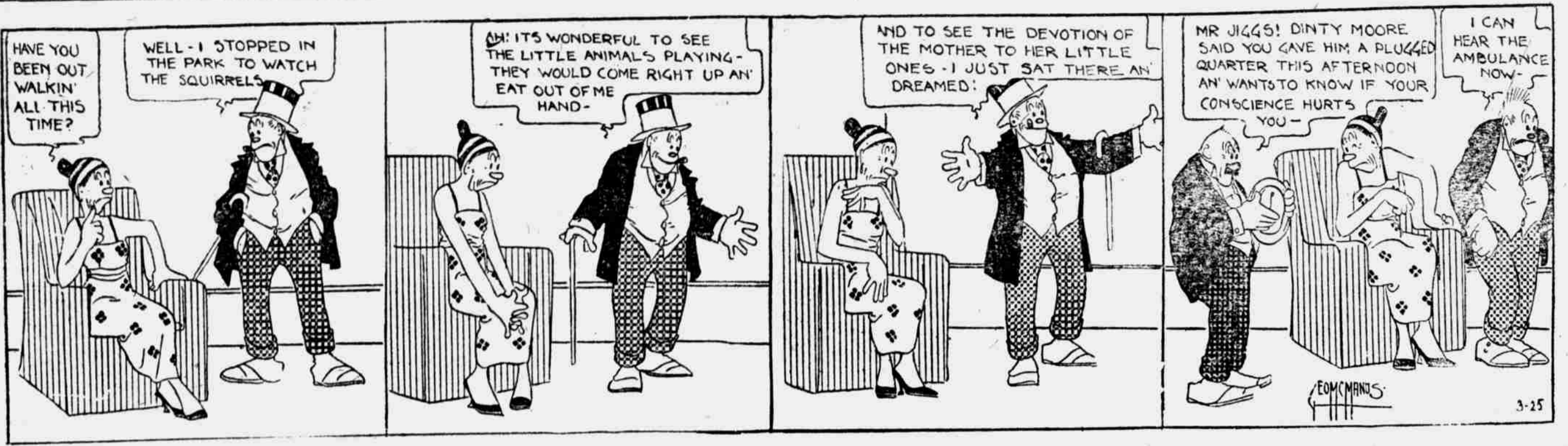


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CHICAGO CUBS MUCH IMPROVED BASE BALL CLUB

But Strength Is All Defensive and Team Is, Therefore, a Problem, Declares Fullerton.

By HUGH S. FULLERTON. In military service, 2. Liable to service, 5.

Chicago's Cubs are one of the inter-rogation marks of base ball. It is a team very strong in pitchers, much strengthened in catching, which was the weakest department of last season, much better in the outfield and with problematic infield, which certainly will not be worse than it was last season.

The team has one of the best managers in the business. It is a small club. It has great defensive strength. It is a team that could average a little above three runs a game, and one that has the pitchers who should be able to restrict the activities of their opponents to even less.

The team is a defensive ball club par excellence, without much drive, without the punch and relying strictly upon pitching and defensive work to win.

Further, it is a team that has been rather cunningly constructed by Fred Mitchell, a past master in the art of defensive play. He has pointed his ball club to beat two teams—New York and Cincinnati, both teams that can out hit his own.

But the ball-playing end of the Chicago club is one of the least of the worries. Here is a team with almost as many "owners" as it has players. It is owned by men who are base ball cranks. It is owned by men who, in the main, know base ball from the box seats.

The playing strength of the team really counts very little unless other conditions are adjusted. There is a feud on between the owners and the players—on the part of the players at least. The players openly resent the interference with their affairs by men they know do not know much about the game.

The stockholders, having been scooped in pocket and burned in print, may be less likely to interfere this season than last, but the ownership is a big problem. During the winter the club has indulged in a disgusting line of cheap publicity which has soured many of the fans.

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MICHIGAN WINS ANNUAL INDOOR MEET OF 'BIG 10'

Wolverines Signalize Their Return to Conference by Piling Up 42 Points; Chicago Is Second.

Evansville, Ill., March 24.—The University of Michigan signalized its return to 'Big Ten' track athletics last night, by winning the annual indoor championship of the western conference with a total of 42 points. Chicago was second with 22, and Wisconsin third with 16.

