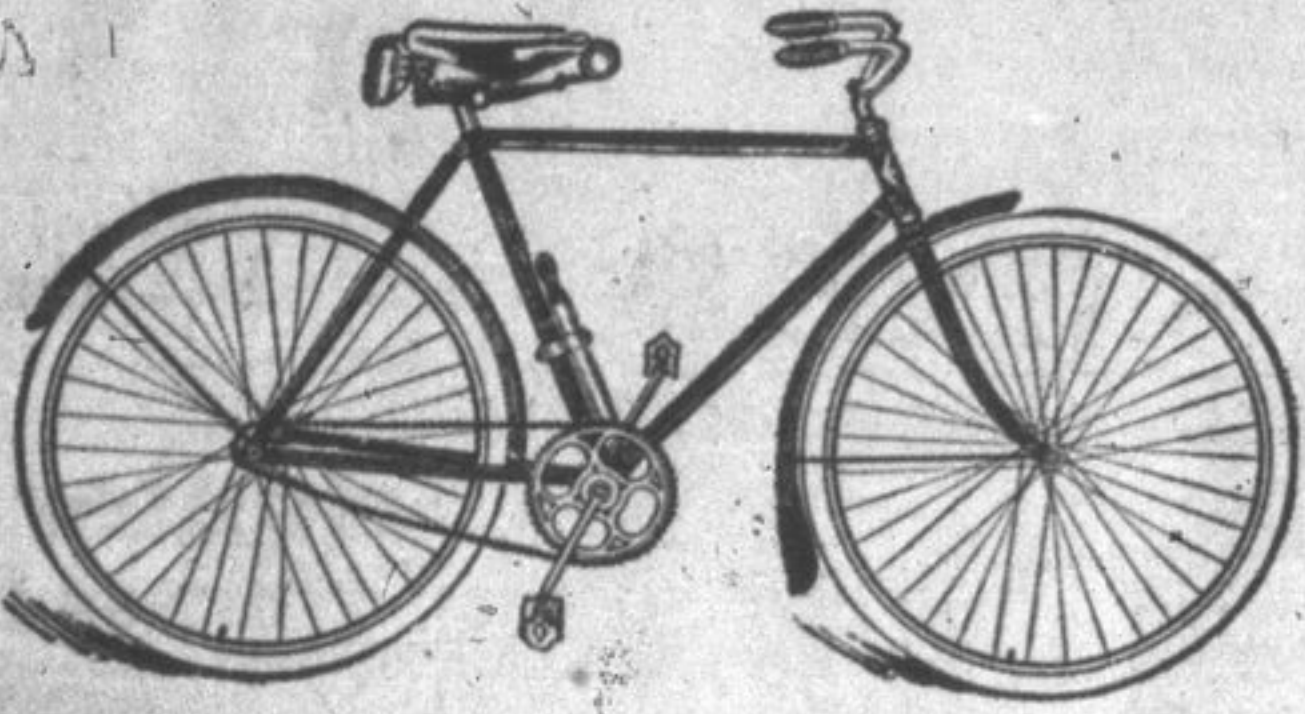


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## In The World Of Sport

### Baseball Briefs

Cy Seymour, former Giant outfielder, who was for years a favorite with Polo Grounds fans, has faded out of the big show, but he is still active as a ball player. The veteran Cy is playing with a steel team in Bethlehem, Pa., and is going strong in the league composed of teams from the big steel mills and munition plants.

Walter Cruise, the St. Louis Cardinals' hard hitting outfielder, has seen the draft board in his home town in Alabama and has received deferred classification. He will rejoin the club Sunday.

The Phillies hold the record of making thirty-six hits in one game, the largest ever made by any National League team. It was done August 17th, 1894, off Pitcher John Wadsworth, of Louisville, who has never been heard of since. Probably that game is the reason.

They talk about Walter Johnson being the strike-out king, but how about the struck-out king? The struck-out emperor of baseball last season was Leslie, a Texas League first baseman, who fanned no less than 116 times during the campaign—about once in every four times he went to bat.

### UNCLE SAM'S SOLDIERS.

Canadian Minister Chosen As Athletic Instructor.

Rev. Thomas McCrossan, pastor of Olivet Presbyterian church, Minneapolis, is one of 500 athletic instructors to be attached to the United States army on October 1st. He has been granted leave from his church for one year on full salary.

The athletic preacher is a Canadian, having been born in Chatham, and back in the '80's and early '90's was one of the best known of Canadian athletes. He was adept at almost every branch of sport, and it is owing to his former prowess in this direction that he has been chosen as one of those who will teach Uncle Sam's sons to enjoy the hours that they are not engaged in fighting the Boche.

Cobb to Replace Hughey Jennings? It is persistently rumored in baseball circles that this is Hugh Jennings' last year as manager of the Detroit Tigers. Jennings has failed utterly and Detroit fans are clamoring for a successor. There is another report in circulation that when the time comes to supplant Jennings the management of the Tigers will be offered to Tyrus Raymond Cobb.

