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KEEP SMILING IS BEST PLAN

Players do Themselves Much Harm by Wreaking Vengeance on the Critical Fans, Says Collins

The most disagreeable feature of the professional baseball player's life, says Eddie Collins, star second baseman of the Philadelphia Athletics, is the criticisms from the spectators' stands. Frequently this criticism is unjust and unwarranted, but players have to "stand the gaff." In some cities it is worse than in others. Boston to his mind, is the fairest city in the major leagues. There a visit-



EDDIE COLLINS

ing player receives better treatment and is given recognition for a good play, even though it works to the disadvantage of the home club.

The remarks of the boisterous fan are usually of a "kidding" nature, and it depends nine times out of ten, upon the individual against whom they are directed, how he chooses to interpret them. If a player gives sign that he has heard a remark, he is wise to pass it off with a jest rather than give vent to his feelings and show a frown. A smile beats any other action a thousand ways. "Germany" Schaefer is the best example I know. Of course, he is an exception, but he has always something funny and amusing to say to the bleachers, and they are really for him, rather than against him.

The primary intention of the fan in shouting and hooting is to detract the player's mind from his work and "get him up in the air." Naturally any player who allows himself to be influenced by such taunts and replies is likely to bring more abuse upon himself and he is always the loser. Nine times out of ten a player cannot single out the person who has called to him, and if he does, his reply is drowned in a torrent of hoots.

"Let 'em howl" is the best way. There have been incidents where an obnoxious fan has sought a front seat and poked on one player continually. This happened on the old Columbia avenue grounds in Philadelphia, when "Rube" Waddell was pitching.

It was afterwards discovered the spectator who aroused Rube's ire and caused him to leap over the railing and beat him up, had wagered a big sum upon the contest, and as he saw the Athletics forging ahead figured the only chance he had of winning laid in Waddell's retirement.

However, his disgusting method of bringing about Rube's downfall resulted in a beating for himself and Rube was allowed to finish and win his game. A three-day suspension followed and Rube took a fishing trip. There have been numerous similar incidents where a player subjected to abuse sought revenge upon the spot. A story is told of how "Steve" Brodie baited a game, grabbed the score board boy's ladder, climbed up in the bleachers and chased a spectator who had been annoying him.

When a ball player feels he is abused by a spectator he has only to appeal and the umpire will order an officer to evict the insulter. But you can rest assured that while baseball reigns supreme fans will have their say, and the player who can't stand being called a "bonehead" had better give up hope of becoming a fixture.

WEATHER WISDOM

Strips of seaweed—provided that they are not kept in a room warmed artificially—will keep dry and have a dusty feeling in fine weather; but, with an increase of moisture in the atmosphere, they will become damp and sticky, and so indicate a change of weather in the form of rain.

Sea birds, sensitive to pending changes in the weather, fly inland at the approach of stormy weather in quest of food.

The expression "an inch of rain" refers to the marks up a standard rain-gauge, the amount of rain equivalent to the distance between two such marks being represented by nearly 101 tons over an acre of land.

A Hertzian wave weather service has been established on the Eiffel Tower, Paris, whence a code message giving the state of the wind, sea, etc., at six of the principal stations on the Atlantic coast is radiated over the Atlantic Ocean every midday for any vessel with appropriate wireless receivers to pick up.

COBB A WONDER

No Man in Baseball is His Equal, According to Veteran Pitcher

"Ty Cobb is the greatest of them all. In my baseball experience, covering almost a quarter of a century, I have never seen an all-around player the equal of the Detroit star." These are the words of Cy Young, once probably the best pitcher in the game, now a farmer and rich.

"There may be other players almost if not quite so fast as Cobb; Lajoie has an edge on the 'George Peach' for straight-away hitting; other outfielders may throw a trifle better, but for work, day in and day out, Cobb hasn't an equal. At bat he hasn't a weakness. It has been my experience that you can fool him, possibly, one day, on a certain kind of ball and the next time you face him he will knock the cover off the ball. On the bases he is wonderful. He uses both his head and his feet and I sometimes wonder if the former isn't more responsible for his success than the latter. Cobb can size up a baseball situation like a flash and the way he divines plays is uncanny. On the paths he doesn't know the meaning of the word fear and this lack of timidity helps him. In the field, too, he is a wonder. He uses splendid judgment in playing for batters and his marvelous speed enables him to



CY YOUNG

retire batters on balls that others would play safe.

Able to hit, to field, to throw, to run bases and to do each in phenomenal fashion, coupled with his nerve and confidence, Cobb is the greatest player that ever wore a spiked shoe.

A Horse Worth Having

There are horses which race at a terrible pace.

And others that people have had—Which are splendid, of course; But show me a horse

As safe and as frisky as dad.

When you wish for a ride—Well, you jump to his side, And whisper a word in his ear; Then you're up ere you know, And away you can go

Like a streak, for there's nothing to fear.

You can whip him and shout While he canters about, But he's never been known to re-

fuse!

And it's little you reek, For the rein is his neck, And his hands are the stirrups you use.

So to bed you can ride; Then he sits by your side, And you cling to a stirrup, and lo! The story he'll tell Weaves a wonderful spell, And—well, that's the last that you know.

