

Change of Scenery Has Improved Marsans

Cuban Outfielder Now Making Big Hit In New York,
And Playing Hundred Per Cent Better Game
Than When With the Browns.

Change of scene is highly recommended as the means of curing many ailments. Shifted from a place where there appeared to be only monotony and discouragement and muscle very frequently take on new zest, and what had seemed the impossible becomes simply a matter of course. In baseball countless cases have been recorded of a player taking on new life and showing renewed activity when shifted from one club to another. The value of a change is now being demonstrated in the case of Armando Marsans, until recently with the Browns and lately added to Bill Donovan's Yankee squad.

The Cuban, highly temperamental and once rated among the stars of his profession, seemed to be at the end of the major league trail not less than a month ago. He still could chase flies in the outfield and ground as he did when he first flashed his worth with Cincinnati Reds back in 1911. But his hitting was lamentably weak, and outfielders must hit to hold their places. Furthermore, his speed on the bases once a big asset of Marsans, was of little use, because he was not getting on often enough. He couldn't steal first base, and there was no such thing as stealing second, he couldn't get on. So Fielder Jones had to place him on the bench.

Then came the change. Sitting in the dugout at Sportsman's park the Cuban became dejected. He longed to get into the game, but realized that there was little chance of ousting any of the present incumbents of Jones' outfield. He had had his opportunity and had failed. A sentence to Portland in the Pacific Coast league, or to Memphis in the Southern, the farms for faded Browns, loomed up before him. He had reached the stepping off place which all major leaguers, great or small, inevitably reach. Then he suddenly emerged from these discouraging surroundings and found himself again a regular. He was to join another club, as he had been used in a trade.

To-day Marsans is showing all the fiery flash in his play that distinguished him with the Reds and made him so desirable in the days when the Federal league was raiding the majors for stars. Instead of seeing his team play from a seat in the dugout he finds himself an important cog in another machine. The realization that he is a big favorite with the fans now stirs him to greater endeavors, especially so because he realized that his hold on the affection of St. Louis fans was gone. It is the old story of change of scene.

Has Made Fine Start in New York. Marsans has played only fourteen games in a New York uniform, seven on the road and seven at the Polo grounds, but he has been with Bill Donovan's crowd long enough to realize that the fans are with him, and with him strong. His playing on both attack and defence was the big feature of the double victory at the Polo grounds Saturday, and few players have drawn more applause in one afternoon than the quiet Cuban got for his efforts in that double header. Timely hitting, clever out-fielding and masterful throwing made it a perfect day for this hustling ball player, who is literally working his head off to prove his worth. His hitting won the first game, his fielding and throwing saved the other. Surely the fans could ask for nothing more.

As a hitter Marsans has done nothing since going to the Yankees that should throw a scare into Cobb or Speaker, but what he has done has been done very well. He has batted around .240 in a Yankee uniform and that is not to be despised in a season when the Yanks have been handicapped so much by weak hitting by the outfielders. His chief claim to distinction as a Yankee has been his ability to rise to emergencies at the bat or in the field.

Has Won Three Games. Of the fourteen games played by the Yankees since Marsans became a member of the club, seven have resulted in victories and seven in defeats. Marsans has had the distinction of pushing over the winning run in three of these games—one at Cleveland, one at Detroit and the other at the Polo grounds last Saturday. Two great throws Saturday saved another game and his fielding has been spectacular throughout.

That shapes up as glory enough for any one player over a stretch of two weeks. He has been there only a short time, but long enough to impress upon the fans that he ranks with the best fly chasers who ever wore a Yankee uniform.

As said before, Marsans has not compiled a very impressive batting average as a Yank, but he has done well, nevertheless. He has poled twelve hits, two of them doubles, in the fourteen games. He has reached first base four times on passes and he has three sacrifice hits to his credit. He has made six successful steals of second base and lost another decision by oversliding after his speed had beaten the throw and he had been waved safe. There are many players who have not stolen as many bases during the season as Marsans has pilfered since becoming a Yankee. So his work, figured from every angle, has been highly successful and very satisfactory.

