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## JUDGMENTS

MAY be true, as we are informed, that the Western league is going to be a slow-mule race this year, but frankly we don't believe it. Anyway, too early for that much wisdom to be placed on exhibition. Not a team in the league has completed its roster, and until this is done how are you going to know ing to this pessimistic conclusion in midwinter, we are disposed to take the other end of the argument and predict that we ne reasons that seem to suggest the Facility of this position. In the first place every team owner is out for the best magetting some good men. In the next place goods. the rule that cuts off so much of the flotsam and jetsam of the big leagues is small consideration-we will have one more And the new ownership and management at Denver certainly is a hopeful sign of | But pool rooms where odds are posted. Western league will not be much faster operate rooms in other cities and towns. wan it has been for a period of years does seem to be warranted.

thought he had passed his zenith. Yet make Boston a good offer. As a matter of charged because there was no evidence. fact, the Pirates, realiging they made a mistake in parting with Beaumont, had Louis than Cincinnati.

anything else, or he would not resort to and were able to bet all the way from 25 not be repeated. Besides those ment that artifice. The spit ball never was cents to \$10. riddance of bad rubbish.

place regularly and he does not care to print the next day. essay that after his two disastrous exan infield as Kane, Fox, Schipke and seman the league ever had, we will certainly be well on our way to the top.

Manager Jack Holland is a fairly busy vigor and getting such wholesome support first season.

If the National league race of 1910 isn't the flercest it has been in many years, then we miss our guess. The Cubs, in all can they have ever had, for the Cubs are get an idea of what is going on. filling up every suggestion of a hole with or-tight nuterial. And it does not appear hat it is going to be a two-team race,

Pitcher McQuillen of Philadelphia is a sides his rich papa gives him a hundred for with a man like that?

mant to arouse any enthusiasm.

Beaumont makes about the fourth player manently. Pittsburg has thrown away and the Cubs

grand stand Murphy is always there.

is in high society.

menin in night. Mathewson has signed a contract to pitch as this burg is concerned."

for New York. It's less than sixty days now till the first game at Vinton park. Doesn't that help

In the meantime the Jeff-Jack bunch are

sceping mighty quiet about it. This doesn't seem to have been a good for the hold-out.

"Y HOF"

THE CHARLA SUNDAY BEE HANDBOOK BETTING GROWS NO Rule Against

New System Has Crippled the Pool

Room Industry. HASN'T CHECKED SMALL BETTING

Veteran Gambler Says Anti-Book making Law Has Increased Speculation Among the Piking Classes.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.-"Running pool rooms in the big town is a dead letter." said a veteran gambler at a cosy table the caliber of the league? Instead of jump- the other night. "There's no money in while severs, must be charged against the 'em 'cause the coppers won't stand for chances of the game. Players and umpires 'em, and, besides, the handbook guys have believe that fast play depends upon the cornered the business. You can't keep a use of spikes. shall have a fairly fast league. There are room for respectable horse players going a week before the sleuths get wise and ball, abolishing the spike is foolish," deyou get the word to close down. But the clares Evans, the umpire. "The spike is handbook fellers are never stopped be- the one big asset of the ball player. He

town in the winter time and they'd give same possibilities as the steel spike. To flotsam and jetsam of the big leagues is bound to have a beneficial reaction for the minors and the Western may expect to the minors and the Western may expect to the minors and the benefit. Again—and this is no chances of being lugged off to a station is the demand of every base ball manager. house in a patrol wagon. They can get and owner. old-time, big league ball players. In the action, too, in another way. Maybe they "To ask a ball player to work on grass league at the head of a team is Frank can find a broker who will lay odds against infield or outfield with leather cleats as Isbell. Of course we have lost Holmes, but their wagers, relying upon quotations his only means of re-enforcement would be the way relations between Holmes and printed in assessment as a basis for set- foothardy. On a skinned diamond, it other managers stood his loss is not vital. tlement, and as this is all very quiet, you wouldn't be so bad, but on a grass diaknow, there's no fear of trouble.

