

Johnny Evers, New Manager of Cubs.

"I'm glad it's all over," said Chance,

"The strain of the last few develop-

ments in my case has been a tough

one for a man just out of a hospital.

"There are no hard feelings be-

to emphasize that point. It is a pro-

motion for Johnny, and he deserves

wears away, and Johnny is popular

with the fans. No city can show a

more loyal bunch of fans than Chi-

friends now. All I can say is that in

Kitty Bransfield has signed to man-

Shortstop O'Dowd of the New York

age the Montreal team next season.

Highlanders has been sold to Brock-

\$20,000 in nine months with his box-

The Cardinals have signed a Cu-

Fame is a great thing. Tris Speaker

was selected to start an automobile

Bob Harmon or the St. Louis Car-

They are now pulling this: Snod-

Hinchman captain of the Fordham

St Lonis seems to get along well

\$2,000 per season for any one player.

ban catcher named Cueto. He is

ing gloves.

said to be a star.

race at Salem, N. H.

given the best that was in me."

GOSSIP

ing to worry me.

Stepping into his new job as man- | does what he is up against, but he is man who can punt accurately. ager of the Cubs with the best wishes game and may make a success of it. of the fans, Johnny Evers neverthe He doesn't go into the job with any less faces about the fanciest bunch of illusions. He has been playing for trouble ever gathered under one tent, the Cubs for ten years, and he knows it is likely that in this department says the Chicago Evening Post.

Before signing him up-and Evers delusion that he is lying down to best development. wasn't exactly yearning for the job- pleasant dreams in a bed of roses. Charles Webb Murphy made him agree | "If the fans will stick by him until to carry out some of the policies he gets a fair try-out, that's all he shich Frank Chance, out of the wealth asks. And he believes they will. It of his experience as a baseball gener-looks like a second division team for al, had refused to consider. the West Side for a couple of years,

It looks like tough sledding for a but after the new machine gets to while," Evers admitted, after he had working properly Johnny thinks he put his name to a contract which can bring it up to the top again."



Frank Chance, Ex-Manager.

made him manager of the team for the next five years. "There will be dinals has been elected vice-president many changes. But Mr. Murphy has of a wallpaper company, assured me that I can do anything I | Reports say that all the New York want to in the way of trades, and I American league games will be playwill be responsible for whatever hap ed at the Polo grounds next year.

There had been many reports that grass is the best furrier in the world after Chance had been completely because he made a \$29,000 muff. shorn of any authority to protest the Cub team would be torn to pieces, football team says his squad ought to and Evers' statement appears to sub- make a general clearing this year. stantiate these rumors.

The circumstances under which football team, is one of the latest to Evers stepped into Chance's shoes be declared ineligible because of St. Louis Browns next season, won his paint was about the only thing there to waste a moment on the yesterdays. were explained by a member of the scholarship conditions.

"Evers didn't want the job, and it without boxing, and New York is gosook a lot of persuasion to force him ing along all right under the Frawley who slammed the first ball for a trito it," he declared. "In fact, there law, so, you see, it can be done. wasn't a man or the team who want- They say that Forest Cady, catcher ed to become manager. Tinker frank- of the Red Sox and one of the world's ly said he wouldn't take it under any series herces, has a whip something circumstances, and when he was similar to that of Jimmy Archer's. called down by Murphy for making! The Pacific Coast league magnates these statements for publication are up in arms against the minor Tinker repeated them to Murphy's leaguers who want a salary limit of

"But Evers' situation was different. It is said there is little likelihood Johnny has been unfortunate in finan- that Bombadier Wells will return to cial matters, and the added salary as this country, as he asks more money manager was a great inducement, than the promoters think he is worth, Then, too, Murphy's hand had been James P. Sullivan, the veteran disforced by statements that he was tance runner of New York, has quit stalling and was having trouble find- the amateur ranks to become a training anybody who would work for him, er.

"It was a case of become manager chester (N. H.) lightweight, is go New York American league teams, to fuse Nobody knows better than he city.

their distance kicking ability. Now the punt comes so comparatively seldom that the importance of the punter is much reduced. The abolition of the onside kick also does away to a large extent with the need for a

fices to hold the ball.

Only for the field goal kicker is there still a strong demand, and une less later games bring some change Murphy. Johnny isn't harboring the the use of the skilled toe will have its

WORK OF PUNTER NOT HARD

Under New Rules Kickers Are Called

on Less Often to Boot-Feature

Almost Eliminated.

