

CHURCH LEAGUE SCHEDULES ARE ARRANGED

Bresnahan, \$25,000 Star, Jobless; Here's Inside Story



THREAT TO BASE RUNNERS



HE ORIGINATED SHIN GUARDS

When the late Stanley Robinson signed Roger Bresnahan, he valued him at \$25,000. But Mrs. Helene Hathaway Robinson, to whom Robinson will bequeath the St. Louis Club, discharged Bresnahan this fall, because, she said, his popularity was waning.

Bresnahan is the chap who last year took a logical eighth place club, handed it sensationally and made it a first division contender.

Before she discovered her manager's popularity was on the wane, Mrs. H. R. Robinson signed him to an iron-clad contract, stipulating \$10,000 a season and 10 per cent of the club's net profits. Another clause stipulated that



ROGER BRESNAHAN

the club's business office must be run on a salary not exceeding \$10,000 a year.

When she dismissed Bresnahan, unconditionally, Mrs. Britton offered him \$25,000 to compromise, on a four-year contract calling for \$40,000, to say nothing of the 10 per cent.

Back of this is a story which throws light upon baseball methods not generally known to the public.

In 1911 the Cardinals made about \$130,000, thanks to the showing made under Bresnahan, who was hailed as another McGraw. His team was mediocre, Ketchey, Evans, Wingo, Hausner, Mowrey and Lee Magee cost but \$10,000—less than half the price paid for Marty O'Toole. Less than the price of two good Class B men.

When Bresnahan was fired everyone was pledged to secrecy. More than anyone else, Bresnahan hoped the

WHAT BRESNAHAN HAS DONE IN BIG LEAGUES.

Year	Team	League	G.	A.B.	R.	H.	SH.	SB.	Pct.
1901	Baltimore	Am.	86	283	40	77	4	10	.262
1902	New York	Nat.	50	178	15	52	4	6	.292
1903	New York	Nat.	111	406	37	142	12	24	.350
1904	New York	Nat.	107	402	81	114	3	13	.284
1905	New York	Nat.	95	331	57	100	7	11	.302
1906	New York	Nat.	124	405	69	114	5	25	.281
1907	New York	Nat.	104	328	57	83	6	15	.352
1908	New York	Nat.	133	449	70	127	14	24	.282
1909	St. Louis	Nat.	69	234	27	57	7	11	.244
1910	St. Louis	Nat.	78	234	35	65	8	13	.278
1911	St. Louis	Nat.	78	227	22	63	6	4	.278
1912	St. Louis	Nat.	49	108	8	36	0	3	.333

word would not leak out for 10 days, but it did, thereby spilling Roger's beans.

Had 10 days passed, he would have been a free agent, and the Cardinals would have drawn a fine for failing to ask for waivers. And it is no secret that the national commission could ask nothing better than a chance to



HE'S A .300 HITTER.

fine the club, now handled by Mrs. Britton's legal advisers, who have yet to learn much about baseball law.

That a difference of opinion exists about Bresnahan's value is evident, as Barney Dreyfuss is ready to pay him more than any other catcher ever received. Barney Dreyfuss says Bresnahan will make the Pirate a pennant winner. Others, including Garry Herrmann, have a large salary weakness for the brainy backstop and scrappy

player, who was chiefly responsible for New York winning the flag in 1905.

Events leading up to the break between Mrs. Britton and her manager, not given as reasons when she dismissed him, are:

1—Last spring Roger took the club from Jackson, Tenn., to Jackson, Miss., because of inadequate hotels and playing field, without consulting Mrs. Britton.

2—He tried to trade with Cincinnati for players who might have put St. Louis in the first division, but was prevented.

3—He wanted to trade Huggins and Ellis for Mitchell and McDonald but Mrs. Britton blocked him, and announced she was running the club, despite Bresnahan's contract, which gave him authority to make deals.

4—Detectives shadowed Bresnahan, and in New York he thrashed one.

5—On Sept. 6, after a conference with Huggins, she denied that she intended to discharge Bresnahan.