It is the old story of change of scene. New ambition has been awakened in the Cuban, and the world does not look half as dark from the centre field patrol at the Polo grounds as it looked from that dugout at Sportsman's park. Marsans has proved in the past two weeks that he isn't yet ready for that trip to the minors. He has flashed plenty of baseball of major league caliber. Buoyed up by the positive knowledge that he really "belongs" and that the fans are with him and for him, he is sure to show a lot more. All of which will be of no little help to the Yankees.

Marsans freely admits that he is pleased with the transfer. Furthermore, he says this without making any complaint about his former surroundings. He is a player who does little grumbling on or off the field. He always gives his best efforts, is somewhat inclined to elation or dejection, according to his success or failure, but is not strong for the alibi or the kick. He is a ball player who is sure to win a place for himself with the New York fans.



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ST. GEORGE

(From Our Own Correspondent.) Miss Clara Willis of Brantford has secured the position of operator at Machine Telephone Central.

Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Howell, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jackson were the Sunday guests of friends and relatives in New Hamburg.

Garfield Saas and Sidney Hardcastle spent Sunday at Port Dover.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Bastendorff, Milverton and family were the Sunday guests of Mrs. Chas. Herbert.

Mrs. Robert Snowball is holidaying with her daughter, Mrs. Simonson in Galt.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Nylén were the week-end guests of Dr. and Mrs. S. G. Robinson.

Mr. George Newell, is spending a couple of weeks with relatives in Chicago.

Mr. Harold Kitchen of Brantford was the week-end guest of friends and relatives.

Miss Blanche Little of Brantford, spent the week-end at her home.

Allen Burke returned home on Sunday after holidaying with relatives in Milbank.

Mrs. Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. H. Mock and little son, George, of Hamilton spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Herbert.

Miss C. M. Anderson of Paris, was the guest of Mrs. S. G. Kitchen last week.

Mrs. Green who has been spending the past few months in California has returned and is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Lenington.

Mrs. T. S. Atmore and Miss E. M. Atmore are spending a week with relatives in Watford.

Mrs. R. Gullen and children of Brantford, and Mrs. A. Cornwall and children of Langford spent last week with Mrs. Wm. Little.

Miss Gedney of Brantford is the guest of her cousin, Miss F. Atmore.

Darcy Herbert is holidaying with relatives in Milverton.

Five rinks of the local bowlers motored to Galt on Friday evening to play a friendly game with the Galt Club. Galt won the game by four shots.

Mr. Ellsworth and Miss Irma Warrington of Brantford were the week-end guests of their mother, Mrs. Warrington.

Miss Justine Herbert is holidaying with her cousin in Hamilton.

On Sunday last Mr. Leo Herbert acted as Organist for the week in the Brant avenue Methodist church, Brantford.

Miss Grace Mullin of Brantford is holidaying with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Duff, Mr. and Mrs. Pennington and Miss Annie Pennington of Hawtry were the Sunday guests of Mrs. James McKenzie.

Mrs. M. Sager of Beverly, and Mrs. Stuart McKenzie, of Lynden spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. McKenzie.

MENTION TO MOTORISTS

Not infrequently, motorists allow their storage batteries to become almost totally discharged and, in some cases, nearly dry.

Too many motorists are apt to treat the storage battery as they would treat a dry cell—they have the impression that there is nothing to do but use the battery until it is exhausted. Consequently, they pay no attention to it, as long as it does its work, with the result that by the time it becomes inoperative the battery is very seriously harmed.

It should be remembered that dry-cells are not intended to be recharged or used again, while storage batteries, by virtue of their electrochemical nature, may be used continuously throughout their life, by recharging from a source of electric supply.

Do not neglect to take a few spark plug cores with you on your trip. The metal parts of a spark plug will last almost indefinitely, but the cores must break in time, and that usually means buying a new spark plug. As the cores can be bought for a fraction of the cost of a new spark plug, it means economy to carry a few with you. Also carry a few extra gaskets.

