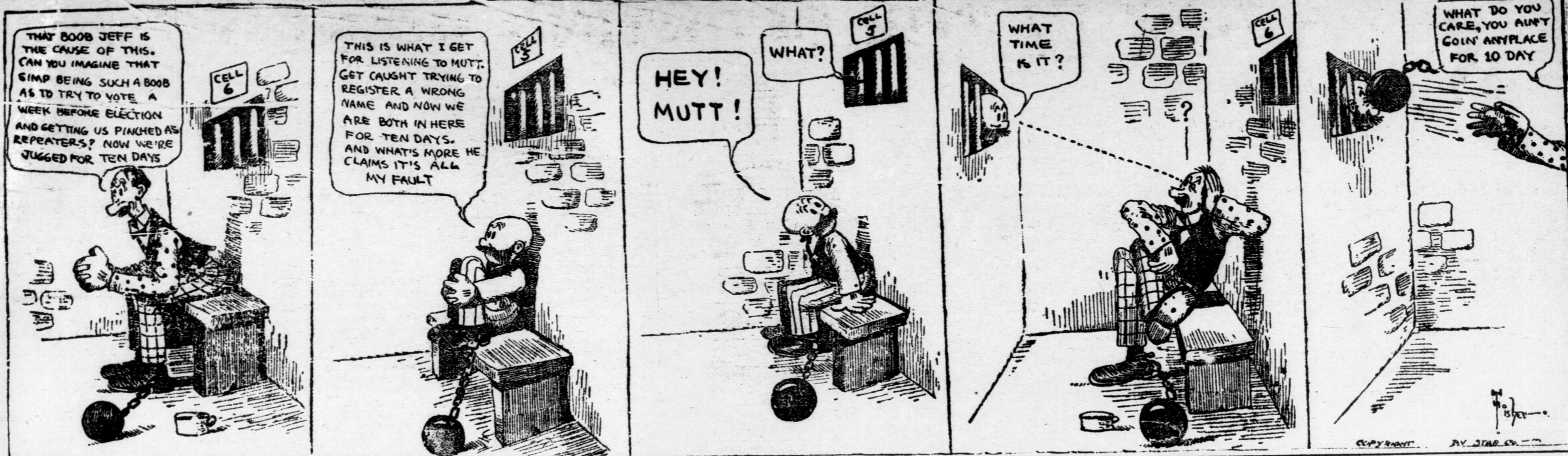


What's the Use of Knowing the Time of Day When You Can't Go Any Place?

By "Bud" Fisher



Federal League Here to Stay, With Money to Fight Organized Baseball to a Finish; Will Appeal to the Public Through Quality, Not Sympathy

BY GEORGE R. PULFORD.

This is an open year for ball players. The aggressiveness of the Federal League, called an "outlaw" by organized baseball, spells W-A-R!

And, as was shown in 1901, baseball war is an expensive luxury. The Federal is coming strongly. President James A. Gilmore and Secretary Lloyd Rickart say the league is prepared to spend a fortune to establish itself.

Save in the opinion of organized baseball and its hangers-on, the Federal League is no more of an "outlaw" than any other independent business which fights a trust.

The only law the Federal has violated is that one which organized baseball has created in its complacency. And the public today does not recognize the right of the National, American and their minor league associates to make laws for it.

The Federal League will be welcomed by press and public and will be patronized if it puts up a good fight. The attack upon the baseball Goliath by the baseball David is centered in the vulnerable point of the big fellow's armor—the reserve clause—and before the 1914 season opens this will be threshed out in court to determine whether a baseball contract is worth the paper it is printed upon.

Secretary Rickart says the Federal League is not planning a campaign for sympathy, but will seek patronage with good baseball and high-class players. The way the Federal is raiding the stronghold of the enemy is an evidence of good faith in this respect. Leaders like Tinker, Brown, Stovall and Ned Hanlon will attract the fans, and if they gather the sort of players they are after, and play good baseball, the fans will be with them.

The Federal, if successful, can force upon baseball a sense of its debt to the public, something few magnates have realized. It can give recognition to young players who have heretofore been forced to seek allegiance with organized baseball and accept whatever terms were offered and, having signed a contract, be sent from team to team, without having a word in the matter.

The only concessions baseball has ever granted the players have been granted as a result of public opinion or some other influence, and not through a sense of equity upon the part of the moguls.

When the Federal in the field and outside of the fold, this will cease, and



PRESIDENT JAMES A. GILMORE AND SECRETARY LLOYD RICKART, OF THE FEDERAL LEAGUE.

organized baseball will, if forced, treat players more like men and less like chattels.

