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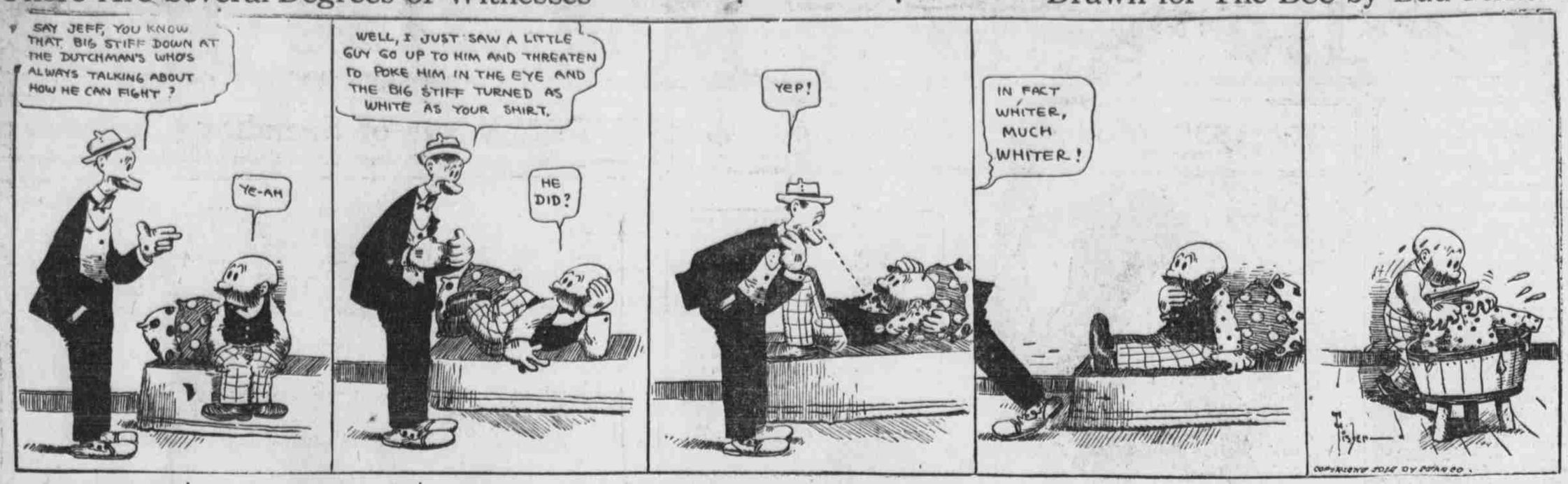

PRINCE TO PACIFIC COAST

Builder of Omaha Speedway to Sign Up Speedboys at Los Angeles.

TO LAND THE BIG FELLOWS

Promoter Will Try to Get Barney Oldfield, Burman, Pullen, Rickenbacher, Mulford, Alley and Other Daredevils.

Jack Prince, builder of the Omaha Automobile Spedway, departed last night for Los Angeles, where he will take an active part in the management of the big automobile race to be held there Christmas day. While in Los Angeles Prince will sign up a large number of the country's most promising racing drivers to compete in the opening race here next spring.

Prince expects to induce all the big boys to come to Omaha. The racing fraternity has long been waiting for a triple radius track, as the driver who is bent on making fast time realizes that the triple radius is a big benefit on hitting turns at high speed.

Many of the most prominent drivers in the land will race in the Los Angeles meet Christmas, and many more will race in the Santa Monica road race. Prince will be at both events in the interests of the Omaha Speedway.

To Tie Up Big Men.

He expects to pledge the consent of Barney Oldfield, Bob Burman, Eddie Pullen, Eddie Rickenbacher, Ralph Mulford, Tom Alley, Eddie O'Donnell, Harry Grant, Gil Anderson and other of the most prominent and well known drivers.

Even while Prince is away work will be continued in the construction of the track here. At present the infield is being leveled so that the running board may be attached to the track and the infield leveled 100 feet in from the running board at all points. That 100 feet of the infield will be rolled hard so that a machine may come down off the track and still have ample room to come to a stop without danger of striking large knolls which might turn the machine turtle.