renewed vigor and strength. There is yet bets in cash are taken and paid and the the question. Incidentally, it would tend this one fact to be considered-scarcely a details of the races at the winter tracks to greatly slow up the work of the men, eam in the league but has young material are received by telephone or telegraph are as they wouldn't take so many chances or which last year was raw, but this year will risky places to spend an afternoon in town be so certain on their feet. valuable. This ought not to be ignored and as good cash customers are scarce, in a general view of the situation. All in the keepers of these places have either for the abolition of the spike. The steel all the statement at this time that the gone out of business or have decided to chain in the shape of a triangle that was

growing rapidly. It's an easy game to con- ent spike can be changed so as to make it duct, for it requires no room with a look- less dangerous and still just as valuable Two interesting exchanges of players out, no clerks and no paraphernalia. Bets to the player." were made last week. One was the Cubs' can be taken right out in the street from purchase of Beaumont and the other the men who are known and all settlements SEVENTY ENTER LONDON RACE exchange by Cincinnati to St. Louis of can be made the next day on prices sent Huggins. Oakes and Corridon for Beebe out from the tracks. All the handbook and Storke. The Beaumont deal is another man has to do is to write down the amoun illustration of the importance the hest wegered, the name of the horse and the teams attach to the weight of a voteran niitials of the bettor, and he abbreviates as a balancing power. Beaumont was let these things in such a way that if the go by Pittsburg to Boston when it was coppers should grab his little note book they couldn't make head nor tall of it and Chance and Murphy see in him enough to the bookmaker would have to be dis-

Handbook Betting Increases. "I am not afraid of being contradicted and a contest worthy of the best tradibeen dickering for him back. Beaumont's when I say that the hand book business tions of the historic race is promised. addition to the Cubs means that Messrs. has increased to an alarming degree bo-Sheckard, Hofman and Schulte will have to cause of the anti-betting law in this state. there is no other race like it in the world. outplay him or he will get one of their Do you remember when the race tracks Among those that have competed preplaces as a regular. As to the Cincinnati- were running free under the Percy-Gray viously and are again entered are the St. Louis deal, there is a belief that Chi- law how the field enclosure attracted 19,000 French horse, Lutteur III, Judas and case, too, has a hand in that. Chicago men every day who paid \$1 to get in and Caubeen (who last year respectively filled been anxious to get Beebe and the be- then wagered all the way from a single the three leading berths), Hercules II, Tom the best that it will now get him by a deal buck to five or ten bones? It was argued West, Carsey, Leinster, Shady Girl, and that will involve Zimmerman's transfer to by the reformers that these men could not Phaeton, all of whom completed the course Cincinnati. It would appear on the face of afford to bet at all and that the existence twelve months ago. it that this deal is more in favor of St. of these cheap enclosures at the tracks was simply an encouragement to gamble, ver, who won in 1993, was sixth the next Well, the new law killed open bookmaking You have Cy Young's word for it that and forced the tracks to close up the field ing last year. The king had had Flaxathe spit ball has seen its last season. The enclosures as well as the betting rings, man entered, and the royal chaser is said Grand Old Man of the box, in his forty- didn't it? And what became of the thou- to be doing well at his Irish home. Mr. fourth year and about his twenty-fifth as sands who used to bet a few dollars in the Assheton Smith has entered a strong cor a premier pitcher, ought to be entitled to field? Did they quit the game? Not a tingent in Cackler, Jerry M. and Holy an opinion, and he says that the man with bit of it. Why, they turned to the hand War, and it is to be hoped that the re-

more than a temporary expedient and base "The hand book guys, therefore, have vale, Rory O'More, Mount Prospect's Forball would have been richer today had it been benefited by the new law, for these tune, Moonstruck, Springbok, Paddy Maher never been invented. Many a good man persons who were supposed to be betting and King of the Scarlets. has gone wrong because of it. If, as beyond their means at the tracks are now The Sheffield Recorder, at the Quarter Young says, it has reached its end we betting with them. There's no racing Sessions recently, held that betting over May afford to give it one kind word, the going on in this vicinity now, is there? the telephone was not contrary to law. word of a respectful farewell for a good It isn't hecessary. The winter tracks at This decision was given in an appeal We are told there is good ground for action. The hand book men will take bets unlawfully using his premises for the purhoping that George Graham will be able on horses at any of the tracks up to a pose of betting. Counsel submitted that for his guilty role this season. He will certain time before the races are called and bookmakers might legally have offices for a win there entailed a penalty in the Chi-

