Plague of Pitchers Descends on Marlin

Perritt Brings Number of Giant Twirlers Up to Nineteen.

M'GRAW THINKS HIGHLY OF POLL

Davy Robertson Quits College for Post-Graduate Course in Outfielding.

By HEYWOOD BROUN.

Marlin, Tex., March 3.—A plague of pitchers has descended upon Marlin. There were nineteen in town yesterday, and to-day Dick Kinsella arrived, leading Poll Perritt. The man who was snatched away from a term in Pittsburgh seemed too full of joy to talk much. When cornered by the correspondents he declared that he had always had a great ambition to work in New York, and admitted that he would probably win a good many games this season.

Certainly Perritt is in no need of training. Texas, the most bountiful of states in territory, raises the leanest citizens in the Union, and Poll is true to type. But there is much solidity in his spare frame, for he weighs in the neighborhood of 180 pounds. In the opinion of McGraw, the newest member of the Giants has an almost flawless natural equipment for pitching.

"Perritt can go the pace" said the manager. "Nine innings or eighteen are just the same to him, because there is no strain in his pitching motion. He has had seasoning enough to be called a veteran, and at the same time he is young enough to have his best years still ahead of him."

Close upon the heels of Perritt came Larry McLean, who remained in New York a few extra days in order to participate in a ball given in his honor. Larry declared that the affair was a great success but he bears no marks to prove it.

Davy Robertson arrived to-night. The young outfielder had announced his intention of remaining at Wake Forest College until after the beginning of the season, but McGraw decided that he was much more in need of a post-graduate course in outfielding than anything he could pick up out of a book. And here he is.

Palmero and Dyer are now the only absent Giants, and, seemingly, nobody is worrying much about either of them.

An unwelcome visitor is coming to camp next week. Miller Huggins purposes to pay a visit to Marlin in order to choose the men who will go to St. Louis in exchange for Perritt. The Cardinals are in need of an infielder and an outfielder, and since Huggins intends to visit Marlin it is probable that one or more youngsters will be involved in the deal.

In all probability the Cardinals will get a veteran outfielder. Huggins would like to have Snodgrass, but McGraw would probably part with Beecher more willingly. If an infielder is to go it is hardly probable that McGraw would give up a regular. Since Jack Miller is a movable star, a second baseman, a shortstop or a first baseman would complete the infield combination of the Cardinals.

Walter Holke, the recruit first baseman, seems to be ripe for a major league trial, and it is possible that he may be sacrificed to the Cardinals. Brainard and Kores are other trading possibilities. At any rate, Huggins is a shrewd bargainer, and he will be satisfied with little but the best of McGraw's youngsters.

A loose and liberal downpour deluged the playing field to-day and practice was impossible. In the afternoon there was a sufficient let-up to enable the men to get out for a two-mile run. McGraw went over the course himself to make sure the players kept moving. But there is hardly a man in the squad much overweight.

Competition for a job with the Giants is so keen this year that most of the candidates did a little training on their own account through the winter.

Although pitchers make up half the squad here, McGraw thinks that they will furnish him an easier task of selection than the other players. "Picking pitchers is easy," he explained today. "I can usually tell a man's worth as soon as I see his motion. Of course, every now and then you find a player who may be built into a great pitcher with certain changes, but I can hardly keep any men like that this year. The twenty-one player limit makes it necessary to choose men who are ready."

Several pitchers in the squad have caught McGraw's eye. Bill Ritter, who made a good impression at the fag end of last year by holding the Phillies to three hits, has strengthened his chances for a place with the team by reporting in tiptop shape. Cook has been taking things easily, but he is another player who has a good chance to remain in the league. "I am told that Cook was the best pitcher in the American Association," was McGraw's comment concerning the former Princeton man.

Anybody who thinks that Arthur Devlin has slowed up ought to watch him perform in the dancing class which meets in the Arlington Hotel every night. Harry Smith is another pupil. They contend that tango is the fine method to condition legs and wind.

Now that Davy Robinson is on hand he might be prevailed upon to teach the class the high fly glide which he showed to the fans at the Polo Grounds so often last season. It is a strenuous dance and requires an immense amount of backward, forward and sidewise motion.

After an all day session at the bridge table with Fred Merkle as an opponent, we are convinced that the first baseman of the Giants is a brainy player.

All's Well Now in Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, March 3.—Honus Wagner, the veteran shortstop, signed his 1915 contract with the Pittsburgh National League baseball club here to-day.

