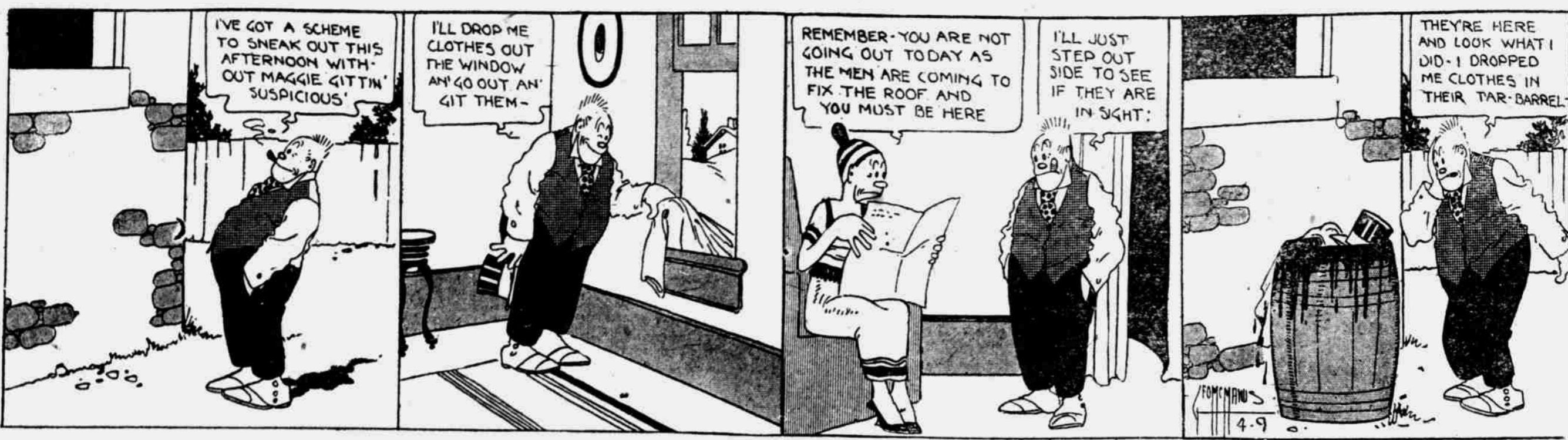


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RIGHT FIELDERS WEAK IN ATTACK, SAYS FULLERTON

Rice of Washington is Best Bat in American and Griffith of Cincinnati in National.

Table with columns for League, Team, Strength, and Totals. Rows include American League (Washington, Cleveland, Boston, Detroit, St. Louis, Chicago, New York, Philadelphia) and National League (Cincinnati, New York, Boston, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Philadelphia, Brooklyn).

By HUGH S. FULLERTON. Right field, which is becoming increasingly important in base ball, presents a crop of players for this season slightly below the average, the decrease in quality being almost entirely due to lack of attacking strength.

The one big change comes right at the head of the American league outfit, with Harry Hooper, for years the ranking right fielder of the game, dropping to third place because of a slowing up in his hitting and in his base-running. The fact that he is superseded is not so much due to his own decline in prowess as to the sharp improvement of Bobby Roth of Cleveland, and the coming of Rice of Washington.

Detroit, too, slumps back, or rather is crowded back, for, although Heilmann's hitting power might land him in the lead, the practical certainty that he will not occupy the southeast quarter section of the lot this season more than half the time detracts from the position value of the team.

The fact that only a few more than 100 points lie between first and last among the American league right fielders indicates that the quality is good all down the line, with some chances of improvement.

Slow Improvement. St. Louis and New York both show improvement, with chances of getting work this season.

In the National league right field appears to be a spot of much uncertainty because of holdouts, the draft and natural declines in strength.

Cincinnati, with Griffith as a 154-game fixture, holds the lead, with New York second, chiefly because there still remains at this writing some doubt as to Robertson's final disposition.

It may surprise you as much as it did me to discover how high a rating must be awarded to Rehg of Boston. In fact, the more we study Stallings' remade outfield the better it looks. He never has had a really high class outfield bunch, even when he won a world's championship, but it looks now as if he has accumulated a world of fast material.

In these figures of right field strength I have included Bailey, a college youngster who comes touted as a wonder and who is certain of a thorough tryout. Stallings uses outfield material and switches so frequently that the figures of all save center field are combinations of Rehg, Kelley, Wickland and Bailey, with Powell fixed in center.

