

G. GRIFF'S TIPS CAUSE MIRTH

Rumor the Brave Leader Wised Athletics Creates Much Merriment.

DEFEATS ARE GRIFF'S ALIBIS

In Sixty-Six Games with Mackmen Over a Three-Year Stretch, Washington Loses Forty Times.

By FRANK G. MENKE. NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—There's a good laugh concealed in the charge that Clarke Griffith, boss of the Senators, tipped the Braves as to the weakness of the Athletics...

Griff's team fished the Athletics twenty times in 1913 and Griff's team was beaten thirteen times. In 1912 the Athletics took fourteen out of twenty-two games from the Senators...

Those who have seen George Stallings on the stage are loud in their praise of Stallings as a base ball manager.

What will happen if Washington and Jefferson take Yale for a game in 1915?

The great army of prize "fighters" having been duly mobilized, is now advancing rapidly toward New York...

When Stallings took charge of the Braves in the spring of 1913 Houser was on first, Jackson was on second, Devlin was at short and McDonald was on third...

Kling has quit base ball, Brown is dead, Perdue is with the Cardinals, Miller with the Reds,weeney with the Cubs...

Heine the Zim has been reported as threatening dire things to the Cub management unless his 1914 fines are remitted.

Heine, yearning for a bit of exercise, soaked Johnny Evers and Rabbit Maranville of the Braves last summer before the rest of the Braves got a chance to soak him.

Dame Rumor certainly is a busy little lady these days.

The world series concluded about one month ago, yet none of the Athletics has rushed to the aid of the Braves...

The theory that a fast ball when hit by a batsman travels farther than Chris Mathewson's fast balls, whose specialty is the fadeaway ball...

The passing show of the New York Yanks: Griffith, Eberfeld, Stallings, Chase, Wolverton, Chance, Peckinpah.

Cleveland, however, is giving the Yanks a close race for the much-managed Houser. The Naps have had McAleer, Armour, Lejote, McGuire, Stovall, Davis and Birmingham.

Walter Johnson has lost some of his popularity through his plan of playing both ends against the middle in an effort to grab off the biggest salary ever paid to a ball player.

Fandom idolized Johnson. It wanted to see him get all that he was worth. But when Johnson put himself on the auction block and boldly announced that he'll go to the highest bidder it put the commercial side of the game too much to the fore.

For the first time in several years the National league trimmed the American league clubs in the post-season series as far as games played are concerned.

Selection Among Athletics. While the members of the Boston team were dividing their world's series money with a free hand some hard feelings are said to have been stirred in the camp of the Athletics because of the split arranged by Connie Mack's players, Davies, Thompson and McAvoy.

Zabel Plays Banker Ball. Pitcher George Zabel of the Chicago Cubs, following the close of the season has entered Baker university at Baldwin, Kan. This school has some of the Yale notions about professional ball players.

PEN MIGHTIER THAN SWORD

Welsh's Press Agent Says Now that Fighter is a Vegetarian.

MEETS WHITE MONDAY NIGHT

Experts Doubt Whether Chicago Lad Has Enough Power Back of His Blows to Floor Freddie Welsh.

By RINGSIDE. NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—The pen is mightier than the sword is a gem of wisdom that crops up every now and then, but fades away unchallenged. Now we have Freddie Welsh, world's lightweight champion, who, as the late Bill Naughton was wont to say, is easier to prove that "the squash is mightier than the steak."

This Welsh party, be it understood, is a vegetarian, and when in training for a battle adheres strictly to vegetarian principles. The Briton claims that he thrives better and fights better on bloodless viands.

Whether White can muster sufficient power behind his blows to even floor Welsh is very much doubted, so the best the Windy City exponents can derive out of a point victory over Welsh is a lot of notoriety and possibly a twenty-round match later on.

Best a Champion.

White already has the distinction of decisively defeating a world's champion, and not being a gainer thereby. Before Willie Ritchie sailed for England, where he lost the World's lightweight championship to Welsh last Independence day, White thumped Ritchie to a fare-thee-well in ten rounds at the same club where he and Welsh will battle on Monday night.

