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# In the World of Sport

## WAS PEEVED AT FIRST

### BUT HAL CHASE IS NOW HAPPY WITH REDS.

When the Sad News Reached Him He Wrote a Letter Full of Sobs—What Herrmann Told the Luckless Player.

Hal Chase undoubtedly is glad that Garry Herrmann was a bit harsh—and firm—with him when Hal decided he'd much rather play in the Pacific Coast league than with the Redlegs. Of course, no one can play with the Reds and be perfectly happy at the same time, but Hal is much more joyous than he hoped to be.

It was this way: Harry Sinclair assumed the contract of Chase, and, after considerable dickering, sold the "peerless first sacker" to Garry Herrmann. When the sad, sad news was carried to Chase he at once got in touch with Sinclair:

"Please, kind sir, do not add to the sorrows of my life by making me play in Cincinnati," pleaded Hal. "Let me go to the California league. If you do I will accept a cut of \$2,000 per year in my two-year ironclad contract."

"You don't belong to me any longer," answered Sinclair. "Speak to Herrmann."

Hal got in touch with Herrmann, rectified his piece, and then listened while Garry said: "You'll play in Cincinnati or nowhere."

Rather than be forced out of baseball, Chase decided to go to the Reds. His real objection to getting back into the majors was because he feared ridicule if he failed to deliver the goods. During recent years Chase achieved the unenviable honor of being the most panned man in baseball. Chase had stood as much of it as he could. He wanted to go some place like California—where the knockers were fewer.

But, as you know, Chase joined the Reds, and he has become one of the idols of the town. His playing at home and abroad has been spectacular. He has hit, too—and with considerable frequency. His fielding, both around first base and in the garden—has been brilliant.

Hal Chase expected he'd become a "goat" by going back into the majors. Instead, he has become something or a hero again.

## THE BEST HORSE

### ON THE CONTINENT.

#### Roamer May Win a Place

#### When the Brooklyn Handicap Is Run.

Roamer, rated as the best horse on the continent by W. S. Vosburgh, the noted handicapper, has never won one of the three spring handicaps, the Metropolitan, the Brooklyn or the Suburban. He is top weight under 131 pounds for the twenty-eighth running of the Brooklyn Handicap at the opening of the Aqueduct meeting next Saturday, and Jack Goldsborough, trainer, and Andrew Miller, owner of the horse, have high hopes that he may earn a place in the list of winners of this historic fixture, as he is said to have arrived in New York from Kentucky in fine condition.

Roamer was bred by the late Woodford Clay and sold as a two-year-old to Tom Monahan and Andrew Miller for \$2,500. At the dispersal of the then Newcastle stable, Mr. Miller bought in the son of Knight Errant for \$5,000, and since then has won close to ten times the value in stakes and wagers. If looks count for anything, he is now in his prime, and as sound apparently as the day he was foaled, but his task of necessity must ever be hard, as he is practically confined to handicaps, and, of course, under top weight.

## SEEING IS BELIEVING.

### Toronto Awaits the Performance of Cornell Pitcher.

According to all accounts, Clyde Russell, the college pitcher, who is slated to join the Leafs shortly, is a wonder of wonders. The Cornell graduate was in great demand, many major league clubs bidding for his services, but he signed with the Toronto club because of his friendship with Manager Birmingham, who also claims Cornell as his alma mater. If half the good things said about Russell are true he is a second Mathewson and Rudolph rolled into one, but it will be remembered that McQuillan was also touted to the skies, and he failed to make good. Seeing is believing.

## A FAMOUS RIDER.

### Tod Sloan Makes Living Selling Racing Information.

Mingling with the racegoers at Jamaica these days is "Tod" Sloan, once the king of jockeys, who earned a fortune in the saddle and for many years hobnobbed with the nobility of the British turf. Sloan is too old and too heavy to ride any more, but he still possesses a good knowledge of horses. While many patrons of the sport do not recognize Sloan as a tipster, he sells his information to anybody who will pay the price, and in that way he manages to keep the wolf from the door. Needless to say that "Tod" wishes he had banked the money he received both here and abroad in return for his memorable turf triumphs.

## Girls Show Endurance.

The spectacular feature of the Pacific States tennis championship tournament at Delmonico, Cal., was furnished in the woman's singles by Miss Laura Herron, of Palo Alto, and Miss Marjorie Wale, of San Francisco. After a court battle, lasting three hours, Miss Herron captured the honors 10-8, 11-9. Both girls were exhausted at the end of their match.

## NEW COMBINATIONS AT BOWLING MEET.

### Practice of Keeping Rinks Intact Year After Year Not Popular.

It is expected there will be a number of new combinations this year at the eastern lawn bowling meet at Ottawa. Some bowlers fear that the practice of rinks keeping together intact tournament after tournament and year after year is not conducive to the good fellowship of clubs, though it may help towards the winning of prizes.

Quite a few bowlers are beginning to want to revert to the old Ontario rules. The new Dominion rules by which a bowl is dead when it enters the next green, spoils play, they claim. A number of bowlers would like to see a return to the old "short end." The present length does not give enough variety of play, it is held.

## FRANKIE FLEMING SHADED E. WALLACE

### Though Groggy in Fifth—Fast Ten-Round No-Decision Bout at Montreal.

Frankie Fleming, the Canadian featherweight, boxed ten lively rounds in a no-decision bout with Eddie Wallace, of Brooklyn, N.Y., at the Gayety Theatre, Montreal, and shaded the New Yorker, in the opinion of the local fight fans, though in the fifth Wallace sent Fleming to his knees, and had the Canadian groggy for the remainder of the round.

