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# In The World Of Sport

### Baseball Briefs

Frank Baker's home run, as in olden days, won a baseball game. It broke the Yankees' losing streak.

Jim Scott is going to learn how to be an officer. Perhaps that will be an aid to the White Sox.

Detroit has a new first baseman by the name of Lew Blue, but George Burns still has a shade on him.

A fly ball bounded off Jim Thorpe's shoes the other day and went for a home run. That's facing 'em out!

H. Jennings, of Detroit, says he likes to see a strong hitting team. Hughie's pitchers are certainly giving him a good time this year.

Fred Clarke, ex-Pirate boss, is now an oil king, but he hasn't a single oil well yet as deep as the one into which the Pirates have slid.—Springfield Republican.

Cheney, Brooklyn's big pitcher, uses the spitball too much. When the leather becomes wet and soggy he cannot control it.

McGraw's pitchers are fit, with the exception of Tesreau, Schupp, Benton, Perritt, Anderson and Salee ought to keep the Giants on top for the rest of the campaign.

Hi Myers is making Brooklyn fans forget Jake Daubert. Myers should be kept on first base as long as he can out-hit the \$9,000 star.

Jack Lelivelt, once with the Yankees, is leading the American Association in batting.

Stallings' old battle cry, "Robbed by the umpire!" is played out. He has parleyed a good ball club into a bunch of has-beens and minor leaguers.

Catcher Lew McCarty, of the Giants, who is in a hospital in Cincinnati, is in a bad way. His broken leg is not mending properly. It had the look as if he will be out of the game all season. In fact, it is doubtful if he ever will be able to make good use of his leg.

Peter Compton, left fielder, has been sold by the Louisville American Association club to New Orleans, of the Southern Association.

Reports from Pittsburg now indicate that the fans and some of the stockholders of the National League club in that city not only want a new manager but a new president.

The Kansas City Federal League baseball park is being wrecked to make room for small cottages. The grandstand, bleachers, and fence of the park cost \$75,000.

Organized baseball spent nearly \$4,000,000 in five years from 1911 to 1916, in the draft and purchase alone of players, according to President August Herrmann, of the National Commission.

Shortstop Adam Debus of the Fargo-Moorhead team of the Northern League has been sold to the St. Louis Cards, to report immediately.

The Hagerstown Baseball Association has closed a deal with Scout Ted Sullivan for the sale to the Chicago White Sox of Pitcher Earl Howard and Right Fielder Charles Dyerst, of the Hagerstown Blue Ridge Club. The players are to become the property of the Chicago club at the close of the Blue Ridge season.

Peter Allison, outfielder, has been released to Memphis club, of the Southern League, by the Cleveland Americans.

Splendid pitching enabled the Robins to win the National league championship last year, and there is every reason to believe that Robbie's boxmen are nearly ready to repeat. Pfeiffer, after a poor start, is in tip top form, and Marguard is rapidly getting into excellent condition. Sherrod Smith, the big southpaw, also is rounding into fine shape, while Cadore still is showing remarkable effectiveness. Cheney and Coombs should win frequently, too.

Verses to John McGraw. They never let poor Jawm alone—they always pick on him—they're always sneaking up behind to bust him in the glim: They're always doing things to Jawm in ways that are unkind—they never give him half a chance—they hit him from behind.

Gentle Muggsy! Peaceful Muggsy! Dressed to fit the part—Doesn't know a single word of billingsgate and tart—Never passed the lie at all—quite the cherubim—Why should rude, unmannered thugs always pick on him?

Pacifist from the starters gun, all he asks is peace—He never picks a fight at all, but others never cease; They're always making poor Jawm fight (oh, always in defense!) And so his onward path is thick with fistic incidents.

Gentle Muggsy, Peaceful Muggsy. Never likes a fuss—At peace with all mankind, in sooth, a friendly sort of cuss; He never used the ugly words they said he said—that's right—But the other guy cut loose at him and so he had to fight!

Oh, back through twenty reeking years, his way is strewn with gore—Pat Newman soaked him 'at West End—Sentell at Baltimore; And here and there and there and here, the brutes would not desist.

But forced upon his shrinking soul the using of his fist.

Gentle Muggsy! Peaceful Muggsy! When he passes out, At peace at last with all mankind, beyond the din and shout, Along with all the write—'He never 'won a battle; but he never dodged a fight!'

—By William B. Ruggles.

To Fight It Out. The Phillies and Giants are now preparing to fight it out all along the same lines in the National League. Each club will be encamped in its orchard. The final struggle between these clubs doubtless will be waged on foreign fields, however. The club that proves itself the best on the road probably will carry away the flag—provided Miller Huggins or some such upstart doesn't kick the dope bucket farther than it yet has travelled.

Falkenberg Turned Back. Manager Jack Hendricks of the Indianapolis club of the American Association, announced that Pitcher Cy. Falkenberg, who had been sold to the Philadelphia-Americans on trial, had been turned back because of failure to make good. He, with Catcher Emil Huhn, purchased from Cincinnati, will report to the Indianapolis club at Toledo Sunday.

Boston Released Henriksen. Olaf Henriksen, pinch hitter and utility outfielder for the Boston Americans, was given his unconditional release. Henriksen objected to going to Toledo, of the American Association, where it had been planned to send him, and in view of his past services, it was decided to make him a free agent.

Should the University of Pennsylvania decide to cancel athletics for a year or two, Coach Lawson Robertson may be out of a job for that length of time. It is said that Robertson has been offered a fine-paying post as assistant to Ernie Hjertberg, the Swedish athletic director. Robertson and Hjertberg are old pals.

San Francisco is talking of forming a Pacific coast league of trap shooters among the followers of the sport out there.

The leading pitcher in the American Association is Fillingim of Indianapolis, who was tried by Connie Mack in 1915.

Clark Griffith of the Washingtons is experimenting with Infielder Billy Murray, late of Brown University.

That gifted athlete, the cucumber, knocks a man out after he gets it down.

Many a man has worked himself to death through having nothing to do.

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### Sporting Notes

The United States Government is buying homing pigeons. They are useful in carrying despatches.

Japanese swimmers won first place in all nine races which were a part of the recent Far Eastern Olympic games at Tokio, Japan.

Eddie Mahan former Harvard football and baseball star, has enlisted in the marines.

The National Women's Life Saving League of New York plans to hold weekly swimming races during the summer, including an outdoor metropolitan championship. Marathon races also will be staged.

In the Scandinavian countries steady progress in the development of athletic standards is reported. A recent congress was formed at Stockholm to have control of all arrangements regarding sports among Norway, Denmark and Sweden.

Frank A. French of the University of Maine is the latest college athlete to be secured by Manager Connie Mack, who is rebuilding his ex-champion nine. It is estimated Mack has experimented with 250 promising candidates since he broke up his world's champion aggregation in 1914.

Newport, R.I., is a centre of motor boating activity and also the place where many yachtsmen and motor boat owners, now enrolled in the United States naval coast defence reserve force, are stationed.



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