The Wolverines, competing in a conference meet for the first time in 12 years, scored in nine of the 10 events. Seattle Man Star. Johnson, a 19-year-old sophomore from Spokane, Wash., was the individual star. He carried the honors of the Wolverine to victory in the 50-yard dash, 60-yard high hurdles and running high jump.

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As to Kilduff. Kilduff is a gritty, hustling, fighting little fellow with lots of pep and he is dangerous as a hitter, although he is not shown consistently. He is young and will go. Yorklacher comes from the coast as the highest-touted shortstop ever sent east. If he can hit (and they vow he can) Mitchell's shortstop position is filled. Hollacher was touted even when playing some pro ball around St. Louis as a big league prospect and his play in the minors was wonderful.

Besides these there are Zeider, who can play any infield position, Pechous, Lear and Wortman, a formidable array of reserve talent. Wortman is a wonderful fielder, but never has shown more than symptoms of hitting.

The success or failure of the team is largely up to the owners and to Mitchell. It is stated that President Weegman intends that Mitchell shall have entire control and that any interference with the players by others will be stopped.

Mitchell's big job will be right at the start to smooth over the ill-feeling existing among a large number of players on the salary cutting question. From what I can learn among the players there appears to be more resentment against the manager in which things were done than in the actual cutting. Also some one will have to explain why \$250,000 is available to buy players and none for salaries. One player writes sarcastically:

"He wants me to contribute about \$1,500 of that \$250,000 to hire someone to try to take my job—and mine isn't stage money."

However, the players generally realize that cut is necessary and after the season starts the importance of these things dwindles.

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Earl Caddock Adds Third Army Chevron

Earl Caddock, world's champion wrestler, has been promoted from corporal to sergeant in the national army.

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Two top-sided games were played Saturday on the Young Men's Christian association floor. The Fremont Young Men's Christian association flippers scalped the local champs of the Commercial league and the Benson-Thorne quintet played rings around the tossers backed by Olson's Sioux City sporting goods house.

The evening started with promise of some good close playing. The Fremont flippers were only three points ahead of the Nakens at the close of the first half. The second half was easy for the visitors. Gardner starred for the Fremont quintet, securing seven field goals. Bromley did the heavy work for the locals.

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NEBRASKA-IOWA RESIDENTS LAND FEDERAL BERTHS

Washington, March 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Ida M. Wade of Sumner, Ia., has been appointed clerk in the War department.

Lillian C. Kramer, Remsen, Ia.; Lake M. Emery, Fairfield, Ia.; Pearl G. Sherlock, Waineville, Neb., appointed clerks in the Agricultural department.

Civil service examination for fourth class postmaster April 27 at the following places: Fort Robinson, Neb.; Rodman, Ia.; Herried, Wall, Eden, S. D.

Edna Frussell has been appointed postmaster at Berwyn, Custer county, Neb.; vice Jennie M. Lee, resigned; Mabel M. Palmer, Spring Valley, Uintah county, Wyo.; vice Clarence J. Foster, resigned.

Citizens who assembled at the South Franklin school and at the Henry W. Yates school Friday night for the War Savings meetings were disappointed on account of unforeseen circumstances.

At the last moment the Board of Education informed the committee that the Henry W. Yates school was not open, but it was too late to get the information to the people in the neighborhood.

At the South Franklin school a crowd assembled, but the workers who were to sell stamps could not get there. The speaker was present, but on account of unavoidable circumstances the team of workers with the pledge cards and other material failed to arrive.

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MILLS TO BRING MEN ON GRIDIRON FOR SPRING WORK

Innovation at Creighton, It Is Hoped, Will Result in Fine Eleven for the Fall Battles.

Spring foot ball is in vogue in Omaha. That is, on an official scale Coach Tommy Mills of Creighton is responsible for it.

Mills has sent out the call for his young foot ball hulkies to report on Creighton field Monday afternoon in full moleskin regalia. In addition the inimitable Blue and White center had honeycombed the whole college for likely foot ball talent that failed to put in an appearance on the gridiron last September.

All men who gave any promise from a cursory glance, were urged by Mills to come out and try for his spring foot ball team. Fifty men in addition to the regular team are expected to report.

The Creighton coach will first whip his old men back into shape and then turn them loose on the "rookies."

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