

Bringing Up Father



Judgments

ECONOMY almost as sensational as past extravagance is now the order of the day with the magnates, not because saving has become a virtue over night with them, but because the situation has forced upon them the necessity of action towards curtailing expenses. Naturally, the first place to which the pruning process is applied is the salary of the player. Inflated figures are being deflated quite rapidly, and each team will go into the season with a salary roll very much less than the totals at the close of last season. It is wasting time to debate any further the responsibility for the condition of affairs as to the great outdoor sport, so dear to the heart of every American. How to overcome adversity and win back the alienated patrons of the game is the problem in which every owner and every player is vitally concerned. One thing is very certain: Little headway towards the goal will be made by the continuance of the rows that have marred the proceedings for the last two years. The sooner the club owners can come to an understanding among themselves, and the quicker they can reach a working agreement with their players, the better it will be for all hands. And, in making any agreement, either for the control of clubs or players, the magnates will be making a mistake if they do not give full consideration to the rights of the great silent partner in the game, the public. If people are going to be asked to patronize the game, they will want to know just a little more about it than they ever have. Give them base ball, give it to them in the level, and without any side frills of law suits and clamor over salaries and purchases and jumping contracts, and the like, and the old crowds will be back in the stands, rooting for the home team, but eager to see a ball game, no matter which side wins.

SPORT OF KINGS COMES BACK

Tendency to Permit Horse Racing Sweeping Many States, with Prospects for Success.

BILLS BEFORE LEGISLATURES

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—If those interested in the American thoroughbred will only lend all their energy toward reviving the sport of racing in all states where once the sport thrived there is a good chance for favorable results. The feeling in favor of racing is growing everywhere. Even in Texas and far off California bills are being prepared to present in their legislatures advocating some sort of legislation which will cause a revival of the sport under state jurisdiction. It only remains for those concerned to bring all influence possible to bear in each individual case, and though success may not follow the undertaking it is certainly worthy of effort. In Missouri things look very favorable for the passing of a bill to regulate racing, and in Arkansas it is practically settled that a bill will be passed, as the measure is being pushed forward by the business men of Hot Springs as well as practically all broad-minded organizations. There is not the antipathy to the sport there was by a very large majority. The men of that country are beginning to realize that there is not the harm in racing that they have been led to believe. The war, too, has opened the eyes of those who are concerned in horses of every degree. It has been statistically demonstrated that this country has lost a world of money on account of lack of material for remount purposes. Had the breeding industry not been stopped by legislation in several states during the last ten years the country could have supplied at least 100 per cent more horses for war purposes than it has done. The loss that has accrued to breeders has been enormous.

Husky Basket Ball Squad of the University of Omaha



Top Row, Left to Right, Obie Mayo, Coach; Burkenroad, Adams, Jorjense n and Bruce. Bottom Row, Goodrich, Ernst, Selby (Captain), Moray.

needs forging into shape by the steady hands of the racing blacksmiths.

Municipal-Owned Ball Clubs Latest Of Ebbets' Dreams

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Municipal ownership of base ball clubs is the latest theory to be advanced in connection with the national disturbance now undergoing such wide reaching upheavals by way of legal eruptions. The theory, it virtually amounts to a prediction—is advanced by no less an authority than Charles H. Ebbets, guardian of Flatbush's base ball, and author of those cherished words, "base ball is still in its infancy." Mr. Ebbets stated that those of this generation could not appreciate in all its vastness the future of the sport. "I believe that at some future time the public will own base ball," he said. "Do you mean municipal ownership by that remark?" he was asked. "Possibly that," he replied. "I cannot say at this time, for it necessitates looking too far ahead, but I do believe that public wants to be more of a part of base

ball than it is even now. Scarcely a day passes that I do not see a man who remarks, 'I would like nothing better than to own stock in a base ball club.'

"They feel this way, not as a business proposition, but because the public is beginning more and more to claim base ball as its own. The 'fans' want to be more closely identified with the game. I do not mean by this that the 'fans' are not identified with it now, for they are the biggest part of base ball. Without them there could be no base ball. But what I do mean is this: They are anxious to have a hand in conducting the affairs of the sport."