It is said that White and Welsh have agreed for two matches—the one two days off and for a very route contest several months hence. If this is so, Welsh is merely taking the precaution of assuring himself of another match with White in case Charley outboxes him at Milwaukee.

Welsh pointed out to the writer the other day that while he is always spoken of as an English and Welsh boxer, he learned the trade of the ring right here in these United States. Here is the way Freddie tells the story of his pugilistic life:

"I was taught boxing at school in my home country, but I gained all my experience on this side of the Big Dry. Anything I know of professional pugilism was learned in America. I had my first 'pro' engagement in Philadelphia on December 21, 1905. I have modeled myself after the best men I have met. At first I was imbued with the notion that the only way to box was in the old English way—the straight—from-the-shoulder method.

"They don't fight that way over here, as I discovered. I have not changed my ideas as to the benefits of boxing as taught in my own country, but when in Rome it is advisable to do as the Romans do. I have learned to blend the English, or orthodox, style and the unorthodox style of the American ring; and as a consequence I am at home with any kind of boxer I may be sent against."

Welsh says he is prepared to fight White at any style the latter elects to use against him. Welsh has made a study of infighting, while at long range work he is conceded to be one of the cleverest boxers of all time.

Johnny Kilbane, champion 125-pounder of the universe, realizes the futility of trying to keep at the featherweight limit when no good bouts are in prospect. Also there is not much money to be secured by merely fighting second-raters.

Besides, Kilbane is aware of the fact that he can easily triple his ring earnings by engaging front-rank lightweight instead of low-class featherweights.

Kilbane is ready to take the plunge into the lightweight pond just as soon as a promising match offers itself. Johnny would not be averse to a meeting with Joe Mandot, the New Orleans lad, for his debut as a lightweight. Negotiations are under way for a meeting between Kilbane and Mandot, and they will in all likelihood settle their difference before an Ohio club shortly.

Jess Willard is now the sole hope of the Caucasian race. The quick knock-out of Gunboat Smith by Sam Langford the other night puts the "Gooner" into the discard as far as his being a championship possibility is concerned.

Willard is being groomed for a match with Jack Johnson, but it is hardly likely that he will be successful in clinching the bout until he disposes of the fee-ocious Thum Langford. Negotiations are pending for a meeting between Jess and Samuel, and they will be bought together before the club offering the best inducements.

Hockey Men Seek to Make Game Faster

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—The rule in foot ball that permits a player to get back into the scrimmage after being taken out because of being temporarily knocked out or for other reasons has appealed strongly to the rule makers of hockey.

They are working now on a plan to make hockey a faster game, which can be done by playing a six-man team instead of a lineup of seven men. Part of the Amateur league scheduled last year was played by teams of six men, and it made a big hit. But the lesser number of men in action naturally meant harder work for the players, and toward the end of the game the play became a bit slow, due to the extra work imposed on the players.

Great Kiss Rehearsal.

Because his pay has been withheld for all the time he was suspended last season, Helms Zimmerman declares he is through with the Cubs. Helms says all his past seasons were due to loyalty and zeal on behalf of the Cubs, and he takes it ill that the Cubs should punish him for that.

Driving Into the Crimson Line



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GREIGHTON AND BAKER NEXT

Local Pigskinners and Kansans Meet Here Saturday.

COYOTE BATTLE ON BIRD DAY

Annual Thanksgiving Struggle to Be Marked with Much Enthusiasm on Part of Both Teams to Win the Tassel.

Creighton varsity will play its final preliminary to the big Thanksgiving struggle with South Dakota when the blue and white meets the Baker university squad on Creighton field next Saturday afternoon.

The Baker team hails from Baldwin, Kan., and has made quite a record in that section, although not making a great deal of noise in this part of the country. This will be the first game between the two schools.