The work on the dike on the west side so that the water from the lake will not seep into the infield or under the track is under way and will be completed soon.

Upon the return of Prince next spring the remainder of the track will be built and the grandstand erected for the big opening some time around July 4.

Federal Job for Brother Charley?

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(Special.)—Charles Bryan, brother of William J. Bryan, is said to be anxious to serve his country in an official place, and the word has been received by friends that he looks with favor on an appointment to the Federal Trade commission.

In official quarters, close to the White House, knowledge that Charles Bryan aspires to a federal position is denied. Nevertheless, it is believed that "Brother Charley" has strong support for an official position aside from his relationship to the secretary of state. Charles Bryan has always subordinated himself to his distinguished brother. It now develops that Charley has got the notion that he has merits of his own that should be recognized, and an appeal has been made in his behalf, it was said today, for an appointment to the Federal Trade commission. These places pay $10,000 a year.

This commission is to be composed of five members. The president has decided that he will appoint two lawyers, two business men and an economist. Charles Bryan has studied law, but his friends say that he could hardly qualify as a lawyer member. However, they suggest that he might be named as a business man, or as an economist, just as the president chooses.

Langford May Put On Exhibition Here

Sam Langford, the colored pugilist, may put on a boxing exhibition in Omaha just before the Christmas holidays, if plans now under way are successful. His manager, Joe Woodman, has written Paul Murray, local glove artist, in answer to the latter's inquiry. Woodman says an exhibition match may be arranged between Langford and Murray if permission of the authorities is secured and a hall large enough to hold a big crowd can be hired for the date, probably December 23.

About that time Langford will pass through Omaha on his way home from the Pacific to the Atlantic coast. The North Omaha Athletic club, at which Murray is instructor in boxing, has taken up the project and expects to put it through. Murray was Langford's sparring partner about four years ago in an exhibition match at Philadelphia.

ANOTHER CRITIC HAS PICKED VIC HALLIGAN

Another western foot ball critic has selected Vic Halligan, captain of the Cornhusker eleven, for the left tackle position on his All-Western team. The latest critic to honor the Nebraska leader is S. C. Patterson. Mr. Patterson's All-Western selection is in Collier's Weekly and in his article he describes Captain Vic as the best forward in the west.

RUBE MARQUARD JUMPS TO THE FEDS.

Rube Marquard, former star left-hander of the New York Giants, who has signed to pitch for the Brooklyn team of the Federal league during the seasons of 1915, 1916 and 1917.

Marquard Swears is Not Under Contract Other Than to Wards

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—An affidavit in which R. W. Marquard declares he is under no binding contract with any team other than the Brooklyn Federals was received in the office of President Gilmore today, attached to the document in which the New York pitcher agrees to play for the Wards. Gilmore displayed the affidavit as an answer to charges that Marquard was under contract with the New York Nationals, hence could not legally joint the Brooklyn team.

The Federal president also displayed a contract in which Ed Konetchy of the Pittsburg Nationals agrees to play for the Pittsburg Federals.

HASKELL RECEIVES OFFER FROM THE FEDERAL LEAGUE

Jack Haskell, last year an umpire on the Western league staff and recognized by fans and players alike asa regular umpire, is understood to have received an offer from the Federal league. Bill Brennan, former Western league umpa and now chief of the Federal staff, is reputed to have sent Haskell a flattering contract, which Jack will accept. If Haskell goes to the Feds, that organization will be getting a good man, is the opinion of all who have seen him work in the Western.

CHIEF BENDER SIGNS UP FOR TWO YEARS

BALTIMORE, Dec. 7.—"Chief" Albert Bender, former pitcher for the Philadelphia Athletics, has signed a two-year contract to play with the Baltimore Federal league club, it was officially announced today.

Canada Geese Go South.

A new joy has blossomed in the shooters' heart. Canada geese are reported to be migrating to the southward in abundant numbers and that news has started many an Omaha huntsman on the warpath again. Ray McCabe and Jack Riley made quite a killing of Canada geese at Pathona Sunday and declare that other hunters were equally successful.

Some Records of the National League

BASE ON BALLS AND STRIKE-OUT RECORDS, 1914.

