### Mack Economy Theory Misses Fire; Fight Makers Seek New Heavy Star

Up Great Ball Club Without Spending Big Money Fails to Work Out.

By JACK VEIOCK.

New York, June 9 .- Connie Mack's economic base ball system may be all right, but after receiving several years' treatment under it the Athletics appear to be ailing almost as

Maybe Connie's prescription would he efficacious in a case of seven-year itch, but it is beginning to appear that as a remedy for a chronic loser in the major leagues Mack's economy has flivvered.

When the season of 1917 began there were those who predicted the Athletics would be a tremendous surprise despite the fact that most of the scribing fellows picked them for as good as seventh place. The Athletics have been a surprise—they have surprised the critics who thought they were due to come to life and crowd out clubs like the Browns, Indians and Yankees.

During the first few laps of the American league race the Mackmen crowded everybody else out of the cellar and threatened to dive into ninth place. The only thing that kept them from it was the scarcity of ninth place in the American league. When the season of 1917 began

place in the American league.

There is still hope for the Mackmen to finish better than last, for the men to minsh better than last, for the season has some ways to run and many strange things happen in a sea-son. But in face of the prediction made by Mack when he broke up his famous machine, and all joking aside, it seems doubtful that the Athletics will manage to become terrors around

it seems doubtful that the Athletics will manage to become terrors around the Ban Johnsonian circuit while the economic policy is applied to them.

Three years ago Mack predicted that he would build up another great ball club if given sufficient time and at practically as little cost as the championship team he had torn to pieces. Mack then pulled the economy brake and went out after some good, cheap youngsters to wear the boots of Barry, Collins, Baker and a few others. So far these boots have proven away too large for their new owners. Mack has some good youngsters and a club that becomes murderous with the bludgeon at times. He also has a club that becomes murderous with the bludgeon at times. He also has some mighty capable pitchers, a very bright star in Joe Bush, but still he isn't piloting a winner.

Show Flashes of Speed.

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While on the subject of economy in base ball it might be well to mention the fact that the Pittsburgh club is another object lesson for club owners who would like to put a padlock on the purse strings. The economic policy of the Pirate ownership within on the purse strang-policy of the Pirate ownership within the last two years has resulted in dragging the Pirates down into the sea of despond. You can't buy a good watch for a song, and the same ap-plies to a base ball club.

#### Amateur Games Today

GREATER OMAHA LEAGUE. GREATER OMAHA LEAGUE.

Holmes White Sox against Polish Merchants, Holmes park, 3:30 p. m.

Armours against C. B. Prexel Victors,
Athletic park, 3:30 p. m.

Melady Mavericks against Te-Be-Ces,
Melady Meadow 3:30 p. m.

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Carter Lake club sgainst Grain Exchange, arter Lake diamond, 2:30 p. m. Waller G. Clarks against Omaha Crockery o, Thirty-second street and Dewey avenue,

AMERICAN LEAGUE. AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Townsends against Comhan Bleycle Indians, Melady's Meadow, 1:30 p. m.
Walnut Hill Merchants against Central
Furniture Store, Miller park, 3:30 p. m.
National Cash Registers against McCarthys, Twenty-fifth and W streets, 3:30 p. m. METROPOLITAN LEAGUE.

Beddees against Alpha camp, Woodmen of World, Fontenelle park, 1:30 p. m. Stags against B. & M. camp, Modern Woodmen, Fontenelle park, 3:30 p. m. Western Union against Kraliceks, Biverview park, 3:30 p. m. BOOSTER LEAGUE.

Frank Deweys against Brodegaard Crowns, Miller park, 1:30 p. m. Dresher Bros. against Benson Merchants. Elmwood park, west diamond, 1:30 p. m. Sample Hart Motor Co. against Dalibans. Rnights, Elmwood park, west diamond, 3:36

INDEPENDENT GAMES. Brandels Stores against Capital City ants, Bourke park, 3:15 p. m. Blair against Becnington, Blair, Neb. H. Beselin & Son, at Hooper, Neb. Ramblers, at Platitsmouth, Neb.