Both contestants were bound over, under a bond of \$1,500 each, in the Police Court, not to engage in a prize fight in Canada for twelve months. They were charged by J. H. Roberts, of the Vigilance League, with an intention to engage in a prize fight.

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"These modern fast balls are the chief reason why so many stick to the game," said Veteran Gil, who has watched all the golf improvement the last 30 years.

## ENGLISH HORSES

### Are to be Sold by the New York Customs.

For the first time in many years the United States Government is in possession of five thoroughbred horses, which it will sell to the highest bidder. The animals were consigned by T. J. Benson, of London, to S. L. Frank, of New York, for sale. The most valuable animal in the invoice was out of Rhoda B. This mare was a dam of Orby, owned by Richard Croker, which won the Derby in 1907. Mr. Frank, it is understood, valued the horses at around \$30,000. Although the customs men passed the thoroughbreds, the treasury department raised the objection that the horses were not owned by the "importer," within the meaning of the law.

## His Goat Can Be Got.

Eddie Collins of the White Sox is an experienced professional ball player, but his goat can be got. If you don't believe it, get a swift horse, ride past the White Sox second sacker, and shout "Billy Sunday" as you go. Because Collins was induced by a clergyman friend recently to address a boys' Sunday school class, the imaginative space writers have been doping him for the sawdust trail and other sensationalism. So now he says that he is "off" newspaper men for life!

## Home on Furlough.

Dr. Lachapelle, the veteran defence player of the National lacrosse team, Montreal, who went to the front over a year ago, has returned to the city on a two months' furlough. He has been stationed at the hospital base in Rouen, France, and since leaving Montreal has come into contact with many members of his old club.

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The Giants Are Still Convalescing—Come Home to Slump Badly—Review of Situation.

A New York paper says: If some National League team, preferably the Giants, does not pork up soon and put a shoulder against the Dodgers, Brooklyn will be so far out in front the pennant race will be over by July 4. To date Brooklyn has lost fewer games than any team in either major league, and is further away from its nearest competitor and showing no signs of slowing up at all.

Scattered through the circuit there are thousands of "fans" who would not be put out to any great extent if Brooklyn should hold to the pace and outfoot the field. Fifteen years is a long time to wait for satisfaction, and by all intents and purposes Brooklyn is in line for the championship, because it has been fifteen years since a team worried the Dodgers into the lead.

Wilbert Robinson is getting high success out of his pitching. Possessed of a large quantity of clever mound artists, any one of whom would bolster up the pitching staff of the seven other clubs, Robinson has been using the men wisely and regularly. Although Pfeffer, Dell, Cheney, Smith, Crouse, Marquard and Appleton are not the only stars on the Brooklyn aggregation, the pitching of these men has done more probably to carry the pace-setters along than any one other help.

The Giants are still ailing, or, it might be termed, convalescing, as the team has been most inconsistent so far as chalking up victories at home is concerned. After its great and glorious and much sung about seventeen straight victories on the road the club came home to slump with three games won and six lost to the very same team. It found so easy a journey in the last of the enemy. Continually preaching of the uncertainty of baseball is the only thing that keeps the "fans" from wondering how such a thing could happen honestly.

## CORNELL PITCHER

### SIGNED FOR TORONTO.

#### Clyde Russell, Sensational College Pitcher, Reports Sunday—Burch Released.

Clyde Russell, the famous pitcher of the Cornell University team, will join the Toronto team at Baltimore on Sunday. His signed contract has not been beaten this season by numbers among his victims practically all of the big eastern university teams. One American League team, two National League teams, two International teams and one New York State League team have made repeated efforts to land the pitcher, but Manager Birmingham, Cornell's Cornell graduate, signed Russell over the heads of the others. Dr. Sharpe, director of athletics at Cornell, advised the twirler to cast his lot with the Toronto pilot.

## McGraw ONE OF THE BOYS.

### He Will Even Carry the Bat to a Player.

They say he receives \$30,000 per summer and holds quite a chunk of stock, still John J. McGraw is just one of the boys when the Giants are out there on the field every day. If you don't believe it, says the St. Louis Times, listen to this:

When the Cardinals finished their fourth inning Friday Doyle was the first batter up in the fifth.

"Come on, boys, hurry it along," called Ump. Byron, and Doyle, from second base, was running to the plate.

"Hey, boy, oh, boy, bring out my bat!" said Doyle. One guess—who brought out the bat?—No one but McGraw. The Little Napoleon grabbed the club, and skipped out to the plate. Yes, he's the bat boy these days.

## SUBTERRANEAN RINK

### Is to Be Established at Old Coney Island.

An ice skating rink will be installed at Coney Island. A novelty connected with the rink is a plan to supply coats, sweaters and caps to all skaters, so they will not catch cold after leaving the outdoor heat for its frigid atmosphere.

The rink will be entirely underground. The course will begin beneath the ballroom floor and will twine through subterranean passages in the west end of the park. Icicles, snow and floating icebergs will be the decorations.

## Doing Their Bit.

Professional hockey players are doing their "bit" handsomely in the big war. Punch Broadbent and Leth Graham of Ottawa, were among the first to enlist at the outbreak and have seen service for eighteen months. The McNamara brothers have enlisted, so has Jack Walker and Goldie Progers. Recent despatches state that Steve Vail, the former Remewa player, has been wounded. Nick Bewit is another N. H. A. player wearing the King's colors.

## "Dad" Turnbull's Busy Day.

Vancouver World: "Dad" Turnbull, veteran New Westminster sportsman, is going to be a busy man on Dominion Day. He has entered the championship trap-shooting tournament, which will be held on the holiday at the Oak street traps and after fracturing many blue rocks he will tie himself to Brockton Point, where he will take his place on the New Westminster veterans' line-up for the match with the old-time Vancouver men.

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