Wind the Big Hazard on English Courses

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—As the illustration, which is given for the benefit of those American golfers who have never played in England or Scotland, of how the wind affects seaside golf in those countries, a reminiscent story by Harold H. Hilton may be quoted. He speaks of the British amateur championship held at Sandwich in 1904, on one day of which old Boreas was master of the situation. Hilton proceeds: "The morning gave every indication of

the day turning out to be quite a respectable example of fine spring weather, and until about noon there was little evidence of what was to come. When the wind did arrive, however, it struck the links like a tornado. The tents in the vicinity of the last green were flattened out at the first assault, and although continuation of play was not altogether impossible, as was proved by the fact that Horace Hutchinson and Walter four, Merville pursued their match to a finish, the remainder of the competitors ceased hostilities and waited for better times. The wind had abated considerably by the afternoon, but it is on record that of the thirty-two players who attempted to cross the hazard at the 'Maiden' hole only one succeeded."

RECORD RUN IS MADE BY MAXWELL TOURING CAR

A message from Billy Carlson, driver of one of the Maxwell touring cars the last season, tells of a remarkable run which he has just finished, from Los Angeles to Phoenix, Ariz. Carlson made the trip in a 1915 stock Maxwell touring car. The distance was 775 miles and the car made the trip in thirty hours, including several stops along the route. The Maxwell was "tuned up" to the minute before the trip was started, but owing to the length of the journey many adjustments were prophesied. However, Carlson's own words tell the tale: "The Maxwell proved itself equal to the hard task. Some of the going was tough and would test the strength of any car. I certainly was surprised and pleased when I arrived at Phoenix, to look back over the trip and truthfully say that I never made an adjustment during the entire run. I know of no greater test for a car than the one through which I have just put that Maxwell."

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Stallings Strong for League

Luque, who is now pitching down in Cuba, is the second best ball player ever turned out by that island, according to Manager Stallings of the Braves. Stallings is rated the best. Luque played second base for Jersey City last season.