Connie's Prescription to Build Chicago Has Bantam Contender in Little Joe Burman, Who Has Been Knocking Em Down in East.

By RINGSIDE.

Chicago, June 9.-Now that Les Darcey's star has flashed across the horizon and set before the Australian middleweight had had a chance to show what he could do, fight fans are wondering who will be the next fistic artist to startle the boxing world. Promoters are prowling about now

n search of a new giant to go after the heavyweight title, for they see

the heavyweight title, for they see but little chance of contenders for the three honors which Johnny Kilbane of Cleveland virtually holds.

Chicago may furnish the next bantamweight champion in the person of little Joe Burman, who "admits" he will be the next champ. Burman, a Hebrew boy from the West Side, has been cleaning them up in the east at a great rate.

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The Windy City has furnished a lot of good bantam boxers. Back in the days when Jimmy Larry was in form the bantamweight limit was held down to 105 pounds, but Jimmy didn't always insist that his opponents make the weight, although he generally made it himself.

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Barry ruled pretty well up until 1898, and then the east put forth Danny Dougherty to meet Harry Forbes of Chicago. The clash was at St. Louis in 1901, and Harry made Danny take the count in the second round. Forbes ruled until 1904, when Frankie Neil of France knocked him cold. At that time the bantam limit was regarded as 112; later it reached 114, and now they think 116 is a low

figure. Coulon followed Neil. He was product of the amateurs, and he lasted until Johnny Williams came along. Johnny was the last of Chicago banam champs

Schiff Cards Bouts.

Johnny Schiff, California's premier featherweight celebrity, has a trio of mixups scheduled, starting June 24 at Nashville with Johnny Underwood. The affair, arranged by Harry Glickman, is to go eight rounds, and the winner is to meet Matt Brock, another of the south's star featherweights. Schiff also will meet George Cheney and Johnny Mayo at later dates.

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Schiff has fought in England, France and Australia, and in none of about 125 bouts to date has he taken the count. Among the best in his class whom he has put to sleep are Kid Herman, Young McCoy, Jack Manning and Andy Cortez. Others on his list were Johnny Kilbane, present champion; Johnny Dundee and Mike Gibbons.

Fighters in France. SANDLOT FANS SEE

of age, and still very active at this successful in his new venture. Since that Sam began fighting in 1902. This that Sam began fighting in 1902. This would make his ring career start at the age of 28-something unusual. The 1916 Andrews' Guide says Sam was ushered in on March 4, 1886, which would make his present age 31 and date his first fight from the age of 16, which seems more probable than the other with the start of the Inter-City league and McLean of the Booster league, 1917.

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age of 16, which seems more probable than the other views. Whatever the age Samuel has at-

Whatever the age Samiel has attained, it cannot alter the fact that he is now in the decline of his fighting years. Sam moves like a battle-ship with a barnacled bottom. He has a large and permanent water-melon in the food belt, and when he is clined a story one it takes a long. is clipped a stout one it takes a long time to clear his head.

Omaha Motorcycle Riders Take Part in "Gypsy" Tour

Fifty Omaha gas bike riders expect to take part in the national "Gypsy" holiday tour next Saturday and Sunday.
Lincoln has been selected as the

central point for the "Gypsy" tour in Nebraska. Clubs from Omaha, Fre-mont, Columbus, David City, Grand Island, Aurora, York, Seward, Hast-inga and Beatrice will ride into Lin-coln Saturday morning. Saturday afternoon pop-pop races are to be held at the state fair grounds and in the evening a parade out to Capital Beach will be held. Riders making the tour will be given

Frank Dewsys against Brodegnard
Crowns, Miller park, 1:39 p. m.
Dresher Bros. against Benson Merchants,
Elimwood park, west diamond, 3:39 p. m.
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INDEPENDENT GAMES.