The contract, which calls for $10,000 per year, was the sixteenth he has made with the local club. Twenty-five Pirates will leave here on Saturday night for Dawson, Ky., where the spring training will begin.

FEDS, IN WRATH, TO TAP WAR FUND

Jumping of Perritt Brings a Storm of Protests—Say James Was Misled.

Chicago, March 3.—News that W. D. Perritt had signed a contract to pitch for the New York Giants, following the example of Walter Johnson, Jimmy Austin, Ivy Wingo and others who decided their contracts with the Federal League clubs were not binding, brought expressions of wrath from officials of the independent circuit to-day, and presaged, it was stated, a general renewal of the baseball war.

"The Federal League has a war fund of $100,000," said Charles Weeghman, president of the Chicago Federal League Club. "It was to be used only for emergencies, but the emergency seems to be upon us."

Threats of further legal complications were seen in a statement tonight by James A. Gilmore, president of the Federal League.

"I am greatly surprised that organized baseball should have induced our players to break their contracts while our suit is pending in the United States Court," he said. "The players referred to, who have been induced to break their contracts since the hearing are Austin, Perritt, Caldwell and Wingo.

"We have not taken a player since the hearing or before who was under a contract with them. I am going to Indianapolis to-morrow to consult our attorneys and see what, if any, steps can be taken. If the federal court decision is in our favor we shall, of course, bring up these offences in a supplemental complaint, but it is doubtful if anything can be done in advance of the decision."

It was stated here to-day that Bill James declared he signed a three-year contract with the Boston Braves only after he had received what he said turned out to be deceptive information regarding the financial strength of the Federals.

James's contract with Boston was said to call for $4,500 a year for three years. He signed it after he had declined an offer of $6,000 a year from the Federals, it was stated.

Information was given out that the big pitcher has made repeated efforts lately to get a contract from the local Federals. It was said that three messages came from him to-day, but that President Weeghman refused to negotiate until after the Sherman law case has been decided.

La Salle Five a Winner.

The La Salle Academy basketball team defeated the Staten Island Academy in an interesting game played on the latter's court yesterday by a score of 35 to 22.

The score follows:

LA SALLE.	F.	G.	P.	STATEN ISLAND.	F.	G.	P.
A. Miller, rf	1	0	2	Stone, lf	0	0	0
Winters, rf	3	0	6	McCrae, rf	5	2	12
Donnellan, c	5	0	10	Parmelee, c	4	0	8
S. Miller, lg	0	0	0	Fredericks, lg	1	0	2
Lauria, rg	1	0	2	Pouch, rg	0	0	0
Totals	10	0	20	Totals	10	2	22

Referee—Dalton. Time of halves—Fifteen minutes.

DID NOT MISLEAD JAMES

Stallings Says Pitcher Asked for Contract with Braves.

Macon, Ga., March 3.—George Stallings, manager of the Boston Braves, gave out the following statement tonight relating to the signing of Bill James, one of his star pitchers last year:

"James's contract was made at his own solicitation and has two years to run with the Boston club. It was made in the presence of witnesses at James's own request.

"He dictated the terms of the contract and insisted upon the ten-day clause being eliminated, and stated before witnesses that if he received the figure of his contract he would be satisfied for the rest of his life.

"There could be no deceptive information, for the Federal League was not mentioned during the execution of the contract."

NEW QUARTERS FOR TENER

National League to Move on May 1 to Larger Offices.

May 1 will be moving day at the offices of the National League. On that date President Tener and his retinue will leave the rooms in the Metropolitan Tower for quarters at 8 West Fortieth Street.

The reason is that the old offices have grown too small, and it was not possible to enlarge them. At the new building there will be a big room to be used for the meeting of the club owners, private offices for President Tener, John Heydler and Roy Reeves, the secretaries, and a room for Miss Caylor, the stenographer.

MAGEE INJURED AT CAMP OF BRAVES

Tendon in Right Arm Strained, and Hard Hitter Must Rest for Some Time.

Macon, Ga., March 3.—Sherwood Magee, of the Boston Braves, fell while at practice here to-day and suffered an injury which may keep him out of the game for several weeks.

A tendon of his right arm was strained, and the doctor says he must give it complete rest.

Magee was secured from the Phillies this winter by George Stallings, of the world's champions, in exchange for Deal and Whitted.

