

Late Gossip Of The Sporting World At Home And Abroad

FOUR WONDERFUL PLAYERS— M'INNIS, COLLINS, BARRY, BAKER

New York, Feb. 28.—If J. Franklin Baker, of the Philadelphia Athletics adheres to his determination to drop baseball in favor of farming, Connie Mack's famous \$100,000 infield will pass into that portion of history reserved for the National sport. Following closely upon the sale of Eddie Collins to the Chicago White Sox, it appears as though this remarkable combination of players was broken beyond reassembling or rebuilding. McInnis and Barry remain but, the probability of finding among the Athletic recruits two layers capable of filling the places of Baker and Collins, and bringing the infield machine up to its previous standard appears extremely remote.

A quartet of players of the calibre of McInnis, Collins, Barry and Baker playing for several years in succession in the same positions upon the same team, is a combination not duplicated in a baseball generation. Manager Mack was some years in assembling this hard hitting accurate fielding and throwing machine, and it was not until the season of 1911 that the Athletics' inner line of defense began to work in its most effective manner. Collins joined the team in 1907 and was followed by Barry a year later. In 1909 McInnis and Baker also joined Athletic uniforms, and the \$100,000 infield was in the making.

McInnis was still shifting about the inner defense, and Harry Davis was playing the initial base. In 1910 McInnis succeeded Davis and from that time until the close of the World's Series of last season, the quartet worked regularly, except when illness or injury temporarily broke up the combination. It was between 1910 and 1914 that the Athletics travelled their fastest as their record of winning four out of five pennant shows.

The calibre of the quartet is proved by the average of the players in both batting and fielding for the period between 1909 and 1914. The regular season record was batting .311; fielding .933 and the World's Series average, batting .271; fielding .958. McInnis showed average for five years of .318 and .977; Collins for six years averaged .345 at bat and .963 in the field; Barry in a similar period hit .258 and fielded .936 while Baker's average from 1909 to 1914 was .321 at bat and .934 fielding. With Collins and Baker missing, McInnis and Barry are left as a nucleus about which Mack must rebuild his infield. As batters Collins and Baker outshine McInnis and Barry, for their combination average is .333 to .288. In fielding, however, Barry and McInnis average .955 to .948 for Baker and Collins.

The individual and infield averages for both the regular season and World's Series, during the existence of this famous combination are shown in the following tables:

McInnis, 1st base		Collins, 2nd base		
B.	F.	B.	F.	
1909	.318	.977	.345	.963
1910	.301	.927	.322	.970
1911	.321	.985	.365	.966
1912	.327	.984	.348	.955
1913	.326	.992	.345	.943
1914	.314	.993	.344	.970
Average	.318	.977	.345	.963

events for the United States in 1912 Olympic Games. The Antipodes have been looked upon as the center of speed principals and traditions of the sport in Australia. Many the "Down Under" swimming records were reported from Europe and the United States.

Since his victories and record reducing feats, however, it is admitted that his tour will result in revolutionary changes in aquatics. It is reported that the "Kahanamoku Kick" will supplant the famous Australian "Crawl Stroke," since its originator demonstrated that it gives faster pace with less exertion and effort than the method now in general use in Australian swimming races.

The popularity of correspondence indoor athletic competition between two or more teams representing widely separated institutions is growing steadily. The telegraph, telephone and mail are all used with satisfactory results, and the practice of holding such contests without the entrants exactly meeting on the same track, or field, is spreading in all parts of the country. Colleges of the middle west have worked out a system of dual meets, held simultaneously or within a stated period, the results being exchanged by either telephone or telegraph and the final scores based upon average or highest showing. In bowling and shooting circles, the system has been in vogue for several years.

The latest development of this plan is a national Hexathlon Contest, sanctioned by the Athletic Leagues of the Y.M.C.A. of North America. The competition, which is open to all members of the league, will be held during the weeks March 8 to 20 and all headquarters, not later than March 31. The associations have been graded into three classes, according to membership and the trophies will be awarded to the winning team in each class. The events are 60 and 220 yard potato races; running high jump; standing broad jump; final vault and shot put. Entries have been received from branches in all parts of the country, and the competition is expected to be the largest ever attempted under the correspondence method.

THISTLE RINK TONIGHT.
The play for the President's trophy in the Thistle rink was postponed Saturday night and will be curled tonight. The skips are W. A. Shaw vs. D. W. Lett, S. W. Palmer vs. J. Chesley. These skips are requested to notify their rinks.

