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## CHICAGO CUBS ON THE UPWARD TREND

### Joe McCarthy, Their New Boss, Should Accomplish Much With Them.

BY DAN THOMAS.  
Avalon, Catalina Island, March 25.—One new manager and a barrel of dough have injected new life into Bill Wrigley's gumchewing Chicago Cubs—the worst team in the National League last year.

Joe McCarthy, who led Louisville to the championship of the American Association in 1925, is the new boss. The money was spent for new players. Among them are "Lefty" O'Doul, Joe Kelly, Charley Root, Clyde Beck and "Red" Shannon.

Three managers couldn't drag the Cubs out of the cellar last season. Bill Killefer, "Rabbit" Maranville and Johnny Evers tried and each in turn failed. But "Silent Joe" McCarthy, dubbed this because of his refusal to comment on his team, is expected to have better success.

Hard daily workouts and exhibition games with Pacific Coast League clubs have been the roads traveled by the Bruins during the spring training this season at their million-dollar camp.

"Our pitching staff looks exceptionally strong this year," declares Manager McCarthy, "though Grover Alexander's injury will hurt for the first weeks of the chase. He's still the best moundman in the league, however, and I look for him to turn in over 20 wins, providing he returns to top-notch shape."

"Then there's Tony Kaufmann, who is always a dependable man in the box. Charley Root, sensational right-hander with the Los Angeles club last year, should come through for us, too. If I could pick up a couple of good southpaws my pitching worries would be over."

And with that speech—an extremely long one for him—"Silent Joe" withdrew into his shell. Bill Piercy, Fred Blake, Jack Welsh and Clayton Touchstone are the others who have a chance to remain on Wrigley's payroll as hurlers.

"Gabby" Hartness, who has more pep than any other three men on the club combined, will do most of the work behind the plate. Hartnett is starting his fifth season with the Windy City outfit and he still has the enthusiasm of an 18-year-old rookie. There isn't another backstop in the league who can throw like he can. Mike Gonzales and Earl Gilpin will relieve Hartnett.

The infield will be pretty well handled by Charley Grimm at first, Earl "Sparky" Adams on second, "Red" Shannon at short and Howard Freigau holding down third. Grimm, Adams and Freigau are all Cub veterans. McCarthy brought Shannon with him from Louisville. He is a vet of the majors, having played under Connie Mack at Philadelphia and with the Boston Red Sox. Almost an entire set of new faces

will appear in the outfield. Joe Kelly, Floyd Scott, Hack Wilson, Cliff Heathcote, Art Jahn and Howard Fitzgerald will bear the brunt of the work. Heathcote and Wilson will be the only familiar fly-chasers to Cub fans.

One of the main differences that will be seen in the Bruins this year will be their change of spirit. If spirit was the only qualification necessary they would be right on top of the heap. But unfortunately it isn't, so McCarthy will be lucky if he gets the gang into the first division at all.

### REVIVE LACROSSE.

#### Brantford Enthusiasts Have Great Hopes for the Game.

Brantford, March 25.—Lacrosse for 1926 in Brantford was given an excellent inaugural when A. E. Lyon and some other of the old-time lacrosse fans who have been trying to bring back Canada's national summer pastime in what once was its great centres entertained the members of the teams constituting the 1925 juvenile lacrosse league at dinner at the Belmont Hotel.

Addresses in favor of restoration of the old game to the high plane in Canadian sport which it once held were given by Major E. Sweet, who was president of the Brantford Lacrosse Club when the club representatives held the Minto Cup; A. E. Lyon, chief backer here, and J. Hanley, Toronto, as well as other local sportsmen.

It is hoped through continuance of the juvenile league to eventually build up junior and intermediate teams which will again fittingly represent this city, once the home of the Minto Cup and The Globe Shield.

### HELPFUL GOLF HINTS

BY FRANCIS OUMET.

To my mind a golfing instructor should build up that which a pupil shows him and not tear it apart with a view toward trying to do something which, because it is unnatural, is going to be hard to do. It is, of course, a splendid thing to imitate, but if the imitation is not anything like the real thing it is better not to imitate.