periences with that knee. But if Graham the cheap screws run out, naturally; but an offense when a person physically reperfences with that knee. But if Graham those who have an ounce of brains stick it sorted to the premises to bet. By tele- asked of her in impressive fashion, and a oan only come back for irregular service out and settle when they're hard hit, phoning they were not physically resortcause they know in the long run that the ing. and it was within the law to send two miles in 3:30. As this was half a secan infield as Kane, Fox, Schipke and people who are betting with them are not bets by telegram, or by letter, and so ond faster than the record at the disas smart as the big professionals at the also by telephone. tracks. Where do these hand books operate? The opposing counsel contended that Almost anywhere. You can get a bet down betting by telephone was illegal, but the in cigar stores, saloons, bootblack par- recorder, Scott Fox, ruled to the con- and began to look around for a first-class lors, cheap restaurants and hotels if you're trary. A man at the end of a wire a boy these days, building a new Western known. But you've got to be introduced hundred miles away could not be said to players, especially in the neighborhood of with coats against the chief constable able. is doubting his ultimate success. Here's hoping that the Drummers have a fine

hoping that the Drummers have a fine Lots of men bet on credit, so that it's a FOOT BALL CAPTAINS IN SOUTH In this dilemma Martin wired to New line of goods and do a big business their hard matter to get the evidence. They just whisper the name of a horse to the hand Colleges Elect in Spite of Agitation book feller and he walks away a few yards to jot it down. If cash is bet it is rolled up in a little ball and shoved into the bookmaker's overcloat pocket. It's done so probability will give the Pirates the closest quietly that only a sharp-eyed sleuth can

Change Base of Operations. never operate in the same place more than modest and duseifish young man. He got in a certain neighborhood always giving Aubrey Lanier, halfback, Munford, Tenn.; a nice raise in salary, \$500 bonus and beevery game he wins and he is still kicking Governor Hughes hasn't stopped betting lin, tackle, Barnwell, Ga.; University of for more money. What would you do on horse races at all. He's handed a Texas, A. L. Fitzpatrick, quarter, Browns-Airendy Cleveland is out with its cry simply spread the besting game all over end, Dodson, La.; Alabama, O. G. Gresham, of 'pennant for 1910." But that's like the cry town. If the tracks could do business on tackle, Prattville, Ala.; Davidson, Dewitt ble was that of Grimstead and the utof the wolf, coming from Cleveland. The the old lines again and the field enclosures Elutar, end, Columbia, S. C.; Clemson col- most confidence was placed on its noted

Comiskey may be able to put it on Mur- evidence would be lacking. After that Hiram Mann, halfback. Covington. phy when he gets that new south side there would be the same old game in some until the flurry ended. It's different with Storke, traded by Pittsburg, to St. Louis business gets good the coppers can back to Cincinnati, seems to be no more popular up a patrol wagon and arrest everybody. in the National league than another stork If protection is paid it's such a high tariff holding an automobile tour for the Glidden served in this respect. that a room can't live. The patronage trophy this year were recently set at rest | Henry Vissmann's Solicitor, a hig brown while it lasts consists of wise players who at a meeting of the contest board of the 4-year-old, by Enquirer-Salife, also was Thanks, Mister Ground Hog. Now, let's bot big money and are hard to beat, but American Automobile association. It was looked on as a factor. He had raded imsee-Pebruary, March, April. And not all the soft money of olden times doesn't come decided to retain the prize offered by Mr. pressively at the Kentucky and Tennessee of the first or the last. Oh, joy! Life is that way any more 'cause the handbooks Glidden and to name the run this year the spring meetings, and could go a route and get it. Yes, sir, the pool room business has national contest for the Gilden trophy. | carry weight as well. gone the way of other soft snaps and I A plan suggested which seemed to meet

Coffroth After Fighters.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.-It looks certain July was favored as the time for the now that Jem Driscoll, the English pugilist. for a fight with Abe. Attell in San quite possible that the start will be at Francisco for the featherweight championship of the world.

England, has decided to match either Dris- Dailas, Oklahoma City, Wichlta, Topcka, on February 22, but as Moran lost a Davenport and Chicago decision to Matty Baldwin recently the incurse Pa Rourke is for the state dication are that Attell will decline to flight Moran and take on Driscol

Intentional Spiking is Easy to Detect Declares Umpire Evans.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 .- Despite the agitation against the use of spikes in base ball it is apparent that no rule will be made against them. As a matter of fact, intentional spiking is not difficult to detect, and the capable umpire generally knows whom to watch. Cases of accidental spiking.