Riders making the tour will be given medals commemorating the journey.
Omaha riders will tour to the capital city by the way of the Omaha-Lincoln-Denver road. They will be led by James Van Avery and Art Hughes and will be met at Waverly by a party of Lincoln riders.

"Gypsy" tours are to be held all over the country Saturday and Sunday for the purpose of showing the numerical strength of motorcycle riders and to exploit the sociability feature of motorcycling.

Braves Ship Edgar Collins
Back to the Rochester Team

New England Great Producer of Base Ball Managers



A nifty trick was planned and ex-ecuted by the J. B. Roots on the official tabulation of the standings of

the various leagues and although the

The prestige of New England as a producer of successful base ball managers has been increased by Fred Mitchell's wonderful work with the Cubs. Not that New England needs the extra glory, for it has produced more than its share of successful players and managers, but it is of passing interest to note that "Down East" has produced the man that has brought the Cubs out of the slough of despond.

It is a matter of record that Fred Yapp, alias Fred Mitchell, first saw light of day in Alton, Mass., about thity-eight years ago. It is a coincidence that New England gave to its native son the opportunity to make a name for himself as the "miracle man" while coaching the pitchers for George Stallings in Boston from the spring of 1913 to the opening of the present season.

It also is a coincidence that Mitchell from another manager produced in New England may produce the manager of the pennant-winning team in the American league for the present from another manager produced in New England—Pat Moran of the Phillies, who was born in Fitchburg.

# Gossip Heard Among

call Manager Erickson at wainut 55.
This season Robert Elliott, an old timer is playing a wonderful game at the warm corner for the Alpha Camp. W. O. W.
Thomas Sullivan of Medady Mavericha struck out eight and only allowed two hits against his old teammates, the Armours. against his out teammates, the Armoure.

Right Fielder Hanson of the Ramblers pronenaded into the limeight lest Sunday by plugging three to the land of safety.

At the hot corner Phillips is playing a brilliant game for the C. B. De Vol. Victor. He is also a dangerous led with the hilly. He is also a dangerous led with the hilly. Father Time gazes despairingly through a knot hole in the fence at Edward Lawler, 43, still playing with the Brandels Stores.

Against Bennington, Neb., Supernols was the hig noise for the Men's Fashion club its made seventien breeze the simpophise. Alfred Vernon and Frank Yest of the Mur-phy Did Its each wheeked one for per-mission to trot around the bags last Sunthe various leagues and almough the standings were changed in accordance with the wishes of the J. B. Roots they will be chronicled as they should be tomorrow. Through trickery of some kind the J. B. Roots got the T. M. Rozgalls to admit that the Roots trimmed them the initial bout of the season by the score of 14 to

Neb.
It seems as if the Spellman family inherit their hitting ability. Even Ralph Spellman of the W. H. Newboys is feared by the slab-

Old Vet Green of the W. H. Newsboys

of the season by the score of 14 to 13, although the official tabulators' record showed the reverse. Upon investigation the official gent found that the manife's report showed that the Rozgalls, then known as the Alfor the Lincoln Cleaners and Dyers and some yap said he participated in a few Class A struggles in 1916. The board did not uphold the docision of the league and Hayes was tagged O. K., effective when he signed his contract. bright Ramblers, won the game by the score of 14 to 13. Anyway the Roots draw a Jemon and the key to a floor below in the standing of the Inter-City league.

Possibly the most interesting jangle billed for today is the fight in the City league between the W. H. Newsboys and Park Avenue Flor-

contract.

Because six of his players went out on a strike, Zeigler, the king of the Graham Ice Cream contingent, sent in a protest to the board, but later relented and released the protest, stating that if the boys involved didn't care to be under his command they could play with any team that would sign them. H. Newsboys and Park Avenue Florists at Elmwood park, east diamond. 3:30 p. m.