From various sources it is learned that Cobb and Jennings are at loggerheads and that the Georgian Peach has managerial ambitions.

Cubs Sign Veteran Catcher. The Chicago Nationals have come to terms with Tom Clarke, a veteran catcher, formerly with the Cincinnati club of the National League. Clarke, a free agent, was signed because Manager Mitchell fears Catcher Killifer will soon be called into the military service.

### COULD HAVE IT RESTORED.

A Bright Future For Racing In Canada.

T. P. Phelan, a well-known Toronto horseman and A. R. Deuden, secretary of the Hamilton Jockey Club, both are New York visitors, both spoke encouragingly of the future outlook for racing in Canada. Mr. Deuden expressed the opinion that the Canadian Racing Association could have the sport restored almost at once if they made the effort. "It is an organization, though, that has always been governed by a most conservative policy, and those in control do not care to take a chance on too hasty action. They want nothing but strictly legitimate racing, and are determined that when the report is revived it shall be free from all features and policies that are objectionable. They believe that this is the only way in which the higher class of sportsmen can be attracted, and without their support there is little chance of putting racing on a plane that will give it the standing it merits and absolutely insure its permanence."

Detroit Dropping Down. The standing of the Detroit Tigers in the race for the American League pennant has been the surprise of the season. After making such a bid for the pennant in 1916, it was thought that the team would in a year or so round into a strong aggregation. Only one regular has been lost from the line-up which battled the Red Sox so hard in 1917, while other teams which have been badly up and down have been higher in the race. The same old trouble seems to be following Hugh Jennings—poor pitching—for last week the Tigers made 107 hits, with a team average of 320 for the week, but lost six games out of ten. Cobb made 33 of the 107 hits in 45 times at bat.

Novelty In Golfing Stunt. Frank J. Helmle, of the Marine and Field Club of Brooklyn, is well known as a golfer of ability.

An idea of the excellence of that player may be judged from the fact that his driving is so long that, to cover possible injuries to others away off in the distance by his far-flying rubber cores, he carries an insurance of \$5,000.

Playing the other day with a friend who, although a weak player, had an exaggerated idea of his skill as a driver, Mr. Helmle casually mentioned his insurance.

"Good idea, that, Frank," said the friend. "I'll have to take out some. Why, only last week I nearly hit a chap standing near the tee with a savage slice. If I'd hit him I'd have killed him. Yes, sir, that insurance is a dandy."

"No Man's Land Fight." New York World: Besides the boxing there will be a novel military event termed "No Man's Land Fight." Get this. Six soldiers from Camp Upton, three on a side, will engage in this new form of battle royal. They have the usual boxing material on their hard fists, and the side having the most men on a box three feet high and four feet square at the end of three minutes will be declared the winner. Oh boy!

### WALTER JOHNSON IS SAME OLD WIZARD

Though He Made Poor Start, Washington Pitcher Is Having Great Season.

Walter Johnson has been recognized as one of the greatest pitchers the game ever produced. For the last decade he has ranked among less than half a dozen great twirlers in the major leagues. While an individual pitcher may have excelled him for a particular season, Johnson's record, along with that of Alexander's, stands out conspicuously as the best for the last eight years. He is now serving his eleventh season with Washington, the club with which he entered the major arena. Including the games he has won this season, Johnson has a string of 263 victories to his credit. This means that his average per season reaches nearly twenty-four games.

This is a remarkable record, especially when it is considered that the speed king won a total of only thirty-two games his first three years in the majors, he entering as a boy in his teens. Exclusive of his work this season, Johnson has struck out 2,297 batsmen and passed 743 batters. A high average of his passes was handed out in his first years, when he lacked the fine control he now possesses. Like his compeer of the decade, Alexander, Johnson never has achieved the feat as dear to the heart of every pitcher—a no-hit game. Three times, however, he has held opponents to single hit, while he has figured in seventy-two shut-out battles, including the games he has lost this year, he has suffered defeat in 183 games.

While Alexander's record is not available now, it might be stated that in his sixteen years of service Matt Newson won 372 games and lost 189, while for the same period, Eddie Plank won 299 and lost 179.

Striking Out in New Line. At the age of 48, that world-famous golfer, J. H. Taylor, who was the first English professional to beat all the Scottish professionals at the games, it striking out in a new line of life. He has been appointed a supervisor of canteens to the Navy and Army Canteens Board. The duties will mean an abstinence from golf—no small trial, says a writer in the Evening News to a man who for forty years has scarcely spent two consecutive days without playing.

Myers Sorry, So He Gets Back In. Player H. H. Myers, who was placed on the ineligible list of the Brooklyn club, was reinstated yesterday by the National Baseball Commission that he regretted his action of leaving the Brooklyn club, without permission, and desired to rejoin it at once. His reinstatement had the endorsement of the Brooklyn club.

Ainsworth Gets Orders. Edward Ainsworth, catcher of the Washington American League club, has been ordered to engage in some useful occupation, or be placed in class A-1 of the draft by his local draft board. Joe Judge, first baseman of the club, has been served with a similar notice.

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