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Ida Saw in the Leafs' Line-Up Last Season a Stool Pigeon

Who Was Responsible for Dissatisfaction That Prevailed in Toronto Club and Caused the Trouble for Larry Lajoie.

By Ida L. Webster.

Much has been said in the last few days of Larry's ability, or inability, to manage a ball club. Apparently as a manager he was a most respectable asset. But, as to his ability to manage a team, it must be said that he alone could not have been responsible for the dissatisfaction and hard feeling which he said to have been rampant in the Toronto Club all season.

He had been heard to plan players for his team, and for his inability to hit in pinches, or for some field misjudgment.

This creature, who, like all others of his ilk, always has a good and fast excuse for his own actions, and fast as he worked so insidiously that few suspected him of being other than he appeared—a hard-working, anxious-to-please player—was the one who was in his element in the clubhouse when all men in baseball. They usually spring

In every organization will be found a "black sheep," and this is well known as a "stool pigeon." This particular insect can cause much trouble in a short time. For example, last week, they are the original Bolsheviks, and when one is discovered he should be publicly named.

Lajoie seems to have made the fatal mistake of listening to the words of these admitted agents of His Satanic Majesty, with the result that every man on the team who has been named as a stool pigeon did they do this that the fans got wise to the fact that the French-Canadian were supposed to slip up somewhere. Not one breath of scandal was directed toward the stool pigeon.

Stool pigeons do not work that way, and this particular one we have in mind is adept in his profession. He is a fast player, and he is a fast and shrewd player, for, like the rest of his clan, he plays not for the game, but for the money. His errors were overlooked, because, when he returned to the bench, he never made a mistake. He is a crafty fellow, cool of air, which fairly pleaded for forgiveness. He was always supposed to be a fast player.

The very snake in the grass was slowly, but surely, wrecking the

providing some husky does not inadvertently connect with undue force on the point of their jaws, in which case they take the road of pain that leads to the nearest hospital.

Two fit this same stool pigeon who promoted the Indianapolis affair, or did he cease operations with the closing of the season?

Usually these gentlemen adopt a perpetual-motion machine, and they keep the world up in the air all of the time. Lajoie handed Toronto a raw deal, and returned to the protection of the Toronto Ball Club; so that he, and his actions, should be a model for the rest of the world to be concerned. With McGill of Indianapolis, the iron hand of justice will undoubtedly be made within the next few days, and we have confidence in Mr. McCaffrey's ability to collect the pound of flesh.

It is a pity that the man who was Icarus, the originator of all this trouble, goes free. Cannot someone be found to brand the man who has been branding these moral lepers, so that all may know them for what they are, and so that they may be avoided to prevent the world of sport, ruining all who listen to their dastardly teachings?

THE DUNLOP ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

SHERIDAN DEAD

New York, March 27.—Martin J. Sheridan, world-famous champion, died of pneumonia at a hospital here tonight.

And the Committee Elected at Annual Meeting for Coming Season

Sherridan, who was defeated by winning the shot putt and discus contests at the Olympic games at London in 1896 and the discus event at the Olympic games in London, England in 1900, was a member of the American team. During his athletic career he won several championships, including several Canadian as well as American titles.

Sherridan was born in Ireland in 1850.

The annual meeting of the Dunlop Athletic Association was held in the company's dining hall and was attended by several members of the board of directors. Mr. J. Gerris, briefly reviewed the work of the past season, complementing the "soccer" league and its members on their successful season. The treasurer's report showed a substantial balance on hand, which was gratefully received by the members. Mr. A. E. King, on behalf of the firm, promised to heartily support the association in its efforts on behalf of amateur sports. The following officers and committees were elected for the coming season: Honorary president, Mr. J. Westren; honorary vice-presidents, Messrs. A. E. King, D. E. Beynon and W. Corbett.

The first soccer game of the season will be played at the Stanley Barracks on Good Friday afternoon at 3 p.m. The game is between the United and the County Cup, which was postponed from last season on account of unfavorable weather. The contesting teams will be Ulster United and Old Country, and if past games between these two teams are any criterion, the soccer enthusiast is in for a treat. The match will be expected to play a season's players and any newcomers they have registered this season, provided they have not played in this competition for any other team. The game will be officiated by Mr. J. J. Clancy was re-elected as secretary for the third successive season, while H. J. H. Pole was re-elected as treasurer for the fourth successive year.

Committees: Soccer—W. H. Ockenden, J. J. Clancy, J. J. Ockenden, J. J. Ockenden; Baseball—B. Horner, E. G. Ross; Hockey—J. Loynd, F. Smith; Quilts—H. S. Collins, J. J. Ockenden, J. J. Ockenden; Woods; see club—J. B. Suttiffe, A. H. Ross; gardening—H. P. Airlitt, J. Pennington.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the following gentlemen entertained the company: H. B. Ockenden, J. J. Ockenden, Suttiffe, Ross, Iving and Griffin.

FARMERS WILL DOUBLE THEIR WHEAT ACREAGE

**TREMENDOUS GAIN
IN STEEL BUSINESS**

U. S. Corporation Has Decrease in Earnings—Raise in Wages.

New York, March 22.—Coinciding with

The announcement of an increase of 10 per cent in the wages of its employees, which will take effect January 1, 1917, since 1915, the United States Steel Corporation today made public its annual report showing a record year with a tremendous increase in the volume of business, but a decrease in earnings.

Total sales for 1916, as represented by combined gross sales and earnings, equaled \$1,863,962,552, an increase of \$400,000 over 1915.

After deduction of interest and other charges, total earnings, including an estimate of taxes, amounted to \$400,000 for 1916, compared to \$304,561,416, a decrease of \$95,438,584.

Net income before federal and state taxes, after interest charges of \$295,282,210, was \$104,718,196.

Net income in the year of \$244,738,098, or

Meetings will be held in every school house within the next few days.

Following the announcement, many of the farmers present that they intended to double and treble their wheat acreage this year.

The Ontario County Militia Production Battalion will respond to the call just as the Ontario County fighting battalion did at Vimy Ridge and other glorious victorious places than is assured.

SMALLPOX OUTBREAK AT SIOUX FALLS

Sioax Falls, March 27.—Following close up of a serious outbreak of smallpox.

shows a decrease of \$49,287,656, and final net income of \$107,603,437, represents a decrease of \$94,330,147, resulting mainly from extra dividends of \$47,907,381, paid on the common stock.

Undistributed surplus of \$25,505,437, a decrease of \$149,330,147, is partly due to appropriations amounting to \$55,000,000 for expenditures made, and to be made, including new plants and construction, no such charge having been made in 1916.

Current assets of almost \$800,000,000 include cash in hand on deposit of about \$185,000,000.

**PETERBORO RESOLVES
IMPORTANT MATTERS**

Board of Trade Holds Annual Meeting and Elects Officers.

Peterboro, March 27.—J. J. Turner was re-elected president of the board of trade at the annual meeting held here last evening. Other officers elected were: honorary president, Mayor Duncan; president, J. J. Turner; secretary-treasurer, B. D. Hall; special deputies as follows: Manufacturers, W. R. Breyfogle; mercantile, T. C. Elliott; trades and labor, J. J. Turner; physicians, W. Cameron; physicians, Dr. N. D. Buchanan; dentists, Dr. W. Tholoway; barristers, G. N. Jordan; ass't. gentlemen, M. L. A.; financial, W. H. Dunston; contractors, Richard Sheehy; underwriters, J. H. Sedgewick; public service, G. O. Cameron.

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