Cubs Need Hitters. Chicago must of necessity develop more attacking strength and it seems that such strength must be found in the outfield, which has not enough punch. The big chance to gain an added punch seems to be Turner Barber, who came from Baltimore. Barber hit .352, with an extraordinary number of two baggers. Reports I have received indicate that he is not very fast, but if he can hit .352 in the International he ought to do better than .300 in the National, which would make him a rich find.

You will observe in these figures that I am giving the Chicago batters relatively higher attacking ratings than they may seem to deserve, but the fact that they have the pitching strength with them this year that cut their batting averages last season certainly will help them considerably. Alexander beat them seven games last year and Tyler beat them three, which ought to cause them to sigh with relief this season.

The completes the study of the regular teams and leaves us to figure out the two most important elements of the clubs—pitchers and catchers.

The present difference in strength of the clubs is not great enough to decide positions. Catchers are 14 of the strength of any team and pitchers are 36 per cent, so do not decide because the strength of the regular teams is not as great as that of some others that it is beaten.

In the next article we will study the catchers, and from the figures at hand it is safe to promise some surprises.

What Hughie's Figures on Regular Teams Show

Table with columns for League, Team, and Totals. Rows include American League (Chicago, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Washington, Cincinnati) and National League (Cincinnati, New York, Boston, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Philadelphia, Brooklyn).

Chicago leads American league clubs in strength of regular teams, exclusive of pitchers and catchers, with Detroit, Cleveland and Boston close up. Cincinnati and New York, ranking close together, lead the National.

Do not judge from the figures that, because Cincinnati and New York score more points than Boston or Chicago, that the dope indicates them to be stronger than the American league clubs. This is not the case. The figures show that Reds and Giants are stronger in their own league, than any American league club is in its own circuit. The figures are not comparisons between leagues, but are based upon averages made against pitchers in their own leagues. The average strength of the American league appears higher than that of the National.

Missouri's Chief Would Shoot Spies

Governor Gardner Opens Loan Drive With Ringing Speech; Ceremonies Greatest in History.

St. Louis, April 8.—Declaring that any person in the United States "who has enjoyed the privileges of our government and still has the slightest pro-German feeling, should be stood up against a stone wall and shot at sunrise," Governor Gardner of Missouri, opened the Liberty loan campaign in this state this afternoon with an address at a celebration here.

The ceremonies, which were postponed yesterday on account of rain, were witnessed by what is believed to have been the largest crowd ever assembled in St. Louis.

In his address the governor said: "There can be no half-hearted allegiance at a time like this. A pro-German is a German spy and should receive the same treatment at our hands. If at any time I become convinced that there is in any community in this state an organized movement of these traitorous wretches, having for its object the embarrassment of the government in the prosecution of the war, I shall declare martial law in that community, suspend the constitutional privileges and order all spies, pro-Germans and other enemies of the republic tried by court-martial. If they be found guilty then, it would mean that they face a firing squad."

"He who does not know what German Kultur means is either a fool or a knave, or both, and he who has enjoyed the privileges of our government and has the slightest pro-German feeling should be stood up by a stone wall and shot at sunrise."

British Ship Men Protest Argentina's New War Tax

London, April 8.—Shipping interests have made strong representations to the British foreign office against Argentina's new tax of about 50 cents a ton on all overseas vessels entering Argentine ports. It is alleged that the tax will be a heavy burden upon cargo vessels sent to the River Plate to carry away the 2,000,000 tons of wheat purchased there for the allies.

Disorders in Siberia Increase; Loot Houses

Harbin, Manchuria, April 8.—Disorder is increasing in Siberia and the Bolsheviks are using every effort to overthrow General Pleshkoff, whom Lieutenant General Horvath, military commander at Harbin, recently appointed chief of the Russian forces in Siberia and Manchuria. In Harbin there has been wholesale looting in the business district. The Chinese police, however, have succeeded in suppressing the looters. Many Bolshevik agents are arriving here. Houses and business districts are under heavy guard.

Thirteen German Planes Are Downed by British

London, April 8.—Thirteen German airplanes were brought down in fighting with British airmen Saturday, 11 others were disabled and two were shot down by anti-aircraft guns, according to the British aviation communication issued this evening.

Premier Receives Baker

Paris, April 8.—Premier Clemenceau this morning received Newton D. Baker, the American secretary of war.

Wilson Replies to King George's War Greetings

London, April 8.—Replying to greeting on the occasion of the anniversary of the entry of the United States into the war, President Wilson has cabled the following message to King George:

CATHOLICS TO BOOST FOR THE LIBERTY BONDS

Father O'Sullivan, at St. Cecilia Cathedral Designates This as a Time for Good Citizens to Act.

Purchase of Liberty bonds was urged by Father O'Sullivan at high mass Sunday at St. Cecilia cathedral.