Creighton should walk away with this game, in spite of the fact that Baker contains a number of cornfeds. For the first time in many moons Creighton will have its full team in action. Not since the mixup with the wily redskins from Lawrence has the blue and white troupe been getting their cues in snappy fashion.

Following the Baker game, all attention will be devoted to preparation for the Coyotes from the wilds of South Dakota. The Saturday preceding Turkey day will be a day of rest and rejoicing for Creighton squad, who have been through a long and hard schedule. The chances of winning the South Dakota game are not of the best variety, considering comparative scores, but dogs counts for naught in this grand old game, and the hilltoppers are about primed to massacre a certain Coyote band which has been nagging them for several successive feast days.

South Dakota has a good team, playing Nebraska to a 9-0 tie, holding Minnesota to a score of 2 to 7, and losing to Notre Dame 3-0, and easily defeating North Dakota. Tom Coffey will take particular delight in facing his former team mate.

Lynn Makes Change. Eugene R. Fraser, president of the Lynn club of the New England league, announces that the management of the club's affairs has been transferred from the Lynn base ball and amusement club to himself and Louisa P. Piper, manager of the Lawrence team of the same league.

The price paid was not stated, but it is said that the club recently refused an offer of \$10,000 from Jesse Burkett of Worcester.

Kelly Has the Nerve. Outfielder Joe Kelly of the Pittsburgh Pirates is not lacking in nerve, whatever he may be lacking in other departments. He bought a secondhand automobile of Hans Wagner and after Wagner spent a couple of hours showing him how to run it Kelly started off to his home in Kansas in the machine, a matter of a thousand miles or so over muddy roads.

What Funny Things We Will See

By F. S. MURTER

Mixing with the many merry mag. Drammer in a net and a flock of scenes. Place, Omaha. Time, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. Caste, All magnates.

SCENE ONE. President Mike Sexton: Meeting's opened. Magnate from South: Let's have just one little drink. Adjour.

SCENE TWO. President Sexton: Now boys, let's go! It's 10:15. Magnate from Coast: Whadda we gonna do about these nutty Feds? I wanna know if I'm gonna have to stand up and be a goat.

Magnate from East: Shut up. The Feds are broke already and when the ham'n's trying to sell his chop houses. Magnate from Coast: Yeah, that's where I got him beat. I hooked my watch three months ago. Adjour.

SCENE THREE. President Sexton: Back to business, boys. It's 10:20. Magnate from Coast: Well how about this here Fed thing? Magnate from South: Hey, Mike, how about it, has this town an 8 o'clock law? President Sexton: Sure, but the police haven't found it out yet. Magnate from South: Let's have another little drink. Adjour.

SCENE FOUR. President Sexton: Let's get together, boys. It's 11 o'clock. Magnate, who is probably an Elk: Time to stand up and adjour.

SCENE FIVE. President Sexton: Do you or do you not want to get down to business. Magnate from Coast: Let's have peace. Ban Johnson: Never. M. F. C.: Whomell are you? Ban: I represent. Magnate from East: The tin-can talking machine company. Ban: Who said that? Magnate from Coast: Let's have peace. Ban: Never. Magnate from North: Who wants to buy a pitcher? Magnate from South: I wanta buy a drink. Adjour.

SCENE SIX. President Sexton: Cut loose with the business. M. F. C.: What about them Feds? Magnate from Central Association: Let's cut salaries.

WAR FUNDS. We're loaded up with money. We'll spend our heavy war fund. From morning until night. Oh, we're loaded up with bullion. With bullion we are full. We're loaded up with bullion. With the accent on the bill.

Shea is Free Agent. Catcher Danny Shea of the Spokane Northwestern league team has been made a free agent by his club. It is stated, in accordance with an agreement before he signed for 1915 season.

Moran Scouts for Braves. The story is now told that Pat Moran of the Phillies followed the Athletics for a month before the close of the season getting pointers for George Stallings on what the Mackmen could not hit. It may be true. At any rate, Stallings seemed to get the information from somewhere.

