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NOTION OF PLAYER-MAN. PLAN ON WANE

Cochrane and Terry Exceptions but Most of Clubs look for Changes.

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—The player manager idea, which got to be quite the vogue in the major leagues within the last two years, seems to be on the wane—this despite the fact that two of the more advanced exponents of the idea, Mickey Cochrane of the Detroit Tigers, and Bill Terry of the New York Giants, are doing quite well for themselves.

Strangely enough, Cochrane and Terry, managers of the respective teams in their respective leagues, are not only supplying the strategy and the inspiration for their charges, but are furnishing the batting punch as well.

It is supposed that managerial worries would weigh heavily on the black thatched heads of Messrs. Cochrane and Terry, but the pair seem to be indifferent to strain and apparently hit better when the going is toughest.

Both are among the five leading hitters in their respective leagues.

But Cochrane and Terry are exceptions. Jimmy Dykes, leader and third baseman of the amazing Chicago White Sox, is another exception, but the others are not doing so well, and already rumbles are being heard about changes in other sectors.

Manager Frankie Frisch of the world champion St. Louis Cardinals is on the proverbial "spot." The Card machine, broken by dissension early in the season, came back to win 14 in a row and go into temporary leadership in the National League race. But the charm snapped and the Cards are in third place, five full games behind the league leading Giants.

Frisch's days as the National League's greatest second baseman are over.

The Fordham flash can no longer play nine full innings day after day and bear the managerial burden at the same time. Frankie's current batting average is but .277, but he has played in only 46 of this team's 93 games.

OLYMPIC HOPES RISE AS BRITON'S SWIMMERS STAR

English Swimmers Have Improved Greatly — Point to Good Olympic Records.

Great Britain's national swimming championships, for the first time grouped, were decided over a 110-yard bath course at Blackpool and revealed that England's swimmers have improved greatly, to the point of doing some scoring at next year's Olympic games. Mrs. Wadham, whose previous best time in competition was 1:06, won at 100 yards free style in 1:03.6, particularly fast for a straightaway sprint. Miss Olive Bartle and Miss Beatrice Wolstenholme came through at 220 and 440 yards in 2:45 and 6:00.6, performances which, allowing for the gain at the turns, represent about 2.33 and 5.47 for these distances in 25-yard pools.

Miss Phyllis Harding, the dean of British swimming champions, who finished second to the late Miss Sybil Bauer in the Olympic back stroke classic in 1924, earned the 150-yard dorsal title in 1:57.2 and the Coventry Three Spire's trio captured the 330-yard medley relay in 5:41.8. Among the men Norman Wainwright stood out. He won at 220 and 440 yards free style in 2:18.6 and 5:09.4, approximately 2.12 and 4:55 for 25-yard pools. R. Garfieldson, a seventeen-year-old newcomer, surprised by scoring at 100 yards in 0:55.4. J. C. P. Besford took the title at 150 yards back stroke in 1:46.8; N. Hamilton, a Scottish youth, at 200 yards breast stroke in 2:43.2, and Otter S. C. four won the 880-yard relay in 10:01, about 9:50 for 800 meters in a 50-meter pool.

Oversight in Printing

It has been questioned whether Miss Lenore Kight, of Homestead, Pa., officially shattered the world's record for one mile free style last month, when she earned the national crown at Manhattan Beach in 24:20.4. The doubt has been raised by the fact that the A. A. U. Almanac lists no universal standard for this distance, showing only a 1600-meter (1749.76 yard) mark of 24:34.6, by Miss Helene Madison. But this is purely an oversight in printing. Miss Madison covered the full mile, 1760 yards, on the occasion, and the manual of the international swimming federation so states, quoting her exploit as the record for both distances, 1600 meters and one mile.

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AN EDITORIAL

The New Brunswick Tennis Tournament which ended here on Saturday proved to be highly successful but there appears to be some variance of opinion on just how successful it was. In some quarters it has been said that had "foreign" players not been allowed to participate it would have been more successful. The general consensus fortunately, is that the presence of the Ontario and Ottawa stars was a great impetus to provincial and to York county tennis.

Our contemporary thinks differently. Under recent date its sport columns carried the following: "There is to be a change in New Brunswick Tennis championships next year. Upper Canada competition is to be removed in order to give home players a better chance to develop. The results this week indicate that the move is a wise one."

How wise a move is, that bans some of the finest players in Canada from participation in a provincial tournament, in which homebreds are rubbing shoulders, as it were, with the best in the land, is a matter for debate. The provincial players are watching the style and the immense repertoire of strokes which these comparative masters possess. Even more important they are playing with them and against them, and, if the Gods refuse to smile on their effort — nevertheless the experience gained is worth far more than an empty title won only through competition with New Brunswick's novitiate.

George Johnston, of this city, one of the province's most conscientious disciples, and who was eliminated this year only after the most satisfactory effort, expresses himself openly on the matter. He says that he learned a great deal from being in competition with the "foreign" players. He feels his play has been benefitted immeasurably. Many of those provincial players who were in the tournament feel the same way about it.

It would appear then that the phrase which our contemporary uses about eliminating Upper Canadian competition in order "to give home players a better chance to develop" is an exact antithesis in fact when it is mentioned as a solution to the home players capturing the titles.

In the final end it resolves itself into the question of whether the fans and players would like to see New Brunswick's tennis youth playing mediocre tennis and winning all the titles in sight, or reaping the benefit of competing with the better players and winning something in the end far better than a sectional title.