The invaders say they have the money they need to fight, and that they will fight, not through sympathy but with the best players money can get; with men able to "deliver the goods."

No one realizes more keenly than these men who are investing that the fan is as fickle as a coquette, and that he will remain faithful only while the fan an idol is an idol only while he "is there" and there is no room for fallen idols on Federal League teams.

JESS WILLARD ON TRIAL FOR THE DEATH OF YOUNG

All Other Persons Held Responsible in Case Are Let Off When Charges Are Withdrawn.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 2.—The trial of Jess Willard, the pugilist, and nine boxing promoters and spectators, accused of having violated the state law against prize fighting in connection with the bout at Vernon, Cal., Aug. 22 last, when Willard's opponent, John Young, was killed, was begun in superior court here today. The jury was selected yesterday.

In order to make the prize fight accusation clear before the jury, Joseph Ford, deputy district attorney, dismissed the charge against Thos. J. McCarney, a boxing promoter, and indicated that the same action would be taken with reference to the other defendants, excepting Willard.

HARRISTON BONSPAIL

Will be Commenced on Feb. 3—Big Number of Rinks Expected.

Harrison, Jan. 2.—The arrangements for the popular Harrison annual bonspiel are all but completed. The bonspiel will commence on the arrival of the midday train on Tuesday, Feb. 3. Last year 51 rinks sent entries, and it is expected that an equal number will be on hand this year. No entry fee is charged, and all curling stones are carted to and from the rink free of charge, while a good lunch is at all times available. The bonspiel committee is sparing no effort to give the curling guests a good time. Dr. T. E. Bell is chairman, and Mr. Alex. Yule secretary of the committee.

NEW HAMBURG BEAT AYR BY A NARROW MARGIN

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ayr, Ont., Jan. 2.—In the scheduled intermediate game of hockey played here tonight between New Hamburg and Ayr, the former were victorious by a score of 3 to 2. The half time score was 1 to 1.

The Ayr team played very hard, both in checking and rushing. Schmidt, the New Hamburg goalkeeper, starred, or the score would have been reversed. The large crowd that was present was pleased with the showing made by the local septet, who have had very little practice so far this season. The lineup:

New Hamburg—Schmidt; goal; Ritz, right defence; Livingstone, left defence; Hall, rover; Otto, right wing; Kaufman, left wing; Bowman, centre.

Ayr—Manson; goal; Hawes, right defence; Maeder, left defence; Bell, rover; Rutherford, right wing; Cross, left wing; Black, centre.

James Fraser, of Gait, refereed in a very satisfactory manner.

FEDERALS ARE INCORPORATED. Springfield, Ill., Jan. 2.—License to incorporate was issued to the Federal League baseball club of Chicago today by Secretary of State Woods. The capital stock is \$200,000, and the incorporators are C. A. Veeghman, J. A. Gilmore and W. M. Walker.

BASKETBALL PLAYS THAT WIN GAMES.

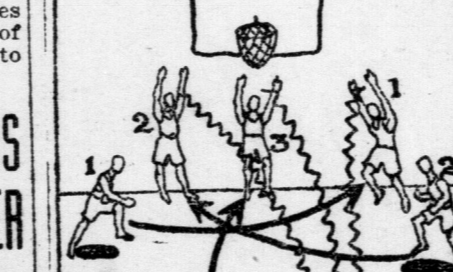
BY W. E. MEANWELL, Wisconsin University Basketball Coach.

The play: Centre tips off backward to No. 5 in right guard position. No. 5 passes to No. 1, 2 or 3 close to basket, immediately returning to guard his forward opponent.

Nos. 1 and 2 cross into opposite forward position and await pass.

No. 3 dashes to basket at centre and awaits pass.

Nos. 1, 2 or 3 shoot basket.



SOLID LINE SHOWS COURSE OF PLAYERS AT TIP OFF. DOT AND DASH LINE SHOWS COURSE OF PLAYER AFTER PASS. ZIG ZAG SHOWS COURSE OF BALL.

TORONTO ROWING CLUB CLEARED OF CHARGES

O. H. A. Concludes Inquiry—Sarnia Refused Reconsideration in Regard to the Five Players.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Jan. 2.—At a meeting of the O. H. A. executive tonight, the Sarnia Club asked for a reconsideration of the cases of the five players who had been refused certificates, but the committee saw no reason for any alteration of its decision in the case.

Drumbo and New Hamburg are claiming a couple of players whose homes are in Plattsville, and the sub-committee will endeavor to ascertain to which place Plattsville is nearest.

The conclusion of the inquiry into the Toronto Rowing Club was reached and the decision was that the charges against Messrs. Walsh and Shortt of offering monetary inducements to players was not proved.