Champion Swimmers

General interest in swimming has received a big impetus in Australasia as a result of the tour of competition by Duke Paea Kahanamoku, the Hawaiian swimmer, who won several

YANKS' NEW "BOSS" CERTAIN TO BE A BIG FACTOR.



COLONEL
JACOB
RUPPERT JR.

If there is any lurking suspicion in the minds of the great American public that Colonel Jacob Ruppert, Jr., new president of the New York American League Baseball Club, would have done well to stick to his brewing and let baseball alone, the great American public is going to have a real man's size surprise. There is no question that Colonel Ruppert knows the brewing business. And more than one person who has come in contact with him since he and Captain "Tim" Huston assumed charge of the Yankees has become convinced that Colonel Ruppert is a great factor in the baseball world. He says the team will be run on a strictly business basis without letting business interfere with sportsmanship and, among other things, he will insist on the "happy family" idea and wants inevitable disagreements fought out and forgotten in the club house and not on the diamond. He is no firebreather in his present position. That's not his way. If it was he would not be the head-to-day of one of the biggest brewing companies in the world. And what he did for beer he'll do for baseball.

MARQUARD LEAVES WITH THE GIANTS

Under contract to the New York National League Club, Marquard yesterday decided that after all he still wanted to be a Giant, and so made haste to be at the Grand Central Station for the trip to Marlin, Texas, where the players will do their preliminary spring training. It is understood that John J. McGraw settled the little matter of \$1,500 between "Rube" and Mr. Ward.

Besides Marquard, in the squad of ten McGraw took along, were "Christy" Mathewson, "Jim" Thorpe, "Larry" McLean, Ples, the outfielder who was in one or two games last season; Press, a pitcher, and Wendall, a catcher, who have been playing semi-professional ball in this city and who are to be given a thorough try-out; Best-

ty, a shortstop, last year with the Poughkeepsie team; Williams, a recruit outfielder, and George Chalmers, the pitcher, who last season was unconditionally released by the Quakers at Madison Square Garden on March 6. The list of names is unique in that it presents a number of men who, although connected with athletics for some years, have not heretofore acted in this capacity.

Among those prominent in variety sports in past decades are Robert D. Wrenn, Harvard quarterback, United States tennis champion and now president of the National Lawn Tennis Association; Robert Garrett, Princeton, member of the first American Olympic team which won at Athens in 1896, and intercollegiate shotput champion in 1910-11; and John R. Kilpatrick, all-American football end and captain of the Yale track team during his undergraduate days.

Others among the officials who made athletic history before some of the present-day competitors were born are H. L. Geyelin, Pennsylvania, intercollegiate high jump champion in 1877; Evert Jensen Wendell, who won sprinting championships for Harvard from 1879 and 1881; A. B. Cox of Yale, who captured shot and hammer titles in the middle '80s; Charles H. Mages, Columbia, broad jump champion in 1886, and Howard Brokaw, Princeton.

BLUE BLOODED CANINES VIE WITH EACH OTHER FOR PRIZES.



THE BIGGEST CROWD WHICH HAS ATTENDED A DOG SHOW IN MANY YEARS WAS ON HAND TO LOOK OVER THE ARISTOCRATS OF THE CANINE WORLD FOR THE THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL WESTMINSTER CLUB EXHIBITION, WHICH OPENED RECENTLY AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, NEW YORK. PERSONS PROMINENT IN SOCIETY WERE THERE IN FORCE; SO WERE THOSE WHO CAME JUST BECAUSE THEY LOVE DOGS.

After all, it was shown that the Garden is the place where the dog lovers like to meet to show their pets. One of the most impressive things is the large showing of the big dogs, the Newfoundland, St. Bernard and Great Dane being plentiful. Another feature of the show is for the first time on record—every dog that was entered was passed by the veterinarian.

BRITISH FOOTBALL RESULTS

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

First Division.
Aston Villa, 3; Tottenham Hotspur, 1.
Blackburn, 1; Sheffield Wednesday, 1.
Bolton W., 1; West Bromwich, 1.
Liverpool, 3; Burnley, 0.
Everton, 2; Manchester United, 1.
Middlesbrough, 1; Manchester City, 0.
Notts County, 2; Sunderland, 1.
Oldham, 0; Chelsea, 0.
Sheffield United, 1; Newcastle, 0.

