

JAMES M'ALEER HAS REALIZED HIS AMBITION

But Boston Red Sox Magnate Had to Own a Club Before Landing a Pennant—He Tried Long and Hard.

HAS HAD GREAT CAREER

It Took Jimmy Twelve Years to Turn the Trick But He Did It in Style—Second Was Best Formerly.

James R. McAleer had to become the owner of a club before he could achieve the goal of every man at the head of a baseball club—the winning of a championship. Since the year 1900 McAleer had been trying to land a winner. Two years ago he was at the head of the Washington Nationals failed to bring a pennant to his club. In 1908 he finished in second place with St. Louis, and he was fourth with Cleveland in 1909, but that is the best he had in the years since. He was a second division club every year outside of the two mentioned.

Not that McAleer was a bad manager. They considered him one of the best in the business, but somehow or other something went wrong. Jimmy didn't have the players one year, and he had the players the next, only to be deprived of their services by accidents. So it went for 12 years, and never a championship team for McAleer.

In those 12 years Jimmy saved money and made friends. When the opportunity came last summer he took the money he had made and called on his friends and got some more. With this fund he bought a club and moved to the Boston club and you know the result.

Brains of Red Sox. Jimmy is the brains of the Boston club, the managerial brains. Robert B. McRoy provided the business brains for the club, and with a bunch of star players and a bunch of star players to back them, the result was inevitable. Jimmy McAleer was born in Youngstown, O., on June 19, 1864. He began his baseball career in the summer of 1888 with Charleston of the Southern league.

Records show that James R. didn't get that league afloat with brilliant work; didn't even turn up the ancient borough of Charleston, S. C. He played with Memphis of the same league during 1887. In the eighth of games that he played that season, McAleer cut loose with the "big stick" and swatted the ball for an average of .432. His fielding was a feature of almost every game he played in that season.

The year of 1888 saw "Mac" rapidly plying the high road to fame. Milwaukee "on the River" had him that season. He had the "Dutch settlement" all agog with astonishment at the wonderful stunts he pulled off daily in the outfield. He stood at the catchers' feet in the Western league, stealing 73 bases in 86 games.

From the jump, McAleer had a bid for the honors that the great Fogarty had carried for several years, and soon was clasped with the famous Philadelphia. The most able experts and critics of the game agree in saying that no outfielder of the present day or of the past has done more for his team than the Cleveland club. 10 years, ranking high in fielding, his last year, as a batter James R. was just fair; some seasons good, but never considered a leading light in the swatting game.

The year 1898 saw the passing of James R. McAleer from an active playing part to the dignified role of "manager." Identified with the American league from its birth, he cast his lot with the infant organization in 1900, taking the management of the Cleveland club.

While his honors have not been rewarded with any great amount of success, when judged from the standpoint of positions that the different teams he managed occupied, yet he has always been considered a great manager.

Since taking up the Boston proposition and with everything in his own hand, President McAleer has given that great ball town a great team, a team that won out.

The World's Selections BY CENTAUR.

JUAREZ.
FIRST RACE—No selection.
SECOND RACE—Bonnie Bard, Ben Uncas, Little Marchmont.
THIRD RACE—Princess Industry, Loan Shrike, Amio Girl.
FOURTH RACE—Oakland, Lee Harrison II., Percy Henderson.
FIFTH RACE—Tallot, Dip, Pedro, Force.
SIXTH RACE—Setback, Lotta Creed, Flying.

Today's Entries

At Juarez.
JUAREZ, Mexico, Jan. 6.—The entries for tomorrow are as follows:
FIRST RACE—Maidens, two-year-olds, three furlongs:
Tip Dowdell, 109; Alabama Bam, 109; Old Getch, 109; Yip Hy La, 109; Dick Bodie, 112; Helen Storey, 109; Mademoiselle, 109; Meritious, 109; Korthage, 109; Mangate, 111; Milton Royle, 109; Galar, 109; Benedict, 112.
SECOND RACE—Selling, four-year-olds, 1 1/8 miles:
Wadsworth II., 109; Lottin, 109; Little Marchmont, 109; Hatters, 109; Ben Uncas, 113; Silver Grain, 109.
THIRD RACE—Selling, three-year-olds, 1 1/8 miles:
Green Cloth, 96; Loan Shark, 96; King Salsbury, 109; Mary Emily, 109; Gift, 109; Amohalio, 109; Pin Industry, 109; Highland Chief, 113.
FOURTH RACE—Selling, three-year-olds, 1 1/8 miles:
Santal, 109; Nazurka, 109; Ingle, 109; Oakland, 110; Yehudab, 110; Percy Hatten, 110; Gelco, 110; Lee Harrison II., 110.
FIFTH RACE—Selling, three-year-olds, 1 1/8 miles:
Santal, 109; Nazurka, 109; Ingle, 109; Oakland, 110; Yehudab, 110; Percy Hatten, 110; Gelco, 110; Lee Harrison II., 110.
SIXTH RACE—Selling, four-year-olds, 1 1/8 miles:
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CLARK GRIFFITH NEEDS PITCHER AND FIELDERS

Senators Are Strong, But Three More Good Men Must Be Secured—Washington Views.