Punters are likely to be put out

of their jobs if the early football

games of the season can be said to

is agreement on this one point in

regulations-punting has virtually

to surrender it by a punt, says the

worked by the new rules. It was

a reform that was desired, for in

the last few years the defense had

make consistent progress against a

team of anywhere near its own cal-

iber. Hence there was the constant

use of the punt. Two tries, a petty

The football authorities sought to

do away with this condition. They

weakened the defense. The for-

ward pass was made, legal any-

where on the field, the number of

downs was increased from three to

The removal of the restrictions on

the forward pass makes it a play that'

is likely to be used all the time, and

compels the team on defense to play

a more open game in order to guard

With the defense thus opened there

is a better chance for fleet backs to

run the ends, or for heavy plunging

backs to hit the line for small gains.

The added downs makes this style of

play the more successful since with

four chances to make ten yards, the

comparatively small average of only two and one-half yards to plunge suf-

During the three or four last sea-

sons, the coaches ran around breath-

less to find punters, and to develop

new rules.

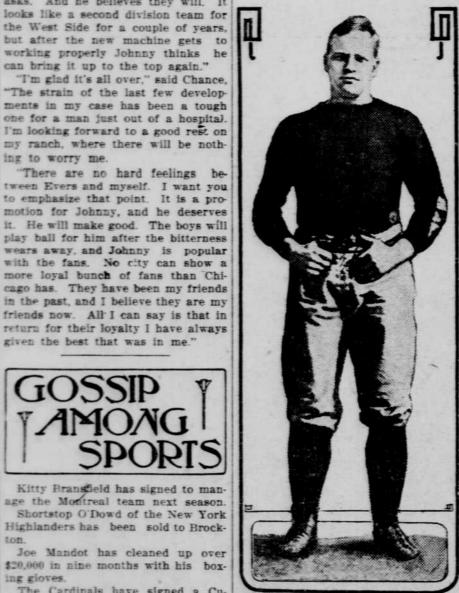
been eliminated.

for a big gain.

the program.

against a surprise.

PERCY WENDELL.



Captain and Fullback of Harvard University Football Team.

Braves Get Paul Strand.

The Boston Nationals cleaned up on Northwestern league pitching talent when they drafted Paul Strand from Spokane. He is the phenomenal kid that Joe Cohn sold to the Boston Red Sox a year ago, but the Red Sox turn ed him back and did not exercise their option. He is said to have improved Captain Wendell of the Harvard and may yet shine in the Hub.

Carlo's Good Record.

Anthony Carlo, the Wendell Phillins high school lad who will join the games by shutting out the Artesians. 4 to 0, at Chicago recently. Bartell, ple, was the only Artesian to get a hit. Seventeen went out on strikes

Shake-Up in Baseball.

The coming basehell season is going to witness the biggest shake-up in National league managers that the old! major body has ever known. Only three old managers will be left in the league-McGraw, Dooin and Fred Clarke.

Street Sold Again.

President Frank J. Navin, owner of the Detroit and Providence teams, has announced the sale of Gabby Street.' and he was determined to sign Evers. Patsy Sweeney, the old-time Man- former catcher of the Washington and

He Saw the Joke.

By FRANK FILSON.

accurately forecast the action of the From all over the country there connection with the radically changed Now a team can keep the ball, and make gains, hence there is no reason Milwaukee Sentinel. Instead there is recourse to the forward pass which means big gains if it works, and should it fail, carries no penalty se makes a fellow tired."

verer than a lost down, unless, of course, the ball should be cleanly caught by the enemy and be carried ders. Tom lit his pipe and began with Mrs. Bryant about nine o'clock. This lack of punting may be said puffing savagely. to be the most notable change

the offense had little chance to gain and then a punt. That was



me about it, but it was mighty serious at the time, and this little episode reminds me of it."

Wells. "Go ahead, Tom."

a pail of half dry paint.

tains," he began, sending out clouds bihan. of smoke and leaning back against the Twice the stone was cast into the You used to know this town pretty set it up in its old place. home in the train we talked about it sar's soldiers.-Harper's Weekly. and indulged in housekeeping rhap-

sodies. "When we reached our apartment minutes to straighten out affairs, and ods. perhaps an hour's absence in all. I Said the stay-at-home suddenly: didn't like it, but there was nothing else to do; so, after escorting Mrs. tel in Paris." Bryant to the door and opening it for her, and glancing to make sure that "What about the Hotel dez Invallyall the furniture was there, I kissed dees?" her and took the car down town.

