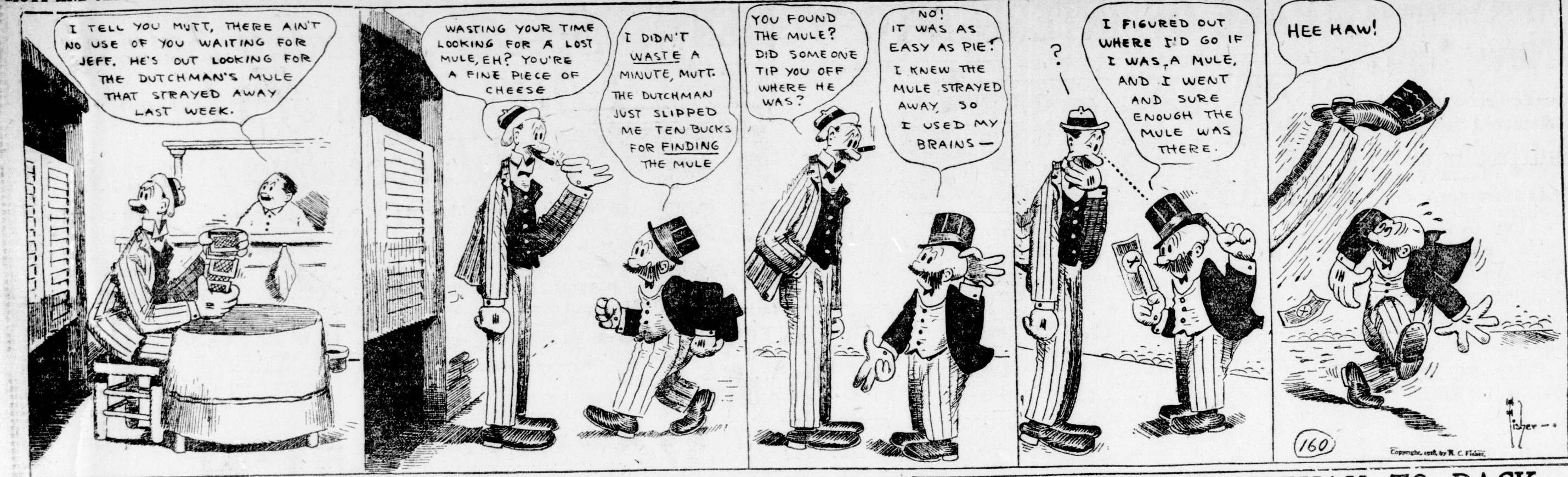


MUTT AND JEFF.—And Now Mutt Is Using Mule Talk.



DAD HOWLEY SIGNS AS MANAGER OF TORONTOS

Will Be Regular Catcher of Team as Well—Has Some Good Players in Prospect for Coming Season.

TORONTO, April 11.—At noon today Dan Howley, former manager of the Montreal ball club, signed a contract as manager of the Toronto ball club for the season of 1918. Howley will be a regular catcher of the team. "I am very glad to be with the Toronto club," said Howley, as he attached his signature to the contract. "I like Toronto very much, and always did, and every ball player has the same opinion of this place. I think we can gather a strong team together and get a team worthy of the patronage of Toronto fans."

"Have you any players in prospect?" "Oh, yes, but I am not at liberty to divulge their names. We will have the balance of last year's Toronto club players and the new men from Montreal, Hudson, Schmitz and Moran will make a great outfield, and Hersche will be a valuable man on the coaching lines."

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LENA HASN'T CINCHED Shortstop Job With Reds by Long Shot

CINCINNATI, April 11.—It is no certainty that "Lena" Blackburne will "sweep" the shortstop position on the Cincinnati team away from Crane, the clever youngster, who was a sensation with Baltimore a couple of years ago. The ex-Leaf veteran has only played in a few of the practice games that the Reds have been engaging in in the south, and according to reports he will be lucky to get the call over Crane.

PRES. M'CAFFERY BUSY COLLECTING MATERIAL FOR THIS YEAR'S LEAFS

TORONTO, April 11.—President McCaffery does not intend to be caught napping if he can help it, and it will not be his fault if the Toronto team does not present a strong front when the season opens a month hence. He has already got in touch with the players who finished the 1917 campaign with his club, and in addition he has been busy collecting material for this year's Leafs.