He is an outfielder, and last year turned in a batting average of .314.

DENIES $50,000 HELP

Barrow Says Major Leagues Have Not Aided International.

"Sporting Editor of The Tribune.

"Sir: Mr. Edward G. Barrow, president of the International League, wired to headquarters here to-day from Buffalo denying that the major leagues had given $50,000 or any other amount to the International League.

"WILLIAM J. MANLEY, Secretary.

"New York, March 3."

This denial resulted from a story which gained some circulation yesterday, that the International League was in such dire straits that quick financial help had been promised.

MANHATTAN NINE'S DATES

Eighteen Games on Schedule for the Season.

A schedule of eighteen games has been arranged for the Manhattan College baseball team for the coming season. The list includes contests with Tufts, Niagara, Holy Cross and Villanova.

The schedule follows:

April 8, Cathedral College at New York; 10, St. John's College at Brooklyn; 14, Stevens Institute at Hoboken; 16, Tufts College at New York; 21, Crescent A. C. at Bay Ridge; 21, Niagara University at New York; 28, C. C. N. Y. at New York.

May 1, St. John's College at New York; 5, Brooklyn College at New York; 7, 7th Regiment at New York; 12, Villanova College at New York; 15, Commonwealth Club of Upper Montclair at Montclair; 19, Eastern College at New York; 22, Holy Cross College at Worcester; 26, game pending; 31, Seton Hall at New York.

June 2—Villanova College at Villanova; 5, Seton Hall at South Orange; 12, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy.

Pipp May Prove a Find for Yankees at First

Shows That Much Needed Pep in Batting Practice and Will Give Mullen a Run for the Position.

By GRANTLAND RICE.

Savannah, Ga., March 3.—Other seaport cities in the jolly old U. S. A. may need better defences, but Savannah is fixed for at least a month. For to-day the siege gun, 52 centimetres at the shortest, began to open fire, and, what is even more important, it requires no cement base.

Early in the second day's work out a stranger stepped up to bat, took a look at the first good strike in reach, and came near blowing out a paling in the right field fence. On his second appearance with the war club he poled another even further away on a line toward right centre. The name, if you care to hear it, is Walter C. Pipp, late of Rochester, but now of New York.

The appearance of Mr. Pipp soon started a sprightly buzz of conversation, for if physical mould counts for anything the Yanks have gathered in quite a guy. Pipp is six feet one inch above the red clay sod of Georgia. He weighs 190 pounds, but, what is even more important, he has a fine, free swing at bat and a fine, free stride, galloping madly around the bases or leaping out for an infield blow.

With Pipp and Mullen working out at first base together it was easy enough to see here the main interest in camp would centre for some time to come. For Mullen has no idea of giving up the battle for his old job.

Mullen has brains, courage and ability. He is a grand young first baseman in defensive play and at least a good, average hitter. He is, in addition, a fine type for any club to have around.

But the Yanks need all the punch they can beg, and if Pipp can assault a baseball as he did last year and as he did the first day in camp nothing short of an army corps can drive him off the squad.

It is at least quite pleasing to know that after floundering about with uncertain entries for first base two worthy candidates are on the job. If it means anything in your life, you can quote us to the effect that the Yanks will have a bird at first base whatever happens. If Pipp doesn't pan out to be a star Mullen will more than do, and if Pipp doesn't pan out above any first base find of recent years you can throw the old dope book away and call it all an accident.

Hughey High, who holds the honor of batting for Cobb in sixty-six games, is another entry who made a good first day's impression, whatever that may mean later on. High is a good looking youngster, with good speed and a tidy way of manipulating a bat. Both High and Pipp operate with the left arm exclusively. Among the regulars now High, Pipp, Hartzell, Mullen, Nunamaker and Maisel are right-handers, making it 50-50. Which is fair enough for a general balance.

Colonel Donovan had the diamond rerolled, and sent the infield over the route for its first work-out. The spectacle of Fritz Maisel whizzing about over the red clay sod enthused the citizens to a high degree. Fritz went to work as if this was June 14 in place of March 3.

As a flotilla of buzzards sailed high over the field, Duke Farrell rushed over to the bench and grabbed a bat. "They've gotten a whiff of my arm," roared the duke, "and I forgot to bring out a gun." Considerable citizen, the duke, and considerable bloke for the general good of a ball club. He not only knows but he knows how to tell it.