"To anybody who has ever played base terial he can get and most of them are cause it's hard to get them with the must have his shoes so equipped that he can make a quick start, as well as stop, "There are plenty of big betters around and I can see no substitute that offers the

mond, such as minor and major league clubs now own, it would simply be out of

"I can't see any chance in a thousand tried last year utterly failed to bring re-"The handbook industry, however, is suits. I do, however, think that the pres-

### Four-Mile Event Draws Some Classy Hornes.

LONDON, Feb. 5,-The Grand National Steeplechase, to be decided at Aintree on March 18, has closed with seventy en-This is fifteen less than the total nominations received last year, but almost every animal in training with any chance of staying and jumping this testing four miles 556 yards has been entered

The Grand National is unique in that

A prominent absentce is Ascetic's Silseason, and who got around without fallthe spit ball is a back number, because books of course. It was cheaper, too, grettable incident of last year which led batters have come to know that he hasn't 'cause they saved the dollar admission fee to Mr. Smith withdrawing his horses will others with chances are The Lurcher, Rath-

accarcely be strong enough to take his they settle on the quotations appearing in their business, providing that betting was cago event. not carried on on the premises, either "Do the hand book men welch? Some of for ready money or credit. It was only

Over Game. NEW YORK, Feb. 3.-Despite southern

discussions over foot ball and its length | Foster secured for the Californians Ed-"Another thing. The handbook men Tenn.; Arkansas, Stephen W. Creekmore, George Evans, W. Donohue. Palmer, Henquarter, Van Buren, Ark.; Auburn, John nessy and all the best riders of that day. in case somebody makes a kick to the cop- tackle, Batesville, Mass.; Texas, A. and M., pers it's a hard task to find a culprit. Roger Hooke, tackle, Georgia; C. A. Frankwallop to the tracks which has made them ville, Tex.; Georgia Technical, Dean Hill, suffer heavy losses, but his new law has fullback, Gloversville, N. Y.; R. F. Stovall, were reopened very few of the old guard lege, W. H. Hanckel, end. Charleston, bay mare, Janet, by Lightning-Kelpie, would go back to bet at \$1 a head 'cause S. C.; Hendrix college, C. L. Cunningham, Janet, unbeaten as a 2-year-old, won the handbooks have got their trade per- tackie; Henderson, Jerome Brown, haif- many races as a 3, 4 and 5-year-old, and "The coppers know all about the hand- Charles Wallis, quarter, Arkadelphia, Ark.; and, like her famous antagonist from Call-Pittsburg has thrown away and the Coppers know at about the large pitched up-Pfeister, Hofman, Archer, book business, but they can't stop it. It Maryville college, H. N. Wright, halfback, forma, as good as she ever was at any would take 100,000 sleuths to round up all Pall Mail, Tenn.; Baylor university, T. P. age, when most racers are through with the handbook men in town and then legal Robinson, halfback; University of Memphis, their turf labors.

park completed, but when it comes to a new places under temporary restrictions GLIDDEN TOUR IS A FIXTURE the rooms. Once a room is planted and Contest Board Decides to Give Race

Again This Year. It might be stated in passing that C. don't believe it'll ever come back as far with favor would provide for the awarding courses, the driving park had the largest of what will be known as Glidden certi-

contest, and the run will probably be will get the preference over Owen Moran through the south and middle west. It is the west. That is to say, the auction and Cincinnati, and a tentative route was laid lation, and racegoers were gradually be out to take in the following cities: Louis- coming used to the new system. The night Jimmy Coffroth, who is at present in ville, Nashville, Memphis, Little Rock, before the coup Robert Cathourt had sold cell or Moran against Attell for a battle St. Joseph, Des Moines, Cedar Rapids, Janet a pronounced favorite.

down when it is

### POT OF MONEY ON A RACE

Spike This Year Recollections of a Big "Killing" on a Chicago Track.

MOLLIE M'CARTY PRIZE WINNING

Raid of Lucky Baldwin and Californin Bunch Vields \$93,000-How the Race Was

Run.

