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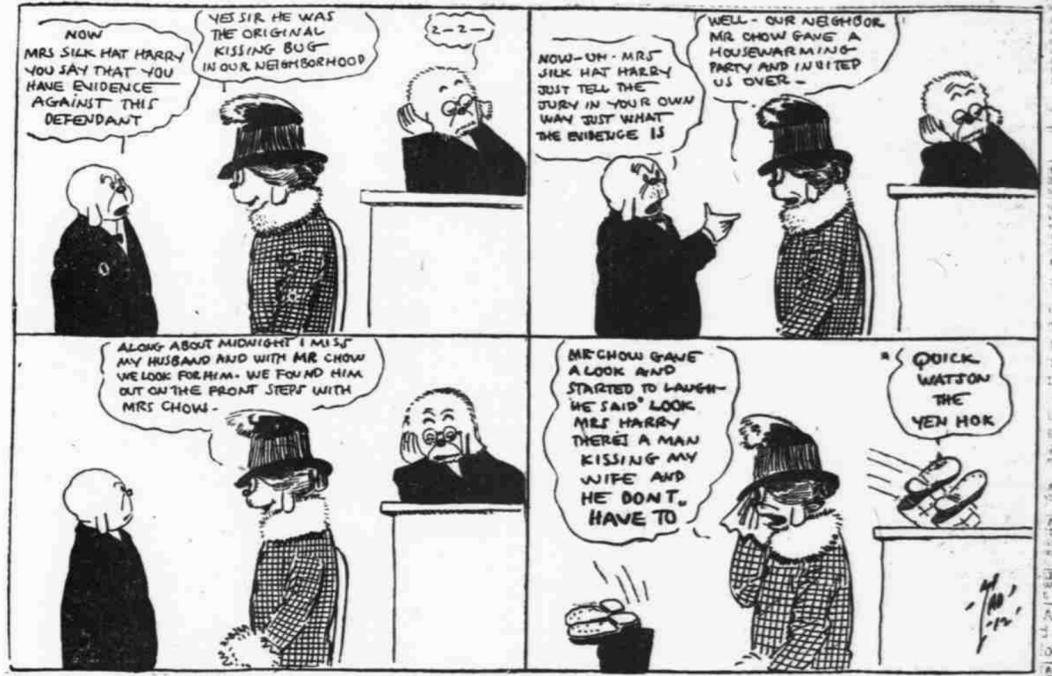
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Leading District Clubs Play In Sandlot Baseball Battles

Just Look 'Em Over

By TAD

Then the Judge Woke Up



RED SOX, BEST OF "MONEY" CLUBS, KEEPS WORLD TITLE RECORD CLEAN

BOSTON, Sept. 12.—The Red Sox, keeping clean the record in world's series of this old New England metropolis, are champions of the universe for 1918, taking the fourth victory in six games from the Chicago Cubs by a score of 2 to 1.

George Whiteman, aged and decrepit, not expected to play regularly, by his superior fielding and timely hitting, has proved himself the George Rube of 1918.

Max Flack, former Federal Leaguer, by muffing a line drive in a crucial moment, has emulated the well-known Fred Snodgrass with entire success.

Just as had been foreshadowed, the Red Sox proved the better "money club" when the big pinch came. Throughout the series they were the steadier, the more timely hitters, the better base runners, the better fielders and more brainy in a baseball way. The Cubs fought gamely, making every game a close one, but the American Leaguers had the edge, made their own "breaks," and then took advantage of them.

Carl Mays pitched beautifully all the way against the Cubs. Then, too, his support was perfect, while "Lefty" Tyler, the New Hampshire dairyman, saw his support fall to pieces when it should have been the tightest. In the last five frames Mays allowed but fifteen batsmen to face him, and but two balls were driven beyond the infield, without a safe drive being made off his underhand delivery. He was truly king of the mound.