Second Division.
Derby, 2; Woolwich Arsenal, 1.
Barnsley, 3; Notts Forest, 0.
Clapton, 3; Lincoln, 1.
Bristol City, 2; Fulham, 1.
Preston, 1; Glossop, 0.
Leeds, 2; Birmingham, 0.
Leicester, 2; Blackpool, 2.
Stockport, 2; Huddersfield, 1.
Wolverhampton, 1; Bury, 1.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.
Queens Park Rangers, 3; Gillingham, 0.
South End, 2; Brighton, 2.
Swindon, 0; Cardiff, 0.
Exeter, 2; Portsmouth, 0.
Crystal Palace, 2; Luton, 1.
Croydon, 2; Plymouth, 2.
Bristol Rovers, 1; West Ham, 0.
Watford, 4; Millwall, 0.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.
Aberdeen, 1; Third Lanark, 0.
Dundee, 2; Airdrie, 0.
Ayr, 3; St. Mirren, 1.
Celtic, 2; Partick Thistle, 0.
Clyde, 2; Hamilton, 2.
Dumbarton, 3; Morton, 2.
Falkirk, 3; Ralith Rovers, 1.
Hibernians, 2; Hearts, 2.
Kilmarnock, 3; Queens, 0.
Rangers, 4; Motherwell, 2.

ENGLISH CUP.
Hull 4; Southampton 0.
Norwich 0; Bradford City 0.

FAMOUS ATHLETES IN CHARGE

New York, Feb. 27.—Many former athletes, famous in college sport, have been nominated as officials for the indoor intercollegiate games to be held at Madison Square Garden on March 6. The list of names is unique in that it presents a number of men who, although connected with athletics for some years, have not heretofore acted in this capacity.

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DAVIS ATHLETICS' CAPTAIN

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 27.—Harry Davis will be captain of the Philadelphia Americans the coming season, it was announced today by "Connie" Mack. Ira Thomas, who was captain of the team last season, will have complete charge of the pitchers. Davis was captain of the Athletics for several years before he became manager of the Cleveland Americans in 1912. For the last two years he has been coaching the Athletic players.

X-RAYS OF ROWERS' HEARTS.

Cambridge, Mass., Feb. 27.—The question whether rowing is injurious to college rowers is to be determined by the medical supervisors of Harvard College athletics. It was announced today that X-ray photographs were being taken of the hearts of members of the varsity and freshman eight oared crews. These examinations will be continued for several years, and from the data the medical experts expect to be able to obtain valuable conclusions.

UPPER CANADA HOCKEY

WANDERERS 7; CANADIENS 4.

Montreal, Feb. 28.—The Wanderers easily defeated the Canadiens at the Montreal arena Saturday night by 7 to 4. The result was never in doubt from the start.

The lineup:
Wanderers Goal. Canadiens
McCarthy Vestna
S. Cleghorn Dubau
Producers Corbeau
Left Wing.
O. Cleghorn Laviollette
Centre.
Hyland Pitre
Right Wing.
Roberts Fournier

QUEBEC 5; TORONTO 4.

Toronto, Feb. 28.—In a game devoid of anything which resembled good hockey Quebec defeated the Toronto at the arena on Saturday night by 5 to 4.

The lineup:
Toronto Goal. Quebec
Holmes Moran
Carpenter Mumery
Lowther Hall
Forwards.
Foyston Crawford
Wilson McDonald
Walker McDonald

OTTAWA, 2; SHAMROCKS, 2.

Ottawa, Feb. 28.—Ottawa won from Shamrocks, 2 to 2, in an exciting game here last night. The teams:
Ottawa Goal. Shamrocks
Benedict Lesueur
Merrill G. McNamara
Shore H. McNamara
Centre.
Darragh Ronan
Broadbent Corbett Denenney
Gerard Cy Denenney
N. H. A. Standing.

Montreal, Feb. 28.—Following is the standing of the teams in the National Hockey Association:

	Won.	Lost.
Ottawa	13	6
*Wanderers	13	6
Quebec	11	8
Toronto	8	11
*Shamrocks	6	13
Canadiens	6	13

—Defaulted game which will probably be replayed, but in the meantime counts as a win for Wanderers.

FREDERICTON DEFEATED ROTHE-SAY.

On Saturday morning in the Queen's rink the Fredericton High School defeated Rothery at hockey by a score of 7 to 1. The goal-getters for Fredericton were: Adams, 3; Carter, 2; Clark and Sears, 1 each.

The Rothery players were: West, goal; Rothery, point; Pilon, cover-point; Star, rover; Prescott, centre; Brydone-Jack and Osborne, wings.

An interesting game was played after the senior game, between the second teams from Rothery and the St. John High School, which resulted in a win for the Rothery boys with a score of 6 to 0. The line-up was: Rothery Goal. St. John

TRITES Goal.

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Cover Point.
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