WALTER JOHNSON TURNS DOWN FEDERAL OFFER

Joe Tinker Tried to Get Johnson and Joe Wood to Sign, but Failed to Do So.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 2.—Walter Johnson, the famous Washington pitcher, has refused an offer of \$30,000 for three years and a bonus of \$10,000, made by Joe Tinker, manager of the Chicago Federal League team, Tinker announced today. Johnson said he "was sorry, but had already signed with Washington and would not jump his contract." A similar offer was made Joe Wood, the Boston American pitcher, but he also declined because he had already signed up with his team. "King" Cole, who gained fame as a member of the Cubs' pitching staff in 1910, and who was drafted by the New York Americans from Columbus last fall, was signed today by Manager Tinker.

NO GAME AT PORT HOPE. Port Hope, Ont., Jan. 2.—The O. H. A. junior league game scheduled for tonight between Cobourg and Port Hope was postponed on account of no ice.

"BLACK HANDER" WAS SMARTLY ARRESTED

Taken as He Was Removing a Decoy Package Placed For Him

[Canadian Press.] Washington, Penna., Jan. 2.—As he reached behind a mail box in a rolling mill here this morning and grasped a decoy package placed there by county officers, Dominick Lombardi, a young Italian workman was arrested and hurried before a magistrate, who held him in \$5,000 bail for sending black-hand letters to James Greco, a wealthy Italian merchant.

EXPLOSION KILLS THREE

Four Others Injured, May No Recover.

Bridgeport, Ill., Jan. 2.—Three men were killed and four others probably fatally hurt today, when a boiler failed just before it was installed in the gasoline manufacturing plant of the Ohio Oil Company near here. The dead ones: Cruel Kincaid, Art Henrietta and Charles Daniels, all employees at the plant.

Of the injured, Worth Smith, a contractor, and Charles Andrews are thought to be dying. The powerhouse was destroyed.

COL. LEVI CHIPMAN DEAD

Fenian Raid Veteran and Former M. P.

Kentville, N. S., Jan. 2.—Col. Levi Chipman, who for the last half century has been closely identified with the civil life of King's County, died today, aged 84 years. He was colonel of the Third King's County Regiment at the time of the Fenian raid, and lieutenant-colonel of the Sixty-ninth Regiment from which he retired in 1880. He represented King's County for two terms in the Dominion Parliament. He leaves one son, a minister of the Gospel, and three daughters, one of the latter being the wife of Murray Botsford, manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, London, England.

WOMAN FLEES FROM FARM AND HUSBAND

Mrs. Mae Atkinson, Chatham Now Under Arrest

CHARGED WITH ELOPING

Also Accused of Abducting Her Daughter—John McCubbins, Her Companion, In Custody, Too.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Detroit, Jan. 2.—Charged with the abduction of her 6-year-old daughter, Violet, and with eloping with John McCubbins, a young woman of about 25 years old, was deported to Chatham, Ont., by United States immigration officials on Thursday night, after she had been taken into custody at a local hotel by Detroit and Windsor officials.

The arrest was made upon request of Chatham officials, after a warrant had been procured by James Atkinson, husband of the woman. According to Detroit police, McCubbins, who is a resident of Chatham, and the woman and her daughter came to this city on Wednesday night and registered at the hotel.

Tired of Farm Life. After her arrest Mrs. Atkinson was taken before immigration Inspector Frick and questioned. She said that she was tired of a humdrum existence on a farm, and that her husband, who is about 66 years old, abused her. She made up her mind on Tuesday to leave her home, and informed McCubbins, a friend of her intentions. She said she told him he could accompany her to Detroit if he desired.

The couple, with the girl, left Chatham on Wednesday morning, and arrived in Detroit that night. McCubbins was arrested in Windsor on Wednesday afternoon while he was awaiting the arrival of his children from Chatham.

Were to Plan Future. McCubbins is a widower, and the woman asserted that they had arranged to discuss plans for the future as soon as McCubbins and his family returned to Detroit from Windsor. Mrs. Atkinson told the immigration officials that she had married her husband nine years ago, but that she was a wealthy man, and she had married him for his money.

When arrested Mrs. Atkinson had \$2,153 in bills in her possession. She claimed this amount was money that had been given her by her husband.

Flashes From The Wire

Toronto, Jan. 2.—Mary H. Jones, of Peterboro, widow of Arthur Jones, was today granted \$1,250 damages against the Canadian General Electric Company for the electrocution of her husband last August while moving a rheostat in the company's shops. The settlement was ratified by Mr. Justice Middleton.