The new Toronto manager started in baseball in 1906 at Indianapolis, and was farmed out to Grand Rapids, with whom he won the pennant. He played in Indianapolis in 1907-8, 1909-10, and in 1912 with the Portland, Oregon, club of the Pacific Coast League. In 1913 he was with the Philadelphia National League club, and from there went to Montreal as manager in 1914, and has been there ever since in that capacity. Under his leadership the Royals always could beat Toronto, and that was some accomplishment. President McCaffery and Manager Howley will leave tonight for New York to attend the new International League meeting.

SNOW; GAME POSTPONED.
New York, April 12.—The exhibition baseball game between the New York Americans and the Brooklyn Nationals at Ebbets Field today was postponed because of a snowstorm.

Bull Dog Starters For Ford Cars
Why fight a kick from a crank when you can get a Bull Dog? Demonstrations—Westman Machine Company, 228 Talbot Street, and London Engine Supply Company, 83-85 Dundas Street, zxy.

CAPER SAUCE, FAMOUS CANADIAN RACE HORSE IS DEAD AT HAMILTON

TORONTO, April 11.—Owner Sol Mintz of Hamilton reports the death from paralysis of Caper Sauce, the 15-year-old son of Morpheus-New Dance, and one of the most consistent and most popular of Canadian-bred horses. Caper Sauce was bred at Waterloo by J. E. Seagram, president of the O. J. C., and after leaving the stable of a breeder, for whom he won a number of races, he passed through the hands of several owners, for all of whom he earned frequent purses. Though he was considered to have passed his usefulness when Mr. Mintz bought him at ten years old, Caper Sauce continued his winning form, and raced as successfully as ever in the new colors. He was sixteen years old when he died, and was a pretty steady winner for several seasons. The attempt to make a steelpusher of him was a failure. The old fellow would not be taught new tricks at that time of life, and he returned to flat racing. A remarkable feature of his racing was his winning history of the turf anywhere. Owner Mintz has only two horses now, Akeldama and Old Reliable, and is his intention to part with both, the first named being likely to make a desirable stock horse.

GROVER ALEXANDER IS DRAFTED; WILL MEAN \$50,000 LOSS TO CUBS

St. Paul, Neb., April 12.—Grover Cleveland Alexander, pitcher of the Chicago Nationals, has been selected by the draft board of Howard County as one of the best of the county's quota of drafted men to go to Camp Funston during the five days beginning April 25. Alexander has a battery mate, Catcher William Killefer, were purchased by the Chicago make for \$50,000. He had been a price reported to be in excess of \$50,000. It was one of the biggest baseball deals in the history of the game. Weegman admitted for the first time today that Alexander had been paid \$50,000 bonus for joining the club this season. He had demanded part of the \$50,000 bonus, but the club had refused to pay it. Alexander had been drafted and ordered to report at Camp Funston on April 26. He would be able to pitch one or two games before the time he must report at Camp Funston. Manager Weegman had already selected him to pitch the opening game of the year when Chicago opposes St. Louis on April 15.

MEANS LOSS OF \$50,000.
Chicago, April 12.—The calling of Grover Cleveland Alexander, premier pitcher of the National League, into the army, as reported today from his home in St. Paul, Neb., will cost Charles F. Weegman, president of the Chicago Nationals, \$50,000. Weegman made this statement after being informed that Alexander had been drafted and ordered to report at Camp Funston on April 26.

OFFER \$75,000 REAL COIN FOR WILLARD-FULTON BOUT

Western Stockmen Want Fight for Advance.
New York, April 11.—"Two local stockmen" at Ogden, Utah, have made an offer of \$75,000 for the Willard-Fulton fight and have deposited \$25,000 as a guarantee. The offers are now coming nearer the real value of the match. Anything over \$75,000 would be a joke, and if the fight comes off and the promoters announce that they are paying some absurd figures, like the \$125,000 alleged to have been offered in Connecticut, they will have to think up some ingenious scheme to convince the public that it is not stage money. Dave Ryan, president of the Ryan A. C. of New Haven, which has run several big fights, writes that Jack Buller represented that club and made Col. Miller "preliminary overtures" in reference to the Willard-Fulton match being held in New Haven. Ryan says the Ryan A. C. was "the only club in Connecticut that went about the match in a businesslike way—seeing the governor first."