6—Mrs. Britton and President J. C. Jones commented upon players so that what they said was carried to the bench.

Bresnahan has had a brilliant career. He is one of the game's greatest catchers. He invented the shin guards, now in general use, and as a batter leads all the backstops in the league.

As a manager, Bresnahan had the Cardinals thinking they were the greatest players in the world and at times they played as if they were. Prevented from spending money for players, he secured the best he could, by making trades.

Unless the signs are wrong, the discharge of the manager-catcher will prove a costly move for St. Louis' woman magnate.

CHURCH LEAGUE SCHEDULES OUT

Were Drawn Up at a Meeting of United Church Hockey League Association Thursday Night—Games Will Be Played On Mondays and Fridays.

The schedules of three church leagues were arranged at a meeting of the United Church Hockey League Association held in the Y. M. C. A. last evening. The Presbyterian League has four teams, as has also the Methodist League. While the Anglican League is composed of six teams. As a result, three games will be played on Monday evenings and four on Friday evenings. The games will be played at the Simcoe street rink.

The leagues will open on Monday evening next, the first game being played between Presbyterian League teams. All the first games start at 7 o'clock.

The schedules are as follows:

METHODIST LEAGUE SCHEDULE.

Jan. 6—First Methodist vs. Dundas Centre, 8 to 9.
Jan. 10—Hill Street vs. Askin Street, 7 to 8.
Jan. 13—First Methodist vs. Hill Street, 9 to 10.
Jan. 17—Dundas Centre vs. Askin Street, 8 to 9.
Jan. 20—Askin Street vs. First Methodist, 7 to 8.
Jan. 24—Dundas Centre vs. Hill Street, 9 to 10.
Jan. 27—Hill Street vs. First Methodist, 8 to 9.
Jan. 31—Dundas Centre vs. Askin Street, 7 to 8.

ANGELICAN LEAGUE SCHEDULE.

Jan. 6—St. Paul vs. Memorial, 9 to 10.
Jan. 10—St. James vs. Christ Church, 9 to 10.
Jan. 13—St. George's vs. St. George's, 10 to 11.
Jan. 17—St. James vs. St. Paul, 7 to 8.
Jan. 20—St. George's vs. Christ Church, 10 to 11.
Jan. 24—St. George's vs. St. Paul, 10 to 11.
Jan. 27—St. James vs. St. Paul, 7 to 8.
Jan. 31—St. George's vs. Christ Church, 10 to 11.

PRESBYTERIAN LEAGUE SCHEDULE.

Jan. 6—St. Andrews vs. King Street, 7 to 8.
Jan. 10—First Church vs. St. James, 8 to 9.
Jan. 13—King Street vs. First Church, 9 to 10.
Jan. 17—St. James vs. St. Andrews, 8 to 9.
Jan. 20—St. Andrews vs. First Church, 9 to 10.
Jan. 24—King Street vs. St. James, 7 to 8.
Jan. 27—St. Andrews vs. King Street, 7 to 8.
Jan. 31—St. James vs. First Church, 8 to 9.

OLD COUNTRY GAMES.

London, Jan. 2.—Results of today's principal football fixtures:
English League—Division One, Manchester City 4, Notts County 0.
English League—Division Two, Glossop 2, Fulham 0.
Scottish League, Celtic 3, Clyde 0.
Partick Thistle 2, Rangers 3.
Rugby, Northampton 5, Belford 0.

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NO THREE-YEAR CONTRACT FOR TYRUS RAYMOND COBB

President Navin Says Only One-Year Contract Will Be Given "Peach."

Detroit, Jan. 3.—Tyrus Raymond Cobb will not get a three-year contract.

President Frank Navin, of the Detroit baseball club, made that very positive statement Thursday afternoon when he refused to sign up the Georgia Peach for three years.

Not explained, but there are several reasons which might prompt this decision.

In the first place by tendering Ty Cobb a three-year contract at a big salary, Mr. Navin would place himself in a position whereby he might have

to continue paying the peach the top price after the greatest of all players had begun to "go back." It is not likely that Cobb will even start to slip for three years, but there is always the possibility of an accident which would rob him of his tremendous speed and dash.