Modern Windmill

A new wind mill has horizontally arranged vanes, so sheltered by a hood that those which move against the wind do not feel its force, thereby permitting increased size and power.

Colors and Gas Light

For matching colors by artificial light an Englishman claims to have invented a screen which will filter out the foreign rays of gas or electricity, making their light practically daylight.

Gas Detector

For detecting the presence of coal gas in a room in dangerous quantities a simple apparatus has been invented which employs a colored liquid in a tube to indicate its increase in the atmosphere.

Binding Armor Plate

The objection to armor plate composed of alternate layers of hard and soft steel, which separate under hammering, has been overcome by the insertion of sheets of copper between the plates before they are rolled together to bind them.

STILL TALKED ABOUT.

Court Gossips Busy Arranging a Marriage for Pretty Princess.

There is the gossip of courts, as well as the gossip of cooks, for men were born with tongues and women are no less well provided with this prime requisite of the chatterbox. At various times in the last year or so European court gossip has been busy naming a suitable husband for the pretty and vivacious Princess Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Crown Prince Ferdinand, of Roumania. Not to throw clubs at court etiquette, it would be more exact to state that the princess has been named as a possible consort for the Prince of Wales and for Boris, the Crown Prince of Bulgaria, with the latter just now being a decided favorite in the betting. A remarkable pretty girl is the little Elizabeth of Roumania, whose mother was the daughter of the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha. In fact, she is pronounced the handsomest of Europe's youngest princesses. She is fair, with a dazzling complexion, beautiful pansy-violet eyes, and an extraordinary charm of manner for a miss no older than 18.

Boris, the Crown Prince of Bulgaria, is a cousin of the fair Elizabeth. He is nine months older, having attained his majority not so many months ago, the age of 18 being legal in his case. The young fellow is deservedly popular because of his democratic manner and good nature.

Because of the strained relations between Roumania and Bulgaria the subject of marriage on the part of Boris and Elizabeth has not been a popular one with the people. King Charles, however, believes that such a union would help greatly in bringing the two countries together.

The princess has no desire to get married now. She is just at the right age to enjoy life to the full, and at present is much taken up with a dashing young lieutenant in cavalry. This Lieut. Davila is a close friend of her brother, Prince Charles, and she does not hide her preference for him. The poor lieutenant well knows that marriage with her is out of the question, so he is extremely nervous about the matter of receiving her marked attention. He fears being sent in disgrace to some out-of-the-way garrison should the affair be brought to the serious attention of King Charles.

So it is that the course of true love runs no smoother for one born to the royal purple than it does for some poor girl whose entire wardrobe consists of a simple garment and no ornaments except what kind nature affords. It is the way of life since time immemorial.

Colors of the Nations.

Has it ever struck you which color is most often seen in the flags of the world? Probably it hasn't because there are not many people who can recognize more than a dozen flags on the outside. Well, the most popular color is red, which is found in the standards of no fewer than 19 countries out of 25. Practically every one of the European states, together with Mexico, Venezuela, Chile and Cuba boast the color red in their national flags.

Blue is found in the emblems of Russia, France, Great Britain, Holland, Ecuador, Sweden, the United States, Chile, Portugal, Venezuela and Cuba. Black is not at all popular, being found only in the cases of Germany, Belgium and China, while Germany is noticeable for having black and white together. Nine countries boast of a flag partly yellow; Austria, Spain, Belgium, Brazil, Persia, Sweden, Egypt, China and Venezuela. To Ecuador belongs the distinction of having a standard nearer white than any other country.

How to Freshen Hair Ribbons.

When the little daughter's school ribbons become faded and discolored in spots try freshening and brightening them up with dye made from scraps of crepe tissue paper you may have used for house or tree decorations some time. Use a little drop in water, and when boiling hot drop in the paper and stir with a stick till the water is about the shade you wish the ribbon. Have ribbons previously washed clean in hot soapsuds and rinsed in clear water. Dye while still wet, and be sure the dye is boiling. Drop them in and with a stick keep lifting and stirring till he desired shade is obtained. If too light remove ribbons, add more paper and repeat process.

The Curse of Insomnia.

He lay with wide-staring eyes, vainly endeavoring to win slumber once again. Impossible!

He lay there for at least an hour and a half, reviling his fate, meditating on the horrors of insomnia, glooming at the thought of a day following a sleepless night.

Finally, in desperation, finding sleep impossible, he determined to rise in the middle of the night, dress himself and walk out on the street.

Whereupon he rose savagely, turned on the light and raised the curtains. He seemed surprised. Then he looked at his watch and seemed more surprised.

It was 9:30 a.m. and he was too late for breakfast.

Broke His Fiancee's Neck.

Embracing his sweetheart on his return home from China, not long ago, a young French officer of powerful build clasped her too tightly and broke her neck. It was only with the greatest difficulty that the distracted young man was prevented from throwing himself into the sea.

Didn't See the Point.

"My dear," said a lady to a friend who was complaining of a servant, "you can't expect all the virtues for \$15 a month."

"But I pay \$18," was the practical response.

Much Pleasanter.

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