The official club record of bases on balls and strike-outs, graded according to most bases on balls and least strike-outs, respectively, are as follows:

CLUB BASE ON BALLS RECORD.

	No. Games.	Bases on Balls.	Pct. to Game.
Chicago	156	501	3.21
Boston	158	502	3.18
Philadelphia	154	472	3.06
New York	156	447	2.87
St. Louis	157	445	2.83
Cincinnati	157	441	2.81
Pittsburgh	158	416	2.63
Brooklyn	154	376	2.44

CLUB STRIKE-OUT RECORD.

	No. Games.	No. Strike-Outs.	Pct. to Game.
New York	156	479	3.07
Brooklyn	154	559	3.63
Chicago	156	577	3.70
Philadelphia	154	570	3.70
Pittsburgh	158	608	3.85
Boston	158	617	3.91
St. Louis	157	618	3.94
Cincinnati	157	627	3.99

Following are the base on balls and strike-out records of players who played in at least forty games, arranged according to number of games played. Most bases on balls: Huggins, 105 in 148 games; Saier, 94 in 153 games; George Burns, 89 in 154 games; Evers, 87 in 139 games:

	G.	B.B.	S.O.
Carey, Pittsburgh	156	59	56
Maranville, Boston	156	45	56
Miller, J. B., St. Joseph	155	34	52
Burns, George, New York	154	89	53
Good, Chicago	154	53	74
Wilson, St. Louis	154	32	66
Konetchy, Pittsburgh	154	32	48
Saier, Chicago	153	94	61
Leach, Chicago	153	79	50
Cutshaw, Brooklyn	153	30	32
Smith, J. C., Brook.-Bost.	150	58	50
Wagner, J., Pittsburgh	150	51	61
Cravath, Philadelphia	149	83	72
Huggins, St. Louis	148	105	63
Moran, Cincinnati-Boston	148	68	40
Schmidt, Boston	147	43	55
Magee, S., Philadelphia	146	55	42
Merkle, New York	146	52	80
Zimmerman, Chicago	146	20	46
Doyle, New York	145	58	25
Wheat, Brooklyn	146	47	50
Viox, Pittsburgh	143	63	33
Magee, L., St. Louis	142	42	24
Niehoff, Cincinnati	142	38	77
Kelley, Jos. H., Pitts.	141	39	59
Evers, Boston	139	87	26
Groh, Cincinnati	139	64	28
Herzog, Cincinnati	138	42	27
Becker, Philadelphia	138	57	59
Schulte, Cincinnati	137	39	55
Beck, St. Louis	137	28	32
Lobert, Philadelphia	135	49	32
Bescher, New York	135	45	48
Fletcher, New York	135	22	37
Sweeney, Chicago	134	53	15
Meyers, New York	134	34	25
Paskert, New York	132	56	68
Dalton, Brooklyn	128	53	39
Gowdy, Boston	128	48	40
Stengel, Brooklyn	126	56	55
Dolan, St. Louis	126	55	74
Byrne, Philadelphia	126	45	44
Daubert, Brooklyn	126	30	34
Mann, Boston	126	24	50
Luderus, Philadelphia	121	39	31
Connolly, Boston	120	49	36
Martin, J. C., Bost.-Phila.	116	33	36
Stock, New York	115	34	21
Snodgrass, New York	113	37	43
Clarke, Cincinnati	113	31	30
Corriden, Chicago	107	35	33
Egan, Brooklyn	106	22	25
Gibson, Pittsburgh	102	27	27
Bresnahan, Chicago	101	49	20
Snyder, St. Louis	100	13	28
Killifer, Philadelphia	98	8	17
Cruise, St. Louis	95	25	42
Gonzales, Cincinnati	95	13	16
Miller, Roy, Cincinnati	93	16	18
McCarty, Brooklyn	90	14	22
Cather, St. Louis-Boston	89	10	43
Grant, New York	88	23	21
Butler, St. Louis	86	39	23
Whitted, St. Louis-Boston	86	18	21
Murray, New York	86	9	7
Robertson, New York	82	10	26
Devore, Phila.-Boston	81	22	19
Wingo, St. Louis	80	18	17
Mowrey, Pittsburgh	79	22	20
Deal, Boston	79	20	23
Archer, Chicago	79	9	9
McLean, New York	79	4	9
Hoblitzell, Cincinnati	78	26	26
Berghammer, Cincinnati	77	10	15
Mitchell, Pittsburgh	76	16	16
Hyatt, Pittsburgh	74	7	14
Hummel, Brooklyn	73	16	25
Coleman, Pittsburgh	73	15	32
Gilbert, Boston	72	26	34
Daniels, Cincinnati	71	19	40
Kellogg, Cincinnati	71	14	28
Burns, Philadelphia	70	20	12
Myers, Brooklyn	70	7	24
Twombly, Cincinnati	68	14	27
Bates, Cincinatti-Chicago	67	29	18
Irelan, Philadelphia	67	21	22
O'Mara, Brooklyn	67	16	26
Riggert, Brooklyn-St. L.	61	9	24
Yingling, Cincinnati	61	9	15
Whaling, Boston	60	21	28
Dugey, Boston	58	19	16
McCarthy, Pittsburgh	57	6	17
Williams, Chicago	55	13	13
Getz, Brooklyn	55	2	15
Miller, Otto, Brooklyn	54	7	29
Leonard, Pittsburgh	53	12	21
Dooin, Philadelphia	53	4	14
Cheney, Chicago	50	8	9
Johnston, Chicago	50	4	9
Collins, Pittsburgh	49	8	10
James, Boston	49	0	20
Mayer, Philadelphia	48	6	24
Alexander, Philadelphia	48	3	12
Ames, Cincinnati	47	2	33
Dressen, St. Louis	46	11	30
Uhler, Cincinnati	46	5	11
Sallee, St. Louis	46	3	17
McQuillan, Pittsburgh	45	6	24
Mollwitz, Chic.-Cinc.	45	3	12
Douglass, Cincinnati	45	2	20
Mensor, Pittsburgh	44	22	13
Reulbach, Brooklyn	44	11	28
Reed, Philadelphia	44	10	13
Harmon, Pittsburgh	44	5	23
Pfeffer, Brooklyn	44	2	31
Rudolph, Boston	43	11	19
Fischer, Brooklyn	43	8	12
Killifer, Cincinnati	42	20	18
Vaughn, Cincinnati	42	8	33
Tesreau, New York	42	4	12
Mathewson, New York	41	11	13
Von Kolnitz, Cincinnati	41	8	16
Perritt, St. Louis	41	3	30
Benton, Cincinnati	41	1	21
Adams, Pittsburgh	40	3	29
Cooper, Pittsburgh	40	2	17