Golf champions are champions because they have watched others and have carefully developed a game they have found to be the best for them. There is always a bit of individuality about champions in all sports and probably more so in golf than other games. Not one of the topnotchers swings the same as another, yet there is a similarity that comes to all if the foundation is being built carefully.

Chick Evans, Bobby Jones, Gene Sarazen and Jess Sweetser play golf in entirely different ways. Would these athletes be the same drawing cards they are if they all performed in, identically the same way? I think not. Each one has his own peculiarities which makes his work appeal to the spectator.

### TO HAVE ARENA.

Peterboro, March 25.—That Peterboro will have an artificial ice arena for next season's play seems to be well assured after a meeting of the city council in committee. A piece of land owned by the city for park purposes will be leased to a company which undertakes to erect a rink with an ice surface of 190 by 85 or 90 feet and seating capacity for 4,000. There will be dressing rooms for eight exits. Entrance will be gained from Hunter street bridge. Instructions were given for the drawing of a lease for 40 years, the first 20 years at one dollar a year and the rate to then be set by arbitration. The scheme is sponsored by Ald. Ackerman.

### COUGARS WIN OUT.

Vancouver, B.C., March 24.—Victoria Cougars earned the right to meet the National Hockey League champions in the finals for the Stanley Cup, emblematic of the world's championship, when they tied the Edmonton Eskimos here last night in the second of the two-game series by a 2-to-2 score and won the round by 5 to 3.

### DRAKE'S HEART WEAK.

Paris, March 24.—Paolino Usucudun, the Spanish heavyweight boxer, knocked out Harry Drake, English heavyweight, last night after one minute and 25 seconds of boxing.

### WEST IS EVIDENTLY NO GENTLE PLACE

#### The Referee Mitchell Hockey Game Incidents Recall Other Similar Ones.

Writing in his Pick and Shovel Column, Lou Marsh says:

"Harold Mitchell, the Toronto referee who got such a rough passage up in Fort William on Saturday night, can get plenty of sympathy from the Oiler ball club players and officers. They played up in Fort Arthur last summer, on their way back from Winnipeg, and they reported a fierce grilling at the hands of the fans and the local umpires."

"Why," remarked Freddie Hamilton, manager of the Oilers, "we never got such a raw deal in our lives as we got up in Fort Arthur, and Fort Arthur and Fort William are as closely related as ham and eggs or pork and beans. They are all the same up that way. They want a 90-10 break from the officials or they raise Cain. That is what the local officials gave them when we were up there, and we were lucky to win the game, 5-4. It was so bad that at one time I seriously considered taking my team off the field. We couldn't get any of the close ones at all. Harold Mitchell probably gave the two hockey teams a fair square break on the ice, and called them as he saw them, and that did not suit the fans up there. They are certainly a rabid one-sided crowd of alleged sportsmen." That is certainly a pretty tough arraignment, but Hamilton evidently felt the treatment Oilers got up there rather keenly, for he went out of his way to make the statement. Mitchell got along well up and down the line in O.H.A. games, and when he went down to Ottawa to handle a play-off in the Ottawa Valley series the Ottawa papers agreed that he was the best referee they had seen this season. That is real praise for those Ottawa sport writers are a bit hard boiled.

### CRESCENT CLUB TO RUN OWEN SOUNDERS

#### And Will Also Develop More Hockey Players for Future Years.

Owen Sound, March 25.—The Crescent Athletic Club, the well-known young men's athletic organization in Owen Sound, has decided to sponsor junior hockey in Owen Sound for next season. The organization will receive the whole-hearted support of the fans in the city. Crescents plan not only to handle the Junior O.H.A. entry next season, but will run three city league series for the development of young players. As far as Secretary Arthur Kreuzweiser, of the Crescent, is aware, all the members of the Junior Greys team of this year, with the exception of Callaghan, Handle and Gregg, who are over age, will be here to play the game for Owen Sound next season.

### HITS AND JABS

By Joe Williams.

One of the nice things about a vacation in winter is that you have all summer to rest up in.

The main difference between sun-burned neck in February and a sun-burned neck in August is the cost.