Cy Pieh arrived too late to work out with the squad, but will don the harness Thursday and act as base hit fodder until his arm gets worked into the proper frame of mind under a Georgia sun.

The presence of Colonel Luther A. Cook and Professor Pete Daley accounted for the Yank outfield in full. Daley may not scramble into a regular's kit, but he will be around when the first hurry call is issued for a worthy aid. Pete was badly handicapped last season through having attempted to hoist an auto out of a muddy rut.

He accomplished the feat, but for a long time his spine was practically a total loss. A winter's rest has about put him right again, and, being a first-class ball player, there is no reason that he shouldn't play first-class ball.

Bill Donovan again whaled flies to the outfield until his right paw became bereft of skin. It resembled a veal cutlet, breaded, before the practice ended, but Bill stuck to the job. What are a few square inches of skin, compared to furnishing needed work for ambitious talent desiring to get along in the game?

Pete Daley has challenged Fritz Maisel to a golf match. Peter has played once and Maisel has never seen the game. At the conclusion of the match the Savannah Golf Club will plant corn and potatoes in the furrows and seek a new course closer to the sea.

Ring, one of the new pitchers, qualifies as a member of the "tall and rangy guy" club, which gives him a good start, anyway.

Another outburst of mellow sunshine greeted the second day round. The weather was as warm and woolly as grandmother used to knit, and all hands are coming forward at top speed.

Bowling—Balling Up the Score . . . .

By BRIGGS

THE SPORT-LIGHT

by Grantland Rice

The Ultimate Jolt.

Just as I started from the tee
My rival turned and said to me—
"I slept exceeding well last night
And woke up feeling fit and right;
My nerve feels fine, my eye is clear
And I'm in shape from hoof to ear":

Just ere we drove into the hollows
My rival spoke about as follows—
"My legs are good—in no way lame.
And, what is more, I'm on my game;
In fact, I might as well admit
I never felt so bally fit."

No sooner had he finished than
I felt myself a blighted man;
My blood congealed—my marrow froze—
And, poised as one wrapped in a doze,
I felt my senses reel and rock,
And then—I fainted from the shock.

Dixie vs. Yankee Doodle.

Dear sir—

In your opinion could a ball club be picked from those who live in the South good enough to beat or make an even fight against a club picked from Northern players? E. L. K.

The North would have a decided margin in pitchers, catchers and infielders. The South's big edge would come in outfield play, where Cobb, Speaker, Jackson and Milan would close out the debate. The main Southern deficit would come in pitching talent to send against Johnson, James, Rudolph, Mathewson and Alexander, provided Western states north of the M. & D. division are to be classed as Northern soil.

Boxing in Cuba.

Those who understand the vivacious and peppery Cuban temperament are entirely true to the views of Captain C. A. Rice, who announced that no mixed boxing matches would be tolerated in Havana.

It doesn't require any abnormal amount of division of opinion to stir the Latin temperament into a foamy froth, and the risk would be entirely too great to be given any show of developing. After something like the second meeting of a white and black on Cuban soil there wouldn't be enough left of boxing in Havana to be classed as debris.

The Irish in Baseball.

"The Irish in baseball," writes Erin, "have not only been elevated to managerial positions, but there is still a pretty fair Irish team to be picked. Jimmy Archer was born in Ireland. So was Roger Bresnahan. And there are McInnis, Evers, Doyle, Mararville and Moriarty for an infield. And there are Burns, Sherwood Magee and Connolly for an outfield. No, they are not all gone yet."

The big difference is that the majority are no longer Irish. The game once belonged to old Erin, almost in bulk. Now it knows no nationality, unless the hyphen is lifted and the term American is applied—which is fair enough as nationalites go.

Football at Columbia.

Football may still have a few faults scattered here and there, being of strictly human origin. But it is now about as good a college game as the limited human brain can devise, and when reintroduced at Columbia will mean a big change in the college life of that eminent citadel of learning.

There is nothing like a football team to bring and hold a college together and to keep college spirit reeking with so-called pep and buoyancy. Whether this stands as any great advancement to humanity is the subject for another debate, but it certainly adds to the general gayety of affairs.

Snapshots.

After all, adding to the general hilarity of affairs is a function not to be jeered at, even by the most profound. There is more than enough of the soggy and morose to last a couple of infinities.

The majority of all knockers are recruited from the ranks of those who can't get by.

"Is world peace a practicable idea?" asks an eminent lecturer. Possibly. But not just at this untimely moment of leaping to press.