Whiteman is brilliant. But the real hero of the day, and of the entire series, was George Whiteman, the ancient guardian of the left pasture. The ovation given him by the deliciously happy fans at the close of the contest must have filled him with pride, but it was coming to him in large doses.

In the eighth inning, when Fred Mitchell's wits were nearly at an end in the wild hunt for a "break" that would give his Cubs the edge, Turney Barber came to bat in place of the light-hitting Deal. He caught one on the nose and drove it low and hard toward left field.

Whiteman came in like a race horse, lunged forward, grabbed the ball off the grass as he fell, turned a complete somersault and came up smiling, holding the ball tightly gripped in both hands. That marvelous circus catch snuffed out the final hope of the National Leaguers.

Flack a Snodgrass. It was Whiteman, too, who gave Max Flack, the Cubs' right fielder, his chance to equal Fred Snodgrass, when he hammered a hard liner directly at him. That "break" came in the third inning, and gave the Red Sox their victory in the sixth contest and the title for the season.

Mays opened the Sox half of the third with a free ticket. Hooper, sacrificing neatly, Shean drew another free pass, both runners advancing as Flack tossed out Strunk. Up came Whiteman amid cheers. He responded with a hard drive to right. Flack came in too fast and dropped the ball. Mays and Shean scoring Boston's two runs.

The Cubs scored their one run in the fourth. There after Mays held them in the hollow of his good right hand. Flack's single opened that stand. Hollocher expired on a roller.

PERFECT SEASON ENDS.

Table with columns for Chicago and Boston players and their statistics.

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Runs—Flack, Shean and Mays. Errors—Flack and Tyler. Stolen bases—Flack. Sacrifice hits—Hooper, Thomas. Left on bases—Chicago, 2; Boston, 1. First base on errors—Boston, 2. First base on balls—Off Tyler, 5; off Mays, 2. Hits—Off Tyler, 5 in 7 balling; off pitcher—Mann. Struck out—By Tyler, 1; by Mays, 1. Losing pitcher—Tyler. Umpire—Hildbrand. Game started at 7:05. Time of game—1 hour and 46 minutes.

HEYDLER BELIEVES IN 1919 PASTIME

BOSTON, Sept. 12.—John A. Heydler, president pro tem. of the National League, suggests that some effort be made to stage major league baseball next summer.

"There are enough ball players," says Heydler, "married or with dependents, to make up good ball teams for two major leagues, and if these could be exempted from the 'work or fight' order for a short season, say four months, the game could be continued, and the country be the better for it."

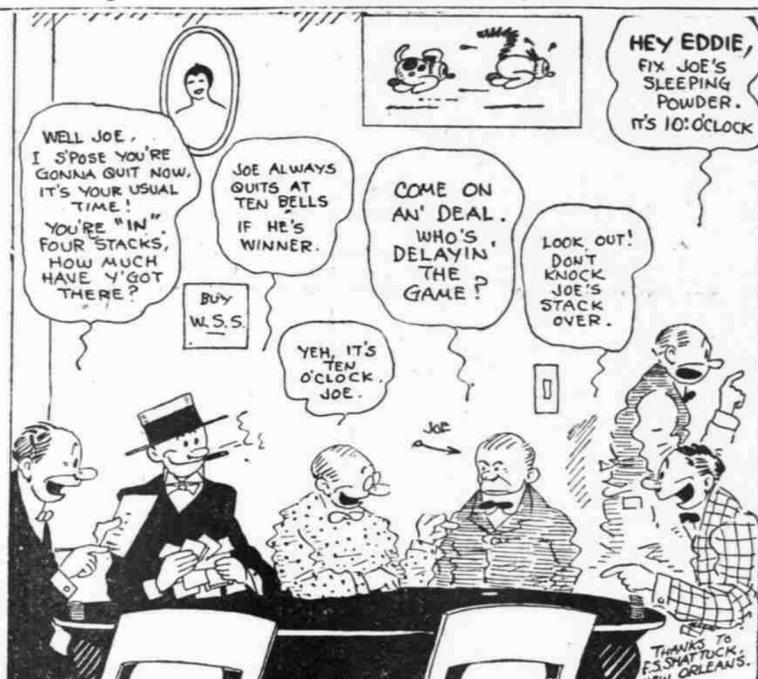
Heydler would introduce at once the reforms that baseball needs most. He would have salaries reduced materially for all concerned, with the club profits donated to some war fund such as the Red Cross. In short, he would have professional baseball entertain the people in the larger cities of the country and also make it a valuable adjunct to the war, socially and financially.