Be that as it may, it is no harder to pose as a capitalist's son on the beach at Miami than it is on the beach at Long Island.

The dinner coat is a remarkable device. . . . It enables you to imagine you are getting \$5.40 worth of food out of an average six bits meal.

A soup stain on an ordinary vest is just a soup stain; the same ornament on a dinner vest is social ostracism.

It seems to us the chief drawback about a winter vacation is that it always lasts longer than the bank-roll.

It is the proud boast of our friend, Mr. O'Goofy, that usually manages to look quite silly without doing either.

You realize the vacation is actually ended when you find yourself offering to trade a slightly used corkscrew for a pencil sharpener.

They have a great sense of humor in Florida. . . . Rocky Kansas was introduced to a Tampa fight crowd the other night as the lightweight champion of the world and everybody applauded.

One of the mysteries of the age is how Palm Beach ever got to be a fashionable centre when it is too hot to wear raccoon coats there.

Eddie Rodden Starred. Minneapolis, March 25.—Eddie Rodden, the squirmy little Hibbing-Eveleth centre iceman who will draw a regular pay-check from the New York Americans in the Eastern professional league next season, played havoc with the Minneapolis sextette here and the Millers went down to defeat by a 3 to 2 score in their final scheduled game of the season, in the Central Hockey League.

## SPORTING NOTES AND COMMENT

To-night's game at Winnipeg may decide the junior championship of Canada. Kingston should be able to come through with another win in their second tilt, thereby relieving themselves of the bother and strain of another game. If the Ontario champions win out, it will be a great help to hockey in Eastern Canada.

The 1925-26 sporting season has been very successful for Kingston. In baseball, Kingston won the championship of the C.O.B.L. and defeated the famous Toronto Oslers in the Ontario semi-finals. Queen's romped through to another Intercollegiate championship and now the junior hockey team is standing pat with the chances of winning the coveted Dominion honors very bright. Great accomplishments for a city the size of Kingston.

Reports of the game from Winnipeg stated that the crowd razzed Harold Mitchell somewhat for too much bell ringing. We wonder what a referee goes out on the ice for if not to call all the offences he sees. A referee would have one sweet job if he started letting things slide for either team, and those who try it soon find out that they are not pleasing the crowd any. Mitchell's refereeing seems to displease the fans and players in the west. Maybe he knows too much about the game.

The Kingston team is very fortunate in the line of relief men. Macpherson, Molson or McDowell can hop on the ice any time and step with the rest of them. "Bud" turned in a great performance in Tuesday night's game and McDowell was also very much in the picture. Molson was not feeling any too good so he remained in the box, but in every game he has played with Kingston his wonderful back-checking and stick-handling have played a prominent part. Orford, the relief goal-tender, has not been called into the fray, but, if it is necessary, he can deliver the goods. But let's hope nothing happens to Taugher. There can be only one "Bill."

### BABE RUTH HAS DOUBLE IN ROOKIE SHANER OF RED SOX



BABE RUTH, LEFT, AND "TOT" SHANER.

New Orleans, La., March 23.—If Outfielder Shaner makes good for the Boston Red Sox, the American League is to have a double for Babe Ruth, in appearance at least.

Shaner is six feet, two, weight 195 pounds, just about Babe's weight when he made his American League debut as a pitcher. Unlike Babe, he hits from the right side of the plate.

There is a decided facial as well as physical resemblance between the youngster and the Yankee star.

### A Digest of the BEST in WIT

By Courtesy of ZIFFS MAGAZINE



"I ate in a great open shop!" "Aw, git out!" "Alrite—give me the key!"

Safety First! Old Hired Man: "Whatcher nailin' that calender up in the hen-house for?" Green Hired Man: "I just set the hen on some eggs as the boss told me to, and she's due to hatch 'em in three weeks. She might lose track of the time."

Evolution of a Man A weak old boy A wee cold boy A weak old boy

Too Much Racket! MOTHER (singing): "Rock a By Baby, On the Tree Top—" BABY: "For the Luva Mike keep quiet, I'm trying to go to sleep!"

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