New York, Jan. 2.—The New York Chamber of Commerce went on record today as favoring the proposed advance in railroad freight rates. The chamber adopted a resolution to that effect, holding that the advance would not only be an "act of justice" to the railroads, but also beneficial to the entire business of the United States.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 2.—Just after Samuel J. Morrison, a wealthy businessman of Columbus, Ohio, shot a quail near Homewood, Ala., late yesterday he became so weak he had to rest on a log. His companion, Harrison Marriot, went after the bird, and when he returned he found Morrison dead beside the log. A physician who was summoned pronounced death due to apoplexy.

THREE DAYS IN LIFEBOAT

Nineteen Castaways Picked Up at Sea.

[Canadian Press.]

Astoria, Oregon, Jan. 2.—The German bark Ellbek arrived early today from Santa Rosalia, Mexico, in ballast. She brought Captain W. Marsters, his wife and two young daughters and sixteen officers and men of the British bark, Battle Abbey, burned at sea Dec. 28 last. The party abandoned the vessel after her coal cargo had been burning for more than a week. After three days in a lifeboat the castaways were picked up by the Ellbek. Bad weather caused considerable suffering, but all were well on arrival here.

FAMOUS SPECIMENS OF BASEBALL IVORY

"Bone-Headed" Plays That Have Made Certain Players the Butt of Ridicule—and Some "Bones" That Have Passed for Brilliance.

When a ball player fails to do the proper thing, he is immediately a "bone head."

The most prominent "bone head" is Fred Merkle, and Merkle is the victim of circumstance, in failing to do the proper thing upon two occasions, when his failure spelled disaster.

The first was his failure to run to second on Bridgman's hit, which cost the Red Sox the game. Merkle has since been a permanent in 1908—but Merkle has testified that in the dramatic moment when Johnny Evers was rushing across the Polo grounds diamond umpire Emmit E. Strickland pulled the "bone" of the Athletics, "pulled the bone" when he ran home, but escaped censure because he succeeded.

One of the most famous "bones" in baseball was John Anderson's attempt to steal third with that base occupied. The Baseball Magazine tells of a "bone" play made by "Bud" Sharpe, once first baseman of the Boston Braves.

Boston base men were playing and Gaspar and Cincinnati were playing. Late in the game Gaspar doubled and Bob Bescher hit the ball along the first-base line.

Sharpe, seeing he could not get the fleet Bescher, feeling the ball across to Herzog, then playing third for Boston. Herzog was not expecting the play; no one expected it, but Herzog handled the ball cleanly and retired Gaspar.

Suppose Herzog had failed to get that ball? Suppose Sharpe had not made a "bone" throw? He'd have been a "bone head" as long as he lived. As it was, he received credit for a brainy play.

"Tag" Meyers, the lathy Boston first baseman, pulled a "bone" when he raced from first to third on Wagner's sacrifice, with two out. Boston was playing New York, and Hal Chase, never dreaming Meyers would attempt such a thing, was caught napping, hurried his throw to Austin, and as a consequence the ball escaped and Meyers scored.

Harry Niles was famous for his "bone plays," and they sent him from team to team and finally to the minors.

With Boston in 1909, against Washington, with Boston one run behind, two out and Danzig on first, Niles hit to center. Niles was one of the speed-mechanics of baseball and Danzig was as slow as molasses.

But Niles, forgetting Danzig, ducked his head and started out to circle the bases. Danzig stopped at second, but Niles didn't even hesitate until he reached third.

While with Cleveland, Niles caught a fly when the bases were full of Boston runners and but one man out in the ninth and immediately started for the clubhouse with the ball, disregarding the multitude which begged him to throw to some one. Niles imagined the side was out, but Boston scored three runs and won the game.



FRED MERKLE, ON THE LEFT, AND EDDIE MURPHY, BALL PLAYERS ASSERT MURPHY "PULLED A BONE" IN THE FIFTH GAME OF THE 1913 WORLD'S SERIES, NOT MERKLE.



THORNTON, of last year's champion Orillia team, who was injured in his first game of this season and may have to retire. He is playing with the Toronto Rugby and Athletic team.

GREEK PREMIER WANTS PEACE. Rome, Jan. 2.—Eleuterios Venizelos, the Greek Premier, who is on a tour of the European capitals, arrived here today. He said that his object in coming to Rome was to improve the relations between Italy and Greece and re-establish a close friendship between the two countries.



STEVENSON, a Saskatoon boy, who is playing good hockey for the Toronto Rugby and Athletic Association's team.

GIANTS AGAIN BEAT SOX. Melbourne, Australia, Jan. 2.—The New York Nationals today defeated the Chicago American League White Sox by 4 to 3 in an eleven-inning game. The Chicago team, in a game against a Victorian nine, won by 15 runs to 3.