The late "Lucky" Baldwin, who spent a fortune in preparing his Santa Anita stock farm, probably never felt more proud of a porse than he did of his Mollie McCarty. Two of the first mares that he secured

for stud matrons were Clara D. and Jennie B. Then he paid a stiff price to Theodor Winters for the great little mare Mollie McCarty after she had been beaten by Ten Broeck at Louisville, took her back east the following summer and won the largest bet of his turf career with her at

Mollie McCarty's whole life was a re mance, a part of which could be written by Mathew M. Allen, who trained the mare for Winters as a 2, 3 and 4-year-old. With Allen won the \$10,000 purse at San Francisco in November, 1876, at four-mile heats. Mollie being only an undersized i year-old at the time. By Monday-Hennie four-milers through both sire and dam. Monday, raced by Francis Morris of

Throgs Neck, N. Y., was by Colton, out of the great four-mile mare Mollie Jackson. raced by Captain T. G. Moore, while Mc Carty's dam. Hennie Farrow, was the dam of the four-mile Privateer, who, after witning a four-mile race at Jerome Park fell after passing the finish apparently dead. But after the "vets" had worked over him a half hour he got up and walked o his barn

Monday and Hennie Farrow were taken to California by Winters shortly after he purchased Norfolk at Paterson, where that great colt won the Jersey Derby. Like York by sea, via the isthmus of Panama, and reached the Winters ranch in Yoto county in good shape. There Mollie Mc-Carty was foaled in 1873.

On Eastern Tracks.

to go into an eastern racing campaign, to go faster; the second mile in 1:45 or But Bud Doble, son-in-law of Baldwin, per- thereabouts, and then come on and win. suaded Winters to lease him the mare's running qualities for the season of 1878 and that summer she was matched to run against Ten Broeck at four-mile heats in Louisville.

The race took place on July 4, 40,000 spectators seeing the great match. The temperature was flerce, 192 in the shade, and both horses felt it keenly, the mare the more of the two, for after leading in the final heat for three miles she collapsed, and Ten Broeck distanced her in

Both the Harper and Doble parties, how ever, had an interest in the gate recelpts, which helped to stand off the of the Californians over the mare's defeat, and they evened up that score by a victory at Minneapolis a few weeks later on their way back to the coast.

At Hamline Park the Twin City Jockey Club track, Mollie McCarty, in the Mincapolis cup, two miles and a quarter, defeated the best horses in the northwest, The mare did not run any more that

ear (1878) and was shipped to California in October. The next spring Baldwin bought her from Winters and entered her in the Latonia, Garden City and Saratoga cups, as well as other long-distance events, in the east.

Mollie trained so well that spring, though then a six-year-old, that Baldwin and Doble determined on a coup with her Jacksonville, Tampa. Junrez and Oakland against the judgment of the Sheffield at Chicago and shipped her east early in are all running and they provide plenty of magistrates fining David Cohen 1500 for June. They went direct to the Windy City, dodging her Latonia cup engagement, for several reasons, one being that

Preparing for the Race.

At the Chicago Driving Park track Molweek before the race showed her trainer tance, held by General Abe Buford's illfated McWhirter. Baldwin, Doble and Trainer L. R. Martin were in ecstasies jockey for the mare.

time. But Jack is doing both with such streets are normals with some of these make a bet. The according to premises to in most of her races up to that time, had George Howson, who had ridden Molli streets are popular with some of these make a bet. The appeal was allowed, grown so heavy he no longer was avail-

> It was a pity, as he understood the game little mare thoroughly and she him. editor of the New York Sportsman, to get honesty.

of life nearly all the Dixle colleges have ward Feakes, then riding for Milton San- These applications must be in the hands would like the game so well for an important chosen captains for 1916 elevens. A list of ford, Colonel Pudyear and others. He of the committee not later than March L point is the ability to get the proper posithose selected reads as follows: Virginia, had proved his ability to hold his own when the location of contest will be fixed tion after pocketing the last ball. The Hediey M. Brown, end, Alexandria, Va.; with George Barber, W. Lakeland, W. at the general meeting of the National As-most desirable position is about six inches Vanderbilt, William Neely, quarter, Smyrna, Hayward, Robert Swim. James Rowe. Sociation of Amateur Billiard Players. two days in succession. They shift around Davis, fullback, Mobile, Ala.; Sewanes, Peakes reached Chicago two days before in a certain neighborhood always giving Aubrey Lanier, hairback, Munford, Tenn.; the race and gave Mollic her final work, table, 5x10, Monarch match cushion; prizes, and smash into the bunch with consider-Editor Fosier: "She can't lose."