JOE STECHER TO MEET STRANGLER LEWIS APR. 26

Great Catch-as-Catch-Can Wrestlers to Fight to a Finish.
New York, April 12.—Joe Stecher and Ed Strangler Lewis, two of the greatest catch-as-catch-can wrestlers in the world, will wrestle to a finish in a heavyweight championship match at Madison Square Garden on Friday evening, April 26. Final arrangements were perfected this afternoon, when Jack Curley made here with the signed articles of Stecher and Lewis. This will be their third meeting. In their previous matches the men were on the mat more than five hours. However, on these occasions Lewis had not perfected his "deadly headlock" and Stecher's "scissors hold" was not the dangerous wrestling service it is now.

BASEBALL RESULTS

At Topeka, Kansas—	R. H. E.
Chicago American Subs.	14 2
Topeka Western League	7
Batteries—Danforth and Lynn; Hugins, Haines and Marion, Mossman.	
At Charlotte, N. C.—	
Americans and Pittsburgh Nationals, wet grounds.	
At Petersburg, Va.—	
New York Americans and Boston Nationals, rain.	
At Memphis—	
Cleveland Americans and New York Nationals, cold.	
At Dallas—	
Chicago Nationals	4 8
Dallas Texas League	0 3 1
Batteries—Alexander, Walker and Killefer; Wilson and Powrie.	
At Little Rock, Ark.—	
R. H. E.	
Cincinnati Nationals	5 11
Detroit Americans	4 9 1
Batteries—Ruthe and Wingo; James, Hall and J. Cobb.	

JO-JO KEENAN TO BACK LONDON IN NEW LEAGUE

Former Manager Is Ready to Finance Team From Here in New Canadian League if He Can Secure Certain Terms From Knotty Lee.

The chances of London getting a place on the proposed Canadian League look pretty good at the present time. For some time past rumors galore have been drifting this way from Toronto and Brantford, where Knotty Lee and Tom Nelson have been keeping the fans on edge with their talk of reorganizing the late lamented Canadian League. This summer, now it looks as though Knotty Lee is actually going to make his dreams come true and give this section of the map some of the pastime as in the days of yore. Knotty has just about completed the reorganization of the eastern end of the league, and will come to London on Monday to look the local situation over.

Jo-Jo Keenan Right on Deck.
While backers of the old London club of the Canadian League refused to con-

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port given a team goes. I'm not worrying the least bit about that part of it, for I am certain that I could get the support of the fans.

"However, before I come into this proposed league, I want to see that the thing is going to be run as a business proposition. It must be a baseball league, and it must be handled as a real league should be. Much of the trouble with the former leagues was due to the fact that they were not run in the proper manner. London is a good town, and I know it, and the league must agree to certain terms I will make before I come in. Lee is coming up here on Monday, and I will talk the whole matter over with him then. If we can come to terms, London will certainly be represented on the league."

Other cities proposed to have a place on the league are Guelph, Brantford, Hamilton, and the New York State cities of Lockport and Niagara Falls.

International Clubs Must Step Lively to Open Season May 8

Big Minor May Have to Start With Teams But Half Trained.

NEW YORK, April 11.—A tough proposition confronts the clubs in the new league. According to announcements it is planned to open the season on May 8, but the circuit is not completed. Most of the clubs are managerless and but one or two have made any effort as far as can be ascertained to secure players. The situation is unprecedented. In other years the campaign has opened on April 19, and at this time the majority of the teams have had the benefit of several weeks' training. Indications at present are that if the league begins on the date planned, it will be with half-baked aggregations unless the majors turn over much surplus material. Reports from the south are to the effect that the big league clubs are not overly burdened with spare players, and that the International League clubs will not benefit to a great extent when the discarding period rolls around.

SNOW YESTERDAY; BALL SEASON TO OPEN ON MONDAY

NEW YORK, April 11.—Charles H. Ebbets, president of the Brooklyn Nationals, smiled at the snow-covered ground. It was Ebbets who fought for and obtained a later date for the opening of the major league season. Ordinarily the season would have been opened about April 11. This year the date is April 15.