No More Shifts. Stiehm will have no more shifts to make in his team during the remainder of the season and the lineup will be left as it is with Cal at center, Abbott and Norris, guards; Captain Halligan and Corey, tackles; Balla and Howard, ends; Potter, quarterback; Rutherford and Chamberlain, half, and Doyle, fullback.

Following the Kansas game Stiehm will begin preparations for Iowa on the following Saturday, which will wind up the season for the Hoakkers. The game will be played in Iowa City. Manager Reed is already making arrangements for a special train for the Husker rooters, and about 500 students have said they would make the trip.

Munroe Thought to Be in European War; Once Famous at Butte. If Jack Munroe, the Butte miner, really is in England as one of the Canadian volunteers, Montana is going to have one good representative at the front.

Munroe should be an ideal soldier. He's a trained frontiersman, a good shot, an athlete and a cool, thoughtful, courageous fellow.

Munroe has had a varied experience. When a boy he began playing foot ball on the great Butte team, then one of the best in the country and champion of all the west. He traveled through several seasons, playing in western cities, and finally moved to San Francisco and played with the Olympic Athletic club team there. While tackle on the Olympic team Jack entered the coast amateur boxing championships and won the heavyweight title. Not long after that he became a professional, but went back to prospecting. After locating a copper claim in Idaho he went back to Butte to earn money to develop it. He was a level boss when Jeffries came to Butte and he fought Jeff four rounds, winning the purse. Jeff offered any man, who could stay with him over that route.

That made Munroe famous. He came east and knocked out Peter Maher, Jim Erick and a few others, beat Tom Sharkey in a six-round bout and fought Jack Johnson six rounds in Philadelphia. Jeffries was out for revenge when he met Munroe in San Francisco in a return match, and he polished Jack off in a couple of rounds. Munroe told me every time Jeffries landed he thought a mule had kicked him. That bout finished his fighting career. He had some money and he went prospecting copper and silver in the northern Canadian wilderness.

Here he struck it rich, located a number of valuable claims, became "Mr. John Munroe," a person of prominence in Canadian mining affairs, and was for several years mayor of Elk City. If Munroe is fighting now he has gone to war as a wealthy citizen of Canada.

which have been decimated in the horrid fighting on the plains of France and Belgium.

The amateur carmen are found in the fleet in large numbers and if the losses continue at the rate they have occurred in the first three months of the war the Thames will have to mourn some of its most prized watermen.

wounded and taking it all around, the outlook for sports in England is poor for several years to come. The sporting talent is now interested only in the game of war.

The ravages of war will be especially felt in the ranks of the polo players, for many of these are British cavalry officers, and some belong to regiments

BIG CRASH NEXT SATURDAY

Annual Nebraska-Kansas Gridiron Battle to Be Staged at Lincoln.

SPECIAL TRAIN FOR OMAHANS

Local Alumni of Cornhuskers to Make Trip—Seats Are Going Fast and a Record Crowd Is Expected.

By JAMES E. LAWRENCE. LINCOLN, Nov. 7.—(Special).—The one big game of the year—the Nebraska-Kansas gridiron clash—will serve to draw hundreds of Cornhusker alumni to Lincoln next Saturday. In addition to the interest attached to the Husker-Jayhawker battle from old time rivalry, the game has the added interest that it will probably decide the Missouri Valley championship, both Nebraska and Kansas having gone through the season so far without defeat.

Reed has made the Kansas game the annual home-coming for the Nebraska alumni, and it will be a homecoming in every sense of the word. There have been new alumni planned and the program will be a very complete one for the Husker alumni, probably ending in a banquet in the evening.

Coach Stiehm makes no attempt to minimize the strength of Kansas. The Jayhawkers have not played a game this season which has forced them to play to their limit and on the other hand, the team has shown itself to possess a most powerful offense. On straight foot ball, the Jayhawkers have been able to defeat easily all of their early season rivals, but it is known that Wheaton has three good men in the use of the forward pass, and if needs be, the Jayhawkers can make full use of the forward pass.