A direct cause of rapid tire wear, particularly the rear tires, is in the misuse of the brakes. The brakes on a car should be very seldom locked. They should not be locked in wet weather any more than in dry.

When the brake is locked, those parts of the rear tires which are in contact with the ground are planed off as rapidly as though the tires were held against a piece of cutting machinery. It does not take long for a tire to blow out after it has been subjected to this treatment for any length of time.

It should be a rule with everyone who drives to use the brakes sparingly and never to drive his car rapidly enough so that he will be compelled to make a sudden stop.

If you use an enamel cover for your tires, be sure you put it on right side up. Sometimes one finds one put on upside down, which will cause it to hold the rain instead of shedding it.

Keep watch on the spokes of the wheels, especially if the car is an old one. If the spokes can be shaken, tighten the bolts on the flanges of the hub. If they are still loose, consult a wheel-wright, as your life may be endangered by the breaking of a wheel.

Occasionally the interrupter becomes loose, and it is important that the beginner should learn to set it. This trouble is shown by the fact that the engine will not start when cranked, but gives only one or two explosions. Where an engine has been running properly and the above trouble develops, inspect the interrupter immediately.

In turning up a six-cylinder motor one should be very careful to note that there is good compression in each cylinder. In a four-cylinder motor the sound of the exhaust will reveal a weak cylinder. From the exhaust of a six-cylinder motor, however, the condition of a particular cylinder is hard to detect on account of the stroke lapping. Very often a weak cylinder is not detected, and the carburetor adjustment is changed to eliminate the supposed thump in the motor. In reality the cause lies in a weak cylinder.

In resetting the magneto the coupling may often be placed so as to cause the magneto shaft to be out of alignment. The best method is to note the condition of the coupling before being removed, which is done by slipping the thumb and forefinger around it.

The periphery should be perfectly smooth and one side should not be higher than the other. In resetting the coupling clean it well and see that the outer surfaces of the parts are in line.

MYSTERIOUS DEATH

By Courier Leased Wire. St. Johnsbury, Vt., Aug. 11.—Attorney General Barber assumed personal charge to-day of the investigation into the death of eight-year-old Alice Bradshaw, who disappeared from her home here on July 5, and whose body was found last night on a farm in Lindon near her father's home. Arrangements were made for the performance of an autopsy.

Misetta May Hicks, housekeeper for John Bradshaw, father of the little girl, and Mrs. Alvin Kennison, a neighbor, have been held in the county jail since their alleged confession on July 6, that she killed the child because her crippled condition, due to infantile paralysis, made the care of her too troublesome. Before the finding of the body on the edge of a swamp, it had been announced that the case would be presented to the September term of the grand jury and that the two women probably would be taken to the state prison for observation as to their mental condition.

MARSIL MAY RUN

By Courier Leased Wire. Montreal, Aug. 11.—Tancred Marsil, editor of La Liberté, the anti-conscriptionist paper, may be an anti-candidate for St. Marys division, Montreal, in the forthcoming Dominion elections. In his paper yesterday, Mr. Marsil says he has been asked to contest the seat and that requisitions had been signed and sent to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, for his approval. At Liberal headquarters here it was said to-day that Mr. Marsil would not receive any recognition from the Liberal party.

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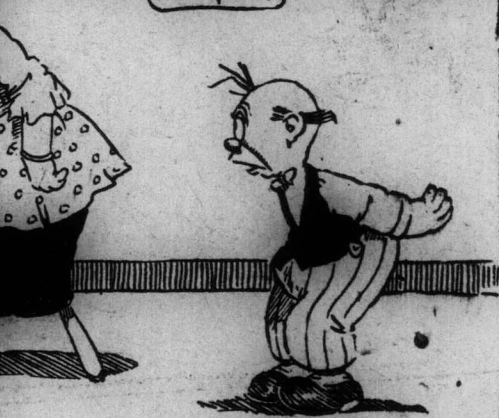
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