"St. Louis fans believe Huggins will have a pennant winner this season after last year's great fight." Dope still springs eternal in the baseball breast.

Williams Five Wins Final Home Game

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Williamstown, Mass., March 3.—Williams closed its home basketball season here this evening, defeating New Hampshire State College by a score of 65 to 5.

In the first fourteen minutes of play the Purple amassed 20 points before the visitors tallied. Langford and Garfield were the stars of the contest. Williams led at the half, 35 to 2.

WILLIAMS.	F.	G.	P.	NEW HAMPSHIRE.	F.	G.	P.
Williams, lf	9	0	18	Price, lf	0	0	0
Langford, rf	11	0	22	Thompson, rf	2	1	5
Patterson, c	3	0	6	Stone, c	0	0	0
Wright, lg	4	0	8	Poore, lg	0	0	0
Hay, rg	2	3	7	Bissell, rg	0	0	0
Totals	31	3	65	Totals	2	1	5

Referee—Young. Timer—Lynch, of Williams. Time—20 minute halves.

St. Nicks and Irish Hockey Team Ready

The St. Nicks will meet the Irish-American Athletic Club hockey team at the St. Nicholas Rink to-morrow night in their last game of the season before playing the Boston Athletic Association here on March 11 in the game that probably will decide Amateur Hockey League honors. The St. Nicks are looked on as the probable winners, but close followers of the game believe the Irish-Americans have a good chance.

They base their opinion on the showing of the Winged Fist team against the Boston Athletic Association. The Irish played a championship variety of hockey against the Hub seven, and if they repeat their performance the St. Nicks will have their work cut out for them in order to win.

TIE FOR BILLIARDS LEAD

Hyman Defeats Hawkins in a One-Sided Match.

Arthur B. Hyman, the former champion, jumped into a tie with Joseph H. Shoemaker for the pocket billiard championship in defeating Herbert B. Hawkins in the afternoon game at the Amateur Billiard Club of New York yesterday by a score of 125 to 65. Both players are in front, with four victories and no defeats.

Hyman did not play to his usual form, although he succeeded in running out his string in fourteen frames, missing many an easy shot, probably through overconfidence.

The summary follows:

Arthur B. Hyman—10, 11, 12, 7, 12, 9, 8, 13, 5, 11, 10, 9, 8, 12. Total, 125; scratches, 3.
Herbert W. B. Hawkins—4, 3, 12, 7, 1, 8, 6, 1, 9, 3, 4, 5, 6, 2. Total, 65; scratches, 3.

Edward S. Reynolds loomed up as a contender for the title in easily defeating Edward F. Gray, in the night contest, by a score of 124 to 68.

The elimination process to decide the champion will begin to-night, when Shoemaker meets Hyman. The afternoon game calls for the meeting of J. H. Donnelly and Gray.

The scores follow:

Edward S. Reynolds—2, 13, 10, 7, 1, 10, 7, 12, 7, 14, 10, 11, 9, 13, 2. Total, 125; scratches, 2. High run, 13.
Edward F. Gray—12, 1, 4, 7, 13, 4, 7, 2, 7, 6, 4, 3, 3, 1. Total, 68 scratches, 2. High run, 10.

COLUMBIA TEAM CHOSEN

Pick of Track and Field Squad in for I. C. A. A. A. A. Meet.

Columbia has selected the team which it will enter in the first championship indoor meeting of the I. C. A. A. A. A., which is to be held at Madison Square Garden on Saturday night. The members of the team were chosen yesterday by Bernie Wefers, the coach, after trials.

The following were selected:

High jump—E. Loescher, '17, H. Schulte, '17, H. Chamberlaine, '15, H. Ritter, '18, S. Graham, '16.
Shot put—R. Beatty, '15, C. Olmstead, '15, J. Armstrong, '16, D. Greenleaf, '15, E. Lithgow, '17.
Relay (each man running 150 yards)—T. Black, '17, E. Gaither, '16, G. I. N. Zschiesche, '18, E. Appleby, '16, V. Nekanda, '17.
Relay (each running 300 yards)—F. Brady, '15, A. Harvey, '15, H. Monroe, '17, W. Vollmer, '16, A. Holzenbeck, '18.

Boxing Bill for Illinois.

Springfield, Ill., March 3.—Representative Epstein, of Chicago, to-day introduced in the Illinois House the first boxing bill of the session. The bill would create a state athletic commission. It was patterned after the New York boxing law.