"The matter proved more important than I had anticipated. I called up Finish every day and be done with my wife, explained the matter, and re- it. You have done what you could. mained at the office until late in the Some blunders and absurdities, no evening, unraveling the tangle. It was doubt, crept in; forget them as soon half past nine before I got home. I as you can. Tomorrow is a new day; walked straight in, went up the three begin it well and serenely, and with flights of stairs and unlocked the too high a spirit to be cumbered anartment door.

bare as this one. The smell of fresh dear, with its hopes and invitations, twenty-eighth victory in thirty-two was in it. Not a stick of furniture, -Emerson. not a rug, not a cup or a saucer or a dish rag in the kitchen. And Eleanor

was gone. bracket over the medicine chest, and scarcely any effort. my key which fitted the lock. I didn't know where to turn. Eleanor's folks lived at Syracuse, and even if she had

or quit baseball. Evers couldn't re- ing to promote boxing shows in that the Chattanooga club of the Southern I was as nearly crazy as a man could for 3.2."

sense enough to call up the office to say I couldn't get down, and when I got the answer I found I could get down after all. In fact I got down in Let His Friend Down Easy When record time. Eleanor had been telephoning all the evening before until they closed up at eleven (we were doing a rush business then), and that morning she had camped on the door-"Confound those storage people," step about six and waited till the day muttered Tom Bryant, as he unlocked watchman came on duty, and then she the door of his apartment and ushered had a fit of hysteria in his arms. And his friend Wells into-an empty room. the police had been notified and were He stared round him. "Well, of all the searching the hospitals and looking in gall!" he exclaimed. "Here's that con- all the dark corners to see if I was founded landlord of mine decorated lying there sandbagged. When I got the walls in saffron when I went over down and Eleanor fainted in my arms the matter with him a dozen times and then came to and had another and he swore by all the gods to do hysterical attack in the middle of the them in red. And the storage men office floor-well, it was no joke, I were on their honor to have my fur- tell you. And all because I had misniture in today. I tell you, Billy, it taken the street and walked into the corresponding house on the same They entered and sat down upon a block in the street above it. I tell board which the painters had left you, Billy, my sticks and rugs looked stretched out between two step-lad- pretty good to me when I got back

"But for the Lord's sake don't men-The men were old acquaintances tion a word about it to her when you whom fate had driven apart for many meet. You'll be surprised how she years. Recently Tom Bryant had been has changed from the time when you spending his vacation with Wells in knew her four years ago. Do you rethe Adirondacks, and the latter had member telling her she looked as accompanied him back to his home, to though she would never grow up, that be his guest for a few days. Mrs. day you said good-bye to us at the Bryant, who had been visiting his station? She has, though, and into a mother, was expected on the following fine woman. You see, we've had some pretty heavy responsibilities, old man. "I'm going round to the storage during these few years, what with our men the first thing in the morning." business nearly going out in the pance said Tom, "and I'm going to tell them and then shooting up like a rocket. some of the things I won't do to them When we had to get out of Fiftyif they don't have my goods here be- seventh street we took a regular tenefore 11 o'clock." He paused and be- ment place up in the Bronx. But I knew gan wrinkling his brow. "Billy," he things would get better again, and it said, "if you'll give me your word of wasn't long before we were able to honor never to breathe a word of it get back into our old quarters again. I'll tell you of an extraordinary thing But we'd always coveted this apartthat happened to me when I got back ment house-come to the window! from my honeymoon four years ago. That's where we used to live-number Mrs. Bryant has never ceased teasing 465, across the street. And when we took this place last month we felt that we had begun to stretch ourselves at last."

"Where did you say you used to live?" asked William Wells. "Number 465-across the street, BULY," said the other yawning.

"Fifty-seventh street?" "Sure! This is Fifty-seventh street,

"O, nothing," answered his friend. Only they must have marked it wrong on the corner lamps, because they call it Fifty-eighth. Tom, you thundering fool, you're in the wrong house again!" (Copyright, 1912, by W. G. Chapman.)

