though across the East river, is really nearer Manhattan than the Polo Grounds, which is so far north on the island that the trip there from downtown requires nearly fifty minutes on the elevated line.

After the Federal League had broken into Chicago the next place of importance to give it standing was New York city. The location of a club there placed it alongside the two major leagues. Had Chicago and New York been left out many baseball men would have been inclined to place the new league in a class with the International and the American Association.

If Mr. Ward can put a winning club in Brooklyn he will have considerable advantage over the National League club, for his grounds are much more conveniently located, and the Brooklyn club has been so far down in the winning list that it has come to be something of a joke.



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