Ban Johnson's proposed scheme of crediting pitchers on a basis of his earned run inning, or the next batch of earned runs made out from his office, as opposed by Manager Clark Griffith of the Washington club.

Griffith in no way figures that Johnson's method is proper, either as an incentive to pitchers or for players in backing up the hurler in his efforts to defeat the enemy. Moreover, Griffith says that no possible way can Johnson's proposed scheme help the fans or players, and that it is not a fair test of a pitcher's ability as the game won and games lost column show.

Manager Griffith does not want the wins and lost columns stricken from the records in the future, and so are the pitchers. What does a pitcher want with runs earned off him and his per inning? A pitcher either wins a game or loses it, and the breaks in the line have nothing to do with it. It is not a fair test of a pitcher's ability.

"A man might have won fifteen games and lost four under the new system proposed, and still be under the average of a pitcher who has won four and lost fifteen. Some pitchers work differently than others and manage to win games with a number of hits are made off them.

"Give me the man who is out after the game and doesn't figure on how many hits are being made every inning, or how many earned runs are being brought across the plate; one who is out to win many runs or few, many hits or few," says the Senators' boss.

There are several other ways of looking at it. If a pitcher is a pitcher of mediocre ability is with a strong team, and is able to win many games, he gets credit for his wins, and unless his average is closely studied, his strength cannot be determined.

"At the same time there are pitchers who start against certain teams and can win nine times out of ten. Start them against other teams and they will be pounded hard. Now there is no possible way to determine by hits per inning just what a man is good for."

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NO RACES, SNOW STORM IN MEXICO

Elements Scare the Crowds from Juarez Track—Entries and Selections.

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 6.—A blizzard and snowstorm raging in this vicinity today caused the abandonment of the races at the Juarez track. A new program was made up for tomorrow.

NOT A STORM ON LEAGUE HORIZON

Newark Scribe Figures That Big League Capital Acts as Safety Gauge in Barrow Circuit Just Now.

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 6.—There is no immediate danger nor any firm signals flashed on the baseball horizon of the International League, in spite of the tendency of scribes in certain towns to work themselves into a fit over the situation, says The Evening Star. As a matter of fact, the salary limit has yet been adopted, and therefore nothing definite on the situation can be mapped out until after the National Commission meets.

President Edward G. Barrow and President Jacob Stein, of the Buffalo clubs tomorrow.

This talk of a war scare and a sinking fund for that purpose is without foundation. If some of these without-fund will take a few minutes to look over the dope, they will discover that every club in the league is either affiliated directly or indirectly with some major league club.

It has been the policy of the big leagues for some time to get their cash into paying franchises in the International League and the American Association. The aim is obvious. There can be no no-nonsense in the league. Baltimore, as an practically owned by big league magnates. There is much Boston (American League) money in the Jersey City club thru the connection with Hugh McBrean with both clubs. The other clubs are tied up with major league organizations. Three player agreements which do not expire in some cases for three or four years.

The precautionary moves which have been taken by the International League are merely measures to protect the league from a serious financial crash which would have occurred in two or three of the cities which have been habitual second division clubs. Were the game not strictly on the level, it would be the easiest thing in the world for the magnates to pool together a certain sum to build these losing clubs, in order that they might retain prestige.

The sinking fund has nothing to do with the game. The International League has no reason just now to claim equality with the big leagues in the matter of attendance. It may be only a slight difference in the playing standard of the majors and in the Class AA leagues, but the financial backing and the population of the big leagues changes the entire situation.

Peterboro Bantam. The twelfth annual bonspiel of the Peterboro Curling Club will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 22, at which many valuable prizes will be competed for, amongst which will be the Grand Challenge Cup. This 'spiel is open to all-comers, and as Peterboro has a very large curling rink, and as many visiting clubs are expected, the committee are looking for their best team. The draw will be made at one o'clock noon.

Pinch Hitter Last to Sign Up. BOSTON, Jan. 6.—The "hold out" among the members of the world's champion Red Sox developed so far disappeared today, when Olaf Henriksen signed a contract for next year. Henriksen's two-bagger in the final game of the world's series was one of the deciding factors in giving Boston a victory over New York.