Another quarrel which has stimulated followers of the Booster league with enthusiasm is the duel to be indulged in today at Miller park at 1:30 p. m. between the Brodegaard Crowns, formerly the Tradesmen, and the Frank Deweys. Quite a few fans will miss their Sunday spread in order to see this argument.

Soft for Directors.

Because adjudicator John Gonding called the Dresher Bros. Dahlman Knights' tangle at 3-23 p. m. at the termination of six and one-half im-ings, the Tailors protested because they did not get their last bat and as The work of the board of directors is a vacation this year toward what it has been in previous years. Last season it was necessary for the board to convene every week and now a meeting every two weeks is sufficient. At the last assembly of the big guns the question of the elimibility.

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Modern Woodmen, is now well pleased with the was his proteges are handling them-selves on the dimmond.

The three hurlers hitched to the Stags-namely, Lightell, Rasmuss and Farley—are Rinking them in great style. Neither pitcher has lost a game to date.

According to the Morris & Co. boys they trimmed the Nourse Oil company by the some of 8 to 7, while the Oil children claim a 9 to 7 victory. John Bestleyde. John Bestlander, outfielder, and Fred Hiatt, pitcher, have been unconditionally released by Manager Carl Bachman of the Central Furniture store.

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Evidently John Dynamo Dennison is a firm believer in the deciring of preparedness because he has a couple on his list he expects to use next senson.

Bob Seaton, crack second marker for the flugg, is now a member of the navy. It whited, Philameter to fill the gap left open when he glides away.

James Satel, local base ball, manipulator of note, has joined the navy. He relievite the flugger mounth and has not been called to did. The flugger of note, has joined the navy. He relievite the flugger mounth and has not been called to did. The flugger mark with classy bane ball.

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#### Western League

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# DUST DOGS BATTLE ON LINCOLN TRACK

Fred Horey, Art Klein, George Clark and Others to Drive in Semi-Centennial Auto Races.

Auto Races.

Lincoln. Neb., June 9.—(Special.)—
Noted speed demons will share honors with state and national figures of prominence in the Nebraska Semi-Centennial, which will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in this city. The dust-dogs will have the honor of opening the celebration, as the speed battles will be held Tuesday afternoon at the Nebraska state fair grounds and purses aggregating \$3,000 have proved a sufficient lure to bring the leading gas monarchs to Lincoln. Fred Horey, dirt track champion; Art Klein, noted speed pilot: George Texas' Clark, southern titleholder; Dave Koetala of Detroit, holder of world's hour race record and youngest professional driver; Ben Giroux, a Russian, and Jules Ellingboe of Minnesota have been nominated. Additional entries are expected before 6 o'clock Sunday evening, the official closing time.

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The cars named to start in the semi-centennial races hold over 50 percent of the official dirt track records of the world. Horey will drive a Fiat, Klein a Briscoe, Clark and Koetzla will tool Case creations, Giroux a Sunbeam and Ellingboe an Italian car known by the name of S. C. A. T. Sig Hugdahl of Fort Worth, Tex., is in correspondence with the committee in charge in reference to entering one of the Maxwell cars formerly driven by the late Billy Carlson and Barney Oldfield.

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There is no doubt about the drivers being record holders, as a glance through the official dirt track records show that Horey is the possessor of the fifteen, twenty and twenty-five mile marks on both the mile and half-mile tracks. Clark owns the three, four and five-mile marks for half-mile ovals, while Koetzla holds the world's hour race record, which he established at Detroit, Mich., Decoration day.

Six events are listed on the card for the afternoon and the longest race is for fifty laps, which will be worth \$1,500 to the winners. The Lincoln track formerly held the world's fifteen, twenty and twenty-five mile marks for a half-mile course, established by Bill Endicott in 1915. Horey lowered these points at Des Moines last year. Several thousand dollars was spent by the Nebraska fair board in banking the track and perfecting the turns and the course is said to be the fastest short-distance oval in the United States. Horey and Clark and Klein are determined to set new records, as they realize a great opportunity is at hand.

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