Certainly the southron will not have become aged or decrepit in another trip of seasons. He has just passed his 26th birthday and, as he takes good care of himself, ought to last for a long time yet.

What seems a more likely explanation of the Detroit club's preference for a one-year contract is that Mr. Navin may find it more convenient to give Ty Cobb a very large sum for a single season and then taper off, than to book him for the triple appearance at a salary that would average up the same in the long run.

BATTERY AND A. M. C. TEAMS WON INDOOR BALL GAMES

R. C. R. and the First Hussars Were Defeated Teams—Second Game a Good One.

The Sixth Field Battery and the Army Medical Corps teams were winners in the Armories' Indoor Baseball League games last evening. As a result the A. M. C. team leads the league, while the Battery and R. C. R. teams are tied for second place. The First Hussars have failed to break into the win column as yet and are at the bottom.

A One-Sided Game.

The first game was a runaway affair for the Battery team. The R. C. R. aggregation looked pretty good on Monday night, when the First Hussars succumbed before them, but last night the tables were reversed, and the Battery team was defeated by the same score that they beat the First Hussars by. The game was replete with good fielding, but the Regulars could not hit Tozer. The final score was 17 to 6. The game has been protested on the ground that Tozer does not belong to the Battery, but is really an A. M. C. man.

As a result a meeting has been called for this evening in the A. M. C. rooms and the protest will be decided. The R. C. R. claim is said to be a fair one, and there is a possibility of the game being replayed.

The teams were as follows: R. C. R.—Raymond, Dunkerly, H. Phillips, Folger, B. Phillips, Travis, Crisp, Gyves and Spicer.

Field Battery—Tozer, Dutton, Doherty, Farquhar, McLeod, Norman, Plumridge, Ball and Jones.

The score was: R. C. R. 20, Battery 6.

Batteries—Dunkerly and Raymond; Tozer and Dutton.

The Second Game.

The First Hussars were beaten in the second game by the score of 7 to 1. This game was the hardest fought and best played since the league opened and a large crowd of rooters yelled themselves hoarse. The Hussars played much better ball than on Monday night, and for a time they seemed to have the fast A. M. C. team on the run. Every game on the team played a good game, and this team will be hard to beat when they get a little more practice and become accustomed to playing together. Their greatest weakness was at bat, being unable to hit Livingston, who pitched splendid ball, while his teammates accorded him splendid support. McLeod and Ward played a great game for the Hussars, while some brilliant work in the field provided some thrills for the spectators. Bill Baker and

Gatcliffe handled both games in a satisfactory and capable manner. The teams were as follows:

First Hussars—Perry, Hill, Brodson, Shaw, Roberts, Ward, Ashwell, Flint and McLeod.

A. M. C.—Orr, Beaton, Taylor, Clarke, Early, Gibbanks, Richardson, Sherritt and Livingston.

The score: First Hussars 9, A. M. C. 0.

Next Games.

Monday, Jan. 6, Army Medical Corps vs. R. C. R.; First Hussars vs. Sixth Field Battery.

PALZER HELPLESS WHEN BOUT STOPPED

Referee Eytton Explains Why He Stopped Fight in the Eighteenth Round.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 2.—Luther McCarty, accredited heavyweight champion of the world, and Al Palzer, the man whom he defeated yesterday in one of the most terrific ring battles witnessed in Los Angeles, are resting today. McCarty, outside a few bruises, is almost fit to go into another contest. His big opponent is battered and sore and bears numerous marks of the punishment he assimilated yesterday.

There is considerable comment among fight followers here today over the action of Referee Charley Eytton in stopping the fight in the eighteenth round, after Palzer's seconds refused to interfere. For the most part the fans agree that Palzer's action was justified, that Palzer was in real danger of being severely hurt by the blows of his antagonist, and that the Iowa man could no longer defend himself.

