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LATE SPORT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD

NAPOLEON LAJOIE GREAT SECOND BASEMAN

LAJOIE

Napoleon Lajoie, king at one time of the second basemen of the American League, won his way back to the top of his position in that organization in 1913. For more than a year it had been reported that Lajoie never would play ball again, but he again proved his wonderful skill as a ball player and at the close of the 1913 season once more found his picture in the Spalding Baseball Hall of Fame as the leading second sacker in the American League.

CONNIE MACK'S MUCH VAUNTED STRATEGY MISSING IN SERIES

Not only was the world's championship wrested from the Athletics by those astounding Boston Braves the other day, but Connie Mack's title as the game's greatest manager also was taken away.

Just as long as the Philadelphia club was able to beat everybody on earth, critics generally admitted that as a strategist, a developer of young players and a handler of men, Cornelius McGillicuddy was without a peer. It is yet to be proved that he has slipped in the matter of building up a club and disciplining it, but as a strategist he certainly has lost caste.

Mistake after mistake was made by the lean tactician in the world's series that so recently has slipped into history. From the first game until the last Mack was always doing something wrong and instead of handling his club like a master he got much less out of it than might have been possible even in its demoralized condition.

Fails to "Pull" Anyting.

With the "breaks" going against him and his players far off their stride Connie had to pass up the Napoleonic stuff. Any play that works is hailed as a masterstroke, but the test of a manager is in rallying an outfit that is on the run and supplying brains and fighting spirit where mechanical ability and luck are lacking.

Connie had a chance to prove himself great in this series, but he failed to rise in the emergency. Instead of making some of those "master moves" for which he has been given credit in the past, he seemed entirely helpless in the face of what was happening to his club.

Right at the start Mack showed lack of judgment in letting Bender continue as long as he did. The Indian looked like himself in the first inning, but after that it was evident to all who watched him closely that he was through. Yet his manager let him stay and be butchered until Boston had scored six runs and the game was all over as far as the Athletics' chances were concerned. In this same game Wyckoff, after hitting a double, was permitted to run for himself. It made no difference then what sort of pitching the Athletics had unless they got some runs, and here was a chance to start a rally or at least make it look as though the Macks hadn't quit. But Wyckoff, who doesn't get on the bases ten times a year, was allowed to stay in the game.

There was no specific mistake in the second game, but the general one of all of the Athletic batters at the first ball was continued. Time after time in this contest the Macks lunged madly away at the opening pitch or the "cripple." The result was that they always were in a hole and James had to work hard.

In the third game, Mack displayed questionable judgment in letting Bush bat for himself in the tenth inning. The youngster has not been hitting well and this was a time when it was necessary for Philadelphia to do some run-making. Schang had started the inning with a single but Bush, who never was much of a bunter, failed to advance him. It so happened that the rally was continued by the men who followed, but if a regular hitter had been put in to replace Bush, another tally or two might have been garnered and the game put out of Boston's reach.

The worst slip made by the Athletics' board of strategy in the third game came when Shawkey was allowed to "groove" the ball to Evers with the count three and two, men on second and third and two out. It would have been a much better play to have passed the Trojan, who had been landing on the pill hard all through the series, than to have let him hit a good one. As there was a base open putting Evers on first would not have advanced anybody, but it would have made a force play possible everywhere and brought up Connolly, who did not do much with the bat at any time.

Later on in this game, Pennock came to bat at the start of the eighth inning and was allowed to hit for himself., Right here it looked as though the Athletics had quit cold, for they were only two runs behind, and with any sort of fighting spirit at all very much in the game.

These are just a few of the places wherein the Mack strategy failed to show itself. In the selection of pitchers there is room for criticism also, but conditions of which only Mack was aware may have furnished reasons for working the men as he did.

It all goes to show that so long as you can keep on winning you can remain a great manager, but when you start to lose, your reputation doesn't last long.

...OLE SENT TO PIRATES.

...burg, Pa., Oct. 21.—Marty ..., pitcher, who was purchased ...e New York National League club ...ust 31, has been returned to the ...tsburg Nationals, from whom he ...as bought. It was announced New York declined to pay the balance of the purchase price. O'Toole has signed a 1915 contract with the Pirates.

KENNEL NOTES.

...t the Central New York Kennel Association Dog Show held last week, the St. John Irish Setter "Champion Corry Law" won first limit, first open, first winners and special trophy.