Foster created a decided sensation at the Sportsman office and about half of the force wanted to go to Chicago to see the race.

Rival Runners.

Across the track from the Baldwin staback, Arkadelphia, Ark.; Quachita college, at 6 years old was as sound as a dollar

Janet had shown her prowess at all distances up to three miles, and her form in the west had been so brilliant that spring that a big Kentucky delegation was on hand prepared to support her heavily. NEW YORK, Feb. 5.-All doubts as to Janet, so the Grimstead stable was well Ten Broeck's jockey, Walker, came with

While not so pretentious a track as later assemblege in its history on that eventful ficates for the contestants that make a day. By 2 o'clock 15,000 people were or score of 95 per cent or better in the tour. hand, and by 3 o'clock fully 20,000 people were inside the inclosure.

mutual pools were still mediums of specusome heavy pools at Chapin & Gore's with

Solicitor was made second favorite. Moilie McCarty third, and the members of the Read The Ree for all the live sporting Baldwin party bought their mare in a ... ber of ... she that aggregated \$42,000 for

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an investment of \$5.700. The next day at Norfolk, they made the journey from New York by sea, via the isthmus of Panama and son-in-law, invested fully \$7,990 more in pools and books at nearly the same rate of odds if anything a trifle better-for the Janet craze was a pronounced one. Mollie McCarty was a front runner, and,

despite the fact she was carrying III After Molile had beaten everything on pounds, Martin told Feakes to take her the Pacific coast her owner was about to out in front and stay there; to run the first retire her to the stud, as he did not care mile in 1:48 or 1:49, and if he was pushed

"They're Off!"

When the cup starters came on the track they made a fine apearance. The field was by far the best cup field ever seen on a western track upto that day, and the crowd applauded each horse in turn. At the post there was little delay and they got away to a good start, Feakes, true to his orders, taking Mollie to the front, and the field thundered down the home stretch past the crowd, ending the first quarter.

Moille McCarty's quick, daisy-cutting action was taking and frictionless, and, with Solicitor two lengths away, they ran the first mile and a quarter in 2:1915, about the rate of speed laid out by Trainer Martin for Fenkes. Here Janet was third, and as she moved up, passing the stand, a roar of greeting from the spectators told of the general trend of opinion as to the final

Now the pace quickened as Solicitor went up and apped Mollie, but Penkes just let go a part of his wrap and the mare drev away a length, with Solicitor and Janet larged. At the half mile pole Janet drew

for the flying leader.

her pacemaking, had a lot in reserve, and customary safety break, but in subsequent she answered every challenge with a game- rackings the "point" or "apex" ball is re- pitcher at all. ness that would not be denied. Coming to moved and placed on the spot in the center the homestretch she led by two lengths, of the table. easily by a good three lengths. Solicitor behind the first two diamonds at the bebeating Janet in a drive for the place. | ginning of each new frame, the player who blow enough to snuff a candle after the continues to shoot from where the cue New York. race. The big crowd gave Feakes and the ball rolls after the final shot in the premare an ovation when they came back to ceding frame. Heuston proposes a rule weigh. Baldwin and Dobs cashed in \$33.- that permits a hard break of the pyramid 600 in the pools and books, which included on the same shot that pockets the spot the amount they had put up, \$12,700. Doble ball, it being necessary, however, for the of about \$17,300 for Doble and \$63,000 for and the "bunch."

#### burg Dispatch. TENTH ANNUAL BILLIARD MEET enough force to scatter the balls and thus coach at Cornell. Tournament Committee Decides on

April for Contests. NEW YORK, Feb. 5 .- At a meeting of Association of Amateur Billiard Players, champion is showing the possibilities of the for a few weeks and wanted permission to held here, arrangements were made for new break and what an expert player can do so. York to his old friend, Charles J. Foster, holding the tenth annual tourney for the do with it. Class A national amateur championship sent to clubs requesting them to apply "for I believe it would make a hit with the Harvard pitchers in 1904. for a sanction to hold this tournament, the fans. I do not claim that amateurs

a stiff two-mile gallop. Then he wired the champlonship emblem and three or able force. more prizes.

## Open Break Ball is New to

Agitation to Change the Rules So as to Help the Game Along.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 .- As the balk-line revolutionized billiards, so will the proposed new "open break" work a great improvement in the game of continuous pool according to Thomas Heuston, who has been practicing here for his title match with Jerome Keogh. Heuston is exhibiting the brought out." new style of break in his daily exhibitions at Doyle's and is trying to induce the rule ship play.