"It is the duty of every good Catholic and loyal American citizen to give the third Liberty loan financial support, and to bend all our energies to promote its success.

Other Catholic churches of the city are organizing to boost the loan in their respective parishes. A committee of women in St. Patrick's parish will canvass each home for subscriptions. A meeting of the committee to discuss plans for the drive will be called this week.

"Faith, Natural and Supernatural," was the subject of the sermon by Rev. P. C. Gannon, pastor of St. Patrick's church. "We all have natural faith. To believe what another tells us is to have faith. We hear and read of every day occurrences in life, and we believe them, though we have not seen them. This is a natural faith which we all possess. A supernatural faith is that confiding belief in what God has taught although our human minds may not fully comprehend its inner meanings. This is the belief which we must have to attain salvation."

Funeral Services Held For Mrs. Fred Rocheford

The funeral of Mrs. Fred Rocheford, who died Friday morning at her home, 3011 South Eleventh street, was held at 9 o'clock Monday morning at St. Patrick's church. Mrs. Rocheford was organist at St. Patrick's during the past year.

Rev. H. F. Gannon conducted the services. Interment was in Holy Sepulcher. Mrs. Rocheford was formerly Miss Mary C. Healy, daughter of Mrs. John J. Healy. She is survived by her husband and two daughters, Anna and Lillian.

Retreat for Men at St. Joseph's Catholic Church

A retreat for men will be given at St. Joseph's Catholic church, Sixteenth and Center streets, April 17-19, by Rev. Father Daniel, O. F. M., St. Louis, under the auspices of the St. Vincent DePaul society. Services will consist of mass and a short sermon at 6:30 o'clock in the morning and devotions, sermon, and benediction of the blessed sacrament at 8 o'clock at night.



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Russian Imperial Family To Be Moved From Tobolsk

London, April 8.—A Reuter's limited dispatch from Moscow confirms the report recently published in the Petrograd newspapers that the Bolshevik government has decided to remove the former imperial family from Tobolsk to a town in the Ural mountains. This action is to be taken because of the possibility of international complications in Siberia.

Two Sections of Nebraska Have Oversubscribed Loan

Butler county has already surpassed its quota in the sale of Liberty bonds and is still going. Joe Shramek, county chairman, telephoned state headquarters in Omaha that the quota of \$65,300 has already been exceeded.

Omaha was the Liberty loan speaker. The quota was \$30,800 and the subscriptions totaled \$46,000, in spite of the fact that bad roads prevented many rich ranchers from attending the meetings.

FLASHES from FILMLAND. PHOTO-PLAY OFFERINGS FOR TODAY.

WILLIAM S. HART. TODAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY. TIMELY TENSE THRILLING. LAID ON THE MEXICAN BORDER. "The Patriot". SUN SUN.

EMPRESS. Vaudeville and Photoplay. "LITTLE MISS-UP-TO-DATE". A High-Powered Girl Revue. PASTON. The Piano Accordionist JACK DRESHER. LAMEY & PEARSON. MUTT & JEFF WAR CARTOON. BILLY WEST COMEDY.

ORPHEUM. EVERY NIGHT AT 2:30. PHONE DOUG. 494. RUTH BUDD; WHITFIELD-IRLAND & Co. "Love Thy Neighbor"; Barry & Layton; Arfield & Taylor; Selma Healy.

WILLIAM S. HART in "WOLVES OF THE RAIL".

HIPPDRONE. Matinee Daily, 2:15-3:00. SAM LIEBERT & CO., WILSON'S LIONS, LEW RUFF—A STANDARD ACT. PEARL WHITE IN "THE HOUSE OF HATE".

MUSE. "WOMAN AND THE LAW". Based on the Desaulles Case.

GAYETY. "OMAHA'S SUN CENTER". Daily Mat., 15-25-50c. STAR & GARTER SHOW. Musical Burlesque.

GRAND 16th and Broadway. THOS. H. INCE MASTERDRAMA "CIVILIZATION". A throbbing story of the war, but viewed from a somewhat different angle, with a possible solution to world peace.

LOTHROP 24th and Lothrop. Today and Wednesday MABEL NORMAND in "DODGING A MILLION".

HIPP. ALWAYS A GOOD SHOW. 1508 Harney. Today and Wednesday HARRY MOREY in "THE DESIRED WOMAN".

HAMILTON 40th and Hamilton. Today and Wednesday J. WARREN KERRIGAN in "A MAN'S MAN".

SUBURBAN 24 & Ame. Col. 2841. Last Times Today MARY PICKFORD in "STELLA MARIS".

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