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NEWLY-ELECTED CAPTAIN OF THE CORNHUSKER TEAM.

DICK RUTHERFORD.

Men on Locomotives Paid Less Than Other Men, Says Mr. Carter

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—At today's session of the arbitration board, called to consider the requests of the enginemen of ninety-eight western railroads testimony designed to show that enginemen are paid at a lower rate than are men in other leading industries was introduced.

The comparisons were introduced in printed form by William S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, who resumed the witness stand. The exhibit also contained information on hours of service. Carter gave the purpose of the compilation as follows:

1. To show that rates of wages of locomotive engineers, firemen and hostlers have been and are now less than the rates of wages paid in other leading industries:

2. That locomotive engineers, firemen and hostlers have received less increases in wages, 1914 over 1907, and 1914 over 1910, than have employes in other leading industries.

3. That a day's work required of locomotive engineers, firemen and hostlers is greater than is required of employes of other leading industries, and,

4. That while required to work hours far in excess of employes in other industries, locomotive engineers, firemen and hostlers receive much less compensation for overtime.

Six Americans Are Expelled from Ranch South of Vera Cruz

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Consul Canada at Vera Cruz reported today the arrival of six Americans, expelled from their ranch, about 150 miles south of Vera Cruz, when bandits looted the property. Constitutionalists provided them with transportation to Vera Cruz. Secretary Bryan authorized Canada to send them to the United States and to bring the case to the attention of the authorities.

A delayed report from Special Agent Carothers, with General Villa, says that chieftain is investigating the alleged kidnaping near the Sonora border of the three Americans, Wilson, Caraway and McInery, who have been released.