IS RELIC OF PAGAN TIMES

In Brittany There Exists a Huge Black

Stone Image of a Woman That

Is Very Old. One of the most curious relics of paganism remaining in a Christian country is the gigantic black stone

figure of a woman which is to be seen in a forest of the district of Morbihan in Brittany. It is known as the "black Venus,"

but probably dates far back of the time when the Greeks and Romans worshiped that goddess. Antiquaries assert that this figure belongs to the age of the serpent worshipers, one of whose subterranean temples is in the neighborhood. This would make the figure far older than the Christian era.

The statue is that of a huge, uncouth woman, with a sullen, angry countenance, her form enveloped in "Word of honor," said William a loose mantle. The superstitious Bretons have always worshiped the The other struck a fresh match for figure, asserting that it has power

his pipe and cast the burned end into over the weather and the crops. If the idol is neglected they declare that "We'd just got back from a blissful the grain dies on the ear, and if the away by tomorrow mornin." three weeks' honeymoon in the moun- anger of the "black woman" over Mor-

ladder. "Previous to my marriage I sea by pious folk, who hoped thereby had rented a little apartment some to put an end to this idolatry, and thing like this one in the West Fifties. twice the peasants dragged it back and

well, Billy; I guess you remember that Some two hundred years ago Count section, where every house looks just Pierre de Lannon, on whose estate the like its neighbor and every street for figure stood, in order to save the blocks is exactly the same. Well, the statue from both friends and enemies. place was decorated for us and our dragged it by forty yoke of oxen to new furniture was moved in and we his own chateau and set it up in the were both thoroughly pleased. We courtyard. He cut an inscription on speculated how happy and cosy we the base of the pedestal declaring the were going to be, and all the way figure to be a Venus carved by Cae-

Two men were discussing European house the janitor met me at the door trips. One was frank enough to say with a telegram in his hand. It was that he had never been abroad, but from the office, asking me to come the other spoke of certain aspects of down immediately I returned in order travel with the assumed lightness of to explain something that had cropped experience. Still, there was a false up during my absence-a matter of note in his speech-for one thing, his which I alone was cognizant. It French sounding as a child would prowouldn't take more than a couple of nounce it with strictly English meth-

> "I'll bet you can't name a single ho-"Soft," returned the bogus traveler

Begin Well.

with your old nonsense. This day is "It was absolutely bare, Billy, as all that is good and fair. It is too

Women as Plumbers.

From a note which appears in the "Well, sir, I nearly went crazy. Of columns of the Ironmonger it would course you can guess what had hap appear that no fewer than 150 young pened. But the solution did not oc- women in New York are about to go cur to me at all. There was the apart- to school to learn plumbing, carment, arranged just as before, with pentering and so forth. They seem to the kitchen leading out of the dining be thoroughly in earnest. The promoroom, and the bath-room with its ters of the school obtained \$50,000 and three-quarter length tub, and the gas the services of six teachers with

Percollum (of the Daily Bread)-"My got angry at my delay and gone home, dear, you are not only my chief in she couldn't have taken the furniture centive to work, but my lifelong in with her. And the janitor was out spiration." Mrs. Percollum-"I know somewhere and I couldn't find a soul I'm your inspiration, all right, Perciin the basement to ask about her. val. Whenever I mix a metaphor of "Well, I spent that night pacing make a little mistake in my grammar through the apartment, and by morning you turn it into a story and get pay



SPOHN MEDICAL CO. "I told you that if you came tomor row morning I would give you the money for my wash. Why did you come tonight?" said Miss Philis to the

daughter of her laundress. "I know you said tomorrow mornin'," responded the girl. "but me mother she told me to come tonight, 'cause she was afraid you might be gone

"I certainly should not go without paying my laundry bill," said Miss Philis sharply. "No respectable wom-

an would do such a thing."

"Oh, yes, ma'am, they would," replied the child knowingly. "There's lots of respectable ladies does."

Just Like Other Men.

Most surgeons simply go way up in the air when one of the world's great ones is stricken. When Sir Frederic Treves was called to operate on King Edward he split him open as nonchalantly as if the king had been an apple or a watermelon.-New York Press

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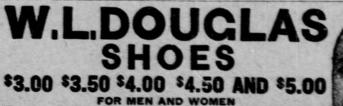
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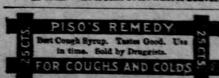
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