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Penny Ante The Guy Who Quits at 10 O'Clock—If He's Winner. By Jean Knott



LOOKING 'EM OVER By LOUIS A. DOUGHER

That the squabbling over the gate receipts of the 1918 series for the world's championship has given professional baseball a black eye that will endure for some time after the war ends goes without saying. The fans are being weaned away from the game by being informed of the little sportsmanliness found in it. Far greater than that, though, is the fact that newspaper support is being alienated, and without newspaper support the present situation of professional baseball cannot endure.

As an evidence of this alienation of newspaper support, look at the following editorial in Tuesday's edition of the New York Times, written before the "strike" in Boston:

"Baseball is ending what will be its last season, for the duration of the war at least, and it is ending in a way to emphasize all the evil and the utter lack of anything like real sportsmanliness that always have characterized this game in its professional phase.

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SANDLOTTERS GO AT IT AFTER CHANGING DATES

Marines, picked as winners of the Section 1 title baseball series, will play the Capital Publishers today at the American League Park. At Union League Park the Navy Yard nine, rated as the strongest in Section 2, will engage the Army Medical School team.

Fans will get a chance to see the teams which will probably stack up in a three-game series for the District Baseball Association title as both the Marines and Navy Yard clubs are going at top speed.

Those who have figured the Marines as losing in the necessary pre-measure up yesterday's battle against the War Risk team, which was won by the Marines at 3 to 1. The Cappers, with Deaneau in the box in the first section, Cappers on their last meeting and should give them a regular battle today.

Far from being counted out of the running the Army Medical side will have the services of Austin Howard and the Port Myer contingent. Lieut. Wesley Cox promises a good engagement with the Marines.

Association Meets. The District Baseball Association, meeting at Spalding's last night, dropped Commerce team from the series. Failure to put nine men on the field in two games drew the suspension.

Operations, which had addressed a protest to President Robert E. Doyle, failed to have a representative. The protest was referred to the board of governors, which will meet at Spalding's on Friday night.

The dropping of Commerce leaves Marines, Capital Publishers and War Risk in the first section. Cappers have two games to play with Marines and the Marines will play one battle with War Risk in concluding the series.

Change in Schedule. On Sunday the Rex A. C. Operations contest has been changed for Union League Park at 3 o'clock. This shift necessitates putting the War Risk-Marines game at American League Park in a double-header with the Clarendon and Army Medical School contest.

The postponed games of September 8 between Navy Yard and Clarendon and Army Medical School and Rex A. C. will be played off September 22 at Union League Park. Marines and Capital Publishers will play off their postponed game on September 16 at Union League Park.

Today at the Parks. Umpire Bill Handboe will be unable to work in today's game, and Umpire Jimmy Hughes will be alone at American League Park. "Handy" is assisting as a draft board registrar and is forced to forego the noble pastime of umpiring.

At Union League Park Jack Carr and Billy Betts will work in the Navy Yard-Army Medical School game. Both games are due to start at 5:15, and will get under way promptly.

The series is resulting in an effort to stop the mad rushes of the Marines, in section one, and the Navy Yard, in section two.

Marines in Front. Singleton, of the Marines, came as near pitching a perfect game—against a really strong club, too—as will ever be his lot. The string bean right-hander from Quantico had everything himself and was accorded first class support. It is true that the War Risk team got three hits off him, two most questionable, but it was Gladden and Cobb erred momentarily. At

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