SARATOGA STAKES LITTLE CURTAILED

Liberal Purses for All Fixtures at August Race Meeting.

There will be no curtailment in the stakes of the Saratoga Racing Association for their August meeting, despite the fact that the Owners' Fund, which contributed toward three features of the meeting last season, has ceased to exist.

The Huron, the Albany and the Saratoga Handicap, all three of which were endowed by the fund in 1914, have been retained by the board of directors, and although the purses are not so liberal as was the case last year, the distribution of moneys is highly satisfactory considering the circumstances.

The Albany, listed as Owners' Fund, Stake D, last year, has a gross value of $1,200 guaranteed by the association. Its value in 1914 was $5,000. The Huron, the value of which was $2,500 in added money last season, now has a guaranteed value of $1,500, and the Saratoga Handicap will be worth $3,000, instead of $2,500 added as a year ago.

The remainder of the stakes follow: Saratoga Cup, $1,500 added; Champlain Handicap, $2,500 guaranteed; Merchants and Citizens' Handicap, $2,500; Delaware Handicap, $1,500; Amsterdam, $1,200; Catskill, $1,000; the Travers, $1,500 added; the Alabama, $1,000 added; Saranac Handicap, $1,500 guaranteed; the Mohawk, $1,200 guaranteed; the Seneca, $1,000 guaranteed; the Saratoga Special, $1,000 in gold plate; the Adirondack Handicap, $2,500 guaranteed; the Sanford Memorial, $5,500 guaranteed; the Flash, $1,500 guaranteed; the Troy, $1,000 guaranteed; the Kentucky, $1,000 guaranteed; the Saratoga Steeplechase Handicap, $1,500 guaranteed; the North American Steeplechase Handicap, $1,500 guaranteed; the Beverwyck Steeplechase Handicap, $1,500 guaranteed, and the Shillelah Steeplechase (selling), $1,000 guaranteed.

Five stakes were closed last December. The values of these are: The United States and the Grand Union Hotel, $5,000 each, gross value guaranteed; the Spinaway Stakes for fillies, $3,000 guaranteed; the Hopeful Stakes, $7,500 guaranteed, and the Grab Bag Handicap, $3,500 guaranteed.

Caldwell Probable Star of Big Games To-Night

Experts Pick Him to Win 600 and 1,000 Yard Races at the Garden.

The 600-yard and 1,000-yard races should prove the features of the American indoor championships at Madison Square Garden to-night. Experts are predicting that Dave Caldwell, the Boston A. A. runner and intercollegiate half-mile champion, will win both of these events.

In the 600 Caldwell will meet Tom Halpin, of Boston, the present champion at that distance; Val Wilkie, of Yale, the metropolitan quarter-mile champion; Ollie De Gruchy, Win Gough and Abel Kiviat. In the 1,000 he will have as rivals Abel Kiviat, the present champion; Louis Gordon, the junior national mile champion; H. T. Mahoney, of the Boston A. A., and Willie Anderson, of the New York A. C.

The championship committee has placed the 1,000-yard run second on the programme, and as the 600-yard race will be the last event on the programme, the men who take part in the longer race will have a good rest before they are called to the mark in the blue ribbon event of the evening.

Raymond A. Carroll, of the Indiana State Normal School, is going to try and prove to the record committee of the A. A. U. that he is entitled to the world's record of 6 1-5 seconds, which he made in a 60-yard race last winter.

The two-mile championship also will attract considerable attention, as Joie Ray, of the Illinois A. C., of Chicago, will compete in New York for the first time. Ray conquered Hannes Kolehmainen in a special two-mile race last winter, and only two weeks ago he won a special mile in 4:26. He will meet Sid Leslie, of the Long Island A. C., and Mike Devanney, the winner of the recent Baxter and Hunter miles.

J. D. McDonagh, the crack hurdler from Baltimore, who made a new world's record for the 100-yard hurdle race at the Johns Hopkins University games a week ago, will endeavor to wrest the title from Jack Eller in the 70-yard high hurdle championship.

RITCHIE RAINS BLOWS ON THREE OF HIS PARTNERS

Hundred Boxing Fans Watch Willie Go Through His Training Stunts.

HIS SOCIAL DUTIES HANDICAP TO WELSH

Freddie's Presence Required at Benefits—Working at Cooper's Gym.