An even greater advance for provincial tennis probably would be to have an expert or a corps of them visit New Brunswick each year, playing a week or more in each section. The value obtained from this would give the local players that edge of excellence and surety in their play, which would even transcend the benefit derived by contact with the Upper Canadians in the sole provincial tourney of the year.

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Homers Keep Player from Jail

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Aug. 3.—Several days ago Leo Norris, hard-hitting Minneapolis shortstop, got a tag for parking in an alley. He did nothing about it.

Yesterday an officer was sent to the baseball park to bring Norris to jail for failure to answer the summons. The officer, persuaded by Norris's teammates, agreed to wait until after the game. Norris hit two home runs.

The officer returned with Norris, and presented the following report.

"After what he did the officer did not have the heart to take him to jail. He promised to report in the morning."

Today Norris paid a \$1 fine.

C. F. ADAMS TO KEEP BRAVES

BOSTON, Aug. 5.—C. F. Adams, new owner of the Braves, president of the National League, and their legal representatives were closeted in a 12-hour conference at the Milk street offices yesterday, which broke up only in time to allow the baseball chief to catch the five o'clock train to New York.

Out of the conference various items have developed, which affect the future of the Braves.

"C.F." has no intention of making any hasty sale.

He will retain possession of the club until a purchaser is found whom he regards as competent.

Temporarily, at least, Bill McKechie is in full control of the club's affairs, as acting general manager. McKechie was present at the conference during the early hours of the morning, leaving shortly after noon to join the team in New York.

McKechie is to remain in power as long as Adams controls the club.

"C. F." announced that he received a proposition yesterday morning, which in its skeleton form he approves.

The proposition, if developed in time by the undisclosed purchasers, will be reported to a meeting of the board of trustees, which will be held either today or Monday, probably the latter date.

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Carnera's Conqueror Ends Training for Fight with King Levin- sky.

CHICAGO, Aug. 3.—Stolid Joe Louis came to the end of a three-week training siege tonight, ready, to all appearances, to continue his devastating march through the heavyweight division at the expense of King Levin-sky Wednesday night at Comiskey Park.

After watching the Brown Bomber belt five sparring partners around and out, observers figured that Louis amounted to a 3-1 favorite to win his twenty-fourth consecutive professional battle. With his spectacular triumph over Primo Carnera only three weeks behind him when he started training, the Detroit Negro had no trouble getting into condition.

If anything, he reached top form a little ahead of time. He scaled 193 pounds today, three and one half pounds under the weight he hurled against Carnera. For that reason, his training manoeuvres, which were to have continued through Monday, were halted today.

Levin-sky Weighs 198

The noisy, wild-swinging Kingfish, face to face with an opportunity to make the faithful forget about that two-round knockout administered by Max Baer last December in the Chicago Stadium, still has a couple of days of work to be done. He too, has reached the finest condition in his eventful career. Ten days in the Wisconsin woods and three weeks of training in exclusion at Round Lake, Ill., have worked him down to 198 pounds, seven less than he scaled the night two years ago when he whipped Jack Sharkey.

Regardless of what Louis and Levin-sky accomplish, or fail to do, in the ring, the battle, Chicago's most significant heavyweight offering in several years, seems certain of doing all right financially.

Cash Advance Reaches \$90,000
Joe Foley, promoter, said the cash advance had reached \$90,000 tonight. With a potential heavyweight champion of the world, Louis, and the Kingfish, who has his following, in action, fight night is expected to find a crowd of 50,000, which would mean a gross of around \$200,000 on hand.

In spite of the big advance sale plenty of seats from the tops down to the rockbottom two locations are available.

Levin-sky's chances of breaking up Louis's charge to the title appear to lie in a strictly crowding, forward moving attack. The bomber's previous adversaries, for the most part, attempted to box him from a safe distance, only to be caught sooner or later by the Negro's lethal punches.

Levin-sky's unorthodox style, usually made up as he goes along, also may bother Louis.

Louis will leave for somewhere in Michigan tomorrow to remain until Wednesday morning. Levin-sky also will remain away from Chicago until time for the official weighing in at 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Ottawa, August 5.—Ambrose U. G. Bury, M. P., for East Edmonton, has been appointed to the Bench of the District Court of Northern Alberta.

SPORT BRIEFS

DALLAS, Aug. 5.—Happ Morse, former manager of the Dallas Steers, picks the following as his choice as an all-star Texas League Club. Frank Snyder, catcher; Dizzy Dean, Bill Halahan, Joe Pate, Slim Love, Paul Wachtel and Snipe Conley, pitchers; Hank Greenberg, first base; Carey Selph, second; Jimmy Levey, shortstop; Irvine Jeffries, third base; Ziggy Sears, Randy Moore and Joe Medwick, outfield.

ELMIRE, N.Y., Aug. 5.—Emmet McCann, the manager of the local ball team, is at his home in Philadelphia suffering from a nervous breakdown and, according to latest reports, he won't be able to take charge of his team again this year. While the search is on for a capable playing manager to take McCann's place, Wally Novak, shortstop, is in charge.

DALLAS, Aug. 5.—Huga Klaerner, Longview's ace pitcher, will train with the Chicago White Sox or the St. Paul club of the American Association next club of the American Association next. Largent, scout for the Chicago club. Hugo was scheduled to report to St. Paul several weeks ago, but was forced to postpone his procedure because of an injured back.

ALONG SPORT TRAIL

HENDERSON, Ky., Aug. 5.—Another purchase which was made at Omaha was that of the 5-year-old mare Moorish Amulet, which R. (Dick) Thorop obtained from Jake Tate at private terms. The mare was turned over to R. Wald to train.

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