To Send Big Delegation. Kansas is arranging to bring with them the university band and the freshmen eleven. It will arrive in Lincoln early Saturday morning.

In addition to the Kansas special, Omaha alumni of Nebraska will have a special train.

The advance reservations for the Kansas game already exceed all previous records at Nebraska, with 4,000 seats already ready. The Kansas game will wind up the Missouri Valley conference season.

Grads Will Help Stiehm. Stiehm will have assistance from a large corps of Nebraska grads in whipping the team in shape for the Jayhawkers. He has been allowing the squad to take it easy for the last two weeks, so there would be no danger of the players becoming stale, but the coming week will be one of much activity at Nebraska. No break in Kansas will present two exactly opposite styles of play.

The squad is still suffering slightly from injuries, although all of the cripples ought to be in superb shape by the Kansas game.

Beating Against Braves. In the east they are talking about bets being made on the Braves winning the National league pennant next year. One bet of \$60 to \$100 is recorded in New York that they will not, in New York they believe that the Braves are a step beyond their real speed and that they never can repeat.

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BASE BALL PROFITS LESS

Cost of Operating Business-Sport is Fifty Per Cent Greater.

PLAYERS HAVING HARVEST

Between Federal League and the Players' Fraternity They Have Come Into Their Own for Making Money.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—"The cost of operating a base ball club in a big league is about 50 per cent greater now than a year ago."

This significant observation, coming from the best posted man in the national game, tells plainly the condition that confronts a club owner in the National or American league.

It proves that the days of big dividends have passed, for several years, at least. It illustrates again that the clubs in the big show that have failed to keep up in the pennant race have operated at a loss and face a deficit next year. The club owners are justified in crying about the high cost of base ball. The ball players, well, don't take a player seriously if he tries to plead poverty and tell you a tale about the high cost of living. The hired man in base ball just now is like a Rockefeller compared to the magnate.

The 50 per cent increase in operating expenses goes to the player every penny of it. These are harvest times for the hired men. The advent of the Federal league worked both ways in their favor. It strengthened the Players' fraternity until now the so-called union of ball players is as strongly entrenched as any of the big labor bodies that have successfully battled against the greatest money powers in the world.

Federal League Is Buffer. The Federal league is the buffer that player uses to get salaries which two years ago were considered impossible. But in a base ball war the only weapon is the player and it requires money to hold star players. It's the stars that bring the patronage, the real foundation of success.

It will take at least three years to restore the game to a profitable basis, even after the Federal league is beaten or some sort of peace plan is settled upon.

Since the rival league went to the bat against Organized Base Ball players who have been receiving \$2,500, have in some cases demanded and been granted an increase of \$1,500. A star pitcher who formerly was paid about \$4,000, considered a big salary, threatened to desert unless paid \$5,000. And sooner than see the player join the Feds, the club owner had to stand the raise. And in every case where a player had held up a club owner he signed an iron-bound contract for two years at least. A great many of these contracts call for four or five years.

When several courts throughout the country decided early in the season that the old form of contract was not binding, a number of stars got busy at once. First they would deal with the Feds, and then come back and demand a showdown. Most of them got what they asked for. The Federal league is the greatest sufferer. It failed to get the patronage it expected. In Pittsburgh, where they had every assurance that things would run smoothly, they handled less than \$20,000 in receipts at home. Kansas City was a complete loss. And the few cities that did get a little patronage at home didn't handle enough on the road to pay railroad and hotel expenses. The big stars ate into the very foundation of the Federal league. The money men of the rival league admit this and that is why they are trying to bring about a settlement. But it will be many years before the brave investors get back even a part of their money, if at all.

McGraw After Cuban. Having failed to place Benjie Keuff of the Feds with the New York Giants next season the rumor factory is now making an effort to play the Cuban, Marcan, in McGraw's outfield. The fact being that Marcan wants to return to organized ball and McGraw wants away from Cincinnati and that the manager of the Feds has agreed to trade him to the Giants.

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