Two-Piece Rim is Put on the Market By Goodyear Firm

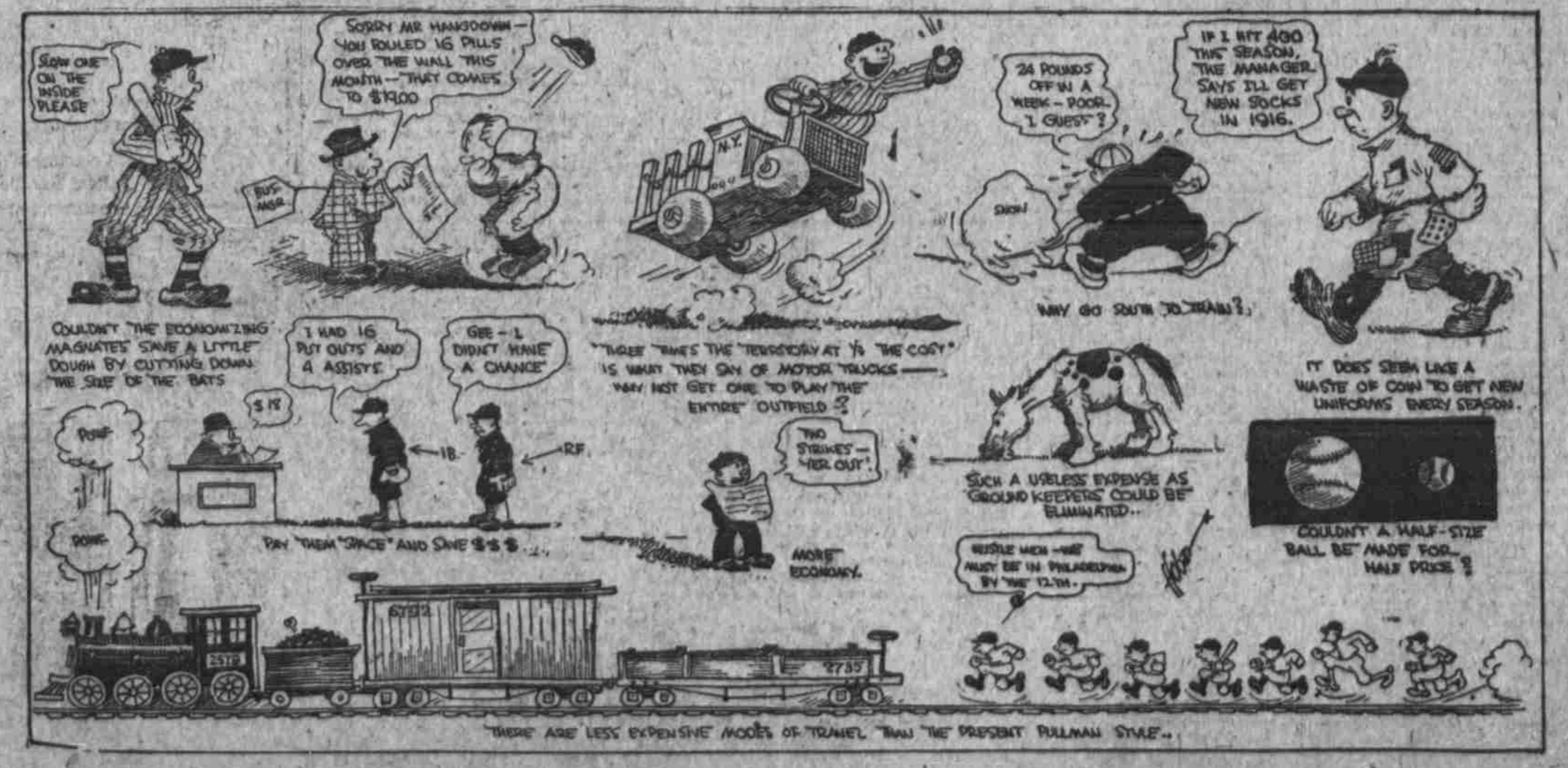
Since 1904, when the Goodyear Tire and Rubber company made the first practical detachable rim for automobile tires, and thus inspired a flood of other rims, detachable and demountable, that have since appeared, the company has kept close tabs on the rim situation. The Goodyear "Goodyear detachable rim" of 1904 is still well remembered by the trade, and the "Goodyear 47" profile for straight-side rims is in greater use than ever before, having just the right curve for giving the tire maximum support and a maximum opportunity for service. For 1915 Goodyear is campaigning its already resulted in contracts with fourteen leading car-manufacturers for Goodyear rims as standard equipment, and at this time the company is placing its proposition before dealers in attractive form. Goodyear asserts claims for the "Goodyear detachable rim" and "Goodyear detachable demountable rim" that they are the simplest and safest possible for their purpose. It is claimed that the rim takes the "grief" out of tire changing; that Goodyear rims cannot stick nor balk against removal or application; that they have a wide base, increased air capacities of tires used on them and that the rim is the lightest on the market that includes the detachable feature. The rim has a solid base, so that it does not pinch tubes or permit squeaking—faults known to users of split-base rims—and water and dirt cannot penetrate to attack the tubes. Safety is dwelt on strongly in connection with this Goodyear product, and its inventors assert definitely that when once locked in position the Goodyear detachable or demountable rim is "there to stay." Agencies for Goodyear rims are now being established in all parts of the country, and because of the many calls dealers have for detachable and demountable rims of the straight-side type fine business is predicted.



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Wonder if Judge Keneaw Mountain Landis realizes how many folks are metaphorically holding their breath, waiting for him to come across? The great American public still refuses to go with over the game that is to be pulled off at Juarez early next month. It looks too much like a plan to get hold of a little easy money. And, at that, the people are so accustomed to the thought of a nonresident black champion that the white hope appeal has lost most of its potency. If the business stringency continues, some of the leading champions may have to go to work for a living. The summer base ball question is coming in for a good deal of debate once more, but no one has yet been able to satisfactorily point out how a college player can be a professional in the summer time and an amateur in winter. To be sure, the Lincoln High school authorities so ruled in the case of Les Mann, but the decision was not generally adopted as good law. And at that, we'll bet Frank Chance has a lot more fun in the bush out in California than he ever had in New York. Some things go on the proposition that the Yanks will miss Chance a lot more than Chance will miss the Yanks. It wouldn't make a powerful lot of difference in the course of history if some of the Western league towns laid off for the coming season and never resumed.