The wire haired Fox Terrier Northern Janet, owned by LeB. Wilson, whelped three dog pups and two bitch pups on Sunday, by Walnut Regalia, a Toronto dog.

A RECORD MADE ON VIC. ALLEYS

A RECORD MADE

In the Five Men League match on the Victoria alleys last night the No. 6 team not only defeated the No. 5 team, but established a record pin fall for a five men team, their total score being 1447. Simpson, with an average of 100 1-3, was the highest for the winning team, while the highest average for the losing team was ninety-eight, made by Brown. The following is the individual score:

No. 5 Team

				Total.	Avg.
Lewis	85	98	75	258	86
Brown	98	98	99	295	98 1-3
Featherstone	74	83	99	256	85 1-3
Hill	86	92	85	263	87 2-3
Labbe	83	79	87	249	83
	426	450	445	1321	

No. 6 Team

				Total.	Avg.
A. Stevens ..	93	101	97	291	97
Simpson	104	100	97	301	100 1-3
B. Stevens ..	104	78	87	269	89
McDonald ...	93	112	85	296	98 2-3
Ferguson ...	97	97	102	296	98 2-3
	491	488	168	1447	

Tonight, commencing at eight o'clock, teams Nos. 1 and 2 will roll.

SELECTION OF ALL STAR BALL TEAM

Grantland Rice, writing for Collier's picks out a team of National and American players whom he claims is an all-star selection from baildom's cast. The team he selects is as follows:

Catcher.
Schang .. .. Philadelphia (American)
Pitchers.
James .. .. Boston (National)
Alexander .. Philadelphia (National)
Tesreau .. .. .. New York (National)
Bender .. .. Philadelphia (American)
First Base.
McInnis .. Philadelphia (American)
Second Base.
Collins .... Philadelphia (American)
Shortstop.
Maranville .. .. Boston (National)
Third Base.
Baker .. .. Philadelphia (American)
Left Field.
Burns .... .. New York (National)
Center Field.
Speaker .. .. .. Boston (American)
Right Field.
Cobb .. .. Detroit (American)
Utility.
J. Miller .. .. St. Louis (National)

SMITH AND JOHNSON TO FIGHT

New York, Oct. 21.—Jim Buckley, manager of Gunboat Smith, announced yesterday that he had received a telegram from Promoter Cofforth, of San Francisc, asking if Smith would be willing to meet Jack Johnson New Year's Day at Tiajuana, Mexico. Buckley immediately sent an affirmative reply.

The Gunner's manager declared that as Coffroth claims to have obtained Johnson's consent to the match, he believes Smith has beaten the other "white hopes" to it in enedeavoring to get a fight with Johnson.

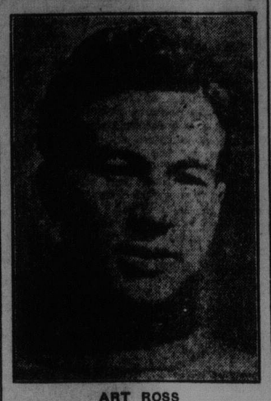
Tiajuana is in northern Mexico, less than hour's ride from San Diego, Cal.

FRENCH TAKE MINE.

Paris, October, 20.—A despatch to the Havas Agency from Bordeaux says that Marcel Sembat, the French minister of public works, has informed the cabinet that he is proceeding with the sequestration of the Dielette mine, near Cherbourg, which is owned by Herr Thyssen, a Westphalian coal operator and head of the Rhenish-Westphalian syndicate, who is a friend of Emperor William.

A HOCKEY SALARY TUMBLE

Art Ross is back from his hunting trip through the Pontiac Country and reports fair success, although on account of the distance they had to go



ART ROSS

to the railroad, he and his friends were not able to bring back much of their spoil.

He absolutely refuses to discuss the hockey situation as far as he is concerned for the present, but admits that with the unofficial flat laid down by the local promoters to the effect that they will not pay more than six hundred dollars this season or thirty dollars per game to the regular players the chances are that he will throw in his lot with a different crowd from the one he has been associated with.

The tumble down in prices is particularly remarkable. Once he recieved a thousand dollars for two games, and during the season when he headed the illfated All-Montreal team which was left in the lurch by some of its backers, he finished it up with a Halleybury contract which secured him $2,700 for ten games of $270 per game.