Willie Ritchie, who will box Freddie Welsh at the Garden next Thursday night, threatens to run out of sparring partners before he mixes things with Freddie in his "come back" stunt. Ritchie went through an hour and ten minutes of feverish work at Billy Grupp's gymnasium yesterday, winding up with ten lightning rounds of boxing, and was anxious for more, but Dr. Jeffreys, his physical mentor, called a halt, fearing his charge might overdo things.

More than a hundred boxing enthusiasts gathered in the gym while Ritchie worked, and Willie Jackson, Marty Farrell and Freddie Reese, the sparring partners, were tired young men when they got through finding landing places for the California lightweight's blows.

"Willie pulled most of his punches, but before the week is out I will have a good, rough welterweight here to swap punches with him. Then he will be able to turn loose on some one," said the doctor.

Reese, Farrell and Jackson are anxious to know if this mythical welterweight is going to be constructed of reinforced concrete or Belgian paving block.

As for Welsh, his social duties as a champion prevented him from going to Oceanport, N. J., his training camp, yesterday. His attendance is required at two benefits this week, and he will not go to the New Jersey resort until Saturday. In the meantime he is working out at Cooper's Gynasium. Yes, Freddie thinks he's going to win, too.

If you can't win a championship in the pugilistic game with your fists, why, simply change your ring name and blossom out as the ho'der of a title. That is what "Special Delivery" Hirsch has gone and done, and now, as Jimmy Hirst, he has his picture on the letterhead paper of John J. Reisler, his manager, and under the picture the magic words, "Welterweight Champion of the World."

Hirst's record is attached, but nowhere does it appear just when and where he gained the championship. As "Special Delivery" Hirsch this boy met with fair success in the roped arena, but as to welterweight champion, that is something else again.

However, all this has nothing to do with Reisler's letter, which announces that he has taken under his management Kid Wolfe, of Cleveland, a bantamweight, and Kid Mish, who has just graduated from the navy and boxes at the featherweight limit.

Wolfe, according to Reisler, is the only man who will have a chance against Kid Williams, the bantam champion, and he intends to bring him along until the grand opportunity arises. Mish is a good two-handed puncher, and Reisler swears is "a regular fighter."

The Federal A. C. has arranged what looks to be an attractive card for Saturday night. In the start bout Young McGowan, of Brooklyn, will swap punches with Young Franks, and in the semi-final Johnny Keyes and Patsy White are due to clash for the featherweight championship of the East Side. In the first bout Mike Clancy and Young Mundy will meet. Clancy is credited with being the only man to knock out George Chaney, the Baltimore terror.

At the Pioneer Sporting Club to-morrow night Johnny Drummie will meet Joe Goldberg, the Rochester featherweight, in the main bout. Bobby Moore and "Red" Butler, of Kansas City, will face each other in another ten-round bout, and Sammy Diamond will oppose Gardner Brooks, of Lowell, a cousin of Jimmy and George Gardner, who will make his first appearance in this city. Experts say Gardner is a coming champion in his division.

Patrick Gilmartin, manager of Jimmy Duffy, of the West Side, writes in to say that the Jimmy Duffy who was knocked out by Frankie Conifrey at a special show of the Union Settlement Athletic Club a week ago Friday is not his boy, but some one who is using the latter's name.

Dan Morgan, on beautiful green letter paper, arises to remark that Jack Britton, "the master boxer and fighter of all the lightweights," will agree to knock out the following "fox-trotters" within ten rounds: Freddy Welsh, Young Shugrue, Charley White, Johnny Dundee and Jimmy Duffy.

Quite a sizeable contract, it seems, but Morgan and Britton are in deadly earnest, and Britton is ready to make 133 or 135 pounds ringside, or forfeit his end of the gate. Don't fire, boys, until you see the whites of their eyes.

At Brown's Gymnasium on Saturday night three ten-round bouts will be put on between fast bantams, as follows: Jimmy Taylor vs. Young Lundy; Gardner Brooks vs. Young Kaufman and Johnny Daly vs. Young Yarns. There also will be a four-round bout between Ely Stanton, the Greek champion heavyweight, and John Perelli, the Italian heavyweight wrestler.

The card at the Long Acre Athletic Association to-morrow night will bring together Marty Cross and Kiddy Baker for ten rounds, George Manus and Joe Parker, Johnny Duff and Dave Cross and Artie Thomas and Nat Levy. Forty rounds of boxing—or less.

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