I stopped the fight because Palzer was absolutely helpless," Eytton explained. "I did not propose to see the big fellow subjected to useless punishment. Palzer is all heart, but he had no chance with McCarty."

MORE THAN DOZEN CUBS SIGN.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—More than a dozen Cubs have already signed the 1913 contracts which contain an abstinence clause and which was one of the things that caused the break between President Murphy and Manager Frank Chance last season.

DOINGS IN CITY HOCKEY CIRCLES

Al Watts has been signed by the Army Medical Corps for the City League, and will mind the nets for that team this year. Watts kept goal for the Intermediates last year.

The local hockey club is endeavoring to arrange a game with the fast Toronto Canoe Club team, Junior champions last year. The game, if arranged, will be played on Friday, Jan. 17, an open date here.

The secretary of the City League has received a letter from the Spalding people in reference to the trophy. An agreement was forwarded with the letter, and as soon as this is signed by the league officials and returned to Toronto the cup will be forwarded to be placed on exhibition in Gord's window.

A meeting of the hockey players of King Street and the Simcoe street rink, and Manager Winder says that everything is ready for hockey except the ice. He expects this will be ready in time for the City League opening on Wednesday night, if not sooner.

Hagerman, of the Orient Club, is said to be a find. He is a particularly fast skater, and would have made the intermediate team. It is claimed, had he arrived in the city in time for the residence rule.

Roy Wright is shaping into a great little net guardian, his work at Berlin New Year's night causing a great deal of favorable comment by those who witnessed the game. Roy's only failing seems to be an inclination toward nervousness. When he overcomes this he will be as good as the best of them.

Secretary Vining of the London Hockey Club, has written the Drumbo management, asking that the club pay the expense of the London club when it is advertising the London-Drumbo game, which was to have been played this evening. According to the O. H. A. rule book, the Drumbo team should have given the local club three days' notice of their withdrawal, instead of a few hours.

SAFETY PLAY IS TO BE RETAINED

Billiards' Only Defensive Element Would Be Robbed if It Was Eliminated.

New York, Jan. 3.—Safety play is to be retained as permissible in billiards, and not to be penalized in the rules about to be established by the National Association of Amateur Billiard Players, according to a decision reached by the rules committee and announced today.

It was learned that a number of prominent amateur players had registered their opposition to the proposed rule on the ground that it would take from billiards what amounted to its only defensive element.

Although it is believed by the committee that the new rules was misinterpreted its elimination has been decided upon.

The meeting of the National Association to be held here on Jan. 29 will have other new rules to consider, but it is expected to take no further action on the elimination of safety play.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Exhibition, Parkdale 16, Kingston 3, Boston 7, McGill 4.

GAMES TODAY.

O. H. A. Senior, Peterboro at St. Michael's, Arena, Stratford at Preston.

O. H. A. Intermediate, Trenton at Peterboro, Dunnville at Simcoe.

Welland at Niagara Falls H. C. Berlin at Elmira, Paris at Guelph Victorias, Collingwood at Bradford.

Barrie at Enniskillen, O. H. A. Junior, Peterboro at Whitby, Oshawa at Port Hope, Galt at New Hamburg.

Ottawa Valley League, Renfrew at Arnprior, Carleton Place at Pembroke, Cobalt League, McKinley at Nipissing.

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Second race, one mile—1, Zeraster, 105; 2, Orbed Lad, 108; 3, Lotta Cree, 103. Time, 1:39.3-5.
Third race, 5% furlongs—1, Insurance Man, 104; 2, Sprightly Miss, 98; 3, Kamchatka, 104. Time, 1:08.
Fourth race, six furlongs—1, El Palomar, 98; 2, Tilford Thomas, 100; 3, Tern- Trick, 106. Time, 1:12.3-5.
Fifth race, six furlongs—1, Rogol, 103; 2, Parlor Boy, 112; 3, Ethel Samson, 102. Time, 1:13.1-5.
Sixth race, one mile—1, Lackrose, 111; 2, Dutch Rock, 110; 3, Engraver, 115. Time, 1:40.