Experts who have experimented with it say that Heuston's idea is entirely pracamong expert players it could be easily the establishment of averages that would bridge. indicate relative abilities of players as is now the case in billiards.

sary to place a third "spot" in the middle that he intended to take "Christy" south of the table at the intersection of lines with the Giants this spring. McGraw also up to Solicitor's head and both set sail extending from the center of the end rails said that he considered Mathewson gained and between the two side pockets. The nothing by working in the Harvard cage But the fleet California mare, in spite of game is started in the usual way with the last winter, and that he believed co

safe. He has practiced this game a long

above one of the side pockets and not from ball team of next fall. He prepared at the The conditions of the contest are: Round the side rail, which permits a comparatively Hill school, where he played tackle on rotin tournament at is-inch balk line, two easy cut shot into the side pocket with the the foot ball team for three years and shots in, anchor harred. Games, 400 points; cue bail taking the end and side rails was captain in 1966. He also played on his

"Undoubtedly safety play can not be draw from artive participation last year,

avoided as scratches are costly and a good player will always play safe rather than to take a chance in a match game, but my contention is that the new-fangled break would do away with so much safety play, In a title match the players feature safety Pool Players play, which is rather thresome for the onlookers. I believe the new break would do away with a jot of that and that the chance to break and clean up a frame would induce players to take more chances. It would also provide longer runs, the most

interesting feature of the game. "Years ago when billiards became too easy for certain players the balk-line was invented and that was a distinct improvement in a game that has progressed steadily ever since. I believe there are possibilities in pool that have never been

MATTY CANNOT COACH HARVARD makers to write it into code for champion- McGraw Will Not Release His Star

from Training Trip. BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 5.-It is now certain that Mathewson of the Giants will ticable, that it would make the game more not coach the Harvard players in their spectacular in that much safety play would cage again this year. "Matty" said that be eliminated, that it would permit long McGraw would not let him off from the runs without the safety pauses, and that southern trip again, but Pieper decided to see the New York manager himself. manipulated. It is Heuston's belief that Pieper has just returned from New York, the open break will not only improve the where he was unable to persuade McGraw game for spectators, but would result in to allow Mathewson to come to Cam-

McGraw told the Harvard coach that he did not think Mathewson was at his best To play the new style game it is neces- in the National league race of 1909, and coaching does not help a professional

So Pieper returned to Cambridge without having secured Mathewson, and realizing and the gap was never closed. She won Instead of placing the cue ball anywhere that a choice of some man to coach his pitchers must be made at once

The Harvard management had written The time was 4:00% and Mollie didn't pockets the last ball in the previous frame to several pitchers before Pieper went to Word has already received from two of them. "Wild Bill" Donovan of Detroit has sent his terms to Harvard and these now are under con-

sideration. Donovan stated what he would expect to had \$2,900 of the play and Baldwin the rest, cue ball to take at least two cushions be paid to coach the Harvard batteries for which left the winnings in the proportion between contact with the first object ball a term of three weeks, and also for a month, asking practically the same amount Baldwin. It was Baldwin's largest betting It is Heuston's contention that expert as the Harvard management paid Mathewcoup on any race of his turf career .- Pitts- players can manipulate their position play son a year ago. Donovan would be allowed so as to pocket the spot ball and at the to come east by Manager Jennings, who same time swing into the pyramid with for so many seasons was the base ball

continue a run without pausing to play | Eddie Cicotte of the Boston Red Sox was another pitcher to whom the Harvard while and his proposition is well spoken management wrote. The "knuckle ball" of by prominent billiard and pool stars man has not yet sent a reply to Cambridge, and has favorably impressed the rule but wrote to the Boston club headquarters, the tournament committee of the National makers. In the games at Doyle's the He said he would like to go to Cambridge

The Harvard management did not write "I would like to play a championship to Mordecal Brown of Chicago, but did them a first-class jockey of unquestionable during next April. An invitation will be march at this style," declared Houston, write to "Jack" Chesboro, who coached

Student at Yale Coach. NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 5.-Egbert Meresreau, 1911, of Portland, Ore, has been appointed coach of the Yale freshmen foot squad in 1908, but was compelled to with-