In Place of Pneumatic Tires. Substitutes for the pneumatic tire are being presented in numbers, but a small percentage of them fill the requirements.

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HARNESS RACES OPEN TODAY AT DUFFERIN

Track Expected to Be in Fine Shape for the Three Days' Meet.

The track will be in fine shape today for the opening of the Dufferin Driving Club's three-days' meeting at Dufferin Park. There are two races on the card, the 2:12 pace and the 2:32 pace and trot, each for a purse of \$500, with fifth and sixth money added to the purse. The following are the entries for today:

2:12 pace, purse \$500—Hal H., b.h., Geo. S. McCall, St. Thomas; Bonnie Cope, b.m., George S. McCall, St. Thomas; Opus, b.h., Smith and Trotter, Toronto; Hal D., b.h., L. Conroy, Springfield, N.Y.; Johnnie Hubs, b.h., A. C. McKee, Toronto; Wainwright, b.h., Clara Paul, b.m., J. McLean, Moose Jaw, Sask.; Nettie Watson, b.m., J. Smith, Toronto; greatest heart, b.h., J. C. Ward, Toronto; St. Anthony, b.h., R. T. Brownlee, Ottawa; I. X. L., b.h., C. Beckard, Chatham; St. Skid, b.h., L. E. Nicholson, Toronto; Rose Pleasant, b.h., V. W. Rowntree, Weston; Adrian Pointer, b.h., George Gray, Windsor; Lady Dillon, b.m., Jas. Smith, Toronto; Onwell, b.h., Ovide Combe, Calgary, Alberta; Sas B. Jr., b.h., R. T. Brownlee, Ottawa; Victoria Posen, b.m., R. Scott, Toronto; Little Fred, b.h., W. H. O'Dell, Weston.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT STEEPLECHASE CUP

Ottawa Will Have Richest Cross-Country Race on the Continent.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 6.—Ottawa is to have the biggest steeplechase in America according to directory. The Duke of Connaught Steeplechase Cup, which will probably be known as the Duke of Connaught Steeplechase, will carry a prize of \$10,000, and will be a grand spectacle, with it. It will also have a hand in making it the richest cross-country event on the continent. The Ottawa race is the one of the best in Canada. Its location is unrivaled, the ground is grand, the stables and other equipment are declared to be the best in Canada by representative horsemen. The stabling capacity has been largely increased from the original plan.

Sporting Notes. The disqualification of St. Anthony at Hillcrest on Saturday was not a popular move and the judges came in for considerable criticism. The result is that Mr. Service will not be in the stand at Dufferin Park. St. Anthony has a record of 2:14, and his 2:14 equals Dora C.'s world's mark on ice.

The curling is here this week with a rush, according to arrangements and whether the weather will allow the program to proceed is another question. The single rink championship starts on Thursday and the friendly games, but even if the frost comes along the latter is sure to get the go-by.

By drawing the color line Luther McCarty will not be called upon to meet the champion of the African division of the boxing game. Not that he is afraid of Sam Langford or the wish of his manager, Billy McCarthy, who acknowledges the fact that he is not a match for the champion of the world, but he is a white man and will not fight a colored man.

The elevation of Jack Johnson to the championship of the world is a considerable matter, but now, by the action of Johnson and the extraordinary ability shown by the fight followers, and the game should enjoy a boom, or a new lease of life.

Negotiations for a fight between Jack Johnson and Bombardier Wells in France next summer are under way. R. C. Jenkins, representing Johnson in England, received a cable despatch recently from the big negro to the effect that a letter had been mailed to Jenkins authorizing him to sign articles of agreement. The French promoters who started the Klus-Carpentier fight last fall are prepared to pull off the proposed Johnson-Wells affair either in Paris or at Dieppe during Grand Prix week, according to an English paper, is ready to sign articles as soon as Johnson's agent hears from him.

John and Wells were matched to fight in London a year ago, but the matter was interfered with by the fact that Wells, if he can secure a match with Luther McCarty in California or New York, will decide to back out of the affair with Johnson.

Billy McCarthy, manager of Luther McCarty, will leave for New York City at once. McCarthy has an offer of \$500 for a week at a New York theatre, and he says, and will accept it. He has declined to see McCarthy up for another fight at Vernon until he has talked things over with the New York fight clubs. McCarthy received more than \$8000 for whipping Palmer, while the latter's share was about \$2500. The gross receipts did not exceed \$25,000, and Promoter McCarthy's take-off was a trifle more than \$10,000 or 40 per cent. Nearly 10,000 persons paid for tickets.

Novel Use for Great Wall. There is a proposition in China to make use of the remains of the Great Wall for the purposes of a railway around the city.

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