

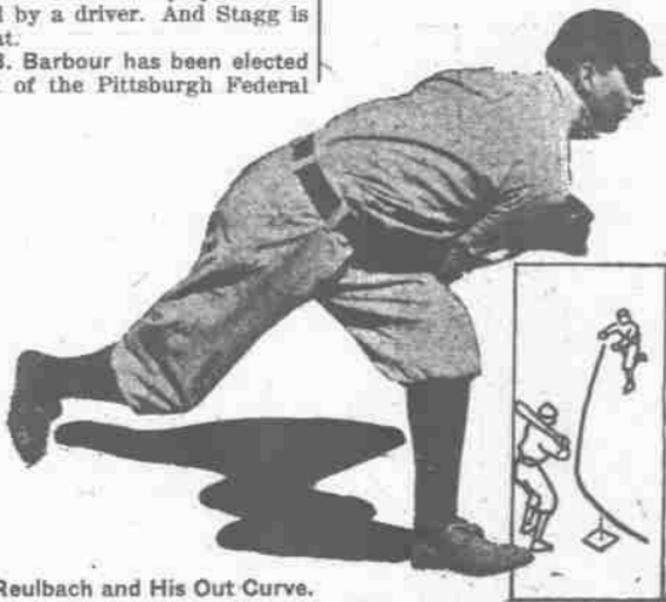
Minnesota the Chicago hopes of victory will be considerably dashed. Stagg is confined to his home with an attack of grip.

Chicago has a good football team, but it needs Stagg, just as the New York Giants need McGraw. Without their boss the Maroons become just an ordinary team of eleven men. Inspired by his presence, they become a cohesive football machine, playing far beyond their natural game. The speed for this increased play must be furnished by a driver. And Stagg is all of that.

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The improvement in baseball has marked time with the development of pitching. As the batter overtook the pitcher, new methods were adopted. But in 60 years, only four types of pitching have been born, namely: Speed, the curve, the slow ball and the spitball.

Speed, the earliest type, still rules favorite. When curves are being hit, 99 out of 100 pitchers fall back upon speed, because it is easily controlled.



Ed Reulbach and His Out Curve.

League club. The fortunes of the men behind the team total \$5,000,000.

Edward Hanlon, manager of Baltimore and Brooklyn when those cities were copping National League pennants, has been elected a director in the Baltimore Federal League club.

Pitching is the keystone of baseball. When it loosens the structure crumbles. "Besides the vastness of the importance of this position, the dash of infield and outfield fade," says F. C. Lane in the Baseball Magazine.

In a class by himself as a speed pitcher is Walter Johnson. His speed is dazzling. He revels in it. Speed and control make him the world's greatest pitcher. Others have speed, but use less freely. Contrary to opinion, speed is not wearing, because it is the natural delivery, while the curve, slow ball and spitter are acquired.

The arm was designed to propel small missiles at great speed, not to throw curves. Strength and nervous energy in abundance are necessary to great speed, but its use demands