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BRIEF BITS OF NEWS

Speaks on Reference Work.—A. E. Sheldon spoke to the classes in political science Monday on the work of the legislative reference bureau, of which he is director.

Transferred to Utah.—W. A. Rockie, '14, who is now in the United States soil survey at Waynshoro, Ga., has been transferred to Moab, Utah, for work in the western forests during the summer.

Want Bohemian Instructor.—Prof. Sarka Hrbkova, head of the department of Slavonic languages, has received a letter from Niobrara asking for an instructor in Bohemian for its summer school.

Will Survey for Oil.—Harold Duncan, who has been an assistant in the department of geography this year, has gone to Casper, Wyo., to do field mapping in connection with a reconnaissance survey for petroleum and natural gas.

Professor Candy at Math. Club.—Prof. A. L. Candy will talk on "The Development of the Number System" at a meeting of the Math. club Thursday evening in Mechanics Arts hall, Room 102, at 7:30. His talk will be illustrated with stereopticon. A. L. Sikes will discuss "The Roots of Unity," and the solution of bulletin board problems will follow. The committee for the Math. club banquet will be announced.

CLIMB OF SOUTHPAWS

Work of Left-Handers Marks Development of Baseball.

Babe Ruth of Boston and Ferdie Schupp of New York Were Most Effective Pitchers in Their Respective Leagues.

Babe Ruth of the Red Sox and Ferdie Schupp of the Giants were the most effective pitchers in their respective leagues during the past season, and both of them are left-handers. This is one of the things that marks the development of baseball.

In the early days of the game a southpaw was a rare article. The National league was organized in 1876, and during its first ten years of existence there were, so far as we know, just about seven good left-handers in fast company. These were Richmond, Baldwin, Shaw, Morris, Casey, Ramsey and Cushman.

Today there are ten times that many part-timers on the reserve lists of the two big leagues. No pitching staff is considered complete without at least a couple of good ones. Yet, in 40 years of organized baseball it is probable that not over fifty southpaws really have made good.

It is easy to look back and recall most of the better ones since those early days. It is a short list: Breiten-



Babe Ruth.

stein, Esper, Clausen, McGill, White, Altrock, Klobedanz, Hannehill, Leifeld, Pfeister, Waddell, Wiltse and, of course, that ageless veteran, Eddie Plank. Half of this number were only ordinary pitchers.

Three or four of them at most belong in a class with such great right-handers as Keefe, Radbourne, Clarkson, Carruthers, Ging, Ehret, Meekin, Young, Rusie, Nichols, McGinnity, Overall, Donovan, Mullin, Walsh, Wood, Adams, Coombs, Bender, Mathewson, Johnson and Alexander. Waddell belongs in this class and so does Wiltse, one of the greatest of southpaws and a pitcher who never was given the general recognition he deserved.

In the eight years previous to last season only twice did a left-hander top one of the big leagues in the records of the pitchers. In 1908 the leaders were Reulbach and Walsh; in 1909 they were Camnitz and Mullin, and in 1910 they were Cole and Bender. Marquard was the most effective twirler in the National league in 1911, but Covington led Johnson's organization.

Hendrix and Wood were in front in 1912, Mathewson and Johnson in 1913. In 1914 Leonard was first in the American league and Doak in the National. Alexander and Wood were the leaders in 1915, Marquard and Leonard, therefore, were the only southpaws to lead their leagues in a decade, but things appear to be looking up for the clan.

Besides Ruth and Schupp, the big leagues now have such left-handers as "Old Man" Plank, Marquard, Leonard, Rixey, Sallee, Benton, Coveleski, Cullop, Nehf, Vaughn, Smith, Tyler, Mogridge, Koob, Harper, Russell and Siler.

HUGGINS FEELS QUITE SAFE

Manager of St. Louis Cardinals Confident He Has Strong Corps of Catchers—Snyder Leads.

Manager Miller Huggins of the St. Louis Cardinals feels pretty safe regarding his catching department. Frank Snyder seems set for a big comeback, while Jack Roche, recalled from Portland, seems to have been cured of the lame arm that troubled him for several years. These two will give Huggins a chance to use Mike Gonzales regularly on first base, with the recruit Williams in reserve. Huggins plans to carry an entire second string infield this year.

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WILL GIVE LUNCHEON FOR DEAN RUSSELL AT LINDELL FRIDAY

A luncheon will be given Friday noon at the Lindell hotel in honor of Dean H. L. Russell of the college of agriculture, University of Wisconsin, who is to give the address for the school of agriculture commencement Friday night. All members of the faculty are invited to attend and are requested to notify the finance office by 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Will Discuss Exhibit.—Prof. Blanche C. Grant will talk in the art gallery tomorrow evening on the work of the artists represented in the exhibit this year.

Honor System

The senate of the University of Kansas has voted down the honor system on the ground that there is not sufficient student sentiment against classroom and examination dishonesty.—Ex.

Vocation for Women

Recently the co-eds of the University of Kansas had a questionnaire

about their intended vocation, and out of the 1,098 women students who answered, only one offered matrimony.—Ex.

The freshmen of the University of Georgia have voted to follow the custom started by the class of '08, and wear red caps. The initiative in this matter was left wholly to the Freshmen.—Ex.

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