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SPORT AND POLITICS

Notes About Men and Their Doings in the Two Great Fields of National Pastime.

After persistent denials that Outfielder Chappelle had been sold to the Chicago American League team, the Milwaukee management confirmed the Chicago reports and gave out the official price for the star player.

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BASEBALL ADVERTISEMENTS.

WHITE SOX AT HOME.

Following are the home games of the White Sox played at Comiskey Park, 35th street and Shields avenue: July 16, 17, 18, 19. With Philadelphia.

FEDERAL BASEBALL LEAGUE.

Following are the home games of the Chicago team in the Federal league. Grounds are at Webster and Sheffield avenues: July 16, 17, 18, 19—Cleveland.



THEODORE BRENTANO, Chosen Chief Justice of the Criminal Court.



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Joe Birmingham, Successful Leader of Cleveland Team.

Joe Birmingham is the youngest manager in the major leagues, being but twenty-seven years of age. He first gave evidence of his ability as a diamond leader last year, when Harry Davis was let out after a disastrous experience as pilot of the Cleveland team.

Joe Birmingham is a New York state boy, hailing from Elmira. He first made his mark as a diamond star as a member of the Gloversville-Amsterdam-Johnstown team in the New York State league.

AROUND THE BASES

The Giants refuse to stop winning. Mattick appears to be a sparkling fielder. Manager McGraw expects Jim Thorpe to be a regular in his lineup next season.

JONES RELEASED TO TOLEDO

Former Detroit Tiger Outfielder Goes Back to American Association for the Second Time. David Jones, who played in Detroit's outfield for seven years, was born in Cambria, Wis., June 30, 1880.



David Jones.

Ty Cobb is flirting with trouble again. He is arranging for a barnstorming tour to California next fall, and has been sounding players on the proposition.

Viox, the young second baseman of the Pirates, is playing a brilliant game. He is batting and fielding like a regular. Hans Wagner says he will become a star before long.

Manager Stallings has kept the Braves on their toes at all times and the fighting spirit of a second division team has been applauded by the Boston fans via the box office.

Of all the players on the Brooklyn team Nap Rucker, the star southpaw, was purchased for the lowest sum. Rucker was drafted from Augusta in 1907 for the small sum of \$500.

Chief Wilson of the Pirates has recovered his batting eye and is banging the ball now as he did last year, when his run of three batters formed one of the season's big sensations.

Fred Snodgrass, the gent who pulled off the memorable miff in the world's series, is now doing great work for the Giants. His hitting has helped the New Yorkers win many battles.

Charlie Deal, Ed Onslow, Walter Scott, Bob Troy, Paul Hunter and Lefty Claus were sent up to the big show by the South Michigan league last year and the only one of the half dozen who stuck is Claus, who is with the Tigers.

after taking part in fourteen games was sold to the St. Louis Browns. Davy refused to report to the Browns and jumped to the Chicago Nationals. After playing three seasons with the Cubs he was released to Minneapolis in 1905. The following year he returned to the big show as a member of the Detroit Tigers. He held down a gardener's job with the Tigers until this spring, when he was released to the Chicago White Sox. The White Sox recently released him to Toledo.

To Aid Jackson's Batting. Joe Jackson, of the Cleveland Naps, is a wonderful hitter at home, but he always loses a lot of ground as soon as he is asked to play on eastern diamonds. But for his falling to hit up to his standard in the east, Jackson would probably have led the league in hitting for the past two years.

Birmingham has figured it out that the sun fields which Jackson has been forced to play in the east have had a bad effect on his eyes. He proposed to avoid this in the future, and Jackson will be shifted to those fields where the sun does not interfere with him in the hope that he will be able to keep up his terrific hit with the stick on the road.

Eiberfeld's Experience With Cannon Ball Drive.

Former Major Player Relates Interesting Tale of Accidental Catch of Line Drive From Big Frenchman's Bludgeon.

Kid Eiberfeld, late of the New York and Washington Americans, now managing Chattanooga, in the Southern league, is the greatest fan in the country, according to the majority of ball players in the big circuit.

It happened at a Cleveland hotel during one of the series of games Washington was playing in that city. The talk had turned to the hardest hits ever made, and every one was having his say, the Kid alone excepted.

"It happened in about the seventh inning of a hotly contested game. Larry had been hitting the ball on the 'pick' all through the game, as he usually does when in New York, and I, from my position at third base, was thankful that none of his drives had come anywhere near my territory.

"In this inning the king was up first, and I recall that I was playing back rather deep at the time. The pitcher, I don't remember now who he was, put one in the alley, and Lajoie took a mighty poke at it. I was bent over with a hand on each knee, and the sound of wood and leather had hardly reached me before I saw that ball come shooting through the air toward me with the speed of a rifle bullet.

All I had time to do was to take my hands off my knees and close them between my legs, when the ball reached me, struck fairly in the center



Kid Eiberfeld.

of my glove, and stuck. But I want you, I went right up into the air, and came right down flat on my back on the grass about three feet back of the place where I had been crouching.

"For a moment I was stunned. The first thing I knew the Cleveland coach was standing over me and demanding to know where I was hurt. But I wasn't, although I was dazed a little by the shock of my fall. I took the ball out of my glove and wrung my hand to see whether I had broken any of the bones in it. Luckily my glove had borne all the shock, though the member felt numb for several hours.

Clark Griffith ran out from the dugout and shook me by the hand, while all the other players congratulated me. But, boys," and the Kid wagged his head with emphasis, "if I could have got out of the way of that ball I would never have made the catch. That is why I say Larry is the hardest hitter. And I shall believe he is, too, to my dying day."

Would Get Larry In On It. Grantland Rice rises to remark: "Speaking strictly as a noncombatant, I'd like to see our old side-splitter, Larry Lajoie, get one whack at that world's series buff after 17 seasons of stardom, minus any part of it. To say nothing of observing Larry just once up in a championship series with the bases full and score fairly compact."

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