At the State department it was said no confirmation had been received of reports of a new uprising under the leadership of Salazar.

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RUTHERFORD MADE CAPTAIN

Halfback on Cornhusker Team Chosen Next Year's Leader.

STELLAR PLAYER TWO YEARS

Squad of Seventeen Players Granted Letters by Athletic Board—Largest in School's History.

LINCOLN, Dec. 7.—(Special Telegram.) Dicy Rutherford, for two years half back on the Cornhusker team, was elected captain of the 1915 eleven. Rutherford received fourteen of the seventeen vots cast for captain. Roy Cameron, tackle and center on the Cornhusker eleven for two years was Rutherford's opponent and he received three votes.

The selection of Rutherford will meet with approval by the student body as he is exceedingly popular.

Rutherford has been a stellar performer for the Cornhuskers and has been an All-Missouri valley choice for two years. He was also given all western honors by Walter Eckersall.

The athletic board met previous to the election and granted letters to seventeen players—the largest squad in the history of the school.

These men received letters:

Captain Halligan	Cameron
Rutherford	Caley
Chamberlain	Hawkins
Potter	Gross
Howard	Delematre
Balis	Doyle
Corey	Porter
Shields	Selzer
Abbott	

Must Pay Firemen for Putting Out Blaze Due to Negligence

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—New Yorkers on whose premises fires occur, "due to their own wilful and culpable negligence," will hereafter have to pay the fire department the cost of extinguishing them, according to a statement by Fire Commissioner Robert Anson last night.

The commissioner based his statement on a decision rendered Friday by the appellate division of the supreme court in a suit which he brought against a corporation for $1,500, the cost of fighting a stubborn fire in a big factory building which the corporation owned.

Automatic sprinklers had been ordered installed in the factory, but the order had been ignored.

Miss Jessie Cope Denies Intention to Bribe Anyone

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—A description of Miss Jessie E. Cope of Los Angeles, Cal., held on a bribery charge in connection with the prosecution of Colonel Charles Alexander of Providence, R. I., under the Mann act was furnished the Chicago police today to be sent to Delaware Water Gap, Pa., in response to a police request.

A telegram from the Pennsylvania city asked whether Miss Jessie Cope had ever been known as "Ula Stroud Cope," and requested a complete description of the young women.

Miss Cope emphatically denied that she was "Ula Stroud Cope," and insisted that he had never been in Delaware Water Gap.

That she had any intent of bribery when she signed papers in the office of the district attorney was again denied by Miss Cope, who was charged Saturday with having attempted to bribe federal officials and with having written out an agreement to divide $50,000 with them if the money, through their help, could be obtained from Colonel Alexander.

Mr. Tribble Makes Charges Against Cotton Exchange

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Congressional investigation of the New York Cotton exchange and its method of dealing with the present cotton situation was asked in a resolution today by Representative Tribble of Georgia.

Representative Tribble explained his resolution in this statement:

"When the Cotton exchange opened the price of cotton was exceedingly low, and yet the New York Cotton exchange hammered down the price 1 cent per pound almost immediately. This was a fair test of the methods of the exchanges. The exchange was closed and opened on a low market, and yet the opening of the exchange cost the farmers of the south millions of dollars. If I secure an investigation and the facts can be brought out this investigation will in all probability bring about prosecution of those guilty of fleecing the farmers of their well-earned profits and may result in the total abolishment of the exchanges."

The resolution was referred to the rules committee.

WITHDRAW FEDERAL SUIT

National League Will Not Press Conspiracy Charge.

TROUBLE OVER PITCHER QUINN

Counsel for Plaintiff States in Court It Would Be Difficult to Collect Damages for Hurler's Loss.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 7.—The Boston National league base ball club withdrew its suit for conspiracy in the case of Pitcher Quinn in the United States district court here today.

The suit was for $35,000 and was instituted against the Federal league, the Baltimore Federal league club, James A. Gilmore, Edward Hanlon, Otto Knabe and John Picus, which is the real name of Quinn.

Counsel for the plaintiff stated in court that the Boston club realized it would be difficult to collect damages for the loss of Quinn, inasmuch as without him the team had won the greatest possible honors in the base ball world.

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