JOHNNY EVERS

Johnny Evers the captain of the Boston Braves, who captured the world's championship, was let go by the Chicago Cubs, signed on with Boston Nationals and has turned out a wonder. He was presented with an automobile for being the most valuable player on any team in the National League during the past season.

Husband—Oh, don't be so particular about your dress; where we are going people won't notice what you have on.

Wife—Then I shant go; I refuse to associate with such people.

ST. JOHN HORSE DEFEATED

Moncton, Oct. 21.—Hal. L., owned by Ald. P. A. Bellivueau, Moncton, defeated Prince Baron, owned by William McDonald, St. John, in three straight heats in a match race for $400 a side on Moncton speedway this afternoon. Considerable interest was taken in the race and quite a lot of money changed hands. Dr. D. H. McAllister of Sussex was starter.

The track was heavy. The race was three out of five half mile heats. The time was 1.06, 1.07, 1.06½. Best quarter 31½.

THE PLAYERS WILL HAVE SPECIAL TRAIN

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Oct. 21.—The U. N. B. Football team, accompanied by the College brass band, the college girls, and a hundred supporters, will travel by a special train to Sackville for the Mount A.-U.N.B. football game on Oct. 29th. They will go over the I.C.R. to McGivney, and then by the G. T. P. to Moncton, where they will then take the I.C.R. to Sackville. The train will leave here at 7 o'clock on the day of the game, arriving at Sackville at noon.

STALLINGS TO SUPPLY THE TURKEYS

The Winter League banquet to be given to George T. Stallings upon his return to Boston early in December promises to have a big array of baseball men present. The dinner will be similar to the one given last Winter and will consist of a turkey menu, the turkeys to be sent from Mr. Stallings' plantation at Haddock, Ga.

It is the intention of the Winter League to have present Gov. Walsh, Mayor Curley, Pres. John K. Tener of the National League, Pres. Ban Johnson of the American League, Pres. Lannin of the Red Sox and Pres. Gaffney of the Braves.

Those connected with the Braves who have given their word they will be present are Capt. John J. Evers, Walter Maranville, Leslie Mann, Fred Mitchell, Tom McCarthy, George Tyled and Joe Connolly. All the managers and owners of the New England League clubs have signified their intion to be present.

Committees are now being formed to insure an affair that will eclipse, if possible, anything of the kind ever given in Boston.

TED MEREDITH CHALLENGES BAKER.

Ted Meredith, the great runner of the University of Pennsylvania, is still in training. He is anxious to demonstrate that he is a better middle distance runner than Homer Baker of the New York A. C., who recently defeated him in record time. Meredith asked the Irish-American A. C. to stage a special event at its games next month so that he can race Baker.

DIRECTUM I. THE WINNER.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Oct. 21.—Directum I., in two straight heats, defeated William in their third and deciding match race for championship pacing honors here this afternoon. The best time was 2.01 1-4.

A FAMOUS MANAGER, HUGH JENNINGS, OF DETROIT

Hugh Jennings, famous manager of the Detroit Tigers, who is ranked in the history of baseball as one of the best and who is known by reputation by every real fan in the world.

KONETCHY SAYS HE'S A FED.

LaCrosse, Wis., Oct. 21.—Ed Konetchy, Pirate first baseman, who has been fishing near here since the close of the season, not only confirmed today the report that he had jumped to the Pittsburg Federals, but declared that a large number of other National Leaguers have signed contracts to play with the Federal. "Koney" would not give any names.

"MIKE" DONLIN MARRIED.

Asbury Park, N. J., Oct. 21—Michael J. Donlin of the New York National League Baseball Club was married this afternoon to Miss Rita Ross, a niece of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Ross. This is Donlin's second marriage. His first wife, Mabel Hite, an actress, died about two years ago.

STRUCK A ROCK.

Parrsboro, Oct. 21.—The schooner Patsy, Capt. Dodsworth, from Selma, for Parrsboro Roads with deal, struck a rock off Five Island, stove a hole in her bottom and filled, the damage was not very serious and she will be able to repair and proceed to her destination.

ALL READY.

Windsor, Oct. 20.—Five hundred members of the Twenty-First Essex Fusiliers alone are on the waiting list for the infantry regiment of 1,200 men which is to represent the first military division on the second contingent.

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The Yale squad continues its hard work preparatory to the big game later in the season. Captain Talbot, with the aid of the coaches, has succeeded in whipping together a pretty fair line-up. Wiley at